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**Even though it's the dead of winter,
Art Alliance members are working hard so that
we can enjoy a successful spring!**
Here are a few ways YOU can help!

Canstruction® — Wow! *Brightie Dunn*, *Phyllis Crabtree* and *Jackie S* are off and running for our May Canstruction® events... Please support our spring fundraiser in every way you know how, time and/or money! It's going to be twice as large as last year's event!

Membership — Now is the time to invite friends to come to a meeting or give names of potential new members to *Denise K* or *Camille S*!

Nominating — Yes, you too can step up to the plate when called! As we try to fill roughly 30 positions for next year, please consider a variety of them or go in with a friend to co-chair! Please call or email *Jackie H* with your willingness and suggestions!

Hospitality — Thanks to *Anita S* and *Pam S* who are taking on the Hospitality job without pal *Loydene K*, who has moved away. Help them out by signing up to bring something to one of our General Meetings.

Programs — *Selina B* has done an outstanding job getting us interesting speakers this year! I so enjoyed hearing about the Riverside Film Festival at our last meeting. Come to our General Meetings and see what else she has planned!

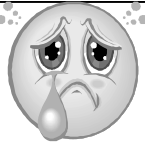
Annual Meeting — *Marcia RK* is busy coming up with ideas for the Annual Meeting! We thank her for her efforts! The date has been moved to May 23rd; mark your calendar!

Newsletter — Last, but certainly not least, *Anja C* has been such a strong newsletter editor—always on time and on top of everything. Let's make her job easier and remember our deadlines!

Thank you to all who are working so hard to make Art Alliance successful and helping the Riverside Art Museum achieve its goals!

Kathy Allavie
President





Update on Oscar Night!

Sad news for our planned event...

The Fun Committee has been working on plans for an Oscar Night party since the fall, but events have conspired to postpone the red carpet experience. When the Writer's Guild strike virtually cancelled the Golden Globe Awards, the committee had very little choice but to cancel our event as well. Originally scheduled for February 24th, there was no way to ascertain that the Oscars would take place or that an agreement would be reached in time to make it more than a press announcement.

We are sorry that we have to make the decision to cancel, and we hope that there are many more red carpets in our future.

The Fun Committee



MARCH BOARD MEETING

The next Board Meeting will be held on
Tuesday, March 4, at 6 p.m.
At Kathy Allavie's house:
2490 Prince Albert Drive, Riverside

Please RSVP: 951-784-7377

Wonders of France Encore!

July 7 - 18, 2008

Join Evie G and Suzy C in their latest exploration of wonderful Paris and the scenic wonders of Mont St. Michel.

Make Your reservations SOON!

There are 2 special highlights during Evie's Wonders of France 2008:

One high point will be a luncheon at La Fournaise, the setting of Renoir's famous painting "Luncheon of the Boating Party."

The second will be Mont St. Michel, where we will be on "the Mont" for 2 nights and enjoy the special treat of the "Mere Poullard" omelet, cooked over an open fire in their huge fireplace.

Approximate Cost: \$4,200.00 per person including airfare.
If you would like to join, check with Evie or Suzy to see if there is still space available.

Evie G, 683-5069
Suzy C, 683-2983 (H), 318-7756 (W)

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*Have a
Happy Valentines Day!!*



Membership Corner

As I sit and type this article for the Art Alliance's newsletter I can see the naturally brown foothills that are green from the rain that we have received this year. I love it when the hills turn green for two reasons. First, green is my favorite color and second, it reminds me that spring is on its way and thinking about spring and new growth brings me to why I am writing this article.

It's time to start thinking about new growth in Art Alliance. Camille and I ask you to stop for just a few moments in your busy schedules and think about someone in your surroundings who would benefit from becoming part of our group. You can give them our email address, camillesan@aol.com, if they have any questions. Additionally you can guide them to the Art Alliance website for more information about our Art Alliance. The easiest thing is to invite them to attend our next meeting and give them the opportunity to meet us.

We promise to be on our best behavior,
Denise and Camille

DIRECTORY

If you have any corrections, changes or updates for the directory please let us know.



