



Goleta Valley Art Association

Bringing Art to the Community

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The GVAA President’s Message



After a busy initial four months of 2023, GVAA members get a little break. In January, we had a painting workshop with **Ruth Ellen Hoag**. February gave us a very successful show at the **Faulkner**. In March, we put up another wonderful show at the **Goleta Valley Library (GVL)** and celebrated **GVAA’s 60th Anniversary** at the **Glen Annie Golf Club**. April saw our beautiful spring show at the **GVL**. Also, we have welcomed **7 new members**, as well as finishing up our **membership renewal drive**. Whew!

Our next event is a **second workshop with Ruth Ellen Hoag** scheduled for **May 19th** 11:30 A.M. – 4:30 P.M. at Rancho Santa Barbara’s Clubhouse. This workshop is open to artists painting in both watercolor and acrylic. It is entitled, “**Seeing with the Eye and the Mind & Mixing Beautiful Grays.**” More details follow on page 2. For more information contact Jan Smith, Director of Membership: jansmith.sb@gmail.com.

We are currently planning another outdoor Art Show and Sales Event at the **Camino Real Marketplace**. It is scheduled for **Saturday, June 17th**, 10 A.M. to 4 P.M. and application forms were recently sent out to all members. **Pat Heller, Special Events Coordinator** is organizing this event and can be contacted at patheller@cox.net.

As if Pat’s not busy enough, she is also organizing **GVAA’s annual picnic scheduled for Saturday, July 29th at Stow Grove Park** in Goleta. The picnic is a relaxing and fun time for us to enjoy being together. Please make a note of the date and **plan to bring something delicious to share**.

Our **featured artist for June is GVAA’s Cheryl Guthrie**. Cheryl became a GVAA member in 2011 and served on the board for a number of years as Newsletter Editor! When she left the board, Cheryl took on developing and maintaining GVAA’s website, no easy task. Currently, she maintains the Peoples’ Choice awards box and forms at the GVL. At the end of the month, Cheryl tallies the votes and lets me know the results so I can announce them at our critiques. **Thank you for your service to GVAA Cheryl!**

Our page 5 article features a few of Cheryl’s many beautiful art pieces. I especially love Cheryl’s wise and wonderful owls. For many years, Cheryl has also participated in *i Madonnari*, the street art festival where artists create masterpieces in chalk on the sidewalks in front of Mission Santa Barbara. Cheryl’s are always masterpieces!

As always, please keep well and stay safe,
Elizabeth Flanagan
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2023

Save the Dates

See details on page 2 for:

May 19 Workshop
with Ruth Ellen Hoag

Camino Real Marketplace Show & Sale
Saturday, June 17th 10 A.M. - 4 P.M.



Annual Potluck Picnic – July 29
Saturday, July 29th 11 A.M. to 2 P.M.

August Goleta Valley Library Exhibit
August 4th - 30th





**SEEKING:
a Volunteer
Assistant
Treasurer**

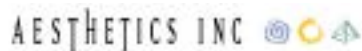
Simplifying the Treasurer position has been a priority. We currently have an accounting firm employed for the heavy lifting. But we still need eyes on the numbers. Our wonderful Treasurer, Louise Komp, has asked for an assistant. No prior bookkeeping skills are needed.

Here is your opportunity to be of service to the organization who serves you and 198 other artists and their patrons. For more details about this opportunity, please contact Elizabeth Flanagan euflanagan@gmail.com or Louise Komp drKomp.sb@

A Local Art Opportunity

The Art Committee at Goleta Valley Cottage Hospital is seeking applications and work samples from a variety of artists who work in various media to be considered for future commission, purchase or licensing of artwork.

Ends on Mon, Jun 19, 2023, 5:00 P.M. For details Click here: <https://aesthetics.submittable.com/submit/406023be-294b-40b0-89d4-e4dc9f8b939c/cottage-health-crh-gvch>



GVA A CALENDAR

Save the Dates • 2023

Ruth Ellen Hoag Workshop – May 19th
Rancho Santa Barbara Clubhouse 11:30 A.M. - 4 P.M.

