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## December 2021



**There will be No General Meeting this Month. Enjoy the Holidays. Be Creative!**

**Season's Greetings from Our Members!**



Craig Varden, Photograph, Deacon Dave's



Barbara Davies, Oil Painting of Truckee Winter



Alka Vaidya's Christmas Greetings



Tejal Shaw, Christmas at Bishop Ranch



Diane Rodriguez's Watercolor



Stephen Rodriguez's Photograph, Yosemite



Lorraine Wells, Winter Watercolor



Charlotte Severin, Watercolor



The Jan Loomis Trio, by Jan Loomis

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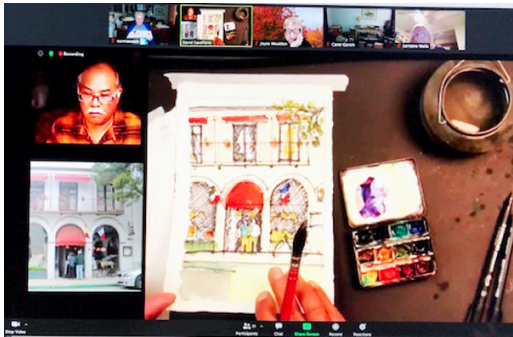
## NEWS FOR ALL MEMBERS

**Report on November's General Meeting.** The program was provided by David Savellano demonstrating travel journaling. David started by showing some of his gorgeous journals from past travels and went through the equipment he uses. He then demonstrated his process using a reference photo - La Bicyclette Restaurant in Carmel. David's clear instructions broke down his process into manageable steps. Here's some feedback from one of the attendees:

"That was very very enjoyable! David's instruction was wonderful. His calm, relaxed demeanor makes you feel confident and capable!" said Pricilla Walker. "I love the idea of capturing travels and events this way. I never thought of doing that as an actual journal." (Pricilla's paint-along version is to the right.)

For others who want to play along with his exercise, the video is now ready on the LAA YouTube channel - you can also find it on LAA's webpage along with the reference image and his equipment list. Watch the video on the LAA Youtube channel: <https://youtu.be/7zgCHGx4114>. Find everything on LAA's website - [Click Here](#). Thanks to the meeting team - Meg Mitragotri, Alka Vaidya, Lorraine Wells - for your support. It takes a team to make it go so smoothly.

Christine Watters, LAA Programs



**General Meeting Team Needs You!** LAA and PAL need a few more people to join the General Meeting team. Two of our members are moving on to other very busy jobs for LAA and PAL Boards. If you have a couple hours a month to volunteer with this essential team, please contact Christine Watters by email at [programs@livermoreart.org](mailto:programs@livermoreart.org).



David's reference photo is above and his sketch/painting is to the right.



## PLEASANTON ART LEAGUE NEWS

### A Message from Beth:

It is my last month as PAL's President, and I just want to say a heart-felt word of thanks. It really has been an enormous growing opportunity for me, and I want to thank you for entrusting me with taking a turn at the helm. Having a strong team at your side makes all the difference, and I'd like to thank the PAL board, Show Chairs, Committee Chairs, and all who have volunteered in large or small ways over the past three years. It really does take a village to make it all happen, and I am so proud of all that we've accomplished! I would also like to thank LAA and DAC leadership, who through cooperative efforts have made each organization stronger. New and valuable friendships have been forged, which has made my journey all the richer. Our world is changing quickly, and together we've managed to propel forward, thrive, and achieve milestones that I could not have imagined when I started. Stay healthy, nurture your creative and unique self, and I'll see you all next year!

With Gratitude, Beth Okurowski

**2022 PAL Executive Board Elections:** The following Artists were elected to the PAL Executive Board at the November General Meeting on Monday, November 8, 2021. They will begin their terms on January 1, 2022. Meghana Mitragotri will serve as President, George Garbarino will serve as Vice-President, John DeVillers will serve as Treasurer, and Jan Loomis will serve as Secretary. Thank you to the PAL Nominating Committee: Lisa Rigge, Lorraine Wells, Linda Garbarino and George Garbarino.

## PLEASANTON ART LEAGUE NEWS CONTINUED



We are proud to announce the 14th year of PAL's  
"Imagination Expressed" at the Museum on Main (MOM) !