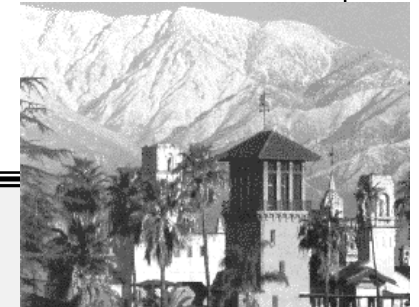
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ART ALLIANCE GENERAL MEETING

Thursday, February 21, 2008
Social Time: 6:00 pm
Program: 6:30 pm
Business Meeting: 7:00 pm

Program:



“RIVERSIDE RENAISSANCE AND THE ART COMMUNITY”

Downtown Riverside is being transformed. A drive or walk along Magnolia Avenue, Mission Inn Boulevard, University Avenue or the Main Street Mall is an eye opening experience. Dramatic changes are taking place. Our city is taking on a new look and moving towards new and expanded cultural opportunities for us all.

How the Art Museum will benefit by these changes will be the subject of our General Meeting on February 21, 2008. Come and learn more about the plans and where we fit in the exciting months and years ahead.



A look into the future....

April 6, 2008 — La Fournaise Luncheon

La Fournaise is the restaurant in France that is the setting for Pierre-Auguste Renoir's famous painting "Luncheon of the Boating Party." As part of the *2008 Art Alive: France in Bloom* event RAM will host a *La Fournaise Luncheon*. The Luncheon will be followed by a reading and discussion by author Susan Vreeland of her latest book *Luncheon of the Boating Party*. Ms. Vreeland is known for her fictional books relating to famous paintings. We bet Evie will be there!

April 24, 2008 — Past-President's Tea

Lavonne D announces that a date has been set for the Past-Presidents' Tea, which will be on April 24, 2008 from 3:00-5:00 PM at Barbara W's home.

May 8, 2008 — Gala Opening CanStruction

The CanStruction 2008 event will open on May 8 with a Gala reception from 5:30 – 8:30 PM. The show will be twice as big as last year and you do not want to miss it! The exhibition is scheduled for May 9-May 17, with a luncheon and culinary demonstration planned for May 13.

May 23, 2008 — Annual Meeting

Marcia R-K has great plans. Plan on being there!

Make sure you put all these dates on your calendar now!

Call RAM for more
information:
951-684-7111

Art Exhibits in the Museum:

PAAR (Plein Air Artists of Riverside) Annual Exhibition 2008

Location: Lobby and Mezzanine
Exhibition Dates: January 26 — March 29, 2008
Opening Reception: Thursday February 7, 2008, 6-9 pm

Plein Air Abstraction (Various Artists)

Location: Art alliance Gallery
Exhibition Dates: February 2 — March 29, 2008
Opening Reception: Thursday February 7, 2008, 6-9 pm

Vital Signs (Photography by Thomas McGovern)

Location: Bobbie Powell Gallery
Exhibition Dates: January 26 — March 22, 2008
Opening Reception: Thursday February 7, 2008, 6-9 pm

Huge Ass Beers to go: Fat Tuesday in the Quarter

(Photography by William Purcell)

Location: DeVean Gallery
Exhibition Dates: January 26 — March 22, 2008
Opening Reception: Thursday February 7, 2008, 6-9 pm

Milford Zornes, An American Artist

Location: Members Gallery
Exhibition Dates: January 22 — March 29, 2008
Opening Reception: Saturday February 16, 2008, 2-4 pm

Canstruction 2008

Opening Night is Thursday Night, May 8th
You "CAN" help!

GIANT SCULPTURES OF CANNED FOODS:
ART IS FOOD!! FOOD IS ART!!

WHEN MAY 8, 2008
GALA OPENING NIGHT 5:30 – 8:30 PM

PLEASE VOLUNTEER TO HELP THE ART ALLIANCE OF THE RIVERSIDE ART MUSEUM WITH THIS AMAZING PROJECT. A LOT OF HELP WILL BE NEEDED BEFORE AND DURING THE EXHIBIT, AS WELL AS AFTERWARDS WITH THE "DECANSTRUCTION."

CALL BRIGHTIE DUNN, (951) 351-8200, FOR MORE INFORMATION. YOUR PARTICIPATION WILL HELP TWO NON-PROFIT ORGANIZATIONS AT THE SAME TIME:

- ♣ PROCEEDS FROM THIS EVENT WILL GO TO THE RIVERSIDE ART MUSEUM AND
- ♣ THE CANNED FOOD WILL BE DONATED TO THE SECOND HARVEST FOOD BANK.



BOARD MEMBERS NEEDED!

