

Mother Lode Art Association

September / October 2017



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Art Show: Next Year?

MLAA Needs YOU!!!

**Next Meeting will be on September 18, 2017 at 1 PM
at the at the Tuolumne County Library on Greenley Rd.**

**Let us know if you are interested in serving on the board in some capacity.
We need to replace some board positions.**

President's Message by Maureen Nolan

Dear Members

With Fall just around the corner, it's time to return to our inspiring MLAA Meetings. Come join us for a watercolor demonstration by Jeannie Vodden on September 18 at our usual spot - the Sonora Main Library Conference Room. Our meeting starts at 1:00 PM.

We will have the opportunity in October to sign up for some crafty workshops with a holiday theme in mind. If you have ideas, please share them at the meeting.

Also, please bring your ideas on how MLAA can better serve your needs. We are always looking for ways to improve.

Hope to see you all at our Monday, September 18th meeting.

Aloft News by Lorna Hunt

Alicia Clark Fulcher presented a wonderful jewelry making demonstration at the Aloft on the second Saturday, September 9th and is featured as a guest artist through September. Alicia's art is very organic. She works with metal and shapes the pieces paying attention to details. She is currently using a lot of crystals and gemstones. She is trying new techniques, playing with patinas, aging or antiquing and contrasting them with other raw metals. Sometimes she will stamp them or add geometric shapes by edging the pieces.

Barbra MacNair's hand-made paper and botanical prints are featured in the Aloft window through September. "Art is my meditation, my therapy, my joy and my play time and it is also my intention that by sharing it I can inspire creativity and engender curiosity." Barbra has been exploring various art forms and media as long as she can remember. Over the years she has worked with ceramics, fiber art, polymer clay, metal enameling and found objects. She also makes beautiful handmade paper. Her current pieces bring these various media together in new and intriguing ways. She hopes that the multi-dimensionality of her art engages you in a deep and satisfying experience.

Leslie Hurst will be our guest artist in October and will be doing a painting demonstration on 2nd Saturday, October 14th from 5 - 8 pm. The painting will be auctioned at the end of the evening. An event not to be missed. All are welcome! The window will have a fall theme representing various Aloft artists.

**Demos for September
by Barbara Conley**



Our September 18th demo artist is Jeannie Vodden. She lives in the foothill of the Northern Sierra foothills in the town of Jackson. Jeannie dedicates her time to expressing her

love and passion for art in painting, drawing and teaching.

Jeannie whose media is most often watercolor, is a versatile painter of portraits, still life, floral and fantasy. Her medium of choice is most often watercolor. Jeannie's method is to use a glazing process in which she applies layer upon layer of paint changing colors and letting it mix on the paper. Her demo should be quite interesting and her paintings are very exceptional.



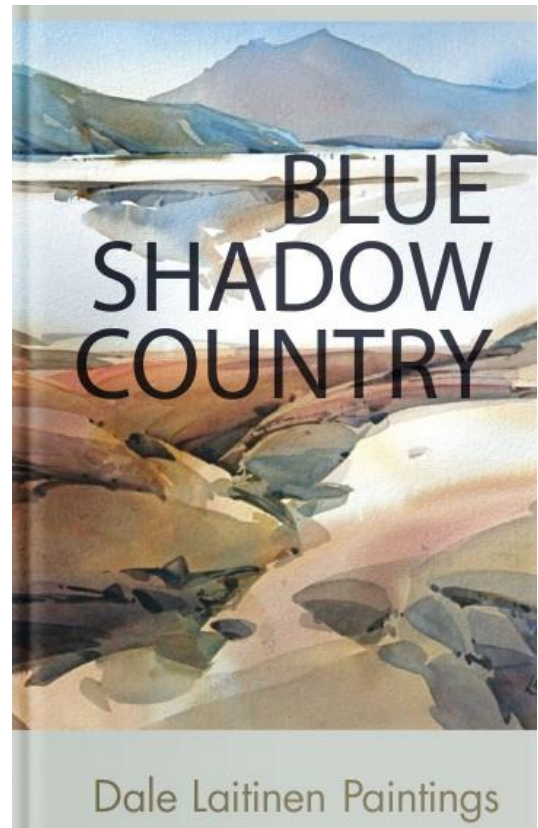
**Demos for October
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October 16th our demo artist is well known artist Dale Laitenin. Although his theme remains constant his technical use of mediums are as diverse as California. Dale uses watercolor, acrylics and oils. This demo will be watercolor. Dale teaches and travels to

many different locations for his workshops.