### Timeline for PAL Members Show at the Museum on Main:

January 3	Deadline for online preregistration/payment required
January 10	Receiving 11:00 to 1:00
January 12	Show opens to the public
January 15	Reception 2:00 to 4:00 pm
March 26	Show ends at 4:00 pm
March 28 or 29	Take down and pick up of art will be after 4:00 on the 28th or 10:00 to noon on March 29th

This is an exciting show that features both 2D and 3D art. Let's show what we have been doing during the past two very trying years. Pre-register soon, online at: <https://www.pal-art.com/exhibits-events/call-artists/> Questions: Christine Bourg, phone 925 640-3086.

Available space, size of artwork and number of participants will determine how many pieces can be displayed by each artist. We estimate each artist will be able to submit two or three entries. There is limited space in glass cases for display of three-dimensional work. (See prospectus for specific information and requirements for entering three-dimensional work.)

**Volunteers Needed for PAL/Museum on the Main Show:** Contact Lorraine Wells, [dingbats@comcast.net](mailto:dingbats@comcast.net) or Christine Bourg, [chrisbourg6@aol.com](mailto:chrisbourg6@aol.com) or Carole Hilton.

## LIVERMORE ART ASSOCIATION NEWS

**From Clark Streeter, Retiring LAA President:** This is the end of my third (and last) term as president of the Livermore Art Association. I have enjoyed my time as president, in no small part because of the enthusiasm and competence of my fellow board members. I want to thank them all for their service. They've been great to work with.

We've been through some interesting times, but LAA has weathered it well, and I think that we've come out of it as an even stronger organization. Out of necessity, we have explored some new directions, and entertained some new ideas. Cooperation among Tri-Valley art organizations has increased dramatically, and appears to be likely to persist. So it looks like the future will continue to be interesting, but in a better way.

I'm looking forward to it. Thanks, and good luck.

Clark

**It's Membership Renewal Time Again!** You will find your LAA renewal form on page 5 and on [www.LivermoreArtAssociation.org](http://www.LivermoreArtAssociation.org).

**LAA wants to Accommodate Our Members Who Really Need a Printed Copy of the Portfolio Mailed to Them.** However, it costs over \$20 extra per year to pay for printing and stamps to mail to each member who gets a monthly printed copy in their U.S. mailbox. If you have a computer, a printer and email, please consider receiving your Portfolios by email and printing your own copy. Or perhaps you could donate a few extra dollars when you send in your renewal. The LAA budget would appreciate it.

### Researchers Find Christmas Actually Started in 1957!

It was 1957, and in its founding year, the Livermore Art Association (LAA) almost broke up as an art fight between board members was splashed across newspapers and radios nationwide. Fortunately, peace accords were struck and the LAA had its first Christmas show, a yearly tradition which carries on today. From Christmas Boutiques in historic Ravenswood and The Barn's big Christmas shows, to our current Gallery housed in the Carnegie Building, LAA has always been a source of unique gifts that break the ho-hum, slipper-and-robe mold. Come visit the Gallery; you're guaranteed to find something special, handcrafted by local artists. From paintings to jewelry, ceramics, glass, purses, scarves, and more, join the LAA Christmas celebration, a tradition since 1957.

The LAA History Guys

## LAA GALLERY

### LAA Galley December Hours

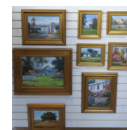
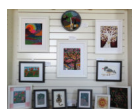
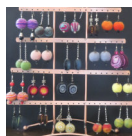
#### Open for a Special Christmas Event

Friday Evening, December 3, 4:00 to 8:00 for Holiday Village in Carnegie Park.

#### Featuring 5 Special Guest Artists

Open Thursdays, Fridays & Saturdays, 11:30 to 4:00 and Sundays, 10:00 to 2:00  
Closed December 24, 25 & 26 and December 31 for Christmas & New Year's Eve

Upstairs in the Carnegie Building, 2155-3<sup>rd</sup> Street, Livermore  
925 449-9927 [www.livermoreartassociation.org](http://www.livermoreartassociation.org)



**Remember: The Gallery is an Excellent Place to Shop for Gifts!!!**

## SHOWS

**PAL Members' Show Continues at the Firehouse Art Center** until Saturday, December 18. It is Open to the Public on Thursdays 10:00 to 12:00, Fridays 3:00 to 5:00, Saturdays 11:00 to 3:00. Return of artwork on Saturday, December 18 from 5:00 to 6:00 pm. 4444 Railroad Ave., Pleasanton. Phone number is 925 931-4848. Question: Pat Smith [psmithrltr@comcast.net](mailto:psmithrltr@comcast.net) or call 925 846-4138.