*Go out on a limb!
Stick your neck out!
Bite the bullet!
Just do it!*



Rack your brain and volunteer for a board position. The nominating committee will be meeting twice in February to formulate a slate for the 2008-2009 year. We will be discussing both executive and appointed board positions and need to know who would like to serve on the various jobs. Step up to the plate and volunteer. You will have the chance to get to know the other board members and contribute to the organization's growth and well-being. Please call or e-mail any of the nominating committee members listed below. And thank you in advance for being a trooper!

<i>Jackie H, chair</i>	<i>hopper47@sbcglobal.net</i>	<i>782-9343</i>
<i>Kathy Allavie</i>	<i>kallavie@aol.com</i>	<i>784-7377</i>
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<i>Judy F</i>	<i>jafish2@aol.com</i>	<i>369-7364</i>
<i>Kathy Sc</i>	<i>gscout384@aol.com</i>	<i>682-1743</i>

Riverside Art Alliance General Meeting Minutes January 17, 2008

- I. The meeting was called to order by President Kathy Allavie at 6:30 p.m. Kathy then introduced Selina B, who in turn introduced our speaker for the evening, Nancy Douglas. Nancy presented a short program about the festival in which she discussed the history of the festival, the 2008 festival, and introduced Dr. Harki Dhillon, festival founder and president/ director of the festival. This year's festival will be held April 11 through April 20, 2008.
- Kathy then gave a short update to the membership. She conveyed Margo and Rob C's heartfelt thanks and appreciation to Art Alliance members for their help and support in the passing of their son, Marc. Kathy also stated that Nancy L has temporarily resigned from the Art Alliance due to her husband's upcoming sabbatical so the planned bus trip has been put on hold. Kathy also stated that due to uncertainty of the current writers' strike, the Oscar Party has been cancelled.
- II. **RAM Updates:** Evie G announced that the Museum is sponsoring a luncheon on Sunday, April 6, featuring Susan Vreeland as a speaker, discussing her latest book, *Luncheon of the Boating Party*.
- III. **Minutes:** On a motion from Judy C, and seconded by Dorothy N, the minutes of the November, 2007 meeting were approved as they appeared in the January newsletter.
- IV. **Officers'/Committee Reports:**
- a. **Treasurer's Report**– Lucille A
 1. Lucile A read the current Treasurer's Report and it was approved on a motion by Sue S, seconded by Kathy S.
 - b. **Off the Wall Event** – Sue S
 1. Sue S briefly gave an update about our 2007 *Off the Wall* event and stated that while we sold a few less pieces of art, we ended up with about the same amount of profit due to the price of the pieces sold.
 - c. **Canstruction** – Brightie Dunn
 1. Opening Night will be May 8. Brightie announced the teams we currently have participating. She talked about sponsorships, and gave the history of Canstruction and what we did last year for this project. The goal will be to have ten teams this year, doubling last year's entries and using both galleries.

2. Jackie S and Phyllis Crabtree discussed the two events associated with this year's Canstruction: Jackie is chair of Opening Night on May 8 where light appetizers will be served with food prepared by our members mainly from canned products. Phyllis, who is Chair of "Cuisine in a Can," a new event this year, talked about a luncheon to be held on Tuesday, May 13, with a cooking demonstration using canned food products.
 3. Kathy Allavie discussed the sponsorship letters that will be sent at the end of January to Art Alliance and Museum members requesting sponsorship of the event. She stressed how important these sponsorships are to the bottom line and how much money we can expect to make as profit.
- d. **Nominations** – Kathy Allavie
 1. Nominating & Self Nominating Forms for 2008-09 Board positions were distributed. Kathy asked that they be completed and returned to her or Jackie H. The Nominations Committee will have their first meeting within the next two weeks.
 - e. **Annual Meeting** – Marcia R--K
 1. Marcia announced that the date of the Annual Meeting has been changed from May 15 to **May 22**, due to Canstruction. The location is still pending but the meeting will be in the form of an early evening tea.
- V. **Policies of the Art Alliance:** Debby P
1. Updated Rules & Regulations prepared by Debby were distributed for inclusion in our current directories.
- VI. **Announcements:**
The March general meeting will be a daytime luncheon meeting.
- VII. **Adjournment:**
Meeting was adjourned at 7:10 p.m.

Notes: Next Board Meeting is February 6 at 6 p.m. at Kathy's house.
The next General Meeting is February 21, with a social time at 6 p.m., and the meeting starting at 6:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by Lorraine M, Secretary

