



December 2024 - February 2025 **Art News**

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

Winter 2025 Events

Wheeler Gallery and Nic's Art Shows

(see full show schedules on page 2)

Annual Holiday Boutique

December 7th: 11 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.
at Paradise Art Center

Christmas in Paradise: Digital Art Show

Artwork is displayed during the production by Paradise Symphony Orchestra & Paradise Community Chorus

December 8th: 3 p.m.
at Paradise Alliance Church

[Tickets available online](#)



Paradise Art Center/Paradise Chamber Holiday Mixer

December 12th: 5:30 - 7:00 p.m.
at Paradise Art Center

[Register Online](#)

Celebrate the new Paradise Visitor Map's release with us at the Paradise Art Center/Paradise Ridge Chamber of Commerce Holiday Mixer! Attendees will receive the new map, artwork by Steve Ferchaud, as a special holiday gift.

Enjoy live jazz by guitarist Carey Robinson and bassist Mark Springer as they bring warmth and atmosphere to this holiday event.

Sip on locally crafted beer from Paradise Brew Werks or enjoy a glass of wine. All proceeds from beverage sales benefit Paradise Art Center, supporting our local arts scene.



Post photos of your art work, get info about galleries and other art-related news, and stay up to date with Paradise Art Center:

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

2024-25 Upcoming Art Shows

Want to display your art in an upcoming show?



Wheeler Gallery Show Schedule

Member Shows:

Open to all Art Center members, no theme required.

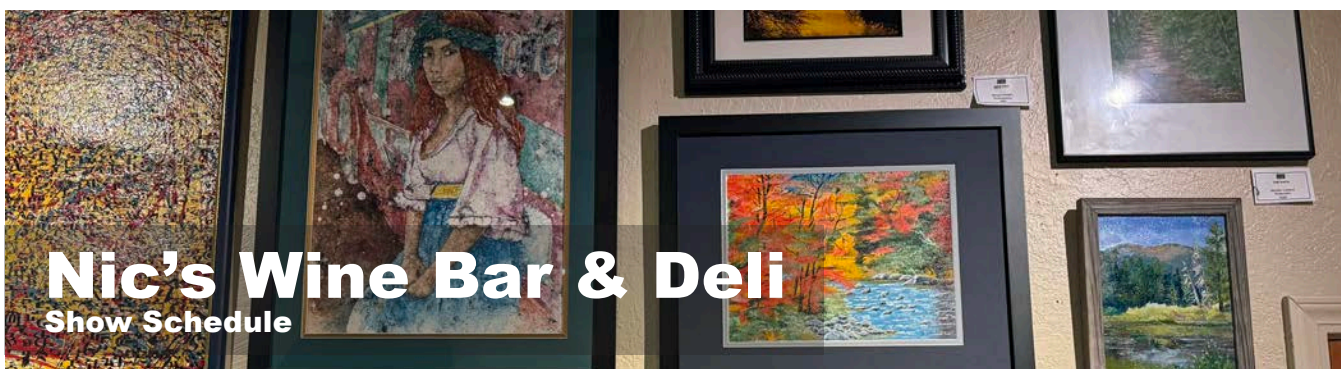
Invitational Shows:

By invitation only. If you are interested in participating in an invitational juried show, please contact Greg Sanchez of the Gallery Committee at cubfan1a@yahoo.com

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

Theme	Show Dates	Receptions	Drop Off *	Pick Up *
The Faces of Nature: Fired & Fine Arts Show	Dec 2 - Dec 20	-	Nov 25	Dec 20
Member Show	Jan 4 - Jan 25	-	Dec 27	Jan 27
Invitational Photography Show	Feb 1 - Mar 1	February 1, 4:00 - 6:00 p.m.	Jan 28	Mar 3
Member Show	Mar 8 - Apr 5	-	Mar 4	Apr 7

* must be between 1-4 pm



Nic's Wine Bar & Deli Show Schedule

Show Dates	Drop Off *	Pick Up *
Nov 19 - Dec 14	-	Dec 17
Dec 17 - Jan 11	Dec 13	Jan 14
Jan 14 - Feb 8	Jan 10	Feb 11
Feb 11 - Mar 15	Feb 7	Mar 18

* must be between 1-4 pm

Want to display your art in an upcoming show at Nic's?

