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# PAL NEWSLETTER

# August 2014



## Welcome New and Renewing PAL Members

Carol Grismore  
 Barbara Hoffman  
 Gary Hughes  
 Rosanne Kaufmann  
 John Long  
 Pat Lucas  
 Gia McNutt  
 Gabriela Michanie  
 Henry Raming  
 Joyce Rule  
 Doug & Susan Spencer  
 Susan Stoll  
 Katie O'Sullivan  
 Nancy Lee Woody

### PAL MEMBERSHIP:

**Who We Are** - Placer Artists League (PAL) promotes professional camaraderie, artistic support and exhibit opportunities in partnership with PlacerArts. PAL is a group of active visual artists who meet regularly for camaraderie, artist presentations and demonstrations on a variety of media and art related topics from award winning professionals.

**Meetings** - Held the first Tuesday of every month at 10 AM (except July) in The Arts Building at 808 Lincoln Way in Auburn.

**Existing Members** - If you change your phone number, home address or email address, please contact Charlie Iveson Email or call her at (530) 863-0698.

**Membership** - If you are new or renewing your PAL participation, make sure to select your tax deductible PlacerArts membership level as well as the supplementary participation fee - \$20 - Placer Artists League. Both boxes need to be selected.

### SEE THE LINKS BELOW TO JOIN OR RENEW:

#### PAL LINKS:

- [PAL Website](#)
- [New/Renew PAL Membership](#)
- [PAL Newsletter Archives](#)
- [PAL Open Juried Show info](#)
- [Download PAL Exhibit Form](#)

#### PLACERARTS LINKS:

- [PlacerArts Website](#)
- [PlacerArts Artist Directory](#)
- [PlacerArts - Call to Artist](#)

Dear PAL members:

We skipped our July PAL meeting since so many of us were on vacation. I wanted you all to see the beautiful "jigsaw puzzle" artwork that we created at our June meeting (see below). PAL members - whether they were painters or not -- responded to this challenge and as you can see, a beautiful piece of art resulted. Because none of us knew exactly what we were painting, it was a delightful surprise to see a gorgeous rendition of the Auburn Courthouse when we put our works of art together!



I hope you are enjoying your summer and are ready to "strut your stuff" in some of the wonderful shows that we have listed in the Call-to-Artists section of

this newsletter.

Best regards,  
*Pat Lucas*  
 Newsletter Editor

## August 5th PAL Meeting - Porcelain Artist Pat Bergander

### A PAL Member Shares Her Passion for Porcelain Painting



The August PAL meeting features PAL member Pat Bergander, an accomplished porcelain painter. Her presentation begins with a brief history of porcelain art through the ages. She will explain and show the basic materials that all porcelain artists use, and show us a variety of porcelain painting techniques, using tiles she has created as samples.

Pat will demonstrate the mixing of porcelain paints, how paint is applied, and other details that will help us to understand and appreciate this ancient art. She's currently working on a water lily piece which she will paint on during her demonstration.

"I'll also show you how to spot 'the real thing' when contemplating the purchase of a porcelain piece," Pat says.

The meeting will be held, Tuesday August 5 at The Arts Building, 808 Lincoln Way in Auburn at 10 AM.

## Umpqua Bank Gallery Schedule

PAL manages the gallery at Umpqua Bank, 571 5th Street in Lincoln all throughout the year. We have two membership shows there each year, and facilitate displays by various art groups the rest of the year. We have Amy Newson to thank for ably acting as venue manager for this gallery. Here's what's coming up:

- Now through August 11: Lincoln Hills Photography Group

- August 12 through Sept 8: Lincoln Hills Painters Group
- Sept 9 thru Oct 14: Art League of Lincoln
- Oct 14 thru Nov 11: Lincoln Elementary School Art Students
- Nov 11 through Jan 13: PAL Membership Show

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## PAL Open Juried Show a Huge Success

The Placer Artists League has announced the winners of its 2014 PAL Open Juried Show fine arts competition and exhibition. We want to thank The Art League of Lincoln for being our venue for the show. This year we had an overwhelming number of entries as compared to prior years. A total of 99 artists registered to enter the competition with 204 entries. Only 104 pieces were accepted into the show.

