



# ARTalk

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## Greetings from the SVAA BOARD



### ***Hello Members.***

*On February 28th our gallery closed, but not without a final last show. Michelle's Young at Art had their art show on February 24th - and what a show it was! So many people attended and I think some of our items for sale were actually selling! It was amazing to see how talented these young artists are. It was difficult to vote. It was a nice way to say goodbye to the gallery and now we move on. Thanks go out to all who*

*helped clear out the gallery.*

*We will be holding our general meeting on March 21st at the Rancho Simi Recreation and Park District Activity Center. Please make sure to come because we have an outstanding artist, Pete Michels, who will be demonstrating. In April we have Iris Carrington demonstrating. She will be demonstrating pastels. Details to follow later.*

*Some other items of interest- we are beginning to look ahead to our People's Choice Show in May. We have not determined yet where it will be held or if it will be a People's Choice or the Mayor's Choice like we had in 2018. More information about the show will be announced at the general meeting. The Thousand Oaks Art Association held their Art Show last month and I attended the reception on February 10th. It was very nice and the artwork was great. A few of our members had their artwork on display, so that was also nice to see.*

*Hopefully you have been able to spend sometime this winter doing some art. Spring is almost here, and with all the rain the hills and valleys will be full of color, a great setting to do some plein air painting! Be safe and hopefully see you on March 21st.*

*Tom*

**Please join us at our inaugural general meeting on March 21st at the Rancho Simi Recreation and Park District Activity Center, with a demo by outstanding guest artist Pete Michels.**



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## "LOOKING AHEAD"

March 21st Demonstration with Pete Michaels

April 18th Demonstration with Iris Carigan

6:00 pm on **Thursday, March 21, 2019** at Rancho Simi Recreation and Park District Activity Center located at 4201 Guardian Street in Simi Valley



# Pete Michels

*Working on animated shows such as "The Simpsons", "Family Guy" and "Rick and Morty" keeps me drawing every day. I try to build on those skills and lose myself in watercolor and oil painting. I tap into a love of nature, and an appreciation for calming outdoor environments and architecture. My personal work becomes an influence in my animation work, my painting a reflection of my animation.*

Originally from New Jersey, Pete Michels earned a BFA in Illustration from Jersey City State College and an MFA in Animation from UCLA. After landing a job on "The Simpsons" in 1990, Pete quickly moved up the ranks to become a Director by 1995. Staying on to direct for several more seasons, Pete then accepted a post as Supervising Director on "Family Guy". Eventually directing more than a dozen "Family Guy" episodes, including the direct to video movie "Stewie Griffin: The Untold Story". He has since been Supervising Director on Rick and Morty and Disney TV's "Future Worm". Pete is currently Supervising Producer at Stoopid Buddy Stoodios in Burbank, CA and is directing new shows for Cartoon Network's Adult Swim. He continues painting watercolor landscapes as time will allow. He and his wife, Emily, have two sons, Sam, and Eddie, and live in Valencia, CA.



# Young at Art



## OPPORTUNITIES/LOCAL ACTIVITIES

• **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 sign up at our general meetings. The next change-out date is Thursday March 28th @ 10am. For further information, please contact our treasurer Terry Walson at [trwalson@hotmail.com](mailto:trwalson@hotmail.com)

### • New Exhibit Venue\*

**The Santa Susana Train Depot & Museum** has asked the Simi Valley Art Association to join them during their swap meets to display and sell our art. If you are interested please contact Terry Walson @ [trwalson@hotmail.com](mailto:trwalson@hotmail.com) or call 805-526-9688 for further information. [www.santasusannadepot.org](http://www.santasusannadepot.org)

• **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)

### • March Plein Air Information

Mark your calendar for March 11th. Location is CHUMASH PARK: 3200 Flanagan Drive, Simi Valley, CA 93063 All members are encouraged to do their own Mapquest or GPS to get to the locations. Any questions please email SusieT. at [sytse3@verizon.net](mailto:sytse3@verizon.net)

### Reminder:

*Gallery space requires sitting the gallery as well as being an active member in the association. Everyone needs to do their part, so that the gallery does not become a burden for a few, but a pleasure for all.*

### WANT A FREE TICKET FOR THE DOOR PRIZE?

**SVAA members, have you heard?** Wearing a personalized name tag or badge to the general meeting will entitle you to one free ticket for the door prize drawings! Here are some name tags seen recently --

• Please make SVAA your non-profit organization of choice when you shop at AMAZON SMILE!  
• SVAA now accepts PAYPAL for donations and fee payments - check

## [www.simivalleyart.org](http://www.simivalleyart.org)

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](mailto: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.



**Congratulations** to all the Santa Susana students that won for their beautiful artworks this past month. Terry Walson, Carmen Lamp, and Donna Snyder were among the jurors at this fun event. Great artworks..... Hard to chose the winners!!!!!!!!!!!!!!

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: [svaaprints@gmail.com](mailto:svaaprints@gmail.com). 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.

## MEMBERSHIP INFORMATION

**\*\*Members: Please note that this is the time to renew your SVAA membership. Forms can be found in our gallery or online at our website: [www.simivalleyart.org](http://www.simivalleyart.org)**

**\*\*Due to an increase in operational fees and a desire to attract more demonstrators , please note the increase in membership fees. Thank you.**

**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.

**FUNDRAISER ITEMS FOR SALE:**  
Art books, magazines, frames, mat boards ( different sizes ), a Logan 3-step circle #201 mat cutter, a #650/660 mat cutter, sheets of Stonehenge paper 22 x 30, jewelry making items, such as beads, wire, and wire cutters.  
Do you have any old art books or magazines that you have read or no longer need? Or how about art materials that you know you won't use? Please bring them to our

monthly meetings. We will have a table set up where members and guests can "buy" them for a donation. Clean out that clutter!

**BOARD MEETINGS:** Members are welcome to attend the monthly board meetings. Please call any board member for place, date, and time.

**SVAA Website:** To visit, go to: <http://www.simivalleyart.org/>. There you can find information about our past, current and upcoming events, demos and meetings, guest demo artists, event calendar and schedules, members list, members' artwork, event photos, and other information you might need regarding our organization.

Newsletter submissions must be made by the 20th of the month. Send your articles via email: [svaaprints@gmail.com](mailto:svaaprints@gmail.com). 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.

**"An artist cannot fail; it is a success to be one."**  
- Charles Horton Cooley

**MANY THANKS TO OUR SPONSORS WHO HELP CONTRIBUTE TO OUR ONGOING GRANT FUND FOR SIMI VALLEY HIGH SCHOOLS.**

## Advertise in the SVAA Newsletter

### To Place a Newsletter Ad:

Ads and payments must be received by the 20th of the month prior to the month you want your ad to appear. e.g. - April 20th for May newsletter.  
Send a jpeg via email: 4" x 6", 300 dpi, of your print-ready ad or business card to: [info@simivalleyart.org](mailto:info@simivalleyart.org). Place "Newsletter Submission" in the Subject Line.

<b>Per OneMonth</b>	<b>Members</b>	<b>Non-Members</b>
Business Card 2" x 3-1/2"	\$10	\$15
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