



Rainbow Connection
by Lynda Fraitnick

Artifacts

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- HIGHLIGHTS -

FEBRUARY

2/6 BOARD MEETING

6:30-8:30pm, Zoom

2/7 CRITIQUE SESSION

6-8:30pm, Barnes & Noble

2/16 PLEIN AIR OUTING

Vasquez Rocks, 9am-noon

2/19 GENERAL MEETING

6:30-8:30pm, Barnes & Noble

2/23 Artist Workshop

10-3:30pm, led by Joe Cibere
Stevenson Ranch Library

2/24 OPENING RECEPTION

"Fluidity" Group Show
SCAA Gallery, 5-8pm
ARTISTS PAINTING LIVE!

www.santaclaritaartists.org

WE ARE SEARCHING FOR A NEWSLETTER EDITOR!

Tobi Beck is hanging on as current Newsletter Editor, but we really need to find a replacement soon so that she can focus her energy on being 2024 Gallery Chair!

If you have an interest in design or even just love playing around in Canva you may be a good fit!

Email Tobi to inquire:
tobibeck.art@gmail.com

Tobi is willing to train,
give tips, & share templates!

Volunteer with SCAA!

NEWSLETTER

WE ARE LOOKING FOR A **NEWSLETTER DESIGNER/EDITOR!**

is that
YOU?

SANTA CLARITA
Artists
ASSOCIATION

Obsessed with page layouts?
Enjoy graphic design? Love to play in CANVA? Sweet! Me, too!

Email Tobi today!
tobibeck.art@gmail.com

Tobi Beck did an awesome job refreshing our 2023 newsletter, but she is now our 2024 Gallery Chair! She needs to focus on our gallery shows and volunteers.
Can you help save the day?

A NOTE FROM OUR PRESIDENT

Happy Valentine's Day! I went to our first art reception of the year for the "661 LOCAL" exhibit and had a great time. Right in Old Town Newhall at 6th and Main. We had live music by Jose Barba and Kel'isa band. There were generous donations from Pulchella Winery, Maginn's Pub, and XRO, along with produce and artisan food samples from the Old Town Newhall Farmers Market presented live, on site by Larry, the market's manager. What a success!

If you haven't yet been to view the "661 LOCAL" show, please check it out - now showing through February 18th!

Our next member group show, Fluidity, opens February 23rd and runs through March 30th. Entering a show is great fun. While gallery hosting, you get to witness visitors admire (and hopefully purchase) the works in our show and you get to spend time with fellow artists at the gallery.

The opening reception for "Fluidity" is February 24th, 5-8pm. Eighth & Rail will be on site serving cocktails and we will have artists there painting live! Be sure to invite your friends!

My tally of artists with hidden talents continues. I've now met some who do marketing and some in the cartooning industry, a retired artist from the Army Corps of Engineers, while others are art teachers, art students, and many more.



Our association continues to grow and increase. I find it all very exciting.

I am so impressed with how welcoming and inclusive we continue to be as an association. It's great to see members at our monthly demos, visiting the gallery, and at our Plein Air outings. And now, thanks to Patty Haft, we will be represented at the Old Town Newhall Farmer's Market where our artists will paint live each month to promote visual arts and SCAA in the community! Bob Hernandez will also be heading up a new critique session for our artists to attend; helping them grow through encouraging conversation. Dates and locations to be announced.

Do you have a hidden wish or desire to participate in SCAA? Let us know and we will find a fit.

I thank the many members who make all of this work.

Team work makes the dream work!

Pura Vida.

Meressa Naftulin
SCAA President



Spring Art Festival



AND SALE AT LE CHENE
FRENCH CUISINE GARDENS

Save the Date!

Our annual Spring Art Festival and Sale at the Le Chene French Cuisine Gardens on Sierra Hwy is a great time for our members to meet with local art lovers in a beautiful setting complete with music, wine, brunch and fellow artists. Consider joining us by reserving a booth for the event!

The gardens are beautiful and we are usually blessed with beautiful weather, along with many returning customers.

Gather up your best artwork for spring and prepare for the fun!

This is one of the favorite SCAA shows of the year. We will need volunteers to help set up and tear down, in addition to cashiers, raffle ticket sellers, and at least 40 artists to display their artwork.

The Call to Artists has gone out, look for it in your email!

Remember to renew your SCAA membership - a requirement to enter the Spring Art Festival!

