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A publication of the Simi Valley Art Association

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Greetings from the SVAA BOARD



Dear members,

The holidays are already upon us and to celebrate the holidays, our association will be having our traditional Holiday party on Saturday December 11th. Like last year, we will be hosting it online. This will be very informal and a way to say "Hi" to everyone and play games for prizes. I hope you can join us to celebrate the holidays.

It's anticipated that our Board Members will continue to hold their positions for next year. We do need help with other positions not as a board member. We need Chairpersons to help support future general meetings, hospitality, membership, and other supportive roles. These are not difficult or time-consuming positions. Recently, member Jason Lubas, volunteered to help as a chairperson with special events and art shows. Thank you, Jason, for stepping in to help support our Association. We need more members in supportive roles. Please contact me if you wish to find out more of what you could do to help us. Our Association's future depends on members to become active. Unlike other associations, who mandate members involvement as part of membership, our association does not, so we rely on members to volunteer with positions.

We are also moving into the end of the year and membership renewals are due in January. Please make sure to renew your membership and if you know anyone who wants to become a member, have them contact us. Letters were sent out to each Simi Valley Unified School District High School Principal to inform them that our Association will be making a donation of \$750 to their school as part of our Annual Grant Program. Each of the school's principals responded and were very grateful for our donations.

Hope to see you at the Holiday Zoom party!

Happy Holidays Everyone!

Tom



Happy Birthday
• David Sgambellone-
December 6th

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UPCOMING EVENTS

HI PLEIN AIR ARTISTS

As requested by participating artists we have scheduled another painting event at the REYES ADOBE MUSEUM CAMPUS. We meet Wednesday 10 AM and expect to stay until 1 PM. This is a historic location with lots of things to choose from. Hope you can make it. If you let me know you are able to attend I will be looking for you.

Coming up: Add to your calendar our paint out on January 5, 2022 10 AM to 1 pm at the Agoura Hills Recreation and Events Center. The address is 29900 Ladyface Court, Agoura Hills. From this location we have 270 degree view of Agoura Hills, gardens and much more. I look forward to painting with all of you in 2022 and hope you have a GREAT NEW YEAR.

SVAA Member's Artwork

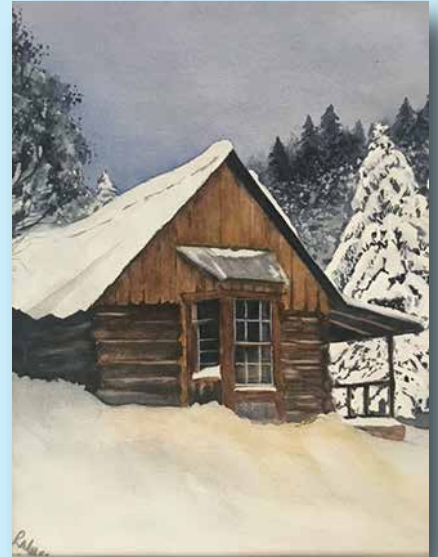
We would like to now take the time to acknowledge our local artists who have continued to persevere and create through these trying times. We face these new challenges together, and we recognize art as the universal language which illustrates this facet of the human experience. If you have art you would like to share for next month's issue, please don't hesitate to contact Tom or any of our Board Members.



B Jacinto
Princess,
Watercolor Markers, 8" x 8"



Susan Bernet
Xmas 2021
Watercolor and Pen, 6.5" x 10"



T R Walson
Snowy Cabin
watercolor, 11" x 14"



Tom Evans
The High Sierra Peaks
Pastel, 11" x 14"



Victoria Marble
Christmas Elf
Mixed Media, 11" x 14"



Victoria Marble
Father Winter
Mixed Media, 11" x 14"



Congratulations...

Santa Clarita Artist Association's 32nd Annual Art Classic
Best of Show- Gary Friedman *By Dawn's Early Light*
Jaason Lubas- 1st in Photography; *Dragonfly*
Ken Lubas- 1st in Mixed Media; *Chumash Storyteller*

Members who would like to add links to their personal website or upload some art works to our website, contact Terry Walson at trwalson@hotmail.com

MESSAGE FROM OUR WEBMASTER Check out the new "SVAA Happenings" feature on the website home page: <http://www.simivalleyart.org/>. Here will be current news, with links to more complete information about the item. It is time to renew your SVAA membership. Forms and payment via PayPal are on the Membership page. Not yet a member? Join us now – the same form is used for new memberships as well as renewals.

