



Engaging, Encouraging, and Enriching our Community in the Visual Arts

Upcoming Art Shows



Wheeler Gallery – Show Schedule

Get a prospectus at the Art Center or on www.paradise-art-center.com

Theme	Show Dates	Drop Off *	Pick Up *
Local Inspiration	Apr 24 - May 19	-	May 22
Big Sky	May 29 - Jun 23	May 22	Jun 26
Inspired By...	Jul 3 - Jul 28	Jun 26	Jul 31

** must be between 1-4 pm*



Nic's – Show Schedule

Come see the current or an upcoming show!

Show Dates	Drop Off *	Pick Up *
Apr 18 - May 13	-	May 15
May 16 - Jun 18	May 12	Jun 20
Jun 20 - Jul 22	Jun 16	Jul 24

** must be between 1-4 pm*

Visit us at the Chocolate Fest, May 13th!

The Chocolate Fest is just around the corner! On Saturday, May 13, be sure to stop by our two booths! We will have an information and art sales booth inside the Terry Ashe Rec Center, as well as a demonstration booth outside!



“The Art of Play” Day - Free Art Lessons!

This event will offer the opportunity to experience working with different art media. There will be a total of 4 one-and-a-half hour, hands-on activities to give Ridge community members the opportunity to freely play with the tools and supplies provided. Registered participants will be given the opportunity to experience up to 2 of 4 different art media such as clay, watercolor, acrylic, and polymer clay. Some may take home pieces of art they created; all will take away a shared experience and sense of belonging to a vibrant, friendly community. These lessons are sponsored by Paradise Park and Recreation District. They are open to all ages!

Date: Saturday, June 3, 2023

- **10:30 - noon: Watercolor** (with Amy Kaur).
Create a small painting to take home
- **10:30 - noon: Polymer Clay** (with Sheri Schwarzweller).
Make a small wall plaque to take home
- **1:00 - 2:30: Humorous Illustrations**, aka Cartoons (with Steve Ferchaud).
Create drawings with funny characters
- **1:00 - 2:30: Pottery** (with Cathryn Hudin).
Make a small decorated pinch pot to take home
** pieces will be ready after firing*

Have questions or want to register? Call Paradise Art Center at (530) 877-7402 or stop by any weekday between 1:00 - 4:00 pm.

The Art of Photography - “Wildlife Walks”

featuring an interactive presentation with wildlife photographer, Jane Dysert.

Jane will be sharing her style of wildlife photography, including what gear she brings on her nature walks, what camera equipment and settings she uses, along with an array of different wildlife photography topics and tips. She will also be sharing interesting wildlife adaptations, fascinating wildlife facts and many of her amazing wildlife photos.

Date: Saturday, June 17, 2023 from 1:00 - 3:00 pm

Interaction, questions and sharing of information by the audience will be welcomed throughout the presentation. Attendees will be encouraged to bring examples of their own photography to share with others and engage in conversation about their individual challenges and triumphs.

Light refreshments will be available. This lesson is offered free to community members and is open to all ages and is sponsored by a grant from Paradise Park and Recreation District!

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Member Spotlight – Cathryn Hudin

Most groups and organizations have members that work tirelessly behind the day-to-day activities to ensure the success of the organization without thought of reward or recognition for themselves. This month's Paradise Art Center Member Spotlight recognizes Cathryn Hudin as such an individual.



Cathryn has been affiliated with the Paradise Art Center since 1980. She is best known as the Center's pottery instructor, but in that time she has also served over 30 years on the Board of Directors with over 12 of those years as Board President. Both the Camp Fire and pandemic took a toll on the Art Center and its classes. After the fire, the Art Center closed for over a year with many Paradise residents relocating to other areas. However, Cathryn states "The commitment to the Art Center goes deep and so gradually our classes have grown and new teachers have emerged." For her the Art Center was an 'anchor' sustaining her and many of her students through those "dark times".

She attended her first pottery class in 1970, taking all the ceramics classes available and finished college with degrees in both Psychology and Fine Art/Ceramics

concentration. After over 50 years, she still finds the ceramics field exciting and enjoys the inherent element of surprise, good and bad, every time the kiln is opened. In addition to her first love, ceramics, Cathryn has also taken classes in glass blowing, jewelry making in ceramics and metal, silversmithing, fiber arts, and graphic design.