Nic's Shows:

Open to all Art Center members, no theme required.

Beginning January 1, 2025, annual membership fees will be increasing from \$40 to \$50 for a single membership, and from \$50 to \$75 for a family membership.

To save money, be sure to renew or extend your membership before the end of this year! Or read the information below to see how you may be able to get a free membership!

You May Be Eligible for a **FREE** Membership to Paradise Art Center!

Paradise Art Center has teamed up with Grouper to benefit our members in a way like never before! This collaboration is designed to support eligible 65+ participants in engaging with our community, ensuring you stay healthy and connected.

Have you claimed your FREE Paradise Art Center membership yet? If not, now is the perfect time to join your fellow members in enjoying this exclusive benefit! Our partnership with Grouper **pays membership dues for eligible members age 65+** through participating Medicare Advantage or Supplemental health plans. That's right, health plans have partnered with Grouper to reward our members for staying active!

Visit GrouperGroups.com/ParadiseArt today to find out if you're eligible. This is an annual benefit. As long as you're eligible through your participating health plan and an active member of our club, Grouper will send you a check each year! Grouper will send you an email in 3-5 days to let you know if you're eligible. If you are, they will ask for your mailing address to send you a check in the mail.

Grouper is dedicated to encouraging healthy living through activities that build meaningful social connection and shared experiences. If you have any immediate questions, feel free to contact Grouper at 833-906-1700.

The logo for Grouper, featuring the word "Grouper" in a bold, red, sans-serif font. The letter "G" is stylized with a circular cutout.

Dia de los Muertos Wine Tasting Fundraiser

We held our 2nd wine tasting event at the Art Center on November 2nd. Thanks to the continuing support and generosity of Grocery Outlet and the hard work of our Fundraising Committee, we raised another \$1200 for our capital improvements fund.

A special shout out to Sherry Schwarzweller for creating the graphics for our print and online promotions and to Patti Lloyd for the set of 3 custom-designed Dia de los Muertos bottles we used as our raffle prize. Our next wine tasting fundraiser will be in the Spring.

- Karen Voigt



Wheeler Gallery Updates

Paradise Art Center has a number of new events coming to Wheeler Gallery in 2025.

- February 1 begins an all photography show through March 1. All member photographers are invited to show. A reception from 4:00 - 6:00 PM will be held on February 1.
- An Invitational Show featuring Jeannie Myers, Jeff Janke, Edie Abeyta, Enid Hewston and Renee Christianson will follow on April 12 - May 10 with a reception on April 12.
- In June, a Poetry and Art exhibit will be hung under the direction of Patti Lloyd for a show running from June 21 through July 19 with a reception on June 21
- The Annual Art Auction will be held in October on the 18th. At this time it will be held in Wheeler Gallery. Stay tuned! .
- And finally in 2025, the Fired and Fine Arts show will run from November 1 - 29 with a reception on November 1.
- Paradise Art Center Member Shows fill in the gaps in the above schedule.

Shows at Nic's for 2025 can be viewed on our website. One special show will occur from March 18 - April 12 as we present Advanced Art and Photography student work from Paradise High School at Nic's. A special reception will take place at Nic's on March 28.

- Greg Sanchez

Member Spotlight – Christiane and Walter Beeler

The article for this issue of the Paradise Art Center Newsletter highlights not only one, but two Art Center members, Christiane and Walter Beeler. Walter and Christiane have been members of Paradise Art Center since 2005 and 2006 respectively. Walter joined to further his knowledge of watercolor painting and began taking classes with Kathy Presentati. Christiane often sat knitting during Walter's watercolor classes and when Kathy encouraged her to join the class Christiane agreed thinking, "Oh well, if I don't like it, I do not have to stay!" Christiane stayed learning the basics of painting with watercolor and has continued painting on her own and with Walter's guidance to the present. Both have exhibited their work at Nic's and the Wheeler Gallery and Walter has also exhibited at the Orland Art Center.

