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Monthly Newsletter for the Members of the

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Dear Members, this will be my last newsletter message to you as SCAA president. The proverbial "gavel" will be turned over to Pat Thayer, whom I know will do a splendid job as your new president.

I want to thank my outstanding Executive Board; Pat, Laurie Finkelstein and Ted Koscheski for their hard work and dedication to the SCAA. Thank you to the General Board and Chairs for performing your responsibilities flawlessly. And to all members who stepped up to volunteer on your own, or when asked. This is why our organization is great!

There are a couple of changes to our General Board for next term. Lorlinda Osborne has passed the Membership Chair baton to Bruce McFarland, and long-time member, Ken Ross is moving away and handing the snail-mail position to new member, Jill Hackett. Thank you both for volunteering.

Disappointingly there wasn't a nomination for Vice President. Remember, whomever is VP has 1 to 2 years before becoming president, to watch, listen and learn. These are the duties as stated in our bylaws.

- Presides over all General Membership and Board of Directors meetings in the absence of the President;
- Assists the President in selecting committee and chairpersons.
- Completes other duties as assigned by the President.

As you can see, nothing is particularly daunting, and even a new member can do these functions. And there are many past VPs and Presidents absolutely willing to help you. I beseech you to please consider taking on this position. Without the prospect of a future president, our association's survival could be at risk. Yes, we need followers and we need leaders. But some people think they cannot be leaders. And sometimes they're wrong. Leaders are not always born leaders. Please talk to Pat 661.254.6509 or me 661.259.6789 this month, including at the Holiday Party.

I'm really looking forward to our Members' Holiday Party, December 17th to just relax, eat, drink and socialize. If you're a new member, please introduce yourself. Thank you in advance to Jane Dietz for hosting.

I want to wish all of you a safe and wonderful holiday season and a happy and healthy New Year. Here's hoping the New Year will bring a fabulous new SCAA Gallery and lots of opportunities to show our creativity. And congratulations and best of luck to our new Executive Board [there's a VP out there, I just know it!].

I'm not going away just yet...I will be continuing the position of Program Chair for 2013 along with Zony Gordon as co-chair. So if you know of someone whom you think our members would like to see demonstrate at our meetings, or if you have other ideas for our meetings, please feel free to let us know. Our contact info will be at the end of the newsletters.

Finally, thank you for allowing me to serve you this past year. I have had the pleasure of getting to know you all a little better. I have learned something from each and every one of you in myriad of ways and subjects. You are all individuals with something to offer and I gratefully have reaped the benefits!

I'd like to leave you with one of my favorite quotes. "A hundred million miracles are happening every day. And those who say they don't agree are those who do not hear or see". Take a moment every day to acknowledge a miracle.

Yours in service,

Laurie

Art Classic XXIII Reception at City Hall

Please join the City of Santa Clarita's City Council, City of Santa Clarita Arts Commission, and Arts and Events Office on Wednesday, December 5, 2012, from 7:00-9:00 p.m., at City Hall for a reception celebrating the newest exhibit in the First Floor Gallery titled "23rd Annual Arts Classic," which features award-winning pieces by local artists. At the reception, residents are invited to meet the artists, talk to other art enthusiasts, and enjoy light appetizers and entertainment.



Calendar at a Glance

December 17: SCAA Holiday Party at the home of Jane Dietz



3 Artists 3 Styles
ONE GREAT BOUTIQUE

NOUVEAU BOHEMIAN
 Evie Cook

Queen of Hearts
 Jaylene Armstrong

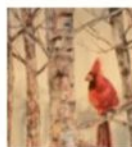
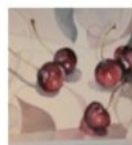
Country Babe
 Janine Cooper Ayres

Dec. 1st - 30th at Valencia Art & Framing in Granary Square

Artists' Reception on Saturday, December 1st from 3-6 p.m.

KUDOS

- Laurie Morgan was commissioned to paint a 2"x 2" miniature for a Victorian Doll House Collection.
- Carrie Dawn Gordon sold a picture from the Gallery at the Crowne Plaza in Venutura.
- Olga Kaczmar will teach a watercolor class at the Sports Complex. Title: Watercolor Step by Step using Wendon Blake's *The Complete Watercolor Book* as reference. Wed evenings: starts 1/23 6-8 pm Location SCSC-AC, 4 classes for \$50 Code 1329.101 See Seasons magazine or register on-line www.santa-clarita/seasons.
- Idelle Tyzbir's sculpture, Crossroads at Iron Horse Trailhead, was featured on the cover of Seasons Magazine Winter 2012 edition.