**Lynn House Gallery**, Small Works Exhibit, November 18 through January 9. Sculpture, Ceramics, Cards, Prints, Paintings, Jewelry, etc. Opening reception Saturday, November 20, 3:00 to 6:00 pm. 809 W. First Street, Antioch. 925 978-4545. [lynnhousegallery.com](http://lynnhousegallery.com). Nancy Roberts, LAA member, will be exhibiting in this show.

**50 Faces of Italian Mosaics:** exhibit at the Bankhead Theater Gallery now through January 16: Open Thursdays through Sundays 1:00 to 5:00. 2400 First St., Livermore. <https://livermorearts.org/visual-arts-2/>

**A Group Show "Boundless Moment"** with Usha Shukla and three other abstract artists will be at the Piedmont Arts Center in Piedmont for two weeks. Reception date: December 4, 5:00 to 8:00. Information: [ushaartmail@yahoo.com](mailto:ushaartmail@yahoo.com).

## CALL FOR ARTISTS

**PAL Members Imagination Expressed, Show at the Museum on the Main**, January 3 - March 26, 2022  
Link to Prospectus: <https://www.pal-art.com/exhibits-events/call-artists/>. There is more information under PAL News, page 3.

**Double Take: Art & Literature Together:** Exhibit at the Bankhead Theater January 20 to March 27.  
Deadline to submit is December 16. <https://livermorearts.org/visual-arts-2/>

**Alameda Creek Watershed Center in Sunol** (opening Spring 2022) is currently seeking submissions from local artists of available 2-dimensional artworks to consider for purchase for the Center's Community Meeting Room. [Click Here](#) The deadline to submit artworks for consideration is Monday, December 6<sup>th</sup>. Questions: Jackie von Treskow, Project Manager, Public Art/Civic Art Collection and Public Art Program 415 252-2225 [www.sfartscommission.org/pubartcollection/](http://www.sfartscommission.org/pubartcollection/).



# Livermore Art Association, Inc.

Membership Application for January 1 to December 31  
For 2022 Membership Year

- New
- Renewing
- Returning

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Cell \_\_\_\_\_

Street \_\_\_\_\_ Landline \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_

Zip \_\_\_\_\_ Website \_\_\_\_\_

### Interests

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|--|--------------------------------------|---------------------------------|---|-------------------------------------|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Acrylic               | <input type="checkbox"/> Glass       | <input type="checkbox"/> Oil    | <input type="checkbox"/> Pencil, Ink        | <input type="checkbox"/> Sculpture  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Ceramics              | <input type="checkbox"/> Jewelry     | <input type="checkbox"/> Paper  | <input type="checkbox"/> Photography        | <input type="checkbox"/> Watercolor |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Digital Art, Graphics | <input type="checkbox"/> Mixed Media | <input type="checkbox"/> Pastel | <input type="checkbox"/> Textile, Fiber Art | <input type="checkbox"/> Wood       |
|  |                                      |                                 |   | <input type="checkbox"/> Other:     |

### Volunteering

We need volunteers to make everything run smoothly.  
Please indicate where you can help.

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Board Position      | <input type="checkbox"/> Art Show Volunteer        |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Fundraising         | <input type="checkbox"/> Spring Art Show Volunteer |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Hospitality         | <input type="checkbox"/> Demo Artist               |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Programs, Workshops | <input type="checkbox"/> Website                   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Property            | <input type="checkbox"/> Other:                    |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Publicity           |  |

I have...