Beautiful artwork was received and although we would have liked to have everyone in the show, we were limited to the space within the gallery as well as we wanted a good representation of each of our categories of art. Our juror, Margot, had a difficult time choosing which pieces to accept. Margot said 'More than anything else, I was looking for quality - from beginning to end. I am looking for artists who are confident, creative and convincing in the genre and medium they have chosen. I'd like the work that hangs on the exhibition wall to be an inspiration, a source of ideas and instruction to those who come to the show.'

Diane Friedberg, the Open Juried Show Chairperson, wants to thank the PAL Steering Committee Members for assisting with the planning of this event: Pat Lucas, Debra Hosler, Jan Miller, Joyce Williams, Charlie Iveson, Sandy Rea, Amy Newson, Kathy Randall, Pat Aragon

Diane also wants to thank our PAL Members who volunteered with receiving, hanging and the reception: Joyce Rule, Margo Comer, Nancy Poli, Craig Johnson, Sandy Main, Gia McNutt, Kathy Ryan, John Long, Sharon Turney, Vivienne Monroe, Rudy Browne, Matt Konar, Ernie Kleven, Foxey McCleary, Dannette Robers, Pam Cushman, Pat Lucas, Tatiana Allen. Thanks to Amy Newson for creating the PAL Brochure and to Sandy Rea for her idea of having a binder of the artists at the gallery.

Awards were provided to the best artwork in each of the seven categories. Viewers will vote for the 'People's Choice' Award which will be announced after the end of the show on August 2.

The following is the list of the award winners of the show:

**The Best of Show award was presented to Sally Durante for her pastel 'I Will Love You Forever'.**

### **Acrylic Category**

First Place - Katie O'Sullivan, 'Electric Trance' Second Place - Max Redpath-Kennedy, 'Chilies Au Gogh Gogh: Homage to Vincent' Third Place - Karol Mendez, 'Tuscan Farmhouse' Honorable Mention - Sandra Main, 'American Bison'

### **3-D Sculpture and Jewelry**

First Place - Alice Horst, 'Springtime Dragon' Second Place - Autumn L. Moon, 'Flying Home (Collaboration with Mike Daley)' Third Place - Tommie Moller, 'Sioux Woman' Honorable Mention - Neal DeVore, 'Amboyne Burl Natural Edge Bowl 3-184'

### **Mixed Media and Other Media**

First Place - Diane Ruhkala-Bell, 'California Reds' Second Place - Darlene Engellener, 'Rembrandt Night' Third Place - Mike Glover, 'Carmel, CA' Honorable Mention - Craig Johnson, 'Reflections and Refractions'

### **Oil**

First Place - Rudy Browne, 'Guitar Player' Second Place - Sherri Dauphinais, 'African Violet Loveliness' Third Place - Jan Saia, 'Florence Cathedral' Honorable Mention - Dennis Wilson, 'The Power Plant at Moss Landing'

### **Pastel**

First Place - Reif Erickson, 'Sacred Pools' Second Place - Sally Durante, 'Mother and Son #8' Third Place - Joyce Williams, 'Frog Pond' Honorable Mention - B.K. England, 'Journey'

### **Photography Including Digital Photography**

First Place - Craig Johnson, 'Painter's Delight' Second Place - Michele Houghton, 'Death of a Landline' Third Place - John F. Johnson, 'Summer' Honorable Mention - Chris Scheel, 'Unveiled 2'

### **Watercolor**

First Place - Barbara Vance, 'Tropical Topic' Second Place - Diane Pargament, 'Water, Water...' Third Place - Mary Wang-Steele, 'Koi Family of Happiness' Honorable Mention - John Long, 'Three Pears on White Cloth'



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## A Chance to Volunteer for PAL

There are several great opportunities to become more involved in PAL in the coming months:

