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Petaluma Arts Association Newsletter April 2016

Next Regular meeting, Tuesday, April 5, 2016

Program: Dean Dizikes – “TOY SOLDIERS & ASSEMBLAGE”

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!

Spring Library Show

The popular vote of community members visiting the Spring Library Show has been tallied. First place: **Karen West**; second place: **Bob Phillips**; and third place: **Edmond Bridant**. Congratulations to these three artists and to all who took part in the event.

Paint and Sip Workshop

Mary Bales and **Maria Lewis** will be conducting a “Paint and Sip” fundraising workshop at the United Church of Christ church hall on March 26, 2016 from 1:00 to 4:00 p.m. The workshop is designed for beginning and aspiring artists. By the end of the afternoon, participants will have completed their first painting. The cost of the workshop is \$45.00 which includes all materials and a glass of wine. You must be 21 or over to participate. Contact **Mary** at mbales@sonic.net 707-762-2978) or **Maria** lewisarte@aol.com 707-364-5838 for more information about this and future workshops (including one for children).

2016 Petaluma Open Studios Tour

Maria Lewis announced that the 2016 Open Studios Tour is *open to members and nonmembers*. The tour dates are May 14 and 15. Participation fees are: PAA Members \$100; Member Family/Couples \$150.00; Nonmembers \$125.00. Advertising and signage is included in the fee. Applications are available on the PAA web page www.petalumaarts.org. Volunteers for this committee are needed. If you are interested, please contact Maria Lewis at lewisarte@aol.com or 707-364-5838.

Open Studios meeting update

In attendance:

Maria Lewis, Mary Bales, Elaine Larson, Stephanie Rose Long (new member)

*It is almost impossible to plan and do all that needs to be done for an event like this. We need more involvement from our Membership. It's not fair or reasonable to leave it up to just 4 or 5 people to do the whole job. We need help with developing the brochure, sending out press releases, Call To Artists, distributing posters, posting on social media, and the many other things that have to be covered. This like all other things that we do is for the entire club. It's another way we raise money for PAA. Please consider how you might help even if you don't want to be part of Open Studios. As of today we only have six artists signed up. They are, **Elaine Larson, Maria Lewis, Mary Bales, Karen West, Stephanie Rose Long and Mari Stefonetti**. We extended the deadline for applications to April 14th. We need a minimum of 15 to make the event worthwhile and pay for it. If you participate you will need to send us your entry form (available from our web site) and a photo of your work for the brochure. We also will need to know how many brochures you will need to send out to your clients and friends. If you participated previously and still have signs, please return them to us so that we can use them again. This will help us keep our costs down. Since we still don't have a Publicity Officer, we'll have to rely on members to spread the word as much as possible. Thank you for your cooperation. The Open Studio Committee*

59th Annual Art in the Park September 10 and 11, 2016

Contact **Maria Lewis** <mailto:lewisarte@aol.com> or 707-364-5838 to volunteer for the planning committee.

Art in the Park update

It's time to start working on your entry for the Art in the Park poster. The winner will be chosen at the June meeting. We are working on the entry forms and prospectus and they will be available in April. We will notify you by e-mail blast when you can download them from the web site. If you would rather have them mailed to you, please let Maria Lewis know at lewisarte@aol.com. If you are a paid up member, as of March 31st, you will get special pricing for your site. More information to follow. We will be doing an art raffle this year. If you are able to donate a piece of art for that purpose, please let Mary Bales know - mbales@sonic.net. This is our major fund raiser for the year and your participation will make it a great event.

PAA 60th Anniversary in 2107

Elaine Larson reported that she will contact the Petaluma History Museum to partner with them on an exhibit commemorating PAA's 60th Anniversary in January 2017. Watch for announcements about 60th anniversary activities.

Member News

Karen Spratt is showing artwork at the Redwood Cafe in Cotati through May 17. 8240 Old Redwood Highway. Seven days a week 7:30am - 9:00pm

Get Involved THIS IS YOUR ARTS ASSOCIATION. OUR SUCCESS AS A GROUP DEPENDS ON ALL OF US DOING OUR PARTS. PLEASE VOLUNTEER YOUR HELP WHEREVER AND WHENEVER YOU THINK YOU CAN DO THE MOST GOOD.

PAA WEBSITE <http://www.petalumaarts.org/>

To update your member listing or to add content to the Members' Gallery, contact Michelle at Wildflower Web Design (paa@wildflowerwebdesign.com). Or you prefer, contact **Maria Bales**.

CALLS TO ARTISTS



PAA Open Studios May 14 and 15. (See above for details.)

NEWSLETTER

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.

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Board Members The PAA board meets the first Tuesday of the month at 9:30 a.m. at the Boulevard Café. All members are welcome to attend.

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