

September - November 2023

Art News

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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 *
Teachers & Facilitators	Sept 11 - Sept 29	Sep 4	Oct 2
Favorite Things	Oct 9 - Oct 27	Oct 2	Oct 30
Pottery/Fired Arts	Nov 5 - Dec 15	Oct 30	Dec 18

^{*} must be between 1-4 pm



Nic's - Show Schedule

Come see the current or an upcoming show!

Show Dates	Drop Off *	Pick Up *
Aug 22 - Sept 16	-	Sept 19
Sept 19 - Oct 14	Sept 15	Oct 17
Oct 17 - Nov 11	Oct 13	Nov 14

^{*} must be between 1-4 pm

New Pottery Open Studio Times: Fridays from 10 - 1 and

Sundays from 9 - 12

We have two new pottery open studio time slots available! Utilizing open studio time is a great way for intermediate to advanced potters to work on their art when they either may not have the space to do so at home, or just want to socialize with other potters.



We Need Volunteers!

FALL EVENTS!

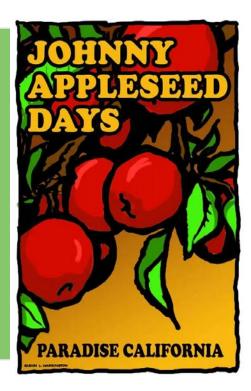
"yArt" Sale Oct. 1 - 10:00 - 5:00 pm

This first time event for the Paradise Art Center will feature art supplies, tools, equipment (a pottery kiln and two wheels), seconds pottery, and small art work donated from our members. Help recycle and reuse items and try new media at a much lower cost. We plan to have a free area, and give tours of our center.

Come and find a hidden treasure and support the oldest art center in Paradise at the same time!

Johnny Appleseed Days October 7 - 10:00 - 5:00 pm October 8 - 10:00 - 4:00 pm

Local businesses will share goods and services, including Paradise Art Center! Paradise will host artisans from all over the state and beyond selling a variety of handicrafts. The children's area, sponsored by Paradise Unified School District, will feature face painting, nostalgic games and Johnny Appleseed with fruit and stories. There will also be continuous hometown entertainment gracing the Gazebo Stage throughout the event.



FALL VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

Clean Up Day

September 17: 10:00 am - 5:00 pm

This will be a day to clean all the classrooms, storage areas, and the black hole we call the garage. It would be great to have 10-12 volunteers coming in different shifts. We will clear unwanted items, sort items for the upcoming sale or to give away. We are asking for help from our members and the community. There is a sign up sheet in the big teaching room with rooms, times, and number of people needed. This will help us clear clutter and get our center looking nice for the fall season.

Collect, Sort, and Price Items for the "yArt" Sale September 30: 1:00 - 6:00 pm

Volunteers will help price, organize into bins, and get items for display the next day. This will probably take 6-10 people working in two shifts. We are asking all of our members to bring art supplies, seconds pottery, art to give away in any medium, hand tools, art books, and small equipment to add to the items in the sale. There are sign up sheets in the classroom.

"yArt" Sale

October 1: 10:00 am - 5:00 pm

One volunteer crew, working from 8:00 - 10:00 am, will start putting everything in the front of the building, inside the building, and a FREE STUFF area in the patio. Sales begin no earlier than 10:00 am. Then the first shift would be from 10:00-1:00, the second one would be 1:00 - 4:00, and the third shift would take over at 4:00 and do clean up. There are sign up sheets in the classroom.

Our Art Auction Was a HUGE Success!

The July 8th Art Auction at Nic's was well attended. Custom-made auction paddles were mini works of art and definitely added to the fun. Thanks to our member artists' contributions and to the auction participants, the gross revenue raised was almost \$6,000. Kudos to member, Greg Sanchez, for doing a great job as auctioneer and to our hardworking fundraising committee. A big thanks to Nicki Jones who donated two beautiful gift baskets for auction and to her able Nic's crew.

