



Arts of Point Richmond News
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Dear AOPR Members,

Arts of Point Richmond has continued to grow and expand this year. A new exhibition venue, Kaleidoscope Coffee, opened on March 30 with a member exhibition. Two new Ad Hoc groups have been formed and our members have continued to exhibit their work widely as well as receive honors. Here is a bit of news that covers what's been happening.

CONGRATULATIONS TO BETSY KELLAS

Betsy has just completed a 3 week residency at the Lucid Art Residency in Inverness, CA. The goal of the Lucid Art Residency Program is to provide artists with a serene, retreat-like natural environment for creative exploration and inquiry into arts and consciousness.

The residency provided her with a space to live, an art studio, a print shop with a Sturges press and an extensive Library Resource Center. She had the opportunity to meet and socialize with Lucid Art faculty members during the residency.

Acceptance to this program is quite an honor. Betsy is most deserving of this opportunity and experience. If you'd like more information about this program please go to: <http://www.lucidart.org/residency/>

COMING EVENTS!

FALL POTLUCK DINNER - SAT, OCT. 29TH, 5 PM, BRICKYARD LANDING CLUBHOUSE –more information is forthcoming!

HOLIDAY ARTS & CRAFTS FAIRE - SAT, DEC. 3rd, PT. RICHMOND COMMUNITY CENTER

POINT RICHMOND MUSIC SERIES – Second Fridays of the Month – ARTS & CRAFTS INCLUDED!

AOPR members who have been exhibiting and selling their art at the festival include, Rita Gardner, Sharon Taylor-Ward, Pat Tostenson, Gretchen Blais. Ruth Suzuki and Bob Colin will also join in during September.

CONGRATUALIONS TO OUR COUNTY FAIR WINNERS!

ALTHA HUMPHREY: 1st prize: Senior division/clothing textile/ original knit purse, black with white dots at the Marin county fair.

NORA LEE: Her image, "Rusty", won a Silver (2nd) Award at the Alameda County Fair and \$150!

LOUISE WILLIAMS: 1st Place: in both the "In Focus" category and in the "Creative Alternative" photography categories.

- The "In Focus" submission was 5 of her *Squatters* images and earned the "Jack Fulton Award", since he was the juror.
- The "Creative Alternative" was for *Once upon a Time*, but she had an entire wall of 7 images from her *The Silver Lining* group of images at the Marin county fair.

AOPR AD HOC GROUPS

The Writers Group

Heli Perrett, Writer's Group organizer.

Seventeen members have signed up to be in this group which includes: novelists, non-fiction writers, memoirists, poets, screen writers and more. Almost all are published writers, or, with completed manuscripts who are looking for publishers.

The Writers Group's purpose is to share experiences and know-how on issues that many writers face and to provide mutual encouragement. They meet once a month in a member's home and focus on a topic selected by the group members. Resource persons, such as publishers, editors, illustrators may sometimes be invited to the group gatherings.

All members must be or become AOPR members, which means, we are increasing our membership. It is so exciting to add another ad hoc group to our organization and to include literary art artists as well.

Art Tag

Gretchen Blais, organizer

Art Tag is an opportunity for artists to interact with other artists to create three original pieces of work in about a four month period, about 6 weeks apart. At a meeting, a theme is chosen and names are drawn so that at designated times each participant mails or delivers their art to the name they drew. The first piece is based on the theme; each piece thereafter is based on the theme and inspiration by the art received. After the third piece of art, members gather and each person shares their work and described what it was like to respond to the theme and the art pieces they received. At no time does anyone alter another person's art work.

Photographers Group

Originator, Irene Hightower

An informal group of photographers has been meeting to share work, ideas and experiences. We meet in different members' homes and share wine and cheese. Socializing and sharing our photography is what we do periodically.

ARE YOU INTERESTED IN STARTING AN AD HOC GROUP?

PROCEDURE TO BE FOLLOWED:

If a member has an interest in developing a special interest group or activity, the following procedure takes place:

1. The member is asked to send a summary of his/her plan to the Leadership Team of the activity or group he/she is interested in organizing or forming.
2. The proposal is reviewed by the Leadership Team.
3. If the proposal is accepted as an ad hoc group or activity, the member is notified and periodically provides informal updates on the progress of the group or activity to the Leadership Team.

ARTS OF POINT RICHMOND WEBSITE AND FACEBOOK PAGE

When was the last time you visited our website and facebook page? Be sure to check them out periodically because we post information, events, photos and links to many interesting sites.

Many thanks to David Moore, our webmaster, for the time and effort he voluntarily puts into maintaining our website. To member Claudia Randel, another thank you for implementing the AOPR facebook page and to the great job she does in maintaining it.

If you have friends who would like to know more about our organization and are interested in joining us, refer them to www.artsofpointrichmond. On the **Join Us** tab they will find a membership registration form that can be downloaded.

The Facebook page, www.facebook.com/artsofpointrichmond has photos, articles and information about AOPR as well as information about local and interesting art happenings.

THANK YOU FAITHFUL AND ONGOING AOPR LEADERS!

LEADERSHIP TEAM

Irene Hightower, Chair
Rita Gardner
Altha Humphrey
Betsy Kellas
Richard Melvin
Virginia Rigney
Sharon Taylor-Ward

EXHIBITION

Bob Colin/Gretchen Blais – Co Chair
Rita Bagley
Rita Gardner
Virginia Rigney
Sharon Taylor-Ward

EXHIBITION- Venue Chairs

Bob Colin – P.O. Windows
Sharon Taylor-Ward – El Sol Exhibits
Kaleidoscope - TBA