Camino Real Marketplace Show & Sale – June 17
Saturday, June 17th, 10 A.M. - 4 P.M.

Annual Potluck Picnic – July 29
Saturday, July 29th 11 A.M. to 2 P.M.
Stowe Gove Park, Area 3

August Goleta Valley Library Exhibit – Aug 4 - 30
Ingathering: Fri., Aug. 4th 10:30 A.M. - 12:30 P.M.
Critique / Juror: Garrett Spiers & take down:
Wednesday, Aug. 30th, 5 - 6:30 P.M.

May 19th - SPECIAL EVENT

**Member Workshop with Ruth Ellen Hoag
“Sharing My Secrets”**

GVA A Director of Membership, Jan Smith, says there are a few spaces left if you were wishing to attend this workshop. **Friday, May 19, 11:30 - 4** at Rancho Santa Barbara Clubhouse. (front gate will be open from 8 A.M. to 4 P.M.) Ruth will review and share more from her wealth of experienced art tips.

**To sign up, email Jan Smith: jansmith.sb@gmail.com
no later than May 15th.**



Outdoor Show and Sale Set for June 17

by Pat Heller, Special Events Coordinator

GVA A's Summer Show and Sale will take place at the **Camino Real Marketplace in Goleta on Saturday, June 17, from 10 A.M. to 4 P.M.** The **Artist Guidelines and Application** were emailed to members, so check your inbox for them!

The show and sale are being **held on Graduation weekend** for UCSB (also Father's Day weekend) when families and friends will be in town seeking activities before the ceremonies, so we are hoping for increased traffic that day. **Tom Henderson and the Summerland Band will play from 12 to 3 P.M.**

In addition to framed artwork, **those who exhibit may also bring a table for crafts such as pottery and other handmade items.** See Artist Guidelines for more information.

To apply for panel rentals and space at the show, fill out the application you received and scan/email it to pheller@cox.net or mail it to: Pat Heller, 280 N Fairview Ave #1, Goleta 93117.

We're looking forward to another successful day of "Bringing Art to the Community"!

Join Friends at GVA A's Annual Picnic

Our annual Member's Picnic will be on Saturday, July 29th at Stowe Gove Park, Area 3, from 11 A.M. - 2 P.M.

Bring your favorite dish for the **POTLUCK** and enjoy a creative **ART PROJECT** with Judi Doernberg (supplies provided), while connecting with friends in a beautiful setting.

Please **RSVP** to let GVA A Events Coordinator Pat Heller know you plan to attend. Email her with your RSVP

or questions: pheller@cox.net.
HOPE TO SEE YOU THERE!
Look for balloons and our GVA A sign to find Area 3.



GOLETA VALLEY LIBRARY – April People’s Choice Winners



1st Place
Ken Waxman
“Puffin”
acrylic



2nd Place
Bruce Birkland
“Cherry Blossom Jubilation”
acrylic

This exhibit had 3 pieces tied for People’s Choice 3rd Place Winner.

3rd Place
Ron Ehmsen >
“Morning on the Hudson”
oil (after S.R. Gifford)



3rd Place
Vandana Khare
“A Day at the Beach”
oil



3rd Place
Jane Sevier
“A Marriage Proposal”
watercolor



My love of the arts and all things creative began in early childhood. Growing up in New England, a descendant from a long line of artists and craftsmen, I inherited a deep appreciation for the creative process and a personal passion for its expression. Inspired by the wonders of nature and the human spirit, I instinctively infuse my art with sensitivity and emotion tied to those life experiences through an array of art forms.

As a child spending many hours drawing, I was thrilled to win an art contest in first grade for my Crayola original! Through high school, I loved taking whatever art classes were available but, with little direction or guidance, I didn't believe that pursuing an art career was a possibility for me.

