

SWA Bulletin

Society of Western Artists
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President's Message-SFC

What a gift! We all have been extremely blessed to have had the "gift" of Mary Long as a vital member of the Board of Directors, acting as Corresponding Secretary Chair for a number of years! Mary brought a smile and loving kindness to each and every monthly board meeting. If you received a get well card, sympathy card, or thank you card... all were written with love and compassion by the heart and hands of Mary Long. For all the years I've known Mary, she has attended most of the general meetings/monthly demos and greeted the demo artist and helped the artist bring in supplies and set up. Her hospitable and welcoming presence made her a role model for me. Upon entering exhibits, you would find Mary volunteering with the patience and kindness of a saint. Mary never entered her paintings in a SWA exhibit, feeling they weren't good enough. Yet she volunteered more than many exhibiting artists, always with the selflessness intention of helping others.

At the March board meeting, Mary came to say good-bye to the board, as she needed to step down due to her failing eyesight. The board will miss her amazing presence. Please ask yourself and reflect upon, if the Corresponding Secretary Chair would be one that you could fill. The only requirement is a desire to serve your artists' community through written correspondence...oh, and to have a heart as big as Mary Long's!

One of the most important goals of SWA is to educate and share your talents and love of art with the greater community, including student artists at the local community high school. Your board member, Alisan Andrews, is dedicating her leadership ability to organizing a workshop for students to learn how to mat and frame their artwork so they can exhibit in SWA's second annual Sequoia High School Exhibit. Alisan has written a Grant and been awarded money to help with this wonderful endeavor. Read her article in this bulletin for more info and PLEASE consider contributing with your time and talent.

Please mark your calendars to participate in the Redwood City's sponsored ART WALK, May through September; the second Saturday of each month from 6 to 9 p.m. Come join your community of artists at the gallery for these fun events! Another opportunity for you to volunteer is by hosting one month.

In Sincere Gratitude,

Moira McShane Lukas, SWA

Welcome to New and Returning Members Nancy Torres, Laurie Johnson, Judith Klausenstock, Grace Rosenberg, Diana Burnell, SWA, Ellen Howard and Denny Holland.

General Meeting and Demo

Saturday, May 21, 1 p.m.

SWA Gallery, Redwood City

Michael Rodman

San Francisco street scenes are the passion of Michael Rodman's latest oil paintings. His palette knife work embraces the urban environment of the City with all its overhead cables and wires. A native of San Francisco, Michael paints vistas and views often taken for granted. His bold use of color and paint texture captures the unique lighting of the City. Michael Rodman will be demonstrating a San Francisco Cityscape using a palette knife.

You may see Michael's paintings at <http://www.rodmanart.com/>

General Meeting and Demo

Saturday, June 18, 1 p.m.

SWA Gallery, Redwood City

Linda Harris

With an interest in art from the age of 10, Linda has studied art, produced art and sold art. She found that her formal art education didn't take her in the direction she wanted and proceeded to develop her skills in science and medical illustration. She eventually owned her own business in this field. She continued to study fine art doing portraits and figures in pastel and oils with notable artists. She earned her signature status in the Pastel Society of the West Coast and SWA.

You may see Linda's work at <http://lindaharrisart.com/>

Thanks to Patricia Bennett and others who made donations to SWA.

In Memorium: Ed Brown, a long-time member of SWA recently passed away.

President's Message-SJVC

Greetings from your SJVC President

We are off to having a great year! Our attendance improved for the February meeting. We had a wonderful watercolor demonstrator, Sandy Kowallis. Thank you, Sandy, for the very inspirational watercolor demonstration. All of us enjoyed learning new watercolor techniques.

The art auction in March was a success. Everyone enjoyed the luncheon that was provided by the board. Thank you to all the board members for creating such a great spread of food.

Plein Aire painting in the spring is a reason to love living in the valley! Sandy Kowallis was so generous to invite everyone to her property in Prather for our spring paintout. Wild flowers, stunning valley backgrounds, along with mountains with snow peaks in the background encompassed a great day for a paintout! Thank you so much, Sandy, for allowing everyone to enjoy the scenery!

Our Spring show will be held at the River Park Studio. Receiving is May 14th. The reception is the following Thursday, the 19th. Please don't forget to bring some finger food for the opening of the show, the 19th of May.

Be sure to mark your calendar for April meeting on the 30th to see Dennis Lewis demonstrating in oils. You will miss a very fun afternoon if you do not attend. See you there!

Sincerely,

Sally Moss, SJVC President

April/May 2011 SWA Gallery Exhibit

March 30-May 13

Congratulations to Award Winners:

1st Place	Anneliese Drbal	Trail to Lighthouse
2nd Place	Laurie Johnson	Lady in Red
3rd Place	Will Maller	Rabbit Creek-Yosemite
HM	Diana Jaye, SWA	Fogarty Winery

February/March People's Choice Award

Laurie Johnson Spanish Dancer in Repose

The SWA gallery can be rented for meetings and workshops for \$100 per day or \$50 per half-day. Check with Gallery Coordinator Alisan Andrews (650-400-8623) for availability.

SWA CONTACTS

Gallery Coordinator	Alisan Andrews	650-400-8623
Workshops	Sherry Vockel	650-873-0118
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SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

April/May SWA Gallery Exhibit

3/30 - 4/13

May

1	Sequoia High School Matting Workshop
7-8	Open Studios
13-14	Sequoia High School Hanging
14	Art Walk
15	Sequoia High School Reception
15-26	Sequoia High School Exhibit
21	Board Meeting
	Michael Rodman Oil Demo

Annual SWA Gallery Exhibit

6/1-8/14	Receiving 5/28
4-5	Karen Frey Watercolor Workshop
11	Art Walk
14	SWA Annual Exhibit Reception
18	Board Meeting
	Linda Harris Pastel Demo

Gallery Hours: 10 a.m.-3 p.m., Wednesday-Saturday

ART WALK

The first Art Walk of the season will be Saturday, May 14. The trolley will circle the downtown area, transporting folks between the galleries and various venues! Several new locations have been added and many more artists have joined in.

