



President: Pam Kaptain

September 2024

As the dog days of summer come to an end, and we gratefully look forward to the (hopefully) more temperate days of autumn, there is another beginning at hand: the new year of Art Alliance. For me, that also means the beginning of my term as Art Alliance President. It is something I've been looking forward to with mixed emotions, including excitement, anticipation, and a tiny bit of anxiety, but mostly excitement!

Each President of Art Alliance establishes a theme for their tenure. I had an entire year as President Elect to think about it and for the longest time I just couldn't come up with anything. But as I went out and about Riverside, I realized that something I feel passionate about is the public art we have all around us. We are so fortunate to have dozens of gorgeous murals throughout the city that reflect the unique aspects of our community. There are a lot of oranges and orange trees, but there are also murals (and statues) that honor the achievements of our citizens, recognize our beloved local landmarks, and reflect how our city has grown and what we hold dear. With that in mind, my theme for the coming year is "The Art of Community."

As we kick off this new year, I am really looking forward to the fabulous fundraising events we have planned. The first of which, "Off the Wall: Last Call," is quickly approaching, so we

have lots to plan and work on to be ready for our Gala and Sale on Friday, October 11th. If you haven't already contacted Kathy Bocian to volunteer, here is your official invitation!

Please join us at the Riverside Art Museum on Thursday, September 19th at 6pm for our first General Meeting of the new year. The always fascinating artist/educator Denise Kraemer will be the speaker. Come, catch up with friends and welcome our new members as we kick off the year of "The Art of Community" and make plans for the exciting year ahead.

OFF THE WALL LAST CALL



Off the Wall: Last Call

Mark your calendar for October 11-13th to celebrate the 10th anniversary and finale of our bi-annual Off the Wall art show and sale. This is a unique opportunity to start or add to your art collection with the purchase of original work for as little as \$100. **Off the Wall: Last Call**, hosted by The Art Alliance of the Riverside Art Museum, kicks off on Friday night, October 11th with a gala opening fundraiser. Wander the gallery while enjoying your mocktail, wine and hors d'oeuvres as you shop for your favorite pieces before the show opens to the public on Saturday. Hundreds of works will be available, with an anticipated 100 artists submitting up to four pieces each. All art priced between \$100 and \$500.

Gala Tickets: \$65

Where: Art Alliance Gallery, Riverside Art Museum, 3425 Mission Inn Ave., Riverside, CA

Gala and Sale: Friday, October 11, 2024 6pm-9pm (Sponsor Welcome Reception 5:15pm)

Show and Sale: October 12-13 Free with RAM membership or admission during business hours (Saturday 10am - 5pm and Sunday 12pm - 5pm)

To submit artwork, sponsor Off the Wall, or purchase gala tickets:

The success of Off the Wall as always, depends on sponsors. Please consider donating to this Art Alliance Event

<https://riversideartmuseum.org/wp-content/uploads/2024/07/Sponsor-info-for-website.pdf>

We want the final 'Last Call for Off the Wall' to run as smoothly as ever! This means we need many willing hands from ALL OF OUR MEMBERS for these volunteer spots. Many of these jobs are seated positions, so it is easy for everyone.

Please email Kathy Bocian at kathleen.bocian@gmail.com or text/call 951 206-0928 to snag your spot!

Day of Week	Date	Time	Task	Volunteers Needed
Sunday	October 6, 2024	11:30 - 2:00 PM	Art Intake	5
Sunday	October 6, 2024	1:45 - 4:15 PM	Art Intake	5
Monday	October 7, 2024	9:45 - 12:00 PM	Art Intake	4
Monday	October 7, 2024	11:45- 2:00 PM	Art Intake	4
Friday	October 11, 2024	4:00 - 5:30 PM	Prep for Gala	2
Friday	October 11, 2024	5:00 – 8:30 PM	Check in Table	3
Friday	October 11, 2024	5:30 – 8:30 PM	Art Holding area	3
Sunday	October 13, 2024	4:00 PM	Art Sale Ends	
Sunday	October 13, 2024	4:45-6:00 PM	Art Pick Up	3
Monday	October 14, 2022	9:45-12:30	Art Pick Up	3
Monday	October 14, 2024	12:00-2:00 PM	Art Pick Up	4

ART ALLIANCE PROGRAM



Our members have all been in awe of the artists and stories which Denise Kraemer, our Program Chair, has brought to Art Alliance over the past two years. Her introductions and banter and anecdotes are spontaneous, on point and often the take away thought of the evening. We hope you will invite family and friends to come and here Denise speak for herself as an artist at our general meeting program on Thursday, September 19th at 6:00 PM at the Julia Morgan Building.

Denise Kraemer is a native of the Inland Empire. Even before she discovered printmaking, Denise found herself drawn to artists like Henri de Toulouse-Lautrec, Kathi Kowitz, and Alfonso Mucha. This fascination with their style of work lured her to take her first printmaking class. Like these artists, her work tends to be organic in style. Kraemer will tell you that printmaking perfectly unites her analytical left brain and her creative right brain allowing her to process, alter, and develop ideals, satisfying her inquisitive nature. Each print lends itself to a finite progression of discovery, which is the driving force of her work.