My path then led to nursing and actively working as an RN for 40+ years. My nursing career brought valuable experiences and great left-brain satisfaction. Unfortunately it didn't do the same for my right-brain creative side. To balance things out I continued to make art and create largely for personal fulfillment and enjoyment.

Through the wonderful programs and teachers at SBCC Adult Ed, I learned and experienced: glass blowing, jewelry making, pottery, basket making, life casting and painting in all mediums, with my personal favorite, oil on porcelain and glass. My artistic confidence grew. I became open to showing my pieces publicly.

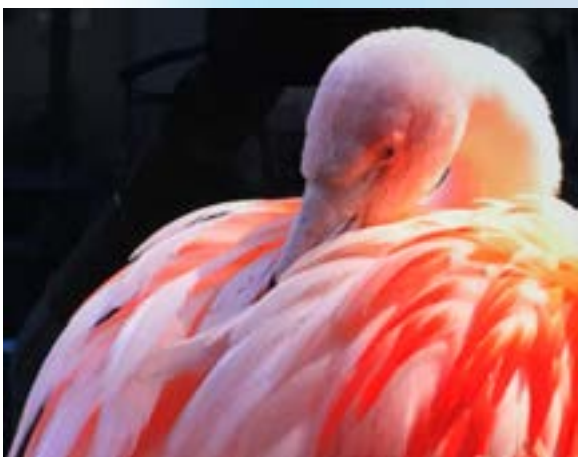
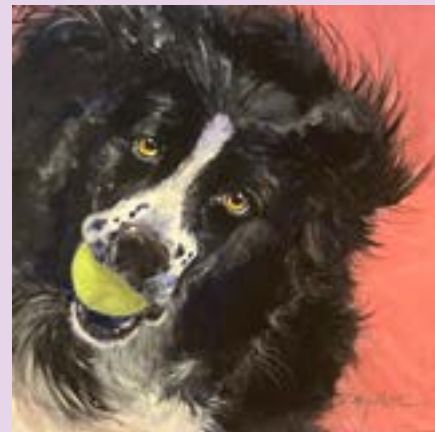
My first entrée into the Santa Barbara art community was in the early 1990's by way of Santa Barbara Solstice Parade. Using many skills garnered from Adult Ed, I created a 15-foot-tall

puppet of Michael Jackson. It was a complicated project, requiring integration of structure, construction, and sculpture which directly appealed to my love of the creative process. A wonderful reception from the State Street crowd provided the encouragement I needed to begin thinking of myself as an actual artist.

Beyond the paintings and photographs I've entered in contests and shows, several local events have motivated my artistic desire. For the last 15 years, I've created a heart for the Friendship Center's *Festival of Hearts* auction fundraiser; my dad was a recipient of their services. For 23 years, I've teamed up with my close friend, artist Terri Taber, over Memorial Day weekend for Santa Barbara's *Madonnari Festival* at the Mission. Following in the footsteps of 16th Century Italian *Madonnara* (street painters), we create vibrant and colorful, chalk art imagery on the sunbaked pavement each year.

Currently, I'm deeply honored to be commissioned to create a tactile mural for the Library at the Braille Institute of Santa Barbara featuring icons of our city, so that the visually impaired may experience our surrounding beauty in this gorgeous community.

As ART passes through the generations, it gives meaning to our lives, and helps us see the beauty in everything, and understand our world. It facilitates deeper connections to our emotions and greater self-awareness, which in turn opens us to new perspectives and more meaningful experiences.



top left: "Puma"
oil on porcelain

Photographs:
top center: "Splash Dancer"
top right: "Self Portrait"
at left: "Flamenco"

Oil Paintings center right:
top: "White Tailed Kite"
"Tennis Anyone?"

bottom right: "Moondance"
Street Painting



"Wings Spread," oil monotype by **Mary Freericks**. She says: I have three pieces in the **Santa Barbara Printmaker's Show "Resonance,"** a members only exhibition from May 6 - June 28th. The opening Reception is Saturday, May 13th 1 - 3 P.M. at the **Ojai Art Center**, 113 S. Montgomery St.