Her creative process often begins with an idea for a piece written down in a notebook followed by a quick thumbnail sketch then a detailed drawing or a "whole cartoon the size of the actual piece." She uses this process for sculptures and large tile wall murals. When throwing on a potter's wheel, her 50 years of experience allows her to create "almost anything that [her] body will allow".



Recently retiring from teaching pottery at Butte Community College after 45 years, Cathryn noted significant differences between the populations she taught at the college and the Art Center. Most college students enrolled in one or two classes with few continuing onto a career or further studies. Many enrolled at the Art Center have taken Cathryn's classes for 5 to 30 years, becoming not only friends, but also family. Currently, there are even elementary school children in one of her classes.



Cathryn has written a handout for those thinking of taking her pottery class. Often people sign up for a pottery class with high expectations, but like most artistic endeavors practice and time are required for success. A project as simple as a 'pinch pot' might take as long as one to two months to complete. Beginning with a ball of clay, sticking a thumb in the center, pinching,

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Member Spotlight – Cathryn Hudin (continued)

and turning the ball slowing opening and widening the hole then continuing to pinch the wall of the pot to make it an even thickness is only the start of the process. Next is decorating the surface, if desired, letting the pot slowly dry, firing it in the electric kiln, glazing it and then firing it in the gas kiln. Finally opening the kiln to “enjoy your wondrous creation.” Cathryn’s creative philosophy is simple. “Making something beautiful enhances the whole world and you will be so happy you gave yourself this gift. Being creative is at the core of being human, let it come out in any form that makes you happy. Art connects us all.”



- Kathy Presentati



Come Check Out Our Library!

Since the start of this year Paradise Art Center’s art book collection has been reorganized by subject. The goal is to make the Center’s art library resource more accessible to members. Bookshelves are being labeled by subject area and a “book basket” now sits under the workroom mailbox by the front door.

The new organization is quite informal. The Art Center has a very useful collection of first-rate art books covering a wide range of topics, including such specialties as jewelry making, china painting, and graphic design, for example, as well as the subjects you’d expect to find: drawing, anatomy, landscape topics, animals, and watercolor techniques.

The art collection is housed in the first six sections of the workroom’s storage cabinet. A list of the shelf organization is pinned to the first cabinet section and is also available in the book basket. Another change is that the basket holds 3-by-5 cards to record books being used outside the library.

The new book basket is there to receive books after they have been used. It should make things more convenient for members and prevent books from being mis-shelved. The reorganization is all to facilitate better use of the library by members. If that means someone needs to use an art book at home, they fill out a card with the date, their name, and the name of the book and leave it in the basket. That way, if a teacher or another member needs that book, they can contact the person. When a member returns a book to the basket, they simply take their card out.

Happy browsing, everyone!

PARADISE ART CENTER CLASSES & WORKSHOPS

Ongoing Classes

Lab fees are charged for all sessions, in addition to instructor fees, to pay for site maintenance. Instructor fees vary by class. For more info contact the instructor or facilitator or Kathy Dysert at 707-480-2426

Lab fee: \$2/member, \$5/non-member

Classes, by Media

Instructors

ACRYLIC - All Levels

Thursdays, 9:30 - 11:30 am. Techniques for making acrylic paintings go from good to great. Bring your own materials. Fees per class: \$20 members, \$25 non-members, plus lab fee.

Christine Mac Shane
530-370-1285
christinamacshane@gmail.com

ART FOR YOUTH - by age group

Saturdays (through May)

9 - 10 am: **Elementary School**

10:15 - 11:15 am: **Junior High**

11:30 - 12:30 pm: **High School**

Thursdays (starting June)

1 - 4 pm

Class sessions are 4 weeks in length, each month we will explore different themes! We will explore the wonderful aspects that makes us who we are through art! A different project will be presented each week. It is adjusted for the appropriate age groups. \$125/4-week session and includes all materials. Class size is limited to 15 students per grade level.

