



The Wonder of Art

President: Ruth Ann Ryan

March 2024

Greetings to all!

In anticipation of spring and the added hours of evening daylight, I want to wish our Art Alliance members a beautiful season! Our 9th Annual ART MARKET is just around the corner, on April 13th. The event will be held once again in the lovely White Park. The planning committee has been hard at work putting together the many pieces that make for an enjoyable day for all. Thank you to everyone who has sponsored this event and volunteered to help. This treasured community event requires many hands- on- deck. We have nearly 100 artists whose work you will marvel at. We still need folks to step up and sponsor and donate money, time or both.

We are also anticipating our next General Meeting on March 21 at 6pm at The Cheech and hope to see everyone there to enjoy another artist that Denise Kramer has arranged for our appreciation and to learn about what is happening with Art Alliance. Please consider bringing a sweet or savory dish to add to the enjoyment.

See you soon.

Ruth Ann Ryan, President

SPRING FUNDRAISER



9th Annual Riverside Art Market
Saturday, April 13th 10 a.m. – 4 p.m.
White Park, in Downtown Riverside

All of the artists booths are filled!

The countdown is on for the 9th Annual Riverside Art Market! The event is only a month away and it is shaping up to be a day filled with beautiful art, food and drink, good music and fun for every age! Thanks to those of you who have already sponsored or volunteered your time. We currently have over \$21,000 in sponsorships to help support our event and want to thank those members who have contributed.

We are hoping for more sponsorships to help defray costs so, if you can, please go to either the Art

Alliance <https://39474.blackbaudhosting.com/39474/Art-Market-2024-Sponsor> or RAM website to contribute.

This event has many moving parts, and the day promises to bring over 4,000 attendees and many opportunities to help. Our volunteer slots are filling up, but we still need **you** to make this event a rousing success. Contact either Kathy Bocian (951 206-0928) or Madelyn Warner to volunteer your time. Volunteers will check in at the front gates (Market Street) and will receive a vest, name tag and instructions. Many thanks to East Rotary, Cal Baptist Students, STEM Academy Students, TicTockers, Woodcrest Christian School Students and spouses who have joined the ranks of volunteers!

Please remember to bring a bottle of red or white wine to the next meeting for the Art Market wine and beer garden. Any unused bottles will be served at either an upcoming meeting or at the Annual Meeting.

Lastly, we need your help to bring out the crowds! Please use the attached flyers to share with your friends via social media or email.

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Thank you so much-we couldn't do this without you!

Debra Johnson and Kathy Christmas, Co-chairs Riverside Art Market

ART ALLIANCE PROGRAM



March 21, 2024, The Cheech

Please join us on Thursday, March 21st from 6:00 - 7:00 PM for our program presentation, followed by our general business meeting. Our program will be presented by renowned photographic artist and UCR faculty member John Divola.

John Divola (b. 1949, Los Angeles) BA, 1971 California State University, Northridge; MA 1973; MFA 1974, University of California, Los Angeles. Since 1975 he has taught photography and art at numerous institutions including California Institute of the Arts (1978-1988), and since 1988 he has been a Professor of Art at the University of California, Riverside.

Among Divola's Awards are Individual Artist Fellowships from the National

Endowment for the Arts (1973, 1976, 1979, 1990), a John Simon Guggenheim Memorial Fellowship (1986), a Fintridge Foundation Fellowship (1998), a City of Los Angeles Artist Grant (1999) and a California Arts Council Individual Artist Fellowship (1998).

John Divola works primarily with photography and digital imaging. While he has approached a broad range of subjects he is currently moving through the landscape looking for the oscillating edge between the abstract and the specific.

A 2022 article in the NY Times (Roberta Smith) stated that "the photographs of John Divola's 1977-78 "Zuma" series are on their way to becoming classics of their kind. At least they always provide a visual thrill; and their complexity remains undiminished — in fact, it has increased with time"

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r.mike nichols

Your attendance qualifies you for an opportunity drawing for Art Alliance General Meetings!!

r. mike nichols is generously donating an original pen and ink sketch for each month of the Riverside Art Alliance meetings during the 2023-24 year. The winner for each month will be decided by our monthly raffle for attendance at the general meetings.

r. mike nichols is a Riverside institution and a former longtime employee of the main branch of the Riverside Public Library. His artist biography may be found at <https://mnico.weebly.com/>

NOMINATING: SLATE OF OFFICERS AND APPOINTED POSITIONS FOR 2024-25

Nominations for 2024-2025

The Nominating Committee is delighted to announce the 2024-25 officers and

appointed positions. You - the membership - will vote on the slate for executive offices at the April 18 meeting.

HUGE thanks to those who devoted their time, expertise, people skills and wisdom to creating the slate: Phyllis Crabtree, Patti Funder, Debra Johnson, Pam Kaptain and Ruth Ann Ryan. I am indebted to each of you. Big thanks, too, to those of you who have stepped up to take on a position for this upcoming year. Your dedication is crucial to making this all-volunteer organization successful.

Linda Kieding, nominating committee chairperson

Executive Offices

President - Pam Kaptain

President-Elect / VP - Tami Fleming-Maio

Secretary - Shahla Mansouri

Treasurer - Pam Balys

Membership – Teresa Chamiec & Pat Reed

Nominating - Patti Funder

Blue Door Museum Store - Lucile Arntzen

Fall Project (Off the Wall) - Tami Fleming-Maio & Emmanuelle Reynolds

Spring Project (Art Market) - Kathy Bocian, Debra Johnson, & Ruth Ann Ryan

Appointed Positions

Annual Meeting - Tami Fleming-Maio, Pat Reed, Emmanuelle Reynolds

Communications - Sharon Boothby

Directory - Linda Kieding

Education/Scholarship - Madelyn Warner

Holiday Event - Anne Deem & Pat Ryan

Hospitality - Myra Appel, Andrea Fry, Belen Martinez, & Debi Varvi

Newsletter - Kathy Christmas

Parliamentarian - Georgia Anders-Kutch

Past Presidents' Tea - Debra Johnson & Ruth Ann Ryan

Programs - Kathy Bocian & Denise Kraemer

Social Media / Marketing - Linda Kieding

Webmaster - Pam Kaptain

HOSPITALITY March 21 2024

Hello Art Alliance members,

A reminder will be going out on March 11th for all of who have generously signed up to bring a food or drink item. This will either be via text or email depending on the option you picked.

Thank you for all the support!!

Hospitality

Andrea , Heidi & Belen

ART TO GO: A FRONT ROW SEAT

ARE YOU AS ARTISTIC AS A 5TH GRADER?

Come join us for a 1 hour class from 5:00 to 6:00 pm before April's general meeting (**Thursday April 18th at RAM Julia Morgan Building**) to have a hands on experience of one of the art lessons taught in our Art To Go



program. We will be lead through this lesson by our very own Andrea Fry who is one of programs dynamic instructors. I sat in on one of her lessons and it was not only a fun experience but also very informative to see what all is presented. Hope to see you there. It will be conducted upstairs in one of the Art Museum classrooms.

Madelyn Warner, Art Education Chair

BLUE DOOR MUSEUM STORE

There are many unusual, fun and creative gifts for all ages at the Blue Door Museum Store. Your spring baskets will be unique if you come and shop here!!!

MEMBERSHIP

Hello Art Alliance members:

Please welcome new member Gary Rainsbarger.

Gary heard about the Art Alliance and our projects through his good friend Phyllis Crabtree.

In Gary's own words: "I enjoy painting and drawing in many different media. My work includes landscape, figure and still life.

I've lived in Riverside since 1960. I graduated from North High in 1973 and attended RCC until 1976. I've been actively involved in the Riverside art community since my career at the Press-Enterprise newspaper ended in 2009. I made my living as a graphic designer at the P-E for 36 years."

Please add Gary's information to your directories.

Gary Rainsbarger

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g_rainsbarger@yahoo.com **supporting**

All members, active and supporting, are asked to volunteer at least 2 hours to the Art Alliance's fundraisers. Our next one is the Riverside Art Market, on April 13th at White Park. Please let Kathy Bocian (951 206-0928) know if you are available to help.

Thank you all, Patti, Membership Chairwoman

Please be sure to update your directory with our new members from 2023-2024!

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**UPCOMING ARTIST and ART
RELATED EVENTS**

Please show your support for upcoming exhibitions featuring artists and friends from Art Alliance and RAM!

Mayor's Ball for the Arts

Riverside Arts Council announced the Mayor's Ball for the Arts has returned with a new look and purpose.

The event will showcase and honor the hardworking, dedicated, and talented artists who have made an impact in our community over the past year. Artists nominated and voted for by the community (**PLEASE NOTE THAT MANY ART ALLIANCE MEMBERS AND EVENTS ARE INCLUDED IN THIS LIST OF NOMINEES**) will receive their award at the event where the winners will be announced. The event will also include a silent auction with artwork created by local artists, food, drinks, and entertainment.

The Mayor's Ball for the Arts will be held on Saturday, March 23, 2024, from 6-9 pm, at the Riverside Main Library, located at 3900 Mission Inn Avenue in Riverside. Tickets are \$50.00

Click here to vote for nominees and for more information about the event: <http://riversideartscouncil.com>

Longtime Riverside artist, Martin Tobias, is winding down his illustrious career with a sale of his remaining artworks. The sale is free entry and open to the public.

March 15th and 16th from 10am-4pm

Martin Tobias studio: 6188 Wimbledon Dr., Riverside, CA 92506

Cash, Venmo and Zelle are accepted for payment

MINUTES: GENERAL MEETING

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

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TREASURER'S REPORT

Treasurer's Talk March 2024

Attached are the Board approved February financials. Sponsorships and donations for Art Market comprise the majority of the income. If you have not already sponsored or donated, now is the time as April 13th is just a few weeks away. The expenses reflect our \$31,000 donation to RAM— profit from our fall fundraiser ARToberfest.

We close out February with a balance of \$28,630.40

Pam Balys

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CALENDAR

• Exhibits

- Judithe Hernández | Beyond Myself, Somewhere, I Wait for My Arrival
.The Cheech Marin Center for Chicano Art & Culture, Now until August 4th.
- Rico Gaston: RAM Julia Morgan Building. Icons. Now until April 7th,
- Uncaged Perspectives: The Cheech Marin Center for Chicano Art & Culture. Now until June 9th.

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- **Meetings**

- Art Alliance General Meeting: The Cheech Thursday, March 21st, 2024
6:00 to 7:30. Presentation by John Divola
- Art Alliance General Meeting: Julia Morgan Building,
Thursday April 18th, 6:00 – 6:30 (Social) 6:30-7:00, , 7:00 – 7:30,
Business meeting.

- **Events**

- Riverside Arts Walk: Riverside Art Museum: The Cheech