Dale will be having a show at the Petroglyph Gallery in Mokelumne Hill October 8th to November 26th. The theme is "Crossing California from the Sierras to the Sea." At the reception on October 8th from 2:00 to 5:00, Dale will also be doing a demo. Another demo not to miss.



MLAA General Meeting, May 15, 2017

By Linda Happel, Acting Secretary

The meeting was called to order by President, Maureen Nolan at 1:00 pm.

Guest in attendance were Tina Graham, Desiree Miller Harold Hill, Barbara Lonnstrom and Karen Lytle. There were 23 in attendance.

The minutes were read by Susie Hoffman, acting secretary in Barbara Narducci's absence. There was a correction of the name of the artist in the Aloft window. A motion was made to accept the minutes as corrected by Linda Happel, seconded by Barbara Conley and approved as corrected.

The treasurers report was read.

Juliana Tillman reported that the scholarship is available and urged members to encourage those who knew high school seniors going onto further education in the arts, to apply. The applications must be received by May 31st.

Barbara Conley reported that Michael Severin will be demonstrating in June, painting a landscape in oils. There is no meeting in July and August and Jeannie Vodden will be the demonstrator in September. Ideas were solicited for future demonstrations and those included Dale Laitinen, Nicole, who does illustrations, the Palemone twins teaching paper making,

Susie Hoffman encouraged members to sign up for future venues and those who are now showing are listed in the previous newsletter.

Susan Hackett announced the next Plein Air paint out at her house in Strawberry on Thursday. She also announced the Art and Antique Show in Tuolumne City Memorial Park May 20th and 21st and urged members to display and sell their paintings and also to Plein Air paint in the Tuolumne Area. If you would like to show your work and cannot attend the entire day, Susan will be happy to help for 10% of the sale. There is no charge for sales however a 10% donation to Harvest Ministries is encouraged.

There were no other announcements. Thus the members were encouraged to enjoy refreshments and return to their seats for the program.

Heinie Hartwig critiqued multiple paintings giving wonderful suggestions and ideas. After the critiques, Heinie showed ways to improve our compositions with layout and tone suggestions.

The meeting was adjourned at 3 PM.

MLAA General Meeting, June 19, 2017

By Barbara Conley, Acting Secretary

The Mother Lode Art Association was called to order by President Maureen Nolan. Eighteen members were in attendance. The Minutes were read by Linda Happel. Linda also gave the Treasure's Report. There was a total balance of \$8019.50. With dues and expenses, the checking balance was \$3926.63 and savings was \$3199.26 for a total balance of \$7125.89.

Susie Hoffman discussed venues for the rest of the year. We are leaving Umpqua Bank so there are only three venues left: Aloft Art Gallery, Servantes window, and Co-Ag.

Lorna Hunt announced that Kitty Davids would be the featured artist for July at the Aloft. There will be a sale of her art work. Lorna announced that 2 members still had to pay their dues.

Scholarship student, Joseph Kraft, was in attendance to receive his award of \$1000. He's a very good artist. The meeting was adjourned at 12:40 for refreshments.

Oil painter, Michael Severin, set up an easel and brought a sample of his paintings to show. He did a very good demonstration.



Claude Monet

"I perhaps owe having become a painter to flowers."

Tuolumne County Bar Association's 2nd Annual Summer Social. We will be throwing a social event **September 30 at Indigeney Reserve**, and we would love to feature local artwork to showcase this regions talents to our guests! It is not a large event; last year there were about 50 attendees. We would like to set up a small display of local artwork. The event starts at 5:30 pm and dinner begins around 6:30p, so the main display time would be from 5:30-6:30pm. Artists can arrive around 5:15pm. If interested in

contributing, please contact Lexi Fujii at amfujii@ucdavis.edu

Joseph Kraft recipient of MLAA 2017 Scholarship

The MLAA Fine Arts 2017 Scholarship recipient is Joseph Kraft. Joseph was born in Santa Rosa and raised in Calaveras County. Having grown up doodling and creating, Joseph began focusing on drawing and painting more seriously when he was 15. Joseph took 4 years of studio art at Bret



Hart High School, painted and created the Graduation backdrop, designed the senior class t-shirts and Irish Day t-shirts. His originality and portraits impressed the Scholarship committee. A graduate from Bret Harte High School, Joseph plans on attending the University of San Francisco this fall majoring in Fine Art. Our best wishes to Joseph in his future art endeavors.

