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The President's Message

If you missed the reception for our Artists Guild Exhibition at the Boehm Gallery at Palomar College, you missed a great time.

Included in attendance were "a famous four" from the San Diego Museum of Art: Derrick Cartwright, Executive Director, Heath Fox, Director of Administration, Sussanah Stringam, Director of Marketing and, Maxine Gaiber, who is Director of Education and the juror of our show. Rather than choosing places like first, second etc, Maxine presented equal awards to three people: Peter Gorwin, Roni Sumer and Marion Mettler. This reception was filled to overflowing with excited art enthusiasts. Viki Cole, the Gallery Director, did a marvelous job of hanging the show and one painting sold at the opening.

As the Fine Art Festival II approaches, the organizing committee under Manuelita Brown's skillful hand is finding ways to improve on the success of the first festival. The juror, D. Scott Atkinson, selected 32 out of the 43 applicants for inclusion in the event. The Festival will be held as before in the James S. Copley auditorium of the Museum on November 5th and 6th. New this time is a Special Collectors Preview showing on Saturday, September 5th from 9:00 to 11:00 am. Separate invitations are being sent to our list of collectors who bought artwork at the last Festival and/or who signed up to receive invitations

and selected others. A meeting of all participating artists will be held on October 16th to review the details of the Festival and help the artists to prepare for the show.

So far we have two sponsors for the Fine Art Festival, Bob and Rose Jacobson and David Nuffer. Thank you for supporting our Guild Festival.

We are planning to have the Fine Art Festival III November 11 & 12, 2006.

Currently, by using the Copley Auditorium in the West Wing of the Museum, we are able to accommodate 35 booths for artists. Since we still seem to fit easily into these dimensions, we are planning to use this location again for the FAF III. Mark your calendars to apply for this profitable event.

Last month I asked for input from members about submittals to the Boehm Gallery exhibition and was gratified to have some members tell me their reasons for not being able to submit to that show.

Now, I ask for your response to the idea of expanding the Fine Art Festival to include more artists.

Are you planning to apply to the event in 2006?

Let me know at joed@san.rr.com
or (858) 514-8154.

On Saturday, October 15th from 4:00 to 8:00 at Lou Smillie's home, we will have our annual pot luck gathering for all members. Heath Fox, Director of Administration and our Museum Liaison, will be attending. I encourage all members to join us on that day where you will have a chance to meet members of your Board and to get to know other Guild members. If you have any questions, contact Shelley Campbell, our Hospitality Chair at LaneCampbell@sbcglobal.net or (858) 945-8144. Look for complete details in this issue of The Medium.

We are still in need of a Recording Secretary for our Board meetings. If you are willing to attend Board meetings on the first Monday of every month, (usually), like to keep up with the Guild news and have an interest in helping the Guild, please contact me. In addition, we need someone to head our phone tree. Lenore Simon, a long time member of the Guild, has done an incredible job of beginning, organizing and coordinating the phone tree and making it function consistently. Unfortunately, she is not able to continue in that role. Thank you, Lenore, for your long time service to and continuing support of the Guild.

I continue to ask you to let me know if you have ideas for improving the Guild for its members.

Joe Darin

~ FYI ~ by Victor M.Perez

***THE TUTANKHAMUN AND THE GOLDEN AGE OF THE PHARAOHS** exhibition at the Los Angeles County Museum of Art is on view through November 15th, 2005. Don't miss your last chance to see this exhibition from *National Geographic*.

For more information contact the museum at: www.lacma.org

***The Alberta duPont Bonsal Foundation** supports the work of outstanding women artists and poets who have not yet obtained national recognition, by providing grants to individuals. Some of the sponsors and supporters of the artists and poets include The Museum of Contemporary Art San Diego, The Delaware Art Museum and The San Diego Museum of Art.

You can contact this La Jolla based group at: www.adbfoundation.org

***Rosetta Sciacca** joins Board of Directors of the *Friends of Balboa Park*. A Senior Director for Major Giving and Campaign Director at Sharp HealthCare Foundation, she began her career in the mid-1980 at the San Diego Museum of Art. Rosetta has also been a past development consultant for Business Volunteers of the Arts and for the Combined Organizations for the Visual Arts (COVA).

THE BULLETIN BOARD

by Victor M. Perez

***Lords of Creation: The Origins of Sacred Maya Kingship**, Bus Trip to the Los Angeles County Museum of Art, Los Angeles. Sponsored by the San Diego Museum of Art Latin American Arts Committee, November 5th, 2005.

For more information contact Dr. Janet Esser at: jesser@mail.sdsu.edu

***Pictures for the Press**, press photographer pictures from major news events, 1940's to 1970's, The Getty Center, Los Angeles. September 20th, 2005 to January 22nd, 2006.

