

ARTISTS OF CAMBRIA

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Exciting Innovations for Allied Arts

As has been said about the economy, “green shoots” are popping up all over for Allied Arts. Members are coming forward with enthusiasm, volunteering for many of the slots in the new organization. The third meeting for members and guests was on October 22 in the board room of the Old Grammar School with a very good turnout. A newly installed art hanging system was previewed and awaits the grand opening of

the gallery space, scheduled for January 30. Architectural plans are underway for a renovated “in-the-round” stage for the Theatre. CUSD Superintendent Chris Adams has plans for attractive innovations in front to make the grammar school an attractive magnet for drive-by traffic. A range of inexpensive classes, under the auspices of Allied Arts, are underway in Room 11 at the school. (see article on page 2) A new Craft and Folk Art wing has been added and is expected to bring in new members from those fields. As a part of the facelift, there will be a logo design contest to help update our image in the community and you can look forward to a new look for this newsletter as Gail Stevens becomes the editor in January.



Wood sculptor Dave Dignam displayed his artwork and some of his tools at the October 22 meeting.

Things are indeed looking rosy but there are still personnel needs to be met. Many of these are for small, but vital tasks: pick up the admission receipts at the end of the 927 Show, help fold and stamp an issue of the newsletter, help with take-in for the Petals and Palettes Show, usher at a theatre performance, wash the wine glasses after a reception, contact an artist to do a demonstration for an Association meeting, call 10 people in a phone tree. The major committees (gallery, theatre, etc.) will identify such tasks and soon will have lists ready from which you can make specific choices. Or please be prepared to serve when called. “It takes a whole village ...”

The slate for the 2010 Allied Arts board will soon be complete and offered for approval by the members at the annual Holiday Dinner to be held on December 13. A few amendments to the by-laws that reflect organizational changes will also require approval by the membership. Please mark the date on your calendars for this important gathering and come enjoy this holiday event together!

“An Afternoon in France” Set for November 15

Allied Arts welcomes back pianist Louise King for this year’s classical concert and Mary Sue Gee, soprano, both gifted and highly credentialed performance artists. They will perform songs and arias by Ravel, Liszt, Bizet, Gounod, Chopin and others.

Mary Sue Gee operates an active studio in Los Osos and teaches private voice for Cuesta College. She was educated in her home state of Kentucky, where she earned advanced degrees in music education, and in vocal performance. She is well known for her portrayals of the Mozart heroines, Pamina, Constanza, Fiordiligi, and Donna Anna with the Pacific Repertory Opera, along with many appearances in the San Luis Obispo Mozart Festival, the Carmel Bach Festival, the Roger Wagner Chorale, and the Cuesta Master Chorale. Louise King teaches piano at her studio in Morro Bay, freelances as a solo and chamber musician, is a member of the Southern California Chamber Soloists and the Sierra Chamber Players. She received classical training from academies in New York and in Europe.

The concert takes place at the Community Presbyterian Church in Cambria at 3 p.m. Tickets are \$10 and will be available for purchase at the door.

Art Events Calendar

- Nov 9** 10 to noon - Exchange Day
- Nov 11** 6 - 7:30 p.m. Reception for Schoolhouse Gallery Show
- Nov 15** 3 p.m. Classical Concert at Community Presbyterian Church
- Nov 30** Exchange Day for the Holiday Gift Gala
- Dec 13** 6 p.m. Annual Allied Arts Holiday Dinner
- Jan 5** Deadline to be included in the Art & Wine catalog



Louise King and Mary Sue Gee

Top Honors for Atsuko and Rod!

Art in the Pines juror, watercolorist Chris Van Winkle, picked two pastel entries for first and second place honors in this year's juried show. Congratulations also go to third prize winner, Bob Young of Morro Bay, for his impressionistic rendition of San Simeon Creek.

First Prize: Atsuko Risque *Koi Gathering*

Second Prize: Rod McDaniel *Point Lobos*

Third Prize: Bob Young *Meanderin' San Simeon Creek*



Honorable Mention:

Jerry M. Demorest *Spar and Rumble*

Suzette Morrow *Her Story*

Sue Johnson *It's a Good Life*

Loretta Novak *Cambria*

Jan Walker *Daisies*

Jeanette Wolff *Uncertainty is Essential*



Audrey Coghlan Memorial Award: Joan Reynolds *Memories of Roses*

Classes at the Old Grammar School

Allied Arts is sponsoring a variety of classes currently underway in Room 11 at the Old Grammar School. Most may be joined at any time for very nominal fees. Call the instructor or coordinator for information.