You're invited art reception

featuring Jeanne Iler

Open House: Saturday, Dec. 8, 2012

Time: 1 - 4 p.m.

Address: *Just Between Us Boutique**

27674 Newhall Ranch Road, #15 Valencia

at the corner of Dickason Drive in the Plaza del Rancho Shopping Center across from Carl's Jr.

Refreshments...demos...handmade jewelry...holiday decor...and always quality brand names in a charming consignment shop.

*** Bring this invitation with you and receive a 15% discount on your shop purchases.**

November General Meeting at Barnes and Noble with Art Classic Winners

The November 19th meeting featured several of the 2012 Art Classic winners discussing their winning pieces! We heard from Best of Show winner Gary Friedman, Rick Moore, Pat Thayer, Jill Hackett, Bruce McFarland, C.M. Cooper, Ramsin Yefima, Norma Warden, Jane Dietz, David Behar, Patti Koscheski, Jeanne Iler and our President Laurie Morgan.

The December 17th meeting will not be a meeting at all...it will be a festive holiday celebration at the home of Jane Dietz. This is always a fun time to get together with your fellow SCAA members, hang out in a casual setting, and eat, drink and be merry! There will be a raffle, too! See the invitation in this newsletter for more details. We hope to see you all there!





"HOLIDAYS & BLOOMS"

An Art Show Featuring the works of
Zony V. Gordon
Impressionist Artist
You are invited to the
Artist's Reception

Sunday, December 2, 2012
4:00-7pm

Wine and Hors D' Oeuvres will be served

Musical Guest- Classic Guitarist Manak

Canyon Theatre Guild Gallery
24242 Main St. (Old Town Newhall)
Newhall CA 91321

RSVP: 661-312-3422 / 661-255-5554

Art on display from November 25-December 22, 2012 10-5pm.

The gallery is closed Mondays. Please call CTG at 661-799-2702 for particulars

An event of the Santa Clarita Artists Association

Artist Tips from Jerry's Artarama

- When drying your brushes after cleaning, make sure you hang them with the tip pointing down. When you dry with tip upright, it allows moisture to stay in the ferrule, and greatly reduces the life of your brush- *Jonella, Spencer, Indiana*
- Before adding the finishing touches to your artwork, take a picture with your digital camera using the black and white setting, or change it to black and white on your computer. You'll be able to quickly judge if your values are correct.- *Michele, Marquette, MI*



SCAA Holiday Party

At the home of Jane Dietz
24653 Valley St. Newhall, 91321

December 17th at 6:30 p.m.

WHAT TO BRING: Last name that begins in

A-L Finger foods/appetizers (fruit trays, veggie trays, nuts, chips and dip, mini quiches, egg rolls, dim sum, mini tacos, etc.)

M-Z Desserts (brownies, cookies, sliced cake, cupcakes frozen cream puffs, fudge, brittle, etc.)

- The Association will be serving white wine, coffee and soda.
- If you prefer to bring a bottle of red wine in place of your assigned item, please let us know, or questions: scaaeblast@yahoo.com
- We will be offering unopened chilled bottles of Challis Lane Chardonnay, [from the Art Classic] for a \$6.00 donation.
- We will also be having exciting raffles! Artwork by our members will be raffled off, Gift Certificates, and our Grand Prize will be A One Year Membership (for 2) to the Canyon Theatre Guild!

WHITE ACRYLIC TUBES FOR SALE



Laurie Morgan has several Golden acrylic Titanium White 5 oz. tubes for sale. These tubes retail for \$15.55 each and she has them available for \$8.00.

Contact Laurie at: laurie@lmorgan.biz for more information.



Have you ever painted with coffee? Believe it or not, it's a wonderful medium for monochromatic artwork, with a wide range of rich brown hues.

You can use both instant and regular coffee to paint with. Instant coffee is a great time-saver—all you have to do is dissolve some instant coffee in hot water. Change the coffee/water ratio to achieve a lighter or richer color. Darker hues will require less water than the lighter shades.



Advertising in the Newsletter

Advertising rates are shown below. Please send a check payable to **SCAA** to: Lisa Barr, 15103 Doug Road, Canyon Country, CA 91387. Send ad copy (jpeg format is preferred) to lisa6inca@sbcglobal.net. Questions call (661) 645-5864.

Per One Month	Members	Non-Members
Business card 2"x 3 ½"	\$10	\$15
¼ page 5"x 4"	\$20	\$25
½ page 5"x 8"	\$35	\$45

KEEP INFORMED ONLINE!