- PAL chairperson Diane Friedberg will be stepping down at the end of this calendar year. She has done a wonderful job at steering PAL over the past few years, and is ready to begin working with someone who wishes to step into the position for 2015. Diane will share more information at the August PAL meeting.
- PAL newsletter editor Pat Lucas is also stepping down. If you enjoy working with a computer, you're a shoe-in for this job.
- We need someone to manage the PAL membership show slated for the October Auburn Art Walk.
- We need someone to lead the PAL Open Juried Show. This is our most visible activity in the arts community every year and another great way to give back to PAL.
- We need a PAL volunteer to assemble our jigsaw puzzle artwork from our June meeting in time for an upcoming PAL Membership Show.
- We also need someone to manage planning for our Dec. 2 holiday luncheon.

[Contact Diane](#) for more questions, or come prepared to learn more at our August 5 meeting

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## Other PAL News & Events

**Pat Lucas** has 14 of her watercolors on display at Auburn Faith Hospital's chapel area as part of the hospital's "Art for Healing" program. They will hang there until Aug. 6.

**Kathy Ryan's** watercolors are on display in the Beecher Room at the Auburn Library, 350 Nevada St., through August 30.

**John Blotti** donated a painting to benefit the Sierra Vista Community Center's artist studios in Colfax.

**Suzanne Blaney** is selling an almost new (only 10 pieces used) boxed set of 172 Sennelier "a L' Ecu" Soft pastels for \$275. (\$550 value). Call (530) 820-3587.

Dick Cerruti will display his watercolors at the Old Library Art Studio (OLAS) during the Aug. 14 Auburn Art Walk.

ArtSpace at the PlacerArts Building has classes in store for August. [Click here](#) for details.

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## *Shows to Enter/Display Opportunities*

**Sacramento Fine Arts Go With The Flow**, WASH 2014 Open Show, September 2-27, 2014. Hand carry entries Friday, August 22 from 1-5 PM or Saturday, August 23 from 11 AM - 3 PM. Visit [www.sacfinearts.org](http://www.sacfinearts.org) for more information.

**Women's Wisdom Project "Art Bra" Show** - Back by popular demand, this show will be in September at Blue Line Gallery. If you'd like to receive a call-to-artists announcement, email Helen Plener: [Helen@hplener.com](mailto:Helen@hplener.com).

**Gold Country Fair Art Competition:** Entries close: Tues., Aug. 5 at 6:00 p.m. Go to: [http://www.goldcountryfair.com/?page\\_id=792](http://www.goldcountryfair.com/?page_id=792).

**California Watercolor Assoc. 45th National Exhibition**, deadline Sept. 5, <http://www.californiawatercolor.org/userfiles/file/45th%20National/Final%2045th%20prospectus%281%29.pdf>

**Northern Mines Art Exhibit & Sale** sponsored by the Pioneer Arts Club deadline is Sept. 2, [http://www.pioneerartsclub.com/2014\\_Northern\\_Mines\\_Exhibit.html](http://www.pioneerartsclub.com/2014_Northern_Mines_Exhibit.html)

**Art on the Divide Cooperative Gallery** is inviting artists to participate in an October show, "Visions of the West." [www.artonthedivide.com](http://www.artonthedivide.com)

**Rocklin Fine Arts** "The Animal Kingdom" show, Aug. 23-24, Receiving Aug. 21. <http://rocklinfinearts.org/603244/2014-animal-kingdom-at-woofstock/>

**Art League of Lincoln's "Restoration Show,"** Entries must be of recycled, reused, rescued and found objects re-purposed into 2 or 3D Art.. Deadline Aug. 24, <http://www.all4art.net/restoration-art.html>

**Meadow Vista Library** - Meadow Vista Library will show your paintings or photos free of charge and the opportunity is now open to all PAL members -- no matter where you live. For more information call library manager Sue Siefert at 530-878-2647.

FOR ADDITIONAL CALL-TO-ARTIST OPPORTUNITIES, GO TO: [www.placerarts.org/arts-calendar/call-to-artists/](http://www.placerarts.org/arts-calendar/call-to-artists/).