Walter's early art experience was through the normal art programs offered through his 12 years of public education. He took one oil painting class in college, but states that most of his experience in art came from his technical/mechanical drawing training. Christiane grew up in France, "surrounded by beautiful art but I was rather an observer but not a doer." French elementary schools did not include studio art in the curriculum. Years ago, she took Butte College classes in art appreciation, drawing and oil painting. None of those classes inspired her to continue. The good news is that Christiane's artistic journey led her to the Paradise Art Center.



Walter and Christiane both have distinctive styles and when asked what media each enjoyed most, their responses were as follows; Walter has tried oil, acrylic, watercolor and pen and ink and most enjoys watercolor and pen and ink separately or in combination. Christiane enjoys doing detail work with watercolor and is currently learning to use different techniques to get various backgrounds.

They sometimes see a photo or something in nature that inspires them and they then begin the creative process by thinking how each would like their own version to develop. This includes designing the background, composition and what colors to use. In planning the painting, Walter pays "particular attention to the juxtaposition of the major objects and how they create tension in the composition.



Member Spotlight: Christiane and Walter Beeler

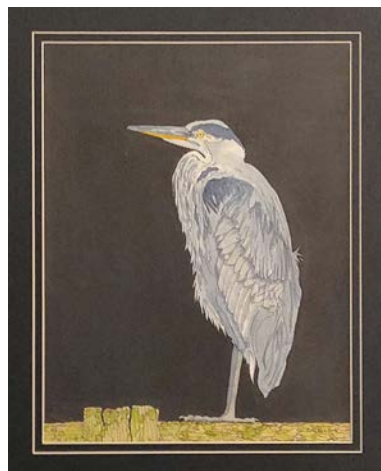
It is this tension that brings cohesion and movement to the picture.” Both agree that it is very important to work out the final composition of the painting on tracing paper to avoid extensive erasing on the watercolor paper. When the final drawing is complete, it can easily be transferred to the watercolor paper and the painting can begin.

Both these artists have other creative interests. Christiane has knitted since the age of 7, making her first vest at 9 years of age. She has continued to knit sweaters for men, women, children, and babies as well as blankets, dishcloths, washcloths and many other projects. Walter has enjoyed woodworking, woodcarving and pottery, although he has stopped woodworking due to health issues.

It is always interesting to find out what artists our members follow. Both Christiane and Walter enjoy watching YouTube artists Anna Mason, Louise de Masi, Yong Chen and the Mind of Watercolor channel on YouTube. It is evident that they both feel art is very important in their lives but add that just as important are the people you get to meet with the same interests you have. Walter commented that “if you can sign your name, you’re already demonstrating that you can do art” and Christiane added “If I can do it, anyone can do it as well”.

Lastly, they “both feel that it is vitally important to a community to have an active art center where people can learn to do art, do art and share with family, the community and others. “We are very pleased to have been members of PAC for all these years and all the relationships we have developed there”. Members of the Art Center that know Walter and Christiane or have seen their work are equally pleased to have this committed and creative art couple members of the Paradise Art Center.

- Kathleen Presentati



Partners in Art Fundraising

The Fundraising committee continues to work hard to raise money for the Art Center.

In the Fall of 2023, we created “Partners in Art” as our overarching fundraising slogan. We are each a Partner in supporting the Art Center as we donate our time, energy, money and artwork. We are Partners as we share our talents, serve on committees, volunteer for and attend events.

The major focus of our fundraising efforts this past year has been our “Partners in Art – Raise the Roof” campaign, addressing the urgent need for funds to reframe and replace our roof plus take care of multiple, newly discovered, infrastructure construction needs. Thanks to the generosity of our members, special donors and support from the community, we have raised almost all of the needed \$87,000 needed for our Raise the Roof campaign.

Our May fundraiser at Mountain Mike’s was fun and well attended. Direct donations received were \$680 and proceeds from Mt. Mike’s orders that night was \$266.33 for a total of almost \$1,000.

Our 2nd annual Art Auction was held in June at the Art Center. Thanks to the generosity of our participating artists and event attendees, this event raised nearly \$6500. Kudos to Greg Sanchez for organizing another successful auction.

