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Petaluma Arts Association Newsletter July 2015

Next Regular meeting Tuesday, August 4th

The Petaluma Arts Association Meetings are held the first Tuesday of each month at the United Church of Christ Community Room, 825 Middlefield Road in Petaluma.

**Doors open at 6 for visiting, fellowship and setup.
Business meeting 6:30 to 7:15 followed by a break
Program 7:30 to 8:30
The public and potential members are always welcome!**

AUGUST Meeting Program: Jane Kelly -- Mosaics

NEWS FROM THE JULY MEETING

JULY PROGRAM: **Jan Lee**, one of the founding members of the Riverfront Gallery in Petaluma has a distinguished list of juried shows, gallery exhibits and awards. She continues to paint when and what inspires her at the moment. Jan gave a wonderfully interactive, hands-on presentation and demonstration of watercolor techniques, and invited all present to give her techniques a try!

10 MINUTE SPOTLIGHT: **Pamela Borne** brought two pieces of her art to share.

AWARDS and HONORS

- ✚ PAA has been invited to attend the "Circle of Honor" at Santa Rosa Junior College this year. The event honors scholarship recipients, including the art student selected to win the PAA \$500 Scholarship. **Elaine Larson, Maria Bales and Maria Lewis** will attend, representing the Petaluma Arts Association.
- ✚ Petaluma Arts Association has been selected to receive the **2015 Community Partner of the Year Award** in appreciation of the inclusive work PAA has consistently forged for the past 3 years to include OADS artists into the mainstream of the arts community of Sonoma County. **Elaine Larson** will accept this award on behalf of PAA at the elegant "UCPNB Grapes and Gratitude" event on September 17th at the Jacuzzi Family Winery in Sonoma. The following is an excerpt from the letter PAA received:

The Gratitude Awards recognize a business or agency that has made an outstanding contribution to supporting people with physical and/or developmental disabilities. UCP of the North Bay is proud to honor you and the Petaluma Arts Association for their efforts to support an inclusive environment for our artists from the Open Studio at OADS. You and the Petaluma Arts Association stand as an example of what can be done by community citizens to include and support people with disabilities.

OTHER NEWS FROM THE JULY MEETING

- ✚ Sonoma County Home Show Opportunity: presented by Marti Sanders
Save the date! Sign up for a shift at the PAA/OADS booth at the Fall Sonoma County Home Show, September 17, 18 and 19 at the Sonoma County Fairgrounds. Booths are \$450 for the public, but \$35 for non-profit groups. Since PAA does not have non-profit status, we will be joining UCP/OADS, cost free, to exhibit our work. Artists taking shifts can show their paintings, offer them for sale, and pay no commissions. It's a wonderful opportunity to showcase your work at a high trafficked event! A sign-up sheet will be available at the August meeting. Contact **Marti Sanders** or **Elaine Larson** with any questions.

- ✚ **PLEASE VOLUNTEER:**

GOODIES FOR MEETINGS: Please sign up take a turn providing goodies for our meetings.

PUBLICITY CHAIR NEEDED: PAA is still needs a publicist. Please consider filling this important position for PAA.

ART IN THE PARK – September 12-13, 2015.

Notes from the organizers:

Jan Lee has organized lists for **poster and post card distribution**. If you can help, please contact Jan and let her know. Distribution will take place in August, but it would help her plan if you could send her an email and let her know you will help. Posters and post cards will be available to pick up at the August meeting, or you can make arrangements with Jan to pick them up at another time. Contact Jan at: 789-9662, email: janleeartist@comcast.net.

There are still spaces available. Download your entry form from our web site: www.petalumaarts.org

The success of this event depends on many volunteers, mostly at the information table. Please give at least two hours either Saturday or Sunday. Call **Pat Marshall** to reserve your time, or sign up at the next meeting.

There will be live music both days beginning at 11:00 a.m.

This year we have a coffee and pastry seller. Come down in the morning for a great cup of coffee and delicious pastry. You will be happy you did. Best pastries ever!

Remember -- We are not allowed to drive into the park any longer, but there is parking on three sides of Walnut Park, and we have Boy Scouts who are happy to help you unload and set up. **After unloading, you are asked to move your vehicle away from the park, then come back to arrange your display. Please extend courtesy to your fellow artists by allowing them space to unload.**

For more details about Art in the Park, contact Tom Potenza [Click here to email Tom](mailto:tom.potenza@petalumaarts.org) or Linda Donohue [click here to email Linda](mailto:linda.donohue@petalumaarts.org). Or call Tom Potenza: 707-694-5138.

CALLS TO ARTISTS



If you would like to show your work at the Boulevard Café in Petaluma beginning in early August, please contact the editor at personalediting@gmail.com. First come, first served, although two or more artists can “team up.”



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Evelyn Nitzberg is organizing an Education First (EF) cultural exchange tour of Cuba during June 2016. Cuba is in for big changes. Tours are booking up fast. It seems like a long time to wait, but EF needs time to arrange this all-inclusive nine-day trip. The cost includes round trip flights from SFO, hotels, tour guide, two meals each day, and all entry fees. Evelyn adds: "all ages are encouraged to join us!" For more details contact [Evelyn](#).

If you haven't already posted your information and samples of your work on our web site, do it now. www.petalumaarts.org

CLASSES / EXHIBITS / OPPORTUNITIES



WASCO workshops in October 2015 with watercolorist Jean Haines: October 6 & 7, 2015 or October 9 & 10, 2015. There will be a demonstration and book-signing October 8 at 1 p.m. at Luther Burbank Art & Garden Center 2050 Yulupa Avenue, Santa Rosa. For more information call 707-433-6714 or email Joan Wale at mjwale@aol.com

MEMBER NEWS

Members if you have not paid your 2015 dues, your name and contact information will be removed from the Membership List on our web page. Contact Darold Graves if want to remain on the list as a member. See contact information below.

Lynn Hennessy exhibits her Contemporary Abstract Art during the months of July and August at the **Sunflower Caffe, on the Plaza in Sonoma**. The Sunflower Caffe is located at 421 First Street West and is open 7:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. daily.

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Karen West is showing acrylics and watercolors with six other artists at **The Art Hatchery**, a group of four studios located 401 7th Street in Petaluma.

Edmond L. Bridant, A.R.P.S. and **Sheila Madden Bridant** continue at the **Boulevard Café**, in Petaluma until the end of July. Edmond’s show at the Moshin Winery opens soon. Details to follow.

To update your member listing or to add content to the Members' Gallery, contact Michelle at Wildflower Web Design by [clicking here](#). Or if you prefer, **Darold Graves** Membership Chairman: telephone: 707 762-5044 or [email](#).

NEWSLETTER

Submission guidelines:

Information for the newsletter should be submitted by the 15th of the month preceding the activity. Submit articles directly to editor Sheila Madden Bridant by [clicking here](#). **Please type "PAA Newsletter" in the subject line.** Thank you.

CONTACT INFORMATION

Web Site	http://www.petalumaarts.org/	
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