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**Sierra Pastel Society** "Pastels on High" their 2014 International Exhibition, August 19-30 at the Sacramento Fine Arts Center

**Placerville Arts Association 48th Annual Mother Lode Art Exhibit** August 3 to August 17

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**Crocker Art Museum Fall Studio Art Classes** - From quilt and jewelry making to photography and animation, the Crocker's studio art classes offer unique learning experiences for everyone. For more information, go to: <https://crockerartmuseum.org/learn-do/programs/classes-camps-parties>

**The Art League of Lincoln** is proud to present internationally acclaimed watercolor artist and author Lian Quan Zhen as a featured instructor at the Art Center of Lincoln on August 13 and 14, 2014. Combining traditional western watercolor techniques with Chinese brush painting, Mr. Zhen has written four instructional books and teaches his techniques at sites throughout the world. Cost \$200 for two-day class. To register: [www.all4art.net/events-calendar.html](http://www.all4art.net/events-calendar.html)

**Tahoe Art League Studio Tour** - July 25-27 and August 1-3. Kit Night invited all of PAL to visit her for this popular studio tour. Anyone want to do a road trip? Visit their website for more information [www.talarg.org](http://www.talarg.org).

FOR ADDITIONAL SHOWS & CLASSES, GO TO: [www.placerarts.org](http://www.placerarts.org).

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## **PAL Steering Committee**

Here's a list of the 2014 PAL Steering Committee members, and their respective positions. We welcome PAL members to attend our meetings for their input. Please note that we're still looking for people to fill a few remaining positions:

Diane Friedberg - Steering Committee Chair, (530) 268-1383, [email](#)  
Charlie Iveson - Membership Co-Chair, (530) 863-0698, [email](#)  
Sandra Rea - Membership Co-Chair, (530) 878-7561, [email](#)  
Diane Friedberg - PAL Open Juried Show Chair, ((530) 268-1383, [email](#)  
Pat Lucas - Newsletter Editor, (530) 888-1440, [email](#)  
Amy Newson - Umpqua Bank Venue Manager, (916) 663-9687, [email](#)  
Danette Roberts - Umpqua Bank Venue Asst. Manager (530) 512-5089

Pat Stoddard Aragon -- Umpqua Bank Venue Manager (for PAL exhibits) [email](#)

Open - Program Chair

Pat Lucas - Publicity Chair [email](#)

Matt Konar - Setup/Cleanup Coordinator

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## PAL Activity Calendar

- Aug 2 PAL Open Juried Show closes
- Aug 4 Pick up Artwork from the PAL Open Juried Show 11 AM to 3 PM
- Aug 5 PAL Meeting - 10:00 AM - Pat Bergander, Painting Porcelain Art
- Aug 8 Colfax Art Walk, 3:00 to 9:00 PM
- Aug 14 Auburn Art Walk, 6:00-9:00 PM
- Aug 11 PAL Committee Meeting, 2 PM Newcastle Packing Shed Artists Studios
- Sep 2 PAL Meeting - 10:00 AM - Rodney Mott, Field trip to his Penryn Art Gallery, Wood fired pottery and sculpture.
- Sep 11 PAL Committee Meeting, 2 PM Newcastle Packing She Artists Studios
- Oct 7 PAL Meeting - 10:00 AM - Member "Show and Tell"
- Oct 13 PAL Committee Meeting, 2 PM Newcastle Packing Shed Artists Studios
- Nov 4 PAL Meeting - 10:00 AM - Mim Meakin - either watercolor or mixed media with tissue paper and watercolor
- Nov 7-9 Autum Art Studios Tour
- Nov 10 PAL Committee Meeting, 2 PM Newcastle Packing Shed Artists Studios
- Nov 11 PAL Membership Show at Umpqua Bank in Lincoln (through Jan 13)
- Dec 2 PAL Holiday Luncheon, 12:00 noon, location to be determined.

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