In June we held a music fundraiser Hammers & Harmony. Thanks to the generosity of Theatre on the Ridge and the donation of time and talent from all of the musicians, we raised almost \$1400.

We hosted Wine Tasting fundraisers in both August and November, raising a total of \$2400. We are grateful to Grocery Outlet for guiding and supporting us in this effort.

Special thanks to our dedicated 2024 committee members Patti Lloyd, Diana McCollum, Ann Slocum, Lori Phelps-Zink, Pam Hartley and Greg Sanchez.

Our next Fundraising committee meeting is January 14th at 1:30. Contact Karen Voigt at nomokavadc@gmail.com to join in the important work of this committee.

- Karen Voigt

Facilities Update

The Paradise Art Center continues to upgrade facilities in its century old plus building.

- Painting of the exterior of PAC was completed by Dave Ropp.
- Recently, the gas kiln in the garage was repaired and has been fired three times as of this writing.
- Projects underway include new storage shelves ordered and installed in the garage and the removal of Event items to an off-site storage facility.
- A QR code sign with description of the mural by Steve Ferchaud and PAC, along with night lighting are being completed as well.
- A bid for renovations for the pottery sink area has been updated and fundraising continues to get this project underway.
- Future projects include renovation of the front awning, painting the pottery classroom, flooring in the gallery, new blinds throughout the PAC and other additions to the courtyard.

- Greg Sanchez

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: \$3/member, \$6/non-member

Classes, by Media

Instructors

ACRYLIC - All Levels

Thursdays, 9:00 - 11:00 am. Techniques for making acrylic paintings go from good to great. Bring your own materials. This class is ongoing. Fees per class: \$20 per class, plus lab fee.

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

COLORED PENCIL - All Levels

Wednesdays, 1 - 4 pm (in 2024). 10 am - 12 pm (in 2025). 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 Sally Armstrong
707-480-2426 530-327-8626

DRAWING - All Levels

Tuesdays, 4 - 6:30 pm. Instruction will be tailored for individual needs, focusing on improving observational skills/reacting to source for pure drawing and/or as a tool for improving the foundation for the use of other media. The class will work as an open studio for more advanced drawing with the support of the instructor. Some materials provided by instructor for beginning instruction. All other materials provided by the student. This class is ongoing. Fee: Members, \$10/class, Non-members, \$15/class, 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

PHOTOGRAPHY - All Levels

Photography classes are coming to Paradise Art Center! Please check our website regularly for updates on days, times, and more information!

Rebecca Canterbury
hello@bexbex.com

POLYMER CLAY - All Levels

Tuesdays, 9:30 am - 12:30 pm. For beginner and experienced clayers. The basics of polymer claying will be covered. Learn to create blends, canes for slicing, faux-semi-precious stones, etc. Each four-week session, beginning the first Tuesday of the month, will focus on a new project, such as wall art, covered vases, mobiles, bowls, jewelry or wherever your imagination leads. culpey PREMO clay is available for purchase in class at wholesale prices. This class is ongoing. Fees: \$20/4-week sessions, plus lab fee.

Sheri Schwarzweller
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sheriwindo@gmail.com

ONGOING CLASSES, continued

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. Minimum of six students. This class is ongoing for continued learning. Class fee: \$10/session plus lab fee.

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. This class is ongoing. \$40 for 4-week sessions, plus lab fee.

Cathryn Hudin
530-353-9655

WATERCOLOR - Beginning

Mondays, 5:30 - 7:30 p.m. (new classes begin on February 17)
Learn watercolor techniques in detail. Come and play with colors. Students need to bring their own materials. This class is ongoing. \$120 for 4-week sessions, includes lab fees

Lori Tennant
tennant.lori@gmail.com

WATERCOLOR - Intermediate/Advanced

Wednesdays, 12:30 - 3:30 pm. or Saturdays, 12:30 - 3:30 pm.
(new classes begin on January 22 and 25)

This class is a 4-week course in landscape watercolor painting for intermediate and experienced students. In this time frame, the artist will be challenged to develop a series of paintings with a common theme and subject matter based on the season. We will study other artist's works, explore color theory and mixing, painting techniques as well as in studio demonstrations. This class is ongoing. \$60 for 4-week sessions.