APRIL 28TH

If you have questions, call Dody Rogers at 661-252-7639 or on her cell at 661 714-9606.



2024 SCAA BOARD

EXECUTIVE BOARD

Meressa Naftulin President/Plein Air Chair

Charlotte Mullich Vice President, IT/WEB

LW Krebs Recording Secretary

Buck Burns Treasurer



Thank you for your time
& dedication to SCAA!

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Bonny Butler Social Media Chair

Tobi Beck Gallery Chair/Interim Newsletter Editor

with **Qiana Tarlow** Gallery Co-Chair

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Laurie Morgan Canyon Theatre Exhibits Liaison

Sandy Fisher Member at Large

WE
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YOU!

OPEN POSITIONS

Newsletter Editor

Hospitality

Grant Writer



Monthly Meeting

JOIN US!

Barnes & Noble
23630 Valencia Blvd
6:30 to 8:30 pm

PUBLIC GENERAL MEETING & LIVE DEMONSTRATION

GENERAL MEETING

Monday, February 19th

Barnes & Noble, Valencia

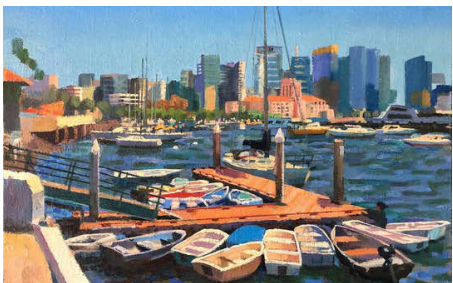
6:30 - 8:30 pm

Our monthly general meeting happens on the 3rd Monday of each month at Barnes & Noble in Valencia. It's a great time to meet up with other artists and to introduce your art friends to SCAA because it's free and open to the public! There is a short association update to cover SCAA news and then we get to enjoy a live art demonstration together for the rest of the session. Come learn with us!

DURING OUR GENERAL MEETING:

Alex Schaefer
Oil Painter

2/19 LIVE DEMO



Alex Schaefer was born in LA and studied at the Art Center College of Design in Pasadena. Upon graduation he spent 9 years as an artist in the video game industry, and then taught Painting, Drawing & Composition at the Art Center for 12 years.

NEXT MONTH

Mon, March 18th

Tim Kitz, Watercolorist

www.timothykitz.com

Invite your friends!

General Meetings
are **FREE** and **OPEN**
TO THE PUBLIC!



His work spans traditional landscapes and cityscapes, figurative nudes, portraits, and imagination abstracts. He gained recognition in 2011 for his series showing banks on fire in protest of financial crimes.



Plein Air Outing

PUBLIC MEET UP & OUTDOOR ARTMAKING

VASQUEZ ROCKS

Friday, February 16th, 9am-Noon

Vasquez Rocks is named after Tiburcio Vasquez, an outlaw who stole a 500-pound ingot of silver and was found hiding amid the rocks that were later named after him. Blazing Saddles, Star Trek, The Flintstones, along with many other TV/film productions, have used this location for filming.

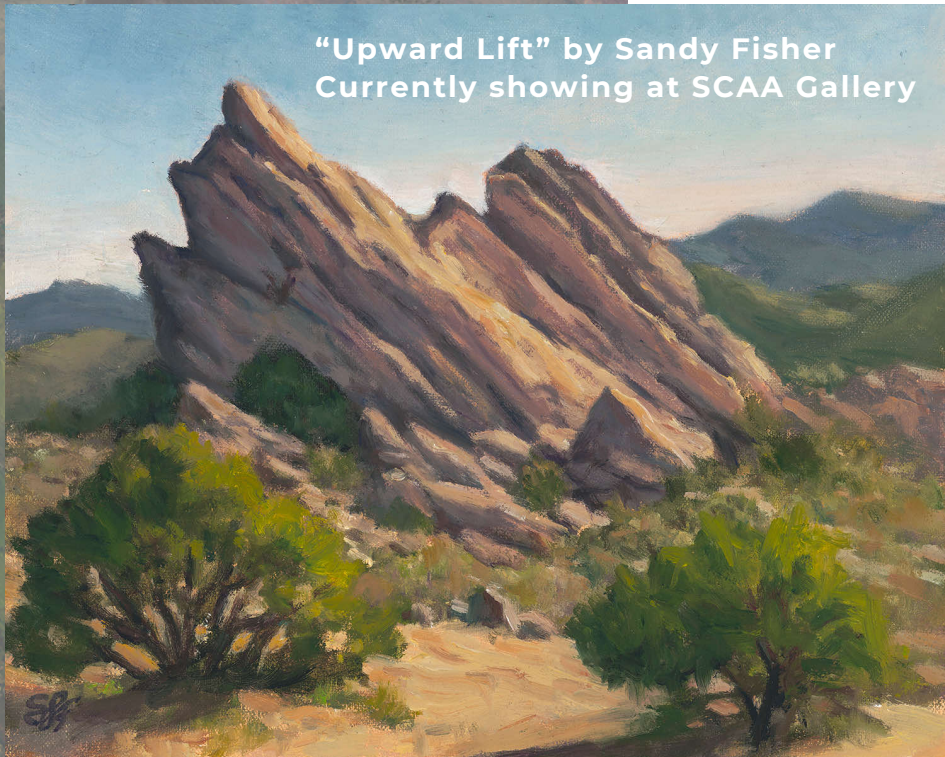
We will meet together at 8:45am in the Visitors Center parking lot and then drive to the 2nd parking lot promptly at 9am, towards the large rock formations. NOTE: A painting umbrella may be helpful, as there is not much shade.