For more information contact the museum at: www.getty.edu

***Border Council of the Arts and Culture and The Metro Gallery presents Poly-Paintings**, exhibit opens September 10th, 2005, in Old Town, Pasadena.

For more information contact the group at: ibp@earthlink.net

***Centro Cultural de la Raza: Modern Mexican Masters**, exhibit includes all of the superstars of the nation of Mexico, Balboa Park, San Diego.

For more information contact the center at: centro@centroraza.com

***SAN DIEGO/TIJUANA: inSite/ Art Practices in the Public Domain**, a binational network program of the San Diego Museum of Art and the Centro Cultural Tijuana (CECUT), presents **Farsites: Urban Crisis and Domestic Symptoms in Recent Contemporary Art**. Exhibits opened on August 27th, 2005 and will be on view through November 13th, 2005, Balboa Park, San Diego, and Tijuana, Baja California.

For more information on the two city exhibitions contact the network at: www.insite05.org

~ ART TALK ~ by Victor M.Perez

If you are interested in an update of *inSITE05*, the binational two-city exhibitions-- you might want to read the recent article by Burl Stiff. It's in the Friday, September 2nd, 2005, "E" Section of the San Diego Union-Tribune newspaper, on page E4. The article is accompanied by a very nice photograph of Claudio and Laura Gonzalez, with San Diego Museum of Art Executive Director, Derrick Cartright. The three column piece is a brief overview of the aspects of *inSITE05*, with an extensive list of the Who's Who at the opening reception of the Museum of Art. The two-city exhibition marks the first time *inSITE* that has included a Museum-based exhibition in its programming, as well as the first time the two largest visual arts institutions in the binational region have collaborated.

The article is titled: Museum of Art gains an edge with the addition of inSITE05.

In addition, Jane Darin recommends that everyone visit the installation in the front parking lot to the Museum to learn the details of the many projects involved with inSite05. She was particularly impressed with the work of Althea Thauberger organizing the Murphy Canyon Choir with the military spouses. You can also learn more about the project from the website at www.insite05.org.

~ ARTS SCENE ~ by Victor M.Perez

The local arts community came together in support of Creativity.. The event, held at the Museum of Contemporary Art, San Diego at La Jolla, included representatives from many of the San Diego County cultural arts organizations. Held on Monday, August 29th, 2005 at noon, the purpose of the luncheon was to meet Muriel Johnson, the Director of the California Arts Council.

Presenters included Stephanie Casenza of the San Diego Performing Arts League and Victoria Hamilton of the City of San Diego Commission for Arts and Culture. Victoria gave a very informative power point presentation on the state of the arts in San Diego to the large crowd assembled.

The audience included representation from the San Diego Museum of Art Board of Trustees, the San Diego Museum of Art Administration, and the San Diego Museum of Art Artists Guild Board of Directors. Also, included were interested members from organizations in all parts of San Diego County. Victoria Hamilton gave insights on up coming workshops and developmental programs that the Commission and other groups plan to have in the very near future.

The guest of honor, Muriel Johnson, spoke about her recent appointment to the California Arts Council, and the slender budget that the Arts Council and the State of California have to work with at the present time. Muriel also talked about her experience in the arts, and about what support or non-support the various arts communities could expect to see coming from the State. Although financial support of the arts from the State government is way down, the growth of cultural tourism is growing and up! The arts in California are expected to receive about 2 million dollars in support this fiscal year from the State.

The presentation that Miss Johnson gave was very hopeful and positive for the future of the arts in California. Having representation from San Diego County on the Board of the California Arts Council at the State capitol was one of her topics. Whether you know it or not, California arts-related businesses alone provide \$5.4 billion dollars in economic activity annually, supporting more than 160,000 jobs and generating \$300 million dollars in local and state revenue. For more information on the City of San Diego Commission for Arts and Culture go to: www.sandiego.gov/arts-culture and for the State of California Arts Council go to: www.cac.ca.gov.

This event was coordinated by the San Diego Regional Arts and Culture Coalition.

*~ Annual Potluck ~
Saturday October 15th
from 4:00 to 8:00 pm*

at Lou Smillie's home at 666 Upas Street
Call Shelley Campbell, our Hospitality Committee Chair
if you have any questions (858) 945-8144

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Awards:

Gerry Levine was accepted into the 14th Annual Juried Exhibition at the Athenaeum and Arts Library in La Jolla. The juror was Derrick Cartright, Executive Director at the San Diego Museum of Art. The exhibit was open August 6 - September 3, 2005.

