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PAL NEWSLETTER

September 2014



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). Refer to newsletter regarding the location of the meeting.

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](#)
- [Download PAL Exhibit Form](#)

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

Quote for the Day:

"The greater the artist, the greater the doubt. Perfect confidence is granted to the less talented as a consolation prize."

-- Robert Hughes

Dear PAL members:

We're "hitting the road" for a studio tour for our September meeting. See the article below for details. This should be a fun outing for us all!

As summer draws to a close and the temperatures get cooler, maybe it's time to dust off your plien air kit and get outside to do some painting in the great outdoors. I've been spending time in the Sacramento Delta and can report that the fall color on the banks of the rivers and sloughs is already starting to come out.

Creatively yours,

Pat Lucas

Newsletter Editor

Sept. 2nd PAL Meeting at 10 AM A Road Trip to Rodney Mott's Studio

See the Artist in Action at his Penryn Studio & Gallery



The September PAL meeting takes us on the road to visit the wonderful gallery and studio of ceramic artist Rodney Mott.

"My focus is wood fired pottery and sculpture," Rodney says. "I also enjoy working in bronze, oil and acrylic paintings, as well as clay mono-prints. My paintings feature vivid and playful imagery, oftentimes representative of my sculpture and pottery. I enjoy going into the elementary classroom and playing with clay along with the kids. I strongly believe that Art is an important experience for children and history shows Art's importance in our culture(s)."

He currently teaches ceramics at American River College in Sacramento and has served as a Juror for the Gladding-McBean Feats of Clay Competition in Lincoln, Ca. In 1996, Rodney founded The Penryn Workshop, a series of hands-on demonstration classes in the art of wood-firing, clay sculpture and kiln building, and has hosted many major artists. In 2008, he launched The Penryn Art Gallery as a showplace for his own art, as well as artworks from a variety of new talent and well as established artists. He is dedicated to promoting the creation of all types of art at all skill levels.

The PAL meeting will be held, Tuesday September 2, at 10 AM at Rodney's studio:
1394 Orange Hill Lane, Penryn, 916-663-2815.

Directions: From Auburn take I 80 to the 193 Exit toward Lincoln, merge onto Taylor Rd, turn right onto Callison Rd, turn left onto Sisley Rd and turn right on Orange Hill Rd. Parking is available on his site - if full, park on Sisley Rd. Rodney will be out directing traffic and assisting with parking.

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 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

Shows to Enter/Display Opportunities

PAL Membership Show at the Auburn Art Walk - PAL members are invited to participate in our membership show at the Auburn City Hall for the October Art Walk. Details will be provided in our October newsletter.

The Auburn Arts Commission victoriously went before the Auburn City Council and obtained approval for local artists to paint traffic signal boxes throughout the City of Auburn. If you have leftover exterior paint in your garage, the Auburn Arts Commission would like your donation of paint for this project. Also, if you are an artist interested in painting a box, please contact the Auburn Arts Commission at the following phone number and email address : artscommissionauburn@gmail.com (530) 820-3644.

Northern Mines Art Exhibit & Sale sponsored by the Pioneer Arts Club, deadline is Sept. 2. http://www.pioneerartsclub.com/2014_Northern_Mines_Exhibit.html

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

Meadow Vista Library is offering opportunities to exhibit your paintings or photos free of charge. Call Sue Siefert 530-878-2 647 for more information.

Machado Orchards 4th Annual Apple Festival Oct. 18, 9 ANM-6 PM. Call 530-823-1393 to reserve a spot to paint in the orchard and/or set up a booth.

Blue Line Arts annual Crocker-Kingsley Competition, juried by Gregory Kondos, deadline: Nov. 5, go to www.bluelinearts.org/exhibite/calls.html

Other PAL News & Events

Pat Stoddard Aragon has had artwork accepted in the annual Draft Horse Classic Art Exhibit.

Jan Miller, Pat Stoddard Aragon and Joyce Williams have had artwork accepted into the International "Pastels on High" Show. Joyce won an Award of Excellence. **Jan and Pat's** artwork is in the Placerville Arts Association's, national Mother Lode Show, which is currently being shown at the Shakespeare Club in Placerville. **Jan's** work is also on display in Vacaville, where she received first and third awards. **Jan** is also in a national show at the Chico Arts Center and in the PSWC 28th International "Pastels USA" Show, Oct. 2 - Nov. 9 and "Bold Expressions" Sept 30 - Oct. 25 at the Sacramento Fine Arts Center.

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.
- PAL newsletter editor Pat Lucas is also stepping down. If you enjoy working with a computer, you're a shoe-in for this job.
- Venue Manager for Umpqua Bank. We thank Amy Newson for managing the gallery this past year.
- 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 in June of 2015. This is our most visible activity in the arts community every year and another great way to give back to PAL.
- We also need someone to manage planning for our Dec. 2 holiday luncheon.
- We need someone to share the PAL membership function with Sandra Rae. Thanks to Charlie Iveson for her work this past year.

[Contact Diane](#) for more questions.

Shows to See/Art Opportunities/Classes

Newcastle Artists Studio Exhibit is at Roseville City Hall, now through October 2nd.

Sacramento Fine Arts' Annual WASH Show, "Go With the Flow," Sept 2-27, 5330-B Gibbons Dr., Carmichael

Newcastle Art Studios Tour, Oct 11-12.

Center for the Arts' Fall Colors Open Studios Art Tour, Oct 4-5 & 11-12, 10 AM-5 PM. 314 W. Main St, Grass Valley, www.openstudiotour.org.

FOR ADDITIONAL SHOWS & CLASSES, GO TO: www.placerarts.org.

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

PAL Activity Calendar

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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