I also have works in the **Southern California Artists Painting for the Environment** at OnlineJuriedShows.com.

Ruth Ellen Hoag is currently in 5 shows simultaneously. She says, "I don't know how that happened!"

Ruth has two paintings in **Westmont's 2023 Tri-County Juried Exhibition:** Opening Reception is May 18, 4 - 6 P.M.; Exhibition Dates: May 18 - June 17.

Her oil painting, "Mother and Child Reunion," was accepted in **New York's Catharine Lorillard Wolfe Art Club's 2023 Members and Associates Online Show** which runs May 1 - June 15.

Ruth's "Milonga," acrylic is in the **Voice Gallery at La Cumbre May show, "Purple Tango,"** Opened May 4, 5 - 8 P.M.

Ruth Ellen Hoag's solo show continues at **The Gallery, 1090 Edison Street, Santa Ynez.**



"Birthday Cake," acrylic, by **Ruth Ellen Hoag** was accepted in **Los Angeles Art Association's online show, "Confections"** - runs April 29 - May 26.



Tanda Jacobs shares: The first week of May was good for me. **I sold 9 paintings** at the **Sunday Arts and Crafts Show.** *Happy shoppers above & right >* < *left:* Then I displayed at **La Cumbre Plaza's Ruby Sky** across from Chico's for **First Thursday.** Artbytanda.com creating beauty



"Thoughts of a Rainy Day"
20 x 20", acrylic on canvas

Merith Cosden: My painting (*above*) is an abstract view of a rainy day from a variety of perspectives. It was juried into the **Voice Gallery** May exhibit called "Purple Tango".

I also have a painting juried into an online show: **"The Diversity of Painting" with SCAPE** for May. (*shown below*) The painting is called "Forest Waterfalls" and is a 12 x 12" acrylic on canvas. It's an abstract view of a lush landscape.





Vandana Khare **SOLD** "Hendry's Beach Sunset" 20 x 24" (shown above) AND her "Morning Glory" 20 x 20" (shown below) during her solo April **West Wall Goleta Valley Library Show. Congratulations!**



Holly Hungett: My ink and watercolor "Whispered Mystery #1," (5 x 5" on hot press paper) was selected by juror Rae Dunn into the 2023 Tri-County Juried Exhibition. 343 works were entered by 153 artists, of which Dunn selected 50 works by 45 artists. Reception is May 18, 4 - 6 P.M.

This painting was inspired by memories of walks on the Ellwood Preserve in Goleta .



Kelly Hildner's watercolor "Succulent 1 Thread Agave", a 14 x 11", was accepted into the juried show at 1919 State Street and is on display until August 5.

Kelly looks forward to selling her work at the **June 17 Camino Real Marketplace** show.

In last month's newsletter, the wrong photo was shown for Kelly's painting "Clouds Over Lake Los Carneros" which sold at our April GVL exhibit. The picture shown in May was "Lake Los Carneros Path". Below, the correct image is shown.

Jerilynne and Loren Nibbe each have three prints in the Santa Barbara Printmakers "Resonance Show" at the Ojai Arts Center. The show runs from May 6 - June 28, 2023.

Two of Jerilynne's entries are shown: (below) "Here Comes the Sun," a monoprint, and "Slaves to Fashion," a woodcut Chine collé (below right).



Kelly Hildner SOLD: "Clouds Over Lake Los Carneros" 11 x 14" watercolor



AQUATIC
Call to Artists Jury Competition
2nd Fridays Art
@ Santa Barbara Tennis Club
SUBMISSION DATES:
April 10th - May 28th
For details, email:
[Susan at info@susantibbles.com](mailto:info@susantibbles.com)