Adam Koltz exhibited his marine art at the Tallships Festival at Dana Point Harbor on September 10 and 11, 2005. In addition, Adam's watercolor "Antarctic Denizens" has been juried into the International Society of Marine Painters "Inland Exposure" exhibition, which runs from September 12 through October 7, 2005 in Paris, Tennessee. He has had three of his watercolors selected for "Aqueous III", a juried exhibit for American Society of Marine Artists Region 5 members. The exhibit will take place at the Ventura County Maritime Museum at Channel Islands Harbor, Oxnard, CA from October 8 to November 28, 2005.

Ed Wordell has been juried into the the following shows:

First, the Taos National Exhibition of American Watercolors IX, Taos Art Museum in the historic Nicolai Fechin House, Taos, New Mexico. The juror was Carl Dalio, artist. The exhibit will run September 10 - October 4, 2005. Next, the International Society of Experimental Artists 14th Annual Exhibition, Fort Worth Community Art Center, October 4 - 29, 2005; Juror: Ann Bellinger Hartley, artist. Lastly, the Brand Gallery 34th Annual National Exhibition of Works on Paper, December 3, 2005 - January 20, 2006; Juror: Martin Mondrus, artist. The Brand Gallery is located at 11602 West Mountain Street, Glendale, CA

Artist News:

Bonnie Woods was so thrilled to represent the Artist Guild at the recent San Diego Museum of Art's Family Festival at the museum on August 21. Her presentation was "The Art of Illustration", in conjunction with the Maxfield Parrish exhibition. Bonnie's demonstration in watercolor were geared to inspire children to use their imagination and discover drawing and painting as a way to express their own stories. She also encouraged families and park visitors to see the exhibition which was free that day. In addition to painting, Bonnie, as a budding illustrator and is currently writing her first young adult fantasy novel which she is illustrating in watercolor pencil. If you know anyone who is looking for an illustrator, keep Bonnie in mind.



*Bonnie Woods
at the San Diego Museum of Art's
Family Festival*

- MEMBER NEWS -

Bonnie's response to her Family Festival experience: "I had a great time and met some lovely people. The families and children seemed to really like what I did and many people took my brochures and cards. Brian Patterson, SDMA Director of Community Programs, was very gracious and thanked me for demonstrating." Bonnie is currently writing and illustrating a book but is also looking for writers with whom she could work on any type of book project.



"The Magician" by Bonnie Woods



"Goldilocks" by Bonnie Woods

Helen Gomez, portrait artist, also participated in the museum's Family Festival and enjoyed it very much. Helen said she was constantly busy and bombarded by the enthusiastic children. Several people were inspired enough by her work that they signed up for the Museum's art classes and became members for the first time.

The La Jolla Art Association New Gallery on 7932 Ivanhoe Avenue will host the show called "Herbs Harem". It will run October 3- 16 with reception on Saturday, October 8, 4:00 - 8:00 pm. Participating Guild artists are **Mary Lou M. Holmberg, Kathy McChesney, and Katherine Keeling**.

Are you planning to apply to the
Artists Guild Fine Art Festival III in 2006 ?
Let me know at joed@san.rr.com
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- 2005 DATES TO REMEMBER -

September 23		End of exhibition at Boehm Gallery, Palomar College
September 24	10:00 AM - 2:00 PM	Removal of Art from Boehm Gallery, Palomar College
October 3	12:00(noon)	Board Meeting, Board Room, SDMA
November 4		Artwork arranged in booths for Fine Art Festival II
November 5	9:00 am to 11:00 am	Fine Art Festival II at SDMA Kickoff with a Special Preview
November 5	11:00 am to 5:00 pm	Fine Art Festival II at SDMA open to public
November 6	11:00 am to 5:00 pm	Fine Art Festival II at SDMA
November 6	6:00 am to 7:30 pm	Artwork removed from Fine Art Festival II
November 7	12:00(noon)	Board Meeting, Board Room, SDMA

- *Note : Board meetings are open to all members -*



Artists Guild FINE ART FESTIVAL II
- November 5 and 6, 2005 -

Please join us for the Artists Guild Fine Art Festival II to be held in the SDMA Copley Auditorium November 5 and 6, 2005, 11:00 am - 5:00 pm each day.

The Festival artists are:

Laurenn Barker, Jim Bates, Richard Becker, Manuelita Brown, Rich Buchwald, Shelley Campbell, Jane Darin, Joe Darin, Shahla Dorafshan, Annie Dover, Catherine Dzialo-Haller, Joan Everds, Shandel Gamer, Eleanor Garner, Roger Heglar, M. Sue Hiatt, Riley Johnston, Rosemary Kimbal, Adam Koltz, Ann Krasner, Barbara Madsen, Eileen Mandell, Annette Paquet, Analise Rigan, Josie Rodriguez, Joann Sandlin, Annelis Schiebel, Michael Sussna, Kathryn Timmerman-Susak, Jerry Vande Berg, Angelika Villagrana and Edwin Wordell.



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