Library venue

This is a good opportunity to display your art!!! SVAA members interested in participating in the rotating art exhibit at the Simi Valley Library should contact the SVAA Board. The next change-out date is Thursday, December 16 @ 10:00 am. For further information, please contact our treasurer Terry Walson at trwalson@hotmail.com

SVAA Members: We take pride in our members and by that we want to be able to congratulate and acknowledge you and your achievements in our own little way by including you in our newsletter. Let us know if you got juried in or won an award or if you are having a show or speaking/demo engagement. Email: info@simivalleyart.org. Place "Newsletter Submission" in the Subject line. Forwarded emails or emails without subject may not all be opened due to internet security reasons and spamming.

SVAA Facebook:

Like us on Facebook. Feel free to comment on our posts or "Share" posts from our Facebook Page timeline to your own timeline or your friends'. You can also Share our posts as a Facebook message. To visit our facebook <http://facebook.com/SVAAINC>.

****Members interested in having photos of your artwork on facebook or website, please contact Terry Walson [@trwalson@hotmail.com](mailto:trwalson@hotmail.com)

MEMBERSHIPS

Membership information can be found online at our website: www.simivalleyart.org

**Members: Please note that this is the time to renew your SVAA membership

COMMITTEE MEMBERSHIP UPDATE: Please sign up for the committees. Thanks to all who have signed up and please contact any Board member or Committee chairs for questions.

MORE MEMBERSHIP INFORMATION:

Our fees are \$40.00 for yearly dues with \$20.00 for the second family member. Students at \$20.00 for the year with a \$3.00 demo fee unless, accompanied by a paying adult - then they get in for free. Membership dues are non-refundable. A donation of \$5.00 for members and \$7.00 for non-members is requested at the door for the monthly art demonstration and general meeting. security reasons and spamming.

Newsletter submissions must be made by the 20th of the month. Send your articles via email: info@simivalleyart.org. Place "Newsletter Submission" in the Subject line. Forwarded emails or emails without subject may not all be opened due to internet security reasons and spamming.

QUOTES:

"Life is the art of drawing without an eraser."

-- John W. Gardner

This is so great, thank you very much! And yes, we will make sure that they monies designated will only be spent on the arts! We appreciate you!

*Dean May
Principal of Apollo High School*

Dear Mr. Evans and Members of the Simi Valley Art Association,

On behalf of all Pioneer staff, students, and parents, I would like to thank you and the Simi Valley Art Association for the generous donation of \$750 to our school's Fine Arts programs. Community support like this is of great benefit to our program and the many talented students who participate and thrive in immersion in a Fine Arts curriculum.

Simi Valley High School commends your organization's tradition of supporting education in the arts. Once again, we at Simi Valley High School thank all members of the Simi Valley Art Association for continuing your commitment to that tradition.

*Sincerely,
John C. Baxter
Principal Simi Valley High School*

We appreciate all that you do for Royal Arts!

*Keith Derrick
Principal Royal High School*

Thank you very much for the donation to Grace Brethren Jr/Sr High School for art supplies. We appreciate the contribution to the school.

*Marc Koster
Dean of Academics
Grace Brethren Jr./Sr. High School*

This is always such a generous gift that our art teachers take full advantage to support our students. This year, more than others, it is truly a help. We have a first-year art teacher in Zuri Kawooya. I've included her in the email. She'll be thrilled that she has a donation that can help her get started with her five art classes.

*Matt Guzzo
Principal Santa Susana High School*

Thank you very much! This is great to hear!!

*Zuri Kawooya
Art Teacher Santa Susana High School*



YOU and YOUR FAMILY ARE INVITED!
A VIRTUAL HAPPY HOLIDAY CELEBRATION

When:

Saturday December 11th from 3PM to 4:30PM

Zoom Link:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/89734824009?pwd=RTkzTzZjM04vS2YwbXdCbFc4VTJXdz09>

Agenda:

Introductions
General Announcements
Games / Prizes

Note:

To participate in the games please have a pad of paper and felt pen
and please wear a holiday hat!!