**FREE & OPEN
TO THE PUBLIC!**

ALL ARE WELCOME! You do not have to be a member to join us. Sketch or paint in your medium of choice. Bring a chair or stand. Just enjoy the great outdoors and company of other artists!

Directions: 14 Freeway to Agua Dulce Cyn Rd (exit 15). Turn left. Follow the road until it curves right onto Escondido Cyn Rd. Park entrance is down the road and to the right. Easy to find with GPS.

To learn more, contact Meressa Naftulin
661-993-6251 meressa922@gmail.com



"Upward Lift" by Sandy Fisher
Currently showing at SCAA Gallery

ART Workshop **LEARN WITH SCAA!**

JOE CIBERE WORKSHOP

FRIDAY, FEB 23RD 10-3:30

DEADLINE FEB 10TH, SPACE IS LIMITED!

We are excited to host our very first workshop of the year with artist, Joe Cibere, who is a Signature Member of the National Watercolor Society!

Joe's painting style demonstrates his love of nature and the wilderness. His "abstract realism" paintings integrate strong design and balance with a sense of illusion. His paintings have appeared in Watercolor Magazine and he works out of his studio in Camarillo, CA.

Graphic to Watercolor

For years I've tried getting people to squint their eyes to see the big shapes. For some this is difficult so let's start with the big shapes already there. Yea! Imagine if you started with this graphic art and just copied it using watercolor with all its gifts. Wow! What a concept. This exercise will not only make you a better painter but a better designer. Don't think. Just paint.

Friday, February 23, 10am - 3:30pm



Starting with graphic art and painting the shapes with watercolor gives amazing results!

SHAPES AND COLOR/ INTEGRAL ASPECTS OF COMPOSING ART

This one-day workshop will focus on Shapes and Color - Integral Aspects in Composing Art.

Students will paint from the graphics supplied for basic design, then enhance those shapes and colors using their medium of choice; learning to simplify a reference image to be less complex and paintable in all styles.

- SCAA Members Cost \$60
- Non-members Cost \$85

Please visit our website for class details and the full supplies and materials list required: www.santaclaritaartists.org

**SPACE IS LIMITED
REGISTER TODAY!**

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Monthly Critique Sessions



NEW!

Barnes & Noble

February 7 - September 4

6-8:30pm, on the first
Wednesday of each month

**GROWING AND
LEARNING TOGETHER**

Have you ever wondered if you were headed in the right direction in your art-making? Curious if you could push a project further, wanted to get unstuck in deciding on next steps, or even find greater confidence in knowing your work is complete? This new SCAA group meetup might be for you!

Whether you are at the beginning, middle, or end of your art project, we welcome you to come share with us.

Everyone attending will have a chance to share thoughts about the work on display through positive, encouraging, and constructive conversation in an effort to grow and learn together.

These monthly discussion groups will be moderated by Bob Hernandez and are open to all current members of the Santa Clarita Artists Association.

Please note that in these gatherings, no one is an expert. Your opinion matters to all in attendance and all voices are valuable to the discussion.

We will meet on the first Wednesday of each month beginning February 7th through September 4th, 6pm - 8:30pm at Barnes & Noble in Valencia.

