

# **Newsletter June 2020**

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Encouraging creativity in visual arts and serving the community since 1950 Editors: Mina Ferrante - Ellie Klein - Helena Bowman

# **President's Message**



Dear Artists in Residence,

June is here and our truncated BAA year is over. I'd like to give a shout-out to the senior class of 2020. They put in the time, but missed out activities that serve as rites of

passage. In a way, we're like the senior class of 2020. Many of our activities had to be shelved: meetings, our annual Spring

Show, and exhibits at the Geo. But unlike the class of 2020, we'll have more years of Art Association experiences. You only get to be a senior once, alas (until you get to my age. No prom, but we do get some sweet discounts.)

Congratulations to Ruby Gara, the senior artist whose piece at the Youth Expo was chosen by committee to receive a gift certificate from Carter-Sexton. As of this Newsletter deadline, the BAA Scholarship winner had not been determined, but we will announce the winner shortly. Thank you, Joanna, for all your hard work organizing these events.

The coming months will bring on many changes. We haven't seen the end of masks and social distancing yet. I love seeing everyone at our meetings, but the whole meeting paradigm may be due for a makeover. We want to share ideas, but we want to be safe. We'll be working on ways of delivering interesting programs to our members. Life in the 21st century will change, but we will continue to be buoyed by our creative spirits. Stay tuned, and stay safe.



Your lame duck President,

Carol Tensen

# Thank you from the Exhibits Chair

Thank you all for the wonderful time I had as Exhibits Chair! I started out helping Arline Helm with the Geo Gallery. She was kind enough to teach me how it works. We had a lot of fun setting up shows, getting everything organized and seeing that all was ready for the next artist. Then Arline let me help with the big art competitions in Fall and Spring! These shows are different with more work to do. But with all the helping hands in the BAA, it always worked out beautifully! With the assistance of Parisa Talebian as Co-Chair these past few years, we had a great time juggling shows, dates, and artists.

Helena



#### ELECTION RESULTS FOR 2020-2021 BURBANK ART ASSOCIATION OFFICERS AND CHAIRMANSHIPS

Thank you all for voting online! The result of the May election for the 2020-2021 BAA board is as follows:

#### Officers:

President - Ren Colantoni

Vice President - Jamie Butterworth

Secretary - Ellie Klein

Treasurer - Karen Sachs

Financial Secretary - Open

Financial Advisor - Marsha Ramos

Board Advisor\* - Carol Tensen

#### Chairmanships

Exhibit Chair (Fall and Spring Shows) -Ellie Klein

Exhibit Co-Chair (Geo Gallery Director) - Joanna Lewis

Programs - Stefanie Girard

Program Co-Chair - Pam McDonald

Newsletter Editor - Mina Ferrante

Penstrokes - Helena Bowman

Outside Exhibits Chair - Joanna Lewis

Outside Exhibit Co-Chair (Macy's) - Wendy Wallace

Exhibit Catalog - Delta Mishler

BAA Website - Ren Colantoni

Membership - Mimi Rossi

Publicity/Social Media - April Cowgur

Hospitality Chair - Jenny Cirrincione

Host/Greeter - Open

There are still 2 open positions. Please consider volunteering as a Greeter (easy-peasy) or as Financial Secretary (Ellie Klein will show you the ropes).

Many thanks to the members who will be serving on the BAA Board. We are sure to have an exciting and creative year with such a wonderful membership as ours!

The Nomination Committee 2020- Helena Bowman, Mimi Rossi and Keryl Kris Reinke.

#### **EXHIBITS** ~ Helena Bowman, Parisa Talebian

### The Geo Gallery

The Geo Gallery is currently closed, but when the time is right, we will open again! The Geo Gallery is a perfect place for our members to exhibit their art. This summer might be a good time for you to plan what you need to do to have a show there.

# For a Solo show:

You need about 30-40 pieces of your art. It is important to have a theme; something that ties all your art pieces together. The title of the show should explain the essence of your work.

# For a Group Show:

If you do not have enough art pieces, a group show is the way to go! Limit the group to 2-4 people. With a group show, the subject matter and purpose is especially important. All the artists' work should connect with a common topic.

This spring we had both a solo show and a group show:

Parisa Talebian's solo show "My Trace": The title is intriguing and very personal.

Teresa Green, Jeri Grover and Linda Roletti's group show "Feathers, Petals & Wings": The title explains the motif of the group: - Nature.

Have a Great Summer and see you in September!

### The Spring Show 2020

The BAA Spring Show at the Geo Gallery in May was cancelled.

### The BAA Fall Show 2020 at Betsy Lueke Creative Art Center

The Fall Show is still on the schedule for November 6-19.

Take in on Monday, Nov 2, 9am – noon. Reception and awards on Friday, Nov 6, 7-9pm. Pickup on Friday, Nov 20, 9am -noon.

We are expecting big things from all of you! Keep working!









#### **OUTSIDE EXHIBITS** ~ Wendy Wallace & Delta Mishler

#### Macy's Gallery

Macy's pick-up date is TBD. As of now, we don't know when the store is opening up again.