Sonora Pass Plein Air by Sulastri Linville 16x20 oil



Plein Air Report by Susan Lea Hackett

The paint out group had an active summer with several get togethers in the higher altitudes. In June, we painted the Stanislaus River in Strawberry, right next door to my house. The river was very high this year. It was challenging to paint the white rushing water. Barb Young has a very successful painting from this outing on view now at the Aloft Gallery. Then in July, we returned to Strawberry

to paint the Cascades behind the Strawberry store. My granddaughter, Belle, was our mascot that day along with Sulastri and Rich Linville's companion dog, "Choco", and Barb Young's little chihuahua, "Christie." Later in July, we made an exciting excursion to the high country at Sonora Pass. At over 7,000 feet elevation, we painted panoramic views of the snowcapped peaks. If you are interested in joining us on these adventures, send your email address to me at donh1@mindspring.com. Our usual day to paint is Thursdays. I will be planning some events during late September. If you have any questions, call me at 209-965-0253.

MLAA History

By Loretta Pagni, Historian

September 14, 2017

Kitty Davids, In Loving Memory of a Wonderful Artist



I, Loretta, became the MLAA Historian when Kitty Davids picked me up and brought me to her beautiful home. Kitty handed me her fancy covered Mother Lode Art Association Album!

Kitty was on the MLAA Board back in 2001.

Here is an excerpt from the newsletter dated March 19th 2001:

"Kitty doing a paint-out on May 14th at a 100 year old Ranch. Loretta announced an upcoming paint-out at her house in May"

Kitty Davids has hung a lot of paintings at our shows. For a while, she hung paintings at the Junction where we had space in an empty store window. Then we got the Aloft on Washington Street that started upstairs above the Candy Vault!

Kitty did murals and many paintings of birds, other animals plus flowers in oils and pastels. Kitty donated a painting for our show of a Blue Bird which was used as a cover on the program. She cut hair for 50 years and even cut my hair for me. Kitty was awesome lady and a dear friend to us all. We will miss her. She will always be in our hearts.

MLAA MEETINGS ARE USUALLY ON THE 3RD MONDAY OF THE MONTH

Next meeting: Monday, September 18, 2017

2017 Schedule

January 16, 2017	April 17, 2017	July (No Mtg.)	October 16, 2017
February 20, 2017	May 15, 2017	Aug (No Mtg.)	November 20, 2017
March 20, 2017	June 19, 2017	Sept. 18, 2017	Dec. (No Mtg.)

Meetings are held on the 3rd Monday of each month at the Tuolumne County Library on Greenley Rd. Sonora normally at 1:00 pm during the months of January – June and September – November

THERE ARE NO MEETINGS HELD IN JULY, AUGUST OR DECEMBER

Newsletter Info

Your newsletter editor would like to list upcoming classes or workshops and any shows our artists have been accepted into or won any awards. Let me know when you hear of them. If you are interested, others may be as well. If you see something reported incorrectly, please contact Rich at: teachersask@yahoo.com Thank you.

Fill out the membership application and bring it with your check to the next meeting or mail it today. Thank you.

If you are already a member, cut this out and pass it on to someone you think might be interested in becoming a MLAA member.

MOTHER LODE ART ASSOCIATION MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

Name _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zipcode _____

Phone _____ Email _____

Membership Categories: (check one)

Individual

\$15.00 Senior 75 & Older _____

\$20.00 General _____

\$50.00 Patron _____

\$100.00 Benefactor _____

\$250.00+ Lifetime _____

Business

\$50.00 Patron _____

\$100.00+ Benefactor _____

Please make checks payable to: MOTHER LODE ART ASSOCIATION.

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We encourage you to enjoy the wonderful Artist Demonstrations and Programs we have the 3rd Monday of each month at the Tuolumne County Library, Greenley Rd., Sonora. Meetings are usually at 1:00

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