- A few hours a month(ish)
- Event help - setup, take down or shifts during an event
- Whatever is needed, I love getting involved!
- I can't right now

### Portfolio (Newsletter) delivery:

- Email \*      *\* If you have an email, please choose email delivery to help us save on cost. Or consider a tax-deductible donation to help us pay for this service. It costs over \$20 per Portfolio per year to send it out by US Mail.*
- US Mail

### Membership Choices

- Individual (\$35)
- Member & Spouse (\$60) \*Fill out a separate form for spouse information.
- Senior, 65+ (\$25)
- Veteran (\$25)
- High School Student (\$10)
- Patron Member (\$100)
- Lifetime (\$0)
  
- Member Gallery Page (\$15)
- Spouse Gallery Page (\$15)

*Fees*

Membership level: \_\_\_\_\_

Gallery Page(s): \_\_\_\_\_

Donation \_\_\_\_\_

**Total:** \_\_\_\_\_

Make check payable to LAA or Livermore Art Association.  
Mail to LAA Membership, P. O. Box 216, Livermore, CA 94551-0216

**Membership Obligations:** *Members must obey U.S. copyright laws and the Association expects professional behavior from each Member. Member agrees to abide by all rules of LAA. This is a private association and LAA reserves the right to refuse membership to any individuals at its sole discretion.*

By submitting your membership application you agree to the membership obligations.

## BULLETIN BOARD

**The TVAST - Tri Valley Artists Studio Tour** - was a successful and inspiring event for all the art associations and individual artists in the Tri Valley. Local people met and were introduced to local artists and art venues for the arts in our area, in some cases for the first time. Many people arrived on their bicycles via the art tour of venues created by Jennifer Huber. It was a successful art event that featured live demos by local artists, painting, sculpting and even creating gorgeous Henna art for free on visitors hands!



Many Artists displayed their work collectively at the Bothwell Art Center in Livermore, the Firehouse Art Center in Pleasanton and the Frame Company in Dublin. Several high school and college students exhibited at Art Process in Dublin. Many artists opened their own studios to show their work.

**PAL TVAST Artists at the Firehouse:** What an awesome weekend of the TVAST event! The team of nine PAL artists at the Firehouse Arts Center had a blast setting up and decorating studio spaces. They had constant traffic on both days with friends, family, patrons, art lovers, seniors and students visiting from and beyond the valley. We were excited to perform jewelry and painting demonstrations for people of all ages including a big group of Scouts that tried their hand on traditional watercolor and Asian brush painting techniques. Thank you so much to everyone who came out to support the event which resulted in a record number of sales too! At the end of the event, artists enjoyed exchanging art and souvenirs.



PAL artists at Firehouse were: Dave Peterson, Usha Shukla, Jan Loomis, Charlotte Severin, Deepti Saraswat, Marion Huff, Wei-Ting Chuang, Rhonda Chase and Meghana Mitragotri.

Thank you to the staff at the Firehouse and to Lynda Briggs for their incredible support and having PAL artwork up on the PAL Wall upstairs during the event and until December 18. Student volunteers from Foothill and Amador High Schools in Pleasanton, and Granada High School in Livermore did a flawless job at the register with credit card, cash and check payments. PAL will sign off volunteer/service hours for these students. Thanks to fellow artists from other venues who came to the Firehouse. Our sincere thanks to Dennis Baker and Anne Giancola for their vision and work on this project. A big thank you to PAL for all the help and support including getting us this incredible venue, supplying flats and sign boards and arranging the PAL Members' Show reception to coincide with TVAST weekend. We would love to do this again next year!



**Greetings from Sally Haig:** Sally and her husband moved to North Carolina in August of 2019. She likes Asheville; she joined the Swannanoa Valley Fine Arts League and sold a painting at their annual Christmas Show. She was just learning the ropes by Gallery sitting when the Pandemic hit and says they have been living very cautiously ever since. She sends all her best to the LAA and PAL guys and gals. And if you ever get to North Carolina, contact her at [Sally Haig h2ocolor@sbcglobal.net](mailto:SallyHaig@h2ocolor@sbcglobal.net).

## The Pleasanton Art League

The Pleasanton Art League, founded in 1969, is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization that encourages the progress and development of the creative talents of its members. Our membership consists of local artists and patrons who are dedicated to making the visual arts an integral part of our community and the fabric of life in the Tri-Valley Area. Membership includes artists of all skill levels, beginners, hobbyists, and professional artists.

### BECOME A MEMBER:

#### Monthly meetings

Join us for demonstrations and discussions by well-known art professionals. Our general meetings are held monthly.

#### Website Gallery

[www.PAL-Art.com](http://www.PAL-Art.com) offers online gallery space and provides links to members' own websites.

#### Art Shows

Members participate in professionally judged art shows.

