



ARTalk

A monthly publication of the Simi Valley Art Association

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President's Message



I would like to start off by saying thank you to all the outgoing board members. Their tireless work for the past several years has been amazing and greatly appreciated. Without their dedication we would not have an art association today!

I am so delighted to be your new President. We have an exciting year planned for 2014! We will have our Annual People's Choice and Juried Shows again, as well as the Scholarship Presentations in June. But, as a teaser for you, as the plans are not finalized, we have many more exciting events in store! Some of them may include a new themed category for the People's Choice Show, some fun fundraising events not only for us but for other non-profits as well, an artists' swap meet and new venues to show our beautiful art works. We plan to reach out to the other art associations in the area so that we can all enjoy what each has to offer. We plan to work with the City of Simi Valley and the Cultural Arts Center to create new venues for our art.

We would also like to increase the visibility of our gallery. The mall has so graciously donated the space to us and we plan to work closely with them to be included in their many activities this year. We would like to begin the process of letting our members hold classes there and perhaps have artist in residence programs for those who are interested. Michelle and Donna have worked very hard to make this gallery experience great for all of us and we need to show our support and appreciation by participating.

As always, we appreciate your feedback and are welcome to new ideas. This is YOUR artists association and we want to know what you want and how we can make it better for you. You are always welcome to attend our monthly board meetings to share your ideas or give me a phone call or email to talk on a more personal level. Please keep us informed of any art happenings you are aware of for our members as well as your accomplishments so we can put them in our newsletter.

I look forward to all your suggestions and am eager to make this an exciting year for everyone. I consider this position my new "full time job" and I thank you for your support!

*Katy Kearny
President*

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ART DEMOS at a GLANCE

• **March 20 Thurs - Jannene Behl** - Pastel Painting Techniques – SV Library Community Room

For further info call Katy Kearny, 805-579-9199 or email the Board at svaaprints@gmail.com. Demos/General Meetings held usually on 3rd Thursday of the month, 7pm. now at Simi Valley Public Library Community Room, 2969 Tapo Canyon Rd

7:00 pm on **Thursday, February 20, 2014**, at the
Simi Valley Public Library Community Room

For further info contact Katy Kearny at 805-579-9199

The Art of Rafael Maniago



Renowned Painter and Poet Rafael was born in the Philippines and has been drawing since childhood. He attended the University of the East in Manila, where he studied Fine Arts and Commercial Advertisement. For 20 years he operated his own gallery in the Philippines and in 1989 he decided to come to the United States. His passion for learning continued as he studied at the Pasadena Art Center. He has painted over 1000 portraits, of which many were of the Philippine leaders of Commerce, Industry and Politics. For years he has been conducting workshops throughout Southern California. He is a patient man with a keen eye for perfection and color. His elegant style can be seen in his works of art and the way his students capture his directions. There is a feeling of passion, and intense dedication in the vivid colors of his paintings. True to his style, he captures the inner life and physical likeness of the characters he portraits. True to his love of paintings, he continues to teach and paint outdoors day after day. He is a member of: Portrait Society of America, American Society of Portrait Artists, California Art Club, Laguna Plain Air Painter Association.

GALLERY NEWS

From Gallery Coordinator: Michelle McGrath 805-526-6897
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From Our Gallery Coordinator, Michelle McGrath:

Our calendars are quickly filling up with events, plein air and upcoming holidays for the new year. In February we have Valentine's Day so don't forget to stop in for an original artwork from a local artist for your loved one. We will be open on weekends even through the redevelopment process with the Town Center Mall.

The SVAA Gallery features changing artwork from 30 artists that reflect their passions, style and interests you will surely enjoy to view. I love stepping into our gallery and see what new creation from our members and I'm sure you will too! We expect more activities in the gallery so stay tuned and join us!. Once again a big thank you to the Simi Valley Town Center for providing us with this space to share our passion in exploring and promoting visual arts in our community.

*Thanks,
Michelle*



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.



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From our webmaster, Barbara Burde:

New members who would like to add links to their personal websites or upload some art works to the SVAA Members Page, please contact our Webmaster, Barbara Burde at hhkid76-wm@yahoo.com.

Congratulations...

- **Several SVAA artists won prizes** at the WVGA Members' Show: **Best in Show - Stella Kwan; 1st in Mixed Media - Anthony Verity; 2nd in Mixed Media - Pat Duggan; 2nd in Watercolor - David Deyell**
- **Congratulations to Boi Sibug** for winning the **Torrance Artist of the Year 2013 award!** He was also the 2012 winner.
- **Kudos to Michelle Daniel, David Deyell and Katy Kearny** for being juried into the Thousand Oaks Art Association Open Juried Art Show. Best of luck to them all. Please come to the reception and awards presentation on Sunday, February 9th from 1:00-4:00 to see all the beautiful artworks in the show!

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. Email: 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.