Learn more about Bob at
www.bobhernandezfineart.com

ART CLASSIC

MEMBERS' JUDGED ART SHOW & AWARDS

Our annual Art Classic Gala is a professionally judged art show reserved for SCAA members that raises funds for our association, high school student scholarships, SCAA Gallery, and other vital programs used to promote arts in Santa Clarita.

Save the Date!

September
28th-29th

Contact Cathy King hotgems4you@yahoo.com





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Thank you for celebrating with us!

OPENING RECEPTION AT SCAA GALLERY





SCAA Gallery

SCAA GALLERY

22508 6TH STREET
 NEWHALL, CA 91321
 (661) 732-0630

NOW ON DISPLAY

661 Local - Jan 19-Feb 18
Open: Fri 5-8, Sat 11-8, Sun 11-5

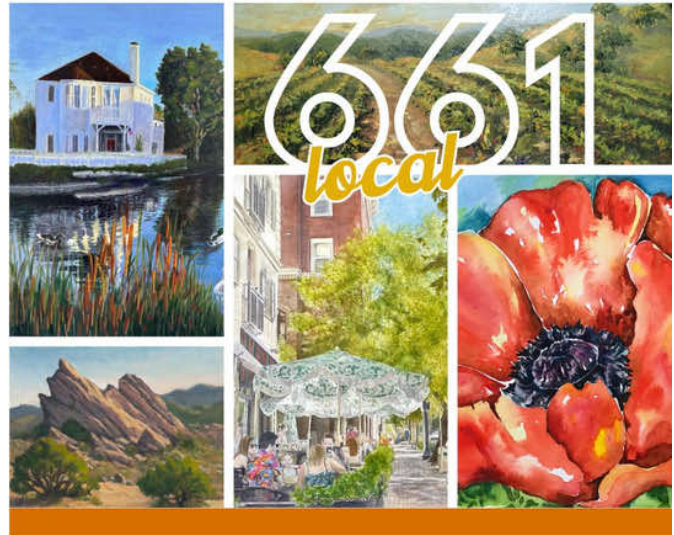
We recently celebrated SCAA's first Opening Reception of the year with an absolute bang! 661 LOCAL is on!

Over 130 visitors viewed 23 beautiful works of 13 SCAA artists celebrating the 661 in and around Santa Clarita.

Stop in to see artist renditions of iconic local favorites, like Bridgeport Lake, Mentryville, Vasquez Rocks, Main Street, vineyards, and more!

FOR SCAA ARTISTS
 BY SCAA ARTISTS

SANTA CLARITA ARTISTS ASSOCIATION SCAA GALLERY
ART EXHIBITION 1/19-2/18
 LOCAL ART . LOCAL ARTISTS . LOCAL LOVE



Artists: Georgette Arison, Sandy Fisher, Zony Gordon, Meryl Goudey, Patty Haft, Elizabeth Kim, Cathy King, Jane Mick, Laurie Morgan, Charlotte Mullich, Meressa Naftulin, Dody Rogers, Caroline Takeda

2024 SHOW CALENDAR:

Schedule subject to changes. Check website/social for updates.

661 LOCAL SCAA
 JAN 19 - FEB 18

FACES SCAA
 MAY 3 - JUN 2

TENTATIVE BTH
 SEP 27 - SEP 29

FLUIDITY SCAA
 FEB 23 - MAR 30

AVAILABLE
 MEMBER RENTAL
 JUN 7 - 16

DARK, ODD, & MYSTERIOUS SCAA
 OCT 6 - OCT 27

AVAILABLE
 MEMBER RENTAL
 APR 5 - 7

RHYTHM & SOUL SCAA
 JUN 20 - JUL 28

AVAILABLE
 MEMBER RENTAL
 NOV 1 - NOV 3

COWBOY FEST SCAA
 APR 12 - APR 21

AVAILABLE
 MEMBER RENTAL
 AUG 2 - 11

STUDENT SHOW ARTTREE
 NOV 8 - NOV 10

STUDENT SHOW ARTTREE
 APR 26 - APR 28

COLOR CRUSH SCAA
 AUG 15 - SEP 22

WORDS SCAA
 NOV 17 - DEC 15



Look for Fluidity and share the event with your friends on Facebook and Instagram! Find us at @artgallery.scaa

COMING UP NEXT

Fluidity - Feb 23-Mar 30

Opening Reception: Feb 24, 5-8

Fluidity showcases the curvature, liquid flow, and ethereal movement found in water-based art techniques and in the natural world around us.