She served as the Education Curator at the Riverside Art Museum in Riverside, California for 3 years, where she organizes the adult education programs, monthly lecture series and member critiques. A founding member of Riverside Independent Printmakers (RIP), Kraemer curated the printmaking exhibition *Pressed* at the Riverside Art Museum and has worked with the museum's "Monothon" workshop and exhibition for 4 years. Kraemer received her BA in Art from California Baptist University and her MA in Art/printmaking at California State University San Bernardino.

This year, she had a solo exhibition at Riverside Art Museum, three group shows this summer and worked with the Arts Connection and Mil Tree in Joshua Tree, CA. She teaches an ongoing weekly printmaking workshop at Division 9 gallery. She teaches printmaking at Riverside Community College and California State University at San Bernardino.

At the Riverside Mayors Ball, hosted by the Riverside Arts Council in March of 2024, Denise was awarded 3rd place in the 'Wild Card' category. She is a tireless champion of the arts in Riverside and the discovery of art within each of us. Please welcome our very own Denise Kraemer.



Parliamentarian: Proposed Policy Changes

ART ALLIANCE POLICIES

During our summer hiatus the Parliamentarian and committee have been working on the Membership portions of the Policies of the Art Alliance. We have updated the Membership Categories, Requirement, Qualifications, Termination Membership Officer and Dues. Our changes are to provide clarity and simplicity for our members. Please see the portions provided for you below. We will be voting on these changes at our September 19, 2024 General Meeting.

Article 2.01 Categories MEMBERSHIP:

Art Alliance membership year is from June 1st through May 31st

The Categories of Art Alliance membership

Active (A) – required to work actively on fundraisers and special events.

Supporting (S) – encouraged to support the fundraisers and special events.

RAM Life (L) – Those Art Alliance members who qualified for RAM Life membership are exempt from Art Alliance dues. (RAM no longer offers a Life Membership.) All members are required to maintain current RAM membership.

CHANGE TO:

The Categories of Art Alliance membership are Active and Supporting:

Active Member's Requirements:

Pay \$25 annual dues.

Sign up for least one of the project committees or serve on the Art Alliance Board.

Expected to volunteer to help during the fall and spring fundraising events.
Encouraged to volunteer for other projects and events as their schedules permit.
Attend as many general meetings as possible.
Maintain a current RAM membership.

Supporting Member's Requirements:

Pay \$100 annual dues.
Expected to volunteer to help during the fall and spring fundraising events.
Encouraged to volunteer for other projects and events as their schedules permit.

RAM Life (S/L) No change from the directory.

2.02 Qualifications: Members will support the mission of the organization. Members are encouraged to attend general meetings, Art Alliance events and RAM events.

CHANGE TO:

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2.03 Termination: Any member who is delinquent in Art Alliance and/or RAM dues will be dropped from membership.

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2.04 Resignation: A member may resign by submitting a resignation letter to the Membership Chair. No change from the directory.

Article 4: Officers

Membership: Beginning in April, the Membership Chair will encourage active and supporting members to sponsor prospective members. The Chair will arrange an information meeting for prospective members in September and guide the new members during their first year. The Chair is responsible for maintaining membership status changes in the directory and newsletters. The Chair and new members responsible for decorating the Holiday tree at RAM.

CHANGE TO:

Membership: The Chair will arrange an information meeting for new members in September. Throughout the year, the Chair welcomes new members with an email and provides a copy of the directory, as well as works to guide the new members during their first year. The Chair is responsible for maintaining membership status changes and communicating any changes to the Art Alliance Board as well as the rest of the Art Alliance. The Chair and new members are responsible for decorating the Holiday tree and the fireplace mantle at RAM and then removing the decorations.

Article 5: Finance

5.02 Dues

Dues notices will be sent by April 15th each year and are due by May 15th. If dues haven't been received by June 30th membership will be dropped. Membership dues will be: Active - \$25 per year. Supporting - \$100 per year. Dues are for the administrative operation of the Art

Alliance.

CHANGE TO:

Emails for Membership renewal and dues payment will be sent out in March. Members whose dues have not been received by May 31 are *considered* delinquent.

Membership annual dues are: Active: \$25. Supporting: \$100. Dues are for the administrative operation of the Art Alliance.

Riverside Art Market 2025



Save the Date

April 12th, 2025

10th Annual Riverside Art Market

Psst... New Logo coming soon!!

BLUE DOOR MUSEUM STORE



The Blue Door Museum Store welcomes Art Alliance back from our summer hiatus. Please drop in and check out all the inventory. Refresh your minds with the beautiful items available to purchase for gifts or just for your own personal use and enjoyment. Looking forward to seeing you browsing through the store on the evenings when the Art Alliance meetings are being held at RAM.