Member Spotlight – Joanne Graham

Are you familiar with Pastels? Have you heard of them, but aren't quite sure what they are and how to use them? The good news is that the Paradise Art Center has a talented and recognized pastel artist



teaching at the art center on Mondays from 1:00 to 4:00 pm with more information available on the 'Classes' page of this newsletter.

Joanne Graham lived in Paradise for 22 years before the Camp Fire in 2018 in which she lost 30 years of her artwork

as well as her framing studio and equipment.
Early paintings and those she had of her mother's were lost in the fire. All she could save when the fire hit was to drive her work van towing a trailer that was always kept full of her show booth and sale items.



Before the fire she traveled to approximately 24 shows a year, leaving little time to engage in local art activities. Postfire her shows were reduced to 2 or less per year. The "sudden forced retirement from shows" opened a path to teaching "the lovely medium of pastel". Although quite successful in the time she promoted her work in the various shows, she feels that "making money from the sale of one's work is always the Blue Ribbon of compliments...but if you don't create from you heart, I believe you lose when life is all said and done."

Joanne's mother was a talented and versatile artist and Joanne "grew up watching my mom paint and I hear her teaching words in my head to this day". Growing up immersed in art led her to try oils and acrylics

in her early 20's. Her mother paid for different lessons, but Joanne's main takeaway was that because a teacher can paint well themselves, they may not be able to teach well. From her earlier experiences



and time as a professional artist, she knew how she did and did not want to teach and ultimately brought her skills to the Paradise Art Center.

Her love of both animals and the medium of soft pastels is apparent in all her artwork. Having tried several media over the years, she now works exclusively with soft pastels. They are a pure pigment which can be applied with layers of color, creating strength and yet softness and pastel artwork will not fade or crack. As with any medium there are steps to be learned to create the desired result. When teaching beginning lessons, Joanne breaks down the steps so students can work at their

Member Spotlight - Joanne Graham (continued)

own pace using step by step examples as a guide. She also feels it important to explain 'why' following these steps and using a particular sequence of colors is recommended. She keeps her beginning supply list to the minimum for the lessons and although "[pastels] do need getting used to" Joanne loves when students come to love working with them and are proud of their artwork.

Joanne joined the Paradise Art Center and began teaching two years ago strongly feeling that "any form of art challenges the soul to grow and to find fulfillment". She feels that even if an individual isn't interested in taking a class themselves, just being a member of an art center helps to fund the organization and the arts.

"The act of creating art has an ever-expanding benefit starting with the creator and radiating out through society."

- Kathleen Presentati





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!

Attention Artists!

The best selling opportunities happen during the next 4 months! In addition to being able to sell your art at the Wheeler Gallery, Nic's or the cubicles, you will have the opportunity to sell your art at the Paradise Art Center's Booth at Johnny Appleseed Days October 7-8th, at our 5-year Camp Fire Anniversary Mural Dedication on Sunday, November 5 (Gallery or cubicles) and at our Holiday Boutique held the same day as the Truck Parade of Lights in December. So get busy!

And, by the way, do you know that you can donate all that unframed art, art that didn't sell and you are tired of looking at it, or things that are just cluttering up your art space to the Y'Art Sale on September 30th. You get a cleaner space to work, and the Art Center gets some of the money it needs to help make the Center better! A win-win, if you ask me!

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! - Valerie Kelsay

Paradise Art Center thanks all of our members who have generously donated art books over this past year. Our wonderful collection continues to grow, and is such a valuable asset to our members and community! Thank you so much!



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

Amy Tomczak

ACRYLIC - All Levels

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

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

ART FOR YOUTH - by age group

Thursdays, 3:30 - 6:30 pm: Elementary through High School 530-826-6871 amytomczak1@gmail.com

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.

ART FROM THE INSIDE OUT - All levels

TBD (*inquire via instructor*). This is a 4-week class designed to inspire creativity, self-empowerment and nourishment for the heart and soul. Technique will NOT be taught. This is an expressive,

Jodee Merrill Smith 530-410-2567

jodeeinnerarts@gmail.com

spontaneous and guided use of pastels, magazine collage, water paints and clay. It will be an opportunity to explore art and yourself from an inner perspective and and have fun. This class is intended for anyone high school aged or older. Material provided, no experience necessary.