Lenn Goldmann
530-343-1181
lenngoldmann@gmail.com

WATERCOLOR (Neighbor 2 Neighbor) - Beginning

Thursdays, 12:30 - 2:30 p.m. Saturdays at 10 a.m. - noon

- Jan - 9, 16, 23, 30
- Feb - 6, 13, 20, 27
- Mar - 6, 13, 20, 27
- Dec - 14, 28
- Jan - 11, 18, 25
- Feb - 8, 22
- Mar - 8, 15, 22, 29

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

(These are single-session classes) Each class is restricted to 20 people. All materials and instruction are provided. No experience necessary! Classes are step-by-step, and very positive and motivating. Classes are generously funded by Paradise Recreation & Park District.

OPEN STUDIO TIMES

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

OPEN STUDIO (any media)

Fridays 1 - 4 pm

WATERCOLOR STUDIO

Tuesdays 1 - 4 pm

POTTERY STUDIO

Thursdays 10 am - 1 pm

Fridays 2 - 5 pm

Sundays 9 am - 12 pm

BOARD MEETINGS

As of July 2024, Board meetings are scheduled the third Thursday, every other month in January, March, May, July, September and November at 4:00 pm on Zoom. Agendas, special announcements and minutes of Board meetings are sent via email. Board meetings are open to all and may be accessed by pasting <https://tinyurl.com/artcenterzoom> All Art Center members and the public are welcome.

Executive Board meetings take place in months the full board does not meet, same day and time.

Board of Directors

(through June 2025)

Kathy Dysert (25) - President
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cubfan1a@yahoo.com

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Paradise Art Center Committees

(c) denotes committee chair

Executive: Kathy Dysert (c)

Education:
Kathy Dysert and Greg Sanchez (co-chairs)

Gallery:
Greg Sanchez (c)

Events (part of Gallery): Greg Sanchez (c)

Finance: Doreen Fogle (c)

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

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

Membership:
Kathy Dysert (c)

Community Outreach: Roxanne Parsons (c)

Community Awareness (part of Community Outreach): Kathy Dysert (c)

Graphic Design (part of Community Outreach): Sheri Schwarzweller(c)

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

TV, Radio, and Print Publicity Subcommittee (part of Community Outreach): Brian Corbitt (c)

Property-Building/Facilities:
Greg Sanchez (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 needed building improvements, please consider a direct donation to the Art Center. Here are a few ways to donate:

- **Send a check** directly to Paradise Art Center, 5564 Almond St, Paradise, CA 95969
- **Buy merchandise or donate online through PayPal** via our merchandise website, <http://paradiseartcentersales.org/>
- Make a donation **via PayPal or credit card**, <https://www.paypal.com>.



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fund through [North Valley
Community Foundation](#)



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MEMBER APPLICATION

All memberships in Paradise Art Center are for one year beginning the date of sign up. Please make check payable to Paradise Art Center. Questions? Please call us at (530) 877-7402.

<input type="checkbox"/>	Treasurer
<input type="checkbox"/>	Membership
<input type="checkbox"/>	Volunteer

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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 MEMBER:

Name _____

email _____

DUES CATEGORIES - check one applies:

___ \$50 Single Membership, new or renewal

___ \$75 Family Membership, new or renewal

___ \$20 Student Membership, with proof

___ \$80 Sponsor

___ \$100 Business / Patron

Contribution to General Fund

___ Cash ___ Check # _____

Total Enclosed \$_____.00

(For tax purposes, please consult with your tax advisor)

**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.org

Membership Benefits:

Show and sell art in all member shows in Wheeler Gallery, cubicles, and other venues.

Pay lower lab fee for classes and workshops.

Link your art website from the Art Center website.

Possible membership fee paid for by GrouperGroups.com/ParadiseArt, if eligible

Membership Survey:

Paradise Art Center depends on volunteers. Please check any that apply to let us know how you can help.

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

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

My artistic interest(s) is/are