Eighth & Rail will be pouring cocktails during the reception in celebration of the theme, along with artists who will demonstrate their fluid alcohol ink & paint pour techniques LIVE!

Hours: Fri 5-8, Sat 11-8, Sun 11-5

SENSES: 3/21 Thur 6-10

Show Donors:

**EIGHTH
& RAIL**
PUBLIC HOUSE



HOST YOUR OWN SHOW

Member Gallery Rental Opportunity

Now is your chance to curate your own show at SCAA gallery! Display your work in a solo exhibition or gather up to 3 more artists for a small group show. Space is limited!

- \$125 Weekend popup, Apr 5-7
- \$250 Full show, Jun 7-16
- \$250 Full show, Aug 2-11
- \$125 Weekend popup, Nov 1-3

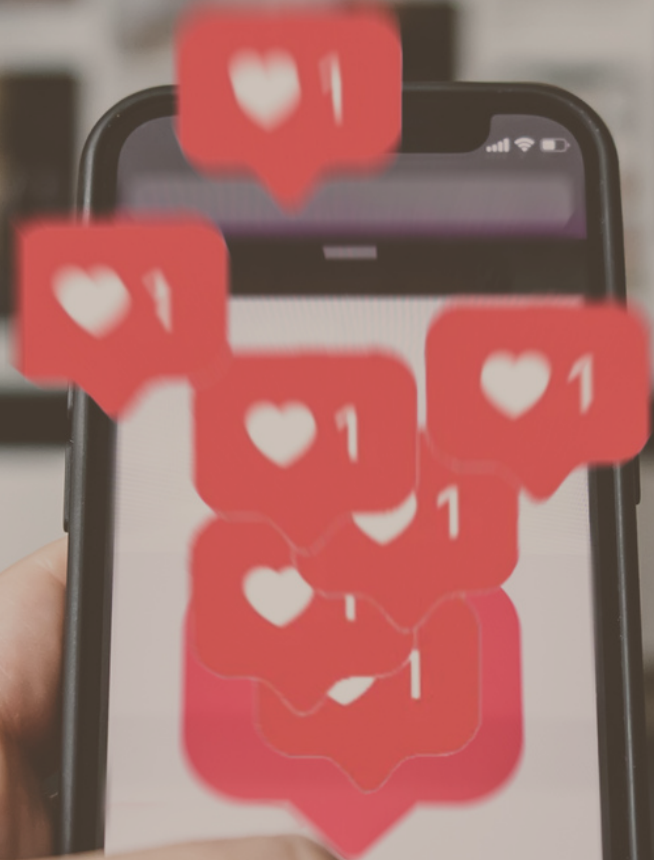
Deposit is required to reserve. Inquire today!

Email Tobi at artgallery.scaa@gmail.com

GET SOCIAL



FOLLOW SCAA & SCAA GALLERY ON SOCIAL!



SCAA: @santaclaritaart

SCAA Gallery: @artgallery.scaa

Connect with other artists, stay up-to-date on SCAA,
and help promote our events, shows, and activities!

SCAA Members

SCAA ARTIST NEWS, EVENTS, & KUDOS!

**HARRIETTE KNIGHT
& PATTY HAFT**

Empowering HeArts

Harriette Knight and Patty Haft are 2 of 6 artists selected to depict the inspiring real-life stories of 6 honorees at this year's Empowering HeArts gala and fundraiser hosted by Single Mother's Outreach **Feb 23rd** at Sand Cyn Country Club.

singlemothersoutreach.org/empowering-hearts-2024



Harriette Knight



Patty Haft

**THE OTHER
ART
FAIR**



April 4-7
Barker Hangar
Santa Monica

Presented by

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TOBI BECK

The Other Art Fair

April 4 - 7

The Barker Hangar, Santa Monica

Tobi is thrilled to have been selected to show at **TOAF** in April, presented by SaatchiArt.com, the world's leading online art gallery. Her latest abstract works will be on display!