OPPORTUNITIES

- **Thousand Oaks Juried Show** - FEBRUARY 3 - FEBRUARY 27 at the Thousand Oaks Community Gallery, 2331 Borchard Road, Newbury Park, CA 91320 (next to Newbury Park Library); Gallery hours: Monday thru Saturday, 11-5; For info, contact: Carolyn Ryan: carolynryanart@gmail.com; Linda Shaner: lshanerart@yahoo.com
- **SVAA members** interested in joining the rotating art exhibit at the Simi Valley Library, should sign up at the next SVAA general meeting Feb .20. See Terry Walson for details.
- **The Santa Paula Society of the Arts (SPSA)**, is calling artists to enter their annual March show (juried). This is for all 2 dimensional artwork and there is \$4,000.00 in prize money. Take-in dates are March 6th, noon to 8 p.m. and March 8th , 10 - 2 p.m. at the Blanchard community library, 119 N. 8th St., Santa Paula. Reception: Saturday, March 22nd, 3 to 7 p.m.
- **Westlake Village Art Guild 2014 Annual Open Juried Show** - March 1, 2014 entry deadline - Thousand Oaks Community Gallery, 2331-A Borchard Road, Newbury Park, CA 91320. For more info, check out their website - <http://www.wvartguild.org/shows.html> or contact Dennis Griffin at (805) 262-2168 or email studiogriffoto1@mac.com.

Congratulations to the 2014 SVAA Board Members:

President - Katy Kearny
Recording Secretary - Alice Profitt
Treasurer - Terry Walson
Gallery Coordinator -
Michelle McGrath/Donna Snyder



(L-R) Bessie Jacinto (Outgoing President), Katy Kearny (President), Alice Profitt (Recording Secretary) and Terry Walson (Treasurer). Not in the photo are Michelle McGrath and Donna Snyder (Gallery Coordinators).

January Demo with David Deyell



LOCAL ART HAPPENINGS

Simi Valley Plein Air Artists Group meet once a month. We will be meeting at 9:00 February 10, 2014 in Moorpark (old town). West on 118 Fwy exit at Princeton ave. Turn left follow road to signal continue straight to train station on left. To join, call Karen Barnes 805-527-5583, E-mail is Kasey9@me.com. For anyone interested in joining \$5 for the year.

MEMBERSHIP INFORMATION

MEMBERSHIP UPDATE Please start renewing memberships for 2014. January was the start of the membership year. Email svaaprints@gmail.com of any email/contact or address changes.

COMMITTEE MEMBERSHIP UPDATE: Sign-ups in progress – Thanks to all who have signed up and please contact any Board member or Committee chairs for questions.

2014 SVAA COMMITTEES

• PROGRAM/SPECIAL EVENTS

(DEMOS/WORKSHOPS/PLEIN AIR/ART SHOWS, etc.):

CHAIR: _____

MEMBERS: David Deyell,

• HOSPITALITY/RECEPTION/SET UP-TAKE-DOWN

(Gen. Meetings, Gallery/Special Events)

CHAIR: _____

MEMBERS: _____

• PUBLICITY (Press Releases/Web Site/Newsletter/ Social Media – Facebook Page)

CHAIR: _____

MEMBERS: _____

• Press Releases /TV Ads - Sherri Trout,

• Webmaster – Barbara Burde, Cathy Holcombe (Web) _____

• Newsletter Editor – Bessie Jacinto

• Newsletter Designer – Boi Sibug

• Facebook/Social Media –

• PEOPLE'S CHOICE AWARD SHOW (Annual Members Show)

CHAIR: _____

MEMBERS: _____

• ANNUAL OPEN JURIED SHOW

CHAIR: DONNA SNYDER

MEMBERS: _____

• FUNDRAISING

CHAIR: _____

MEMBERS: _____

MORE MEMBERSHIP INFORMATION:

Our fees are \$35.00 for yearly dues with \$15.00 for the second family member. Students will remain at \$15.00

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 at the Simi Valley Public Library Community Room. Membership form is now available for download at our SVAA website (<http://www.simivalleyart.org/membership.html>).

MAGAZINE/BOOK/MATERIALS FUNDRAISER:

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 every 1st Wednesday of the month at the Simi Town Center Art Gallery at 6:30 PM. Please call any board member to confirm in case of any reschedules or agenda suggestions.

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.

SVAA Facebook, Twitter, and LinkedIn:

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 page go to: <http://facebook.com/SVAAINC>.

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



2014 Calendar of Events

JANUARY

8 – Board Mtg
16 – Gen Mtg/
Installation
of 2014
Executive Board

FEBRUARY

5 – Board Mtg
8 – Bylaws draft
publication
20 – Gen Mtg

MARCH

5 – Board Mtg
20 – Gen Mtg/
ByLaws
Finalized

APRIL

2 – Board Mtg
17 – Gen Mtg

MAY

7 – Board Mtg
3/4 – People's
Choice Award
Show (Members
Only)
15 – Gen Mtg

JUNE

4 – Board Mtg
19 – Gen Mtg
Art Scholarship
Awards Night

JULY

-No Gen Mtg
-Artists' Swap
Meet (Date TBD)
-Annual Juried
Show Planning

AUGUST

-No Gen Mtg
[Activity To Be
Announced]
-Annual Juried
Show Press
Releases

SEPTEMBER

3 – Board Mtg
18 – Gen Mtg

OCTOBER

1 – Board Mtg
10 – Open Juried
Show Take -In
19 – Reception/
Awards
16 – Gen Mtg

NOVEMBER

1 – Open Juried
Show Take Down
6 – Board Mtg
20 – Gen Mtg

DECEMBER

3 – Board Mtg
11 – Gen Mtg/
Elections for
2014 Executive
Board

**2014 Board
Nominations
Kick-off**