#### Public Art Circuit

Members may display artwork in local businesses.

#### Art Workshops

Our focus on continuing education is led by nationally known professional artists and instructors.

#### Portfolio Newsletter

You will receive an emailed newsletter at no cost, so that you can stay on top of workshops, shows, circuit opportunities and classes.

#### Scholarships

To promote interest in the arts for the next generation, the Pleasanton Art League (PAL) awards \$1,000 dollars in scholarships each year.

### MAKE A DIFFERENCE, DONATE TODAY

Become a donor and know that the impact of your gifts go beyond the dollar amount that you contribute. All donations may be 100% tax-deductible; please consult with your tax advisor. They are purposefully directed to advance the art education of our members and to serve our community. On behalf of all art lovers, students and patrons, we sincerely thank you for your support.

[www.PAL-Art.com](http://www.PAL-Art.com)



## 2022 PAL MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

Membership January 1 – December 31

New Member  Renewing Member

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Cell \_\_\_\_\_

Website \_\_\_\_\_

### YOUR MEDIA?

Acrylic  Collage  Oil  Pastel  Photography  Pencil  
 Charcoal  Graphics  Watercolor  Sculpture  Ceramics  Jewelry  
 Multimedia  Pen/Ink  Textile  Calligraphy  Other \_\_\_\_\_

### MEMBERSHIP TYPE

Individual - \$35  Member + Spouse - \$60  Senior (65+) - \$25  Student (full-time to 24 yrs old) - \$15

### CHOOSE METHOD FOR RECEIPT OF PORTFOLIO NEWSLETTER

Portfolio subscription by email (no cost)  Portfolio subscription by U.S. Mail - \$15

Add Website Gallery - \$16

Tax Deductible Donation \* \$ \_\_\_\_\_

\* PAL is a 501(c)3 nonprofit organization. Check with your tax advisor about deduction eligibility.

### HOW WILL YOU VOLUNTEER YOUR SERVICES?

Shows  Meetings  Committees  Workshops  Publicity  Hospitality  
 Circuit  Helper  Monthly Meetings  Webmaster  Hanging  Finance  
 Portfolio Newsletter  Transport Display Panels  Administrative  Misc \_\_\_\_\_

To ensure that you receive all editions of the monthly Portfolio newsletter without delay, please return your completed membership form promptly.

### MAKE CHECKS PAYABLE TO (AND RETURN TO):

Pleasanton Art League

P.O. Box 23

Pleasanton, CA 94566

# AWARDS



## PAL Members Show at the Firehouse

Theme Award: "Above It All"      Robyn Leimer for Canyonlands

### Merit Awards:

Lynda Briggs	Beyond The Surface
Wei-Ting Chuang	A Peaceful Corner
Annette Mack	The Park On Bluebell
Ron Rigge	The Letter
Alka Vaidya	Piled up Summer Shoes

### Honorable Mention:

Barbara Blissert	Venice Evening
Glenyse Henschel	100% Wool
Amy D. Leung	Bustling Downtown After Rain
Meghana Mitragotri	Bavarian Country Side
Bill Potter	Pre-COVID-Post Anxiety
Nancy Roberts	Diablo Foothills, October
Diane Rodriguez	Waiting For Hoppers
Tejal Shah	A Bucket Full Of Memories
Charlotte Severin	Conquering The Corona Virus
Chandana Srinath	Mother
Eugenia Zobel	Bountiful Harvest



Photo is of the "Above it All" - Theme Winner, was awarded to Robin Leimer for her oil painting "Canyonlands".

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(Attachments for Graphics)

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Memberships Run  
January 1 to December 31

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#### Livermore Art Association

Regular Membership \$35  
Senior (65+) \$25  
Member & Spouse \$60  
High School Student \$10  
Patron \$100  
US Mail Portfolio Free  
LAA Online Gallery Fee \$15

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US Mail Portfolio Subscription \$15  
(Email Subscription Free)  
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Stephen Rodriguez, Yosemite

## More Holiday Art from Our Members



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Craig Varden, Photograph



Barbara Davies, Oil Painting

## PAL & LAA December Activities

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### PAL Members' Show at the Firehouse - See page 4 for more complete dates

December 18 Last Day Open to the Public  
December 18 Return of Artwork 5:00 to 6:00

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