- **Film** - Thursday evenings - Elaine Evans 927-1390

- **Painting** (oil and acrylic) - Mondays 9 to noon - Tish Rogers 924-0223

- **Watercolor** - Tuesdays 9 to noon - Marilyn Sproule

- **After School Art** (for 8 to 12 year olds) - Thursdays 3 to 5 (\$33/3 classes) Suzette Morrow 927-2424

Life Drawing continues to be offered at the Schoolhouse Gallery, Mondays 9 to noon. The fee is \$8 per session. Coordinator Rod McDaniel may be reached at 927-5711.

2010 Art & Wine Festival

This is the premiere midwinter event in Cambria. It draws hundreds of visitors from around the state. Allied Arts sponsors the Silent Auction and other art-related events which are very well attended. There are various activities in which artists may participate. (see enclosed form) The enclosed registration form is due in the Chamber office by January 5 if you wish to be included in the Festival catalog. The entire registration may also be done online on our website, artistsofcambria.com.

Membership Renewal

A complete membership directory is an invaluable resource for all that are working to make Allied Arts successful. Therefore it is especially important that membership renewals be sent in promptly this year because the directory will be published by the end of January, *without fail*, and will contain only those members that have joined or renewed by that time. A supplement to the 2010 directory may be published later in the spring.

In addition to the form inserted in this newsletter, applications are available at the Schoolhouse Gallery or online at artistsofcambria.com (click on "forms") where you are able to fill out the form using your computer *before* printing it.

Memberships run for the calendar year. Renewals or new memberships received from this point on will be valid through 2010. Please renew now while you are still thinking about it!

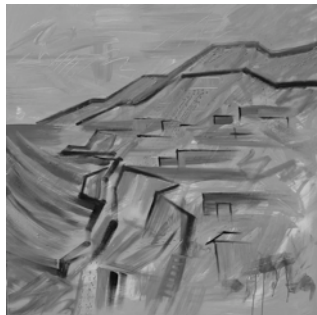
Members in Action

Artist and now author, **Jeanette Wolff**, will hold a book signing on Friday afternoon, December 11, from 4 to 6 PM in the Schoolhouse Gallery. Every page of this "small coffee table" book contains a painting of Central Coast cows done on location with the Wednesday Irregulars during the last 20 years. She will also be talking about how the book "was born". Copies of the book will be available for purchase and Jeanette will sign your copy. Come join her on December 11th.



2010 Featured Artists
Forms for applying to be a 2010 featured artist are now available in the Schoolhouse Gallery. Please be advised that the artwork for display be relatively recent, completed within the past two years. Photos of sample artwork are required. The application deadline is November 16.

Painter **Bob Young** has been feeling the squeeze from having accumulated too much stuff and is throwing in the towel. Some equipment (see below right - all but the trestle table are still available) and a variety of his paintings are available, just for the asking. The paintings range from his colorful series of retired trucks to abstract landscapes, from his children's art series to political caricatures. Give him a call or drop him an e-mail message. (see contact info in box)



art equipment "free for the taking" by any Allied Arts member or artist friend . . .



Drawing table - adjustable tilt and height
47" width, 31.5" depth, 44" height (plus or minus)



Storage cabinet
31.5" width, 22.5" depth, 28" height

Also . . .

- o **Trestle table useful for any work, white melamine top 59 by 32 inches and two black wood supports**
- o **Black metal show display rack for full watercolor sheets & large prints**

Now in Morro Bay storage unit . . . Call or email if interested! Allied Arts member Bob Young . . . 771-9489 . . . wiserbob@sbcglobal.net

Passing the Baton

Allied Arts has had the good fortune to welcome Gail Stevens into our ranks, a lady with a solid background in newsletter production. It is with enthusiasm that I hand her the mantle of editor for this publication. This will be my last issue as editor. No doubt you will see a variety of innovations developing over the coming months that will reflect her style and will be reminders of the changes that are taking place in the Association.

Thanks to all of you that have encouraged me with your "Attaboys", those of you that have supplied me with information and digital photos, and especially to Steve Wayne and Jeff Mar who have been diligent and punctual in their proofreading. Steve Wayne has also generously supplied photos and donated significant time for the various tasks necessary to get the newsletter from Lighthouse Litho into your mailboxes. And big thanks to the staff at Lighthouse Litho that has been more than accommodating.

My tattered dictionary and thesaurus will return to collecting dust and cobwebs in a comfortable place on my bookshelf.

Cheers, Steve Kellogg

*Located in the **Schoolhouse Gallery** at 880 Main Street, Cambria, CA, the Allied Arts Association is a non-profit organization dedicated to promoting the development of arts in this community. Contact us at P. O. Box 184, Cambria, CA, 93428, (805) 927-8190, or see us online at artistsofcambria.com.*

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