- Thu Apr 4, 6-10
- Fri Apr 5, 5-10
- Sat Apr 6, 11-8
- Sun Apr 7, 11-6

Tickets can be purchased online theotherartfair.com/la



Our Artists at CTG

SCAA ON DISPLAY AT CANYON THEATRE GUILD

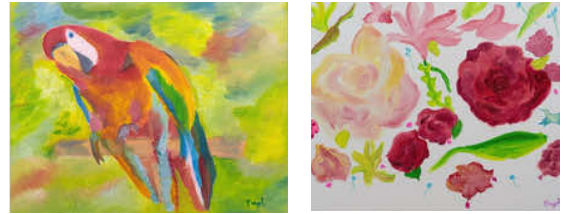
In the Vernon Gallery hallway leading into the theatre and throughout the lobby of the Canyon Theatre Guild, SCAA members may host solo shows for audience enjoyment before, during intermission, and after seeing a live performance.

MERYL GOUDEY

Jan 20 - Feb 28

Meryl Goudey currently has her artwork on display during the live production of “The Marvelous Wonderettes: Dream On” at Canyon Theatre Guild in Old Town Newhall.

Meryl’s whimsical paintings celebrate nature, which feeds her soul and honors memories of her mother and father. She delights in bringing joy and positivity.



Free entry to view. Visit canyontheatre.org for hours.

**SUPPORT LIVE THEATRE!
FOR SHOW TICKETS,
CALL (661) 799-2702**



**NOW BOOKING:
July/August 2024**



*Laurie Morgan
CTG Liaison*

**INTERESTED IN SHOWING AT
CANYON THEATRE GUILD?** Email Laurie:
laurie@lmorgan.biz

COMING SOON:
SET SAIL!



An interest list will be forming. Look for more information in the coming weeks!


Contact Jane for more information
jane@janemick.com

Community Art in SCV

CLASSES, NEWS, AND ARTFUL EVENTS AROUND TOWN




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NEWHALL, CA 91321



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**BOTTLE CAP
MURAL PROJECT**



**Deliver your clean plastic
bottle caps to any SCV
Library branch or ARTree!**



ART CLASSES FOR ADULTS

Semester Starts Jan 23, 2024

Register: thartree.org/classes

Photography for Beginners

TU 6pm w/ Leire B.

Painting: Watercolor & Acrylic

TH, 6pm w/ Chrystal W.

Acrylic Painting

TH 10am w/ Jose B.

SILK PAINTING CLASS GOLDEN OAK ADULT SCHOOL BY: GEORGETTE ARISON

Supplies included; space is limited.

Register: goldenoakadultschool.com

Silk Scarf Painting

Work with a professional artist to learn to paint beautiful silk scarves that will amaze your friends and family. Course cost includes all class materials including scarves and paint.

Advanced Students will learn advanced techniques to add to your silk scarf painting talents! Course cost includes all class materials.

Additional Information:

No refunds will be issued after the first class session (including no-shows).

Course Fee: \$70

Class taught in English.

Click on
"Community
Interest" to locate
the class online

April 24th - May 22nd
6pm - 9pm, Newhall, 18 & up



Contact: Georgette georgettearison3@gmail.com

OLGA KACZMAR

Estate Sale

All proceeds benefit Santa Clarita Artists Association

Attention Artists!

A sale is being held on behalf of Olga Kaczmar's estate, spanning a 50 year career.

- Oil & watercolor framed paintings
- Traditional landscapes, animals, dogs, cats, horses, & florals - in all sizes
- Beautiful frames to use on your own work
- Unframed prints & cards

Frames & paintings priced \$10-100

SALES ARE BY APPOINTMENT ONLY

Art will be shown in Canyon Country
Cash or checks accepted

Please contact Dody Rogers
call 661-252-7639 or text 714-9606

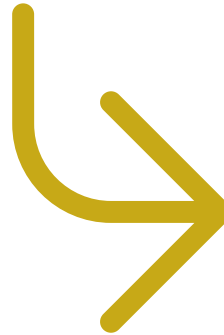


SHARE YOUR NEWS!

Members, help us celebrate your art, wins, & shows! **Submit your stories to be featured in the newsletter.**



NOT A MEMBER?
JOIN THE FUN!



For over 30 years the SCAA has supported and encouraged local artists to create, share, and grow their skills as visual artists in the Santa Clarita Valley.

Please consider joining us to enrich your art practice and to enjoy the many benefits and opportunities to exhibit your art at our Gallery on Main Street in Old Town Newhall.

Our members also enjoy sharing their art at the Canyon Theatre Guild and sometimes in partnering with City of Santa Clarita art shows throughout SCV venues and libraries.

From the novice artist to the professional artist,

ALL ARE WELCOME HERE!

Standard Membership	\$50
Senior Membership	\$40
Full Time Student	\$20



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