Amy Tomczak
530-826-6871
amytomczak1@gmail.com

COLORED PENCIL - All Levels

Wednesdays, 1 - 4 pm. For beginning to advanced artists interested in learning the basics, as well as increasingly more advanced techniques. This class is ongoing. Fee: \$10 per class, plus lab fee.

Kathy Dysert
707-480-2426
kdysert@pacific.net

Sally Armstrong
530-327-8626
sallyarmstrong33@yahoo.com

DRAWING - Beginning (4-week session start on June 6)

Tuesdays, 5 - 7 pm. Drawing with the right side (of your brain). Observation techniques and recording with a pencil as the basic foundation of drawing. BYOP (bring your own pencil). 4-week sessions. Fee: \$45 members, \$50 non-members, plus lab fee.

Greg Sanchez
cubfan1a@yahoo.com

PASTEL - All Levels

Mondays, 1 - 4 pm; 4-week sessions. Focus on the application of pastels as well as blending of colors and creating texture. Includes pre-drawn lessons. Fees: \$60 members, \$72 non-members, paid up front, plus lab fee. This class is ongoing.

Joanne Graham
gundog777jg@aol.com

POLYMER CLAY - All Levels

Tuesdays, 9:30 am - 12:30 pm. For beginner and experienced clayers. Learn basics of polymer claying. Fee \$5 plus lab fee.

Sheri Schwarzweller
760-504-5056
sheriwindo@gmail.com

ONGOING CLASSES, continued

Classes, by Media

Instructors

POTTERY - Beginning

Mondays, 5:30 - 8:30 pm. This class is designed for people new to working with clay and those with previous experience many years ago. Cathryn will be demonstrating hand building techniques and follow a project list. Students will receive a materials list the first day of class. Everyone will need to accomplish these basic skills before moving onto more complex projects. No previous knowledge of clay is necessary. Tools, clay types, kiln firing and other aspects of clay will be covered in detail. Monthly fee: \$48 members / \$60 non-members, plus lab fee. Minimum of six students. This class is ongoing for continued learning.

Cathryn Hudin
530-353-9655

POTTERY - Intermediate/Advanced

Mondays, 2 - 5 pm. Students must commit to one month, and have a basic knowledge of ceramics. This is not a drop in class. It is ongoing, and meets every Monday. Pottery making takes time, often projects take two-three months to finish. Kilns are fired when there are enough pieces to fill them. More advanced levels of pottery will be covered including hand building, wheel throwing, glazing, and kiln loading. \$10 per class session, plus lab fee. This class is ongoing.

Cathryn Hudin
530-353-9655

WATERCOLOR - Beginning

Mondays, 9 am - noon. Learn watercolor techniques in detail. Fee: \$12 members / \$15 non-members, plus lab fee.

Amy Kaur
text at 530-521-0693
amanp.261@gmail.com

OPEN STUDIO TIMES

Lab Fees only (\$2 members/\$5 non-members) • Days and times subject to change.

WATERCOLOR STUDIO: Tuesdays, 1-4 pm

Facilitator: Cathy Hales, 530-873-0579, c.hales@comcast.net

POTTERY STUDIO: Wednesdays, 1-4 pm (members only)

Facilitator: Jim Robertson, james80robertson@gmail.com

OPEN STUDIO: Mondays, 4-7 pm and Fridays, 1-4 pm

Mondays 4-7 pm – Any media. Facilitator: Berta Roebuck, berta.roebuck@gmail.com

Fridays 1-4 pm - Any media. Facilitator: Sally Armstrong, sallyarmstrong33@yahoo.com

POTENTIAL UPCOMING WORKSHOPS

Lab Fees only (\$2 members/\$5 non-members) • Days and times TBD, check the website

FRAME MAKING - Beginning

Dates TBD. Three 2-hour workshops on how to make your own art frames. This course is taught by Dennis Perri. Please email Berta Roebuck, berta.roebuck@gmail.com, if you are interested so she can share more course information with you, and also determine a date that works for everyone.

PAPERCLAY - Beginning

Dates TBD. Two day workshop. Please email Patti Lloyd, angelloyd48@yahoo.com, if you are interested so she can determine a date that works for everyone.