The Art Walks will be every month from May to September on the Second Saturday from 6-9 p.m. SWA will feature the Sequoia High School IB and Art 1 Students Annual Exhibit in May and the SWA Annual Exhibit in June.

See you there!

The Bulletin is published 6 times per year (Jan/Feb, Mar/Apr, May/June, Jul/Aug, Sep/Oct, Nov/Dec)

Advertise your workshops, classes, etc.

Rates: \$10 per ad per newsletter—50 word maximum; \$20 per ad over 50 words. Make checks payable to SWA.

Deadlines for ads and news is the 5th of Dec (Jan/Feb), Feb (Mar/Apr), Apr (May/June) Jun (Jul/Aug), Aug (Sep/Oct), Oct (Nov/Dec).

No brochures or printed matter accepted. Please type your ad and send with your check to: Laura Johnson, 3408 Beresford Ave., Belmont, CA 94002. You may send info to dollsinmin@sbcglobal.net. Check must be received before your ad can be published.

2011 SWA Gallery Exhibition and Workshop Schedule

SWA December 2010/January Exhibit	December 6 – January 28
SWA February/March Exhibit	February 2 – March 25; Receiving January 29
SWA April/May Exhibit	March 30 – May 13; Receiving March 26
<i>Dale Laitinen Watercolor Workshop</i>	April 2 & 3
Open Studios	May 7 & 8
Sequoia High School Exhibit	May 14 – May 26; Receiving May 15
2011 Annual	June 1 – Aug 14 (Reception); Receiving May 28
<i>Karen Frey Watercolor Workshop</i>	June 4 & 5
<i>Sonja Hamilton Watercolor Workshop</i>	July 16 & 17
<i>Randy Sexton Plein Air Oil Workshop</i>	August 5, 6 & 7
SWA Signature Member/Board Exhibit	August 17 – September 30; Receiving August 15
<i>Linda Harris Oil/Pastel Portriature Workshop</i>	September 23, 24 & 25
SWA October/November Exhibit	October 5 – December 2; Receiving October 1
<i>Jim Gleason Oil Impasto Workshop</i>	October 8 & 9
<i>Doug Dawson Oi/Pastel Landscape Workshop</i>	October 21, 22 & 23
SWA December/January 2012 Exhibit (Summer Theme)*	December 7 – January 27; Receiving December 3

*We will have one theme exhibit each year. Paintings that do not fit with the theme will not be accepted.

Demonstrations 2011

January 15	Kim Lordier	Pastel
February 19	Diana Jaye	Painting Critique <i>(Bring two of your own paintings)</i>
March 19	Dale Laitinen	Watercolor
April 16	Sonja Hamilton	Watercolor
May 21	Michael Rodman	Oil
June 18	Linda Harris	Pastel
September 17	James Gleason	Oil
October 15	Duke Collins	Oil
November 19	Joyce Leopardo	Watercolor

2011 SWA Annual Gallery Exhibit

June 1 – August 14; Receiving May 28; Reception August 14

All SWA members are encouraged to enter this show!

Call for Frames, Mats and Volunteers!

On May 1 SWA is holding a Matting and Framing Workshop for the Sequoia High School Art Classes in preparation for The 2nd Annual High School Exhibit at 9:30 a.m. on May 14.

We are asking for donations of gently used frames, mats and matboard. If you have something to donate, please leave it at the gallery marked to my attention.

We are also asking for volunteers to help with the workshop. Volunteers with mat cutters are needed, as well as those who will work with the young artists to mat and frame their work.

We will also need volunteers for hanging on May 14 and hosting during the reception on May 15.

Please contact Alisan Andrews atalisanandrews@yahoo.com or call 650-400-8623 if you have questions or can help.

Open Studios at the Gallery

Five artists have rented the gallery for Open Studios May 7-8. We encourage you all to come.

WA WORKSHOPS 2011

KAREN FREY, WC, "Wet Into Wet" June 4, 5
Registration deadline: May 7

SONJA HAMILTON, WC, "Water Scenes"
July 16, 17; Registration deadline: June 18

RANDALL SEXTON, "Plein Air Oil" Aug. 5, 6, 7
Registration deadline: July 18

LINDA HARRIS, Oil/Pastel "Portraiture"
Sept. 23, 24 25; Registration deadline: August 27

JIM GLEESON, Oil "Oil Impasto" Oct. 8, 9
Registration deadline: Sept. 24

DOUG DAWSON, Oil/Pastel "Landscape"
Oct. 21, 22, 23; Registration deadline: Sept. 23

For more information, visit our "2011 WORKSHOPS" page on our website or contact me at (650) 873-0118

SHERRY VOCKEL, WORKSHOP CHAIR

Directions: From 101: Take the Whipple Avenue exit. Go west on Whipple and turn left on El Camino Real. Turn left on Broadway. **From South 280:** Take the Woodside Road exit. Go east on Woodside to El Camino Real. Go north on El Camino. Turn right on Broadway. **From North 280:** Take the Edgewood exit east. At Alameda de las Pulgas turn right. At Whipple turn left. Take Whipple to El Camino and turn right. Left on Broadway. 2625 is on the RIGHT side.

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