Artist of the Month: Judy Davies

Judy Davies is a celebrated Southern California artist known for her commercial and private work in leaded glass, fused glass, enamel, ink and watercolor. Judy has been a member of the Riverside Art Museum and Art Alliance for over 50 years and contributed to many of RAM's events, including being an instrumental member of the team who envisioned the annual Christmas Tree Brunch that featured many of her stained glass works, as well as stained glass ornaments trees. Judy was the creator of the Olympic-themed windows for Riverside City College's Administration building in 1984 and her work can still be viewed in Riverside courthouses, banks, the March Air Force Base Chapel and at the adolescent Behavioral Medicine Center at Loma Linda University.

Lucile Arntzen & Mindy Griffith

MEMBERSHIP

Hello Art Alliance members,

Please welcome the following new members...

JANE CARNEY

Three things prompted Jane's desire to join Art Alliance. In her own words: "First, I served for

12 years on the James Irvine Foundation board of directors, and saw the transformative work which RAM did with its grants from Irvine. RAM truly was a star among Irvine recipients. Second, I have loved the public art projects which the Art Alliance has done. Finally, through my now-deceased friend Amy Conger, I met Denise Kraemer. I love being friends with a true, accomplished, devoted artist! Denise has a different take on life than most people I know. And I love to see what she's making. I look forward to becoming familiar with the arts world in Riverside."

Jane Carney

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ELISA LOPEZ

Elisa joined because of Kathy Christmas, The Art Market and Oktoberfest. She is not an artist but "I've always loved art and now I enjoy taking my grandchildren to art museums and learning about art."

Elisa Lopez

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ANDY SCHULTE

Andy's interest in joining Art Alliance stems from a wish "to expand my horizons by getting involved with the vibrant art community in Riverside."

Andy Schulte

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Welcome back members to the 2024-2025 Art Alliance year!

Teresa Chamiec, Membership Co-Chair

DIRECTORY

Good news! Our directories are ready!

Please pick up your directory at the September 19 General Meeting. If you are not able to attend, please ask one of your friends to pick up your directory for you.

In addition, check your contact information; if it is incorrect, my apologies! And email me with corrections at: LKieding1963@gmail.com.

Many thanks to all of you who helped by getting me needed information or by proofreading!

Linda Kieding

SOCIAL MEDIA / MARKETING

Our *Off the Wall: Last Call* event is coming up! Help me spread the word!

The Facebook algorithm prioritizes “shares”, meaning that the more shares that a post gets, the more widely and prominently that post is displayed. “Share” carries more weight than “Like”. Please “share” Art Alliance posts as much as possible.

In addition, be sure to follow the Art Alliance posts on both Facebook and Instagram. These are listed on the back cover of your directory:

Facebook: Art Alliance of the Riverside Art Museum

Instagram: @RiversideArtAlliance

Many people receive information about our events through social media. Thank you, in advance, for helping to spread the word!

Linda Kieding

MINUTES: GENERAL MEETING

Minutes from the May 2024 General Meeting were submitted by Teresa Chameic, Secretary. These will be reviewed and approved at the September 024 meeting. Please email kathleen.bocian@gmail.com if you cannot read this file. Thank you.

https://mcusercontent.com/5bbd2f5501a9dcbfd97adfdade/files/2ad69580-1e41-251d-02c3-70256a0e2905/RAA_Gen_Meeting_Minutes_05162024.pdf

TREASURER'S REPORT

Attached are the May, June, and July financials. These reflect income and expenses from our Annual Dinner, the income from Membership renewals, and the remaining expenses from Art Market. Our \$3,000 donation to Art Education/Scholarship also shows up. Our balance at the end of July was \$30,674.99

Pam Balys, Treasurer

If you are unable to read this file, please contact Kathy Bocian or Pam Balys

Exhibits

- ## Meetings

- **Art Alliance General Meeting, RAM Julia Morgan Building, Thursday, September**

19th, 6:00 - 7:30 PM

- **Art Alliance General Meeting, RAM Julia Morgan Building, Thursday, October 17th, 6:00 - 7:30 PM**

Events

- **First Sunday: The Cheech and the Julia Morgan Building, Sunday, October 6, 2024 1:00 – 4:00 PM.**
- **Riverside Arts Walk: Riverside Art Museum: The Cheech and the Julia Morgan Building, Thursday October 3, 2024, 6:00 – 9:00 PM**
- **Art Alliance Fall Fundraiser Gala. Julia Morgan Building Friday October 11th, 6 - 9 PM.**
- **Art Alliance Fall Fundraiser, Saturday, October 12th, 12 - 5 PM.**
- **Art Alliance Fall Fundraiser, Sunday, October 13th, 6 - 7:30 PM.**

Art Kits Ages 5–12

1 Kit: \$90 (RAM Family level members and above: \$81) Includes five art lessons per kit, all necessary supplies for those lessons, and shipping! Kickstart your creativity with these



take-home kits! Each kit has a different theme: **Animals, Art Around the World, Oceans of Fun, Desert, and Winter.** Inside the kit are five art lessons specifically focused on the chosen theme. All necessary supplies are included!

If you think your child would be happy to get a kit, imagine how excited an at-risk youth would be to receive one. **With a**

\$25 donation when you check out, you'll not only get your kit, but we'll deliver a kit to Operation Safehouse.

https://riversideartmuseum.org/create_learn/ram-kickstart-kits/



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