Board of Directors Electees for 2023

Kathy Dysert - President

This coming year will be a crucial part of Paradise Art Center history, as we try to establish its role as a valuable partner in the rebuilding of our town after the challenges we have experienced as a result of the Camp Fire and the pandemic. In so doing, we will be forced to deal with the challenges of re-establishing our membership, our gallery, a meaningful curriculum that meets the desires and needs of artists on the Ridge, and new ways of doing things. Paradise Art Center is currently an instrumental partner with other non-profit organizations committed to establishing Paradise as an arts and cultural destination. As part of the process, we hope to make the dream of building a large, new, inclusive cultural facility a part of that dream.



I have been a member of the Art Center for almost 12 years, been on the Board for 10 years, and have served as President for the last 4 years. Representing the Art Center, I am a founding member and Chairperson of the newly established Paradise Arts Alliance, an organization composed of all the non-profit arts and cultural organizations, the Chamber of Commerce, Paradise Recreation and Parks District, and other supporters of the arts. Both the Paradise Art Center and the rebuilding of our community mean a lot to me, which is one of the reasons that I continue to reside in our town. I feel I have the knowledge and expertise to help lead the Art Center on the adventures through this exciting new chapter in our history.

Cathryn Hudin - Vice-President

I have been affiliated with Paradise Art Center since 1980 so I have a long history with the place I call my “second home”. I have served on the board many years, some of those I was the president. I hope to continue to support the art center as a board member in the coming year. After the fire the whole town had to regroup and we opened as soon as we could and served as a place folks people could meet and connect with old friends and meet new ones. I want to help the Art Center grow and provide a cultural center for the town as it expands. I consider it an honor to help foster this organization and continue the tradition of the arts on the Ridge.



Pam Hartley - Board Member

I have lived in Paradise since 1981 and was a former business owner until the fire and retirement. I have been a member of Paradise Art Center for several years. Currently, I attend the Pastel Painting class and serve on the Fundraising Committee for the Art Center. I am also a member of the Paradise Arts Alliance and have an appreciation of art and the role that art can play in our community in bringing us together as well as using art in our rebuilding efforts. I would like to see the Art Center continue to promote art in our Town as well as highlight the many talented artists we have in our community. I am honored to serve on the Board for Paradise Art Center.



Board of Directors Electees for 2023 (cont'd)

Lori Phelps-Zink - Board Member

I feel privileged to have been offered a seat on the Board of Directors for the Paradise Art Center. For this past year I have been a member of Paradise Art Center and am currently taking the pastel class taught by Joanne Graham. I appreciate how inclusive the Art Center is to artists of all levels and interests, providing encouragement to find their own creative talent and spirit. Since the Camp Fire, I have also been involved with Paradise Community Guilds, Regenerating Paradise, PATCH (Paradise Arts, Theatre & Culture Hub), and the Paradise Arts Alliance. I value the strong leadership in each of these community groups, and hope to assist our town in becoming a destination for arts and culture experiences. Thank you for your vote, and for supporting Paradise Art Center!



Berta Roebuck - Board Member

I am proud to call Paradise my hometown. I took my first art class at Paradise Art Center when I was just 11 years old. Art has always been a regular and necessary part of my life. Early last year I became a member of Paradise Art Center, but I immediately began volunteering to help at events and facilitating a weekly open studio. I also currently maintain the Art Center's website, contribute to the Center's official Facebook page and community group, build the newsletters, and any other design or technical tasks needed. I am also involved with PATCH (Paradise Arts, Theatre & Culture Hub), as well the Paradise Arts Alliance. It's been so exciting to watch our town grow into an arts and culture destination!



JOIN OUR COMMUNITY FACEBOOK GROUP



Post photos of your art work, information about galleries and other art-related news and information, and get updates and announcements about Art Center doings:

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/ParadiseArtCenter>

BECOME A MEMBER!

...Member Perks...

Show and sell art in Wheeler Gallery

Pay lower lab fee for classes/workshops

Show and sell art in a cubicle

Show and sell art at Nic's

Show and sell art at various community venues

Link your art website from our website

Make art along with other artists!

BOARD MEETINGS

Board meetings are scheduled the second Sunday of every month at 1:30 pm on Zoom. Changes and announcements are sent in email. Board meetings are open to all.