Be sure to keep up to date with all the happenings of the SCAA on our website: www.santaclaritaartists.org and on our Facebook page at: Santa Clarita Artists Association!

1. Visit the SCAA Facebook page at: Santa Clarita Artists Association
2. "Like" our page
3. If there is an event under our "Events" tab, be sure to RSVP if you plan to attend. You can then invite your friend to the event. Just click on "Invite Friends" and select those friends you wish to invite.
4. Any time the SCAA posts on their Facebook page, you can share it on your personal "Wall". Underneath the post will be the word "share". Just click on that and then on the blue button when the next box appears. You can even add your own text before you share it.
5. Don't forget to click on "like" on the articles and news the SCAA posts to the page.
6. Feel free to add comments, post your events, and tell y our friends about the page so they can "like" it, too!

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- Friendly framing consultants ready to assist you.
- All of our work is done by expert framers right here in our Santa Clarita Store.

Santa Clarita Artists' Association Members Receive 10% Discount

26450 Ruether Ave., #203 Santa Clarita
(Off Soladad Canyon Road, just south of Home Depot)

(661) 250-8420

REMINDERS

BOARD MEETINGS are the first Monday of the month. Members are welcome to attend. Please give 24-hour notice to Secretary Laurie Finkelstein at laurie@lauriebethart.com.

Deadline for Newsletter articles and advertising is the 20th of the month prior to issue.

KUDOS: Are you having an Art Show? Did you win an award? Let us know and we'll give you "Kudos". Send articles, advertisements, and photos to Newsletter Editor Lisa Barr at lisa6inca@sbcglobal.net.

Exhibit Venues

CANYON THEATRE GUILD HALLWAY GALLERY

24242 Main Street, Old Town Newhall

Zony Gordon will be exhibiting from November 23 – December 22 during the theatre's production of "White Christmas". Following her will be Sonnia Samalya. Come support live theater in Santa Clarita; and our members' artwork on display! For reservations call (661) 799-2702. To exhibit at the CTG please contact Laurie Morgan at laurie@lmorgan.biz or (661) 259-6789. Next opening is July 2013. All art is juried by committee.

ELITE SMILES FAMILY DENTISTRY

24155 Magic Mountain Parkway, Valencia, CA

Elite Smiles Art exchange will be on Monday, January 28th from 2:00-4:00 p.m. Contact Jackie Nichols at nicholski@sbcglobal.net or 661-259-1528 if you would like to hang your art work in the venue. Art may be limited to a few pieces depending on how many artists participate. We have 16 places to hang art.

FASTFRAME

24204 Valencia Blvd., Valencia, CA 91355

Voted Best Custom Framing in the SCV, owners, Randy and Rose-Marie Burzynski are framing experts and well versed in designing and producing the right framing look for your art pieces. They have offered wall and easel space in their store for SCAA members to display their art work since opening. They prefer that artwork be "unframed" unless you have them frame a piece for you of course. Each artist will be featured for one month at a time thus increasing the number of artists able to display more frequently. Artist receptions are encouraged and welcomed. FASTFRAME offers all SCAA members a 20% discount on all custom framing. You are encouraged to stop by and speak with Randy & Rose-Marie about your art as they enjoy getting to know all of the artists in the SCV. To apply please email 3 jpeg images of your work to FASTFRAME for consideration - valenciafastframe@att.net

JUST BETWEEN US BOUTIQUE

27674 Newhall Ranch Road, Valencia, CA

Just Between Us Boutique is Santa Clarita's first pure consignment boutique specializing in women's clothing, shoes, and accessories. This is the place to find unique items that are new to you at up to 80% below retail. Art changes every 6 weeks. Contact Lisa at (661) 257-4200 for consideration.

SAMUEL DIXON FAMILY HEALTH CENTER

23772 Newhall Aveue, Santa Clarita, CA

Change out at Samuel Dixon is Tuesday, January 29th from 2:00-4:00 p.m. Paintings should be colorful and cheerful- the size limit is 36x36 and a maximum of four paintings. Questions? Contact Gerda Maxey at danandgerda@aol.com or (818) 362-3254.

VALENCIA ART AND FRAMING

25850 McBean Parkway, Valencia, CA ; www.artnframing.com

Hours: Mon-Sat 10 a.m. To 6:00 p.m.

December will feature three SCAA artists exhibiting together: Jaylene Armstrong, Evie Cook, and Janine Cooper Ayres. If you would like to exhibit at this venue, please contact Jennifer Hill at jahill69@sbcglobal.net



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GALLERY COMMITTEE- Lisa Barr, Evie Cook, Laurie Finkelstein, Melanie Florio

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