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. First class is free!

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

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

DRAWING - Beginning

TBD (*inquire via instructor*). Instruction will be tailored for individual needs, focusing on improving observational skills for pure drawing and/or as a tool for improving the foundation for the use of other media. Materials needed would include a sketchbook and pencils of your liking. Other materials provided. 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. This class is ongoing. Fees: \$60 members, \$72 non-members, paid up front, plus lab fee.

Joanne Graham gundog777jg@aol.com

ONGOING CLASSES, continued

Classes, by Media

Instructors

POLYMER CLAY - All Levels

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

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

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

Cathryn Hudin 530-353-9655

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. Minimum of six students. This class is ongoing for continued learning. Monthly fee: \$48 members, \$60 non-members, plus lab fee.

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

Cathryn Hudin 530-353-9655

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. This class is ongoing. \$10 per class session, plus lab fee.

WATERCOLOR - Beginning

Thursdays, 12:30 - 3:30 pm.

Learn watercolor techniques in detail. Come and play with colors. Students need to bring their own materials. This class is ongoing. Fee is per class, \$15 for members, \$18 for non-members.

Amanpreet (Amy) Kaur 530-521-0693 (text only) 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 - Facilitator: Jim Robertson, james80robertson@gmail.com

Fridays 10 am - 1 pm - Facilitator: Patti Lloyd, angelloyd48@yahoo.com

Sundays 9 am - 12 pm - Facilitator: Claire Neal, 530-828-1158

OPEN STUDIO (any media)

Mondays 4 - 6 pm (begins Sept 11) – Facilitator: Berta Roebuck, berta.roebuck@gmail.com

Wednesdays 1-4 pm - Facilitator: Sally Armstrong, sallyarmstrong33@yahoo.com

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

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 2023)

Kathy Dysert (25) - President kdysert@pacific.net 707-480-2426

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Paradise Art Center Committees

(c) denotes committee chair

Executive: Kathy Dysert (c)

Facility Committee: Cathryn Hudin (c)

Finance: Doreen Fogle (c)

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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): Joanne Wright (c)

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Community Outreach): Berta Roebuck (c)

Property-Building/Facilities:

Cathryn Hudin (c)

Volunteerism: Valerie Kelsay (c)

Librarian: Valerie Kelsay (c)

Digital Historian: open



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

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.



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WE APPRECIATE OUR SUPPORTING BUSINESSES...













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

	Mailing List
	Volunteers
	Website
Γ	Membership

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

PLEASE PRINT Date	Membership Survey Paradise Art Center depends on volunteers.	
Name	Please check any that apply to let us know how you can help. We will contact you when help is needed.	
Address	Phone tree / clerical	
City Zip	Event coordination, planning, or assistance	
Phone Cell	Fundraising	
Thoreoii	Publicity	
email	Gallery docent / set-up assistance	
artist website www	Computer / technical assistance	
• include link on Art Center website? yes no	Construction	
Art Center membership was referred to me by	Yardwork / Cleanup	
	Community Outreach	
FAMILY MEMBERSHIP ADDITIONAL MEMBERS:	Committee Member	
	Teaching classes / workshops	
Names	Other	
Emails		
Membership Benefits: Show art in all member shows in Wheeler Gallery.	My artistic interest(s) is/are	
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.	I have these business / professional / artistic skills that might	
DUES CATEGORIES - check one that applies	provide support to the Art Center:	
\$40 Single Membership, new or renewal	2	
\$50 Family Membership, new or renewal 2 adults & children under 18	· ·	
	Please mail this form and your check to	
\$20 Student Membership	5564 Almond Street Paradise, CA 95969	
\$55 Sponsor \$100 Business / Patron	Walk and make famous dates and later and later	
Contribution to General Fund	Visit our website for updates and information: www.paradise-art-center.com	
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