Agendas, notifications and/or changes are sent in email. All Art Center members and the public are welcome. **Join any board meeting via Zoom:** <https://tinyurl.com/artcenterzoom>

Board of Directors

(through June)

Kathy Dysert (23) - President
kdysert@pacific.net 707-480-2426

Cathryn Hudin (23) - V. President
cathyhudin@gmail.com 530-353-9655

Doreen Fogle (24) - Treasurer
dafogle@gmail.com 873-5023

Karen Voigt (24) - Secretary
nomokavadc@gmail.com 858-254-8034

Steve Ferchaud (24)
steveferchaud@gmail.com

Sally Armstrong (23)
sallyarmstrong33@yahoo.com
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Jim Robertson (24)
james80robertson@gmail.com

Mary Neeley (23)
maryneeley52@gmail.com

Berta Roebuck (23)
berta.roebuck@gmail.com

Paradise Art Center Committees

(c) denotes committee chair

Executive: Kathy Dysert (c)

Facility and Property Committee: Cathryn Hudin (c)

Finance: Doreen Fogle (c)

Fundraising (part of Finance): Karen Voigt (c)

Grants (part of Finance): Karen Voigt (c)

Merchandising (part of finance): Patti Lloyd (c)

Membership:
Cathryn Hudin (c)

Education:
Kathy Dysert (c)

Gallery:
Sally Armstrong (c)

Community Outreach: Kathy Dysert (c)

Events (part of Community Outreach): open

Social Media, Newsletter, Website Committee (part of
Community Outreach): Berta Roebuck (c)

Property-Building/Facilities:
Cathryn Hudin (c)

Volunteerism:
Valerie Kelsay (c)

Librarian: Valerie Kelsay (c)

Digital Historian: open

THANK YOU FOR SUPPORTING THE PARADISE ART CENTER!

If you would like to help us make improvements to our classroom and gallery, please consider a direct donation to the Art Center. Here are a few ways to donate:

- **Send a check** directly to Paradise Art Center
- **Buy merchandise or donate online through PayPal** via our merchandise website:
<http://paradiseartcentersales.org/>
- Make a donation [via PayPal or credit card.](#)

Donate to our sustaining fund through North Valley
Community Foundation.

<https://www.nvcf.org/funds/Paradise-Art-Center-Fund>



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MEMBER APPLICATION

All memberships in Paradise Art Center are for one year beginning Sept 1 and ending Aug 31 the following year. Please make check payable to Paradise Art Center. Return this form & your check to

5564 Almond St., Paradise, CA 95969
Questions? Please call us at (530) 877-7402.

- Mailing List
- Volunteers
- Website
- Membership

PLEASE PRINT

Date _____

Name _____

Address _____

City _____ Zip _____

Phone _____ Cell _____

email _____

artist website www. _____

• include link on Art Center website? yes no

Art Center membership was referred to me by _____

FAMILY MEMBERSHIP ADDITIONAL MEMBERS:

Names _____

Emails _____

Membership Benefits:

Show art in all member shows in Wheeler Gallery.
Pay lower lab fee for classes and workshops.
Show and sell art work in Wheeler Gallery or cubicle.
Link your art website from the Art Center website.

DUES CATEGORIES - check one that applies

___ \$40 Single Membership, new or renewal

___ \$50 Family Membership, new or renewal
2 adults & children under 18

___ \$20 Student Membership

___ \$55 Sponsor ___ \$100 Business / Patron

Contribution to General Fund

___ Cash ___ Check # _____

Membership Survey Paradise Art Center depends on volunteers. Please check any that apply to let us know how you can help. We will contact you when help is needed.

- ___ Phone tree / clerical
- ___ Event coordination, planning, or assistance
- ___ Fundraising
- ___ Publicity
- ___ Gallery docent / set-up assistance
- ___ Computer / technical assistance
- ___ Construction
- ___ Yardwork / Cleanup
- ___ Community Outreach
- ___ Committee Member
- ___ Teaching classes / workshops
- ___ Other _____

My artistic interest(s) is/are _____

I have these business / professional / artistic skills that might provide support to the Art Center: _____

**Please mail this form and your check to
5564 Almond Street Paradise, CA 95969**

Visit our website for updates and information:
www.paradise-art-center.com