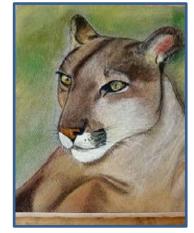
Next show will be "Dreams!" Members should send their submissions to Wendy by May 15. Be sure to include: title, medium, frame size and pricing. Submit photos and information to Wendy at:

Outside@burbankartassociation.org

# PENSTROKES ...... Helena Bowman

Jeri Lynn Grover finds an abundance of things that need to get done. It is a never-ending story, so she has had to stop and smell the roses to switch gears! With 19 house projects and 8 started, she needs to get parts and pieces to finish them. Jeri has 5 shows she would like to be in, so she's working on those photos and on some black and white images for next year's show. She pulled out her film cameras to do some "view camera" photography. She wishes she had her own B&W lab again, so she could do her own

processing and printing. Jeri's list of things to work on besides her photography include: seed beading earrings, staining her newly built spice rack, catching up on some sewing projects and eventually restoring two wrought iron benches. Jeri wishes everyone a safe and beautiful summer.



Eloisa Hernandez is busy working and making masks. She made a quilt for a little kitten and is now starting to draw with pastel on pastel pads. She is ready to come back to paint in her art classes! She hopes to see everyone soon!

Chuck Dellamarie misses the pottery classes he has taken at BLCAC for over 20 years, so he is channeling his creativity into even more delicious cooking. It has become a great way for him to spend time, and guess who is benefitting? Sharon of course! He also gardens and is already using some of the veggies in the meals.

<u>Karen Sachs'</u> on-line events and workshops continue in June and July. You can check them out here: <u>https://bit.ly/3bYfmhz</u> or email her at <u>karen@paintyouressence.com</u>.

Ren Colantoni has bad news that his main computer died, so he is doing everything with an ancient laptop until the new box shows up. "The good news is that I have installed a highspeed line for faster data transfer for the new computer that isn't here yet. So, I can do nothing, but at high speed," Ren wrote. As

for painting, he continues to work on the last of his "Sedona" series. According to Ren, he has been trying to draw oxen, but he admitted it's not easy. He is considering making a western series.

Mimi Rossi is painting, drawing, collaging and just keeping busy. She has been collecting items for her recycled art project for the upcoming (hopefully) 2021 Recycled Art show! When people start to visit again and when they see her piles of "treasures," she wonders if they would think she is a hoarder.





Yvonne Jongeling writes: "I have been in isolation for so long, I am seeing orbs everywhere. Especially in my art!" Yvonne has been formulating abstracted aesthetic responses based on moments of time. In the piece shown here, she was considering the colors of the rainbow. Despite her contemplations, her painting turned into a "viral orb." Yvonne has two shows coming up. The first one is "Call and Response: Collaboration at a Distance 3." The online opening is next Saturday, June 6th from 3-5pm on Facebook. The second show is her "Viral Orb" for the National Arts Drive, also on Saturday, June 6th from 1-4pm at 5033 Glenwood Avenue in La Crescenta. "Viral Orb" will be on display on the chain link fence, just outside of her art studio. Come by and do a "selfie dance" in front of that darn virus, germ free. Pet Shop Boys and Alice DJ will be playing on the speaker to get your feet moving. This showing is a part of The National Arts Drive, an afternoon of street accessible art.



The gallery has been registered on the National Arts Drive. Find information at: <u>https://www.nationalartsdrive.com/signup-artist?fbclid=IwAR0JD0ZIR3NrpB4-</u>vSwe1cL9rLVTvlwmWukGMUZGSK020gPiGSkDzqrUUOs

Stefanie Girard has started a Neighborhood Gallery on the corner of Oak and Fairview in Burbank. Vivianne, Jen, Ellie, Teresa, and over 30 other artists have contributed a piece of art to the wall. All artists are welcome to swing by and pop an 8 1/2 x 11 piece of art in a plastic pocket mounted on the wall! If you let Stefanie know when you are coming, she can try to be there and take a socially distant picture for promotion! She wishes you to stay safe and creative!



#### **Summer Isolation Gallery**

We had many quality entries to our "Spring Isolation Gallery" displays on the web site. As you may recall, the items shown in this gallery were to display works started after March 1, and that were completed during the time that the stay-at-home orders were in effect.

It would appear that although things are starting to loosen up a bit, it is unlikely that BAA will have any inperson meetings before September. So, in keeping with the idea that we don't want all you artists out there to stop creating, we are hosting a **Summer Isolation Gallery** to keep the interest going in our club and your art efforts.

The Summer Isolation Gallery will run June 1 to the end of August. Send us an unmodified photo of any art piece you are doing started after June 1, and we will display it on the site as we did the Spring Gallery. You can include information like title, media, size, price, or anything else that you would like displayed along with the picture. Send the picture as an attachment to an email sent

to *webmaster@burbankartassociation.org* and we will handle the rest.

Thank you for your participation.

Ren Colantoni





The Burbank Art Association is a volunteer-run, non-profit organization. Our mission is to stimulate and encourage creative expression and provide a showcase for our members' talents. Artists of all ages and skill levels are welcome to join. Sponsorships and donations to the BAA help to fund exhibits, awards and student scholarships. Your gift will have a tremendous impact by keeping our organization thriving and serving its community. If you or someone you know would like to become a sponsor, please contact us through our website at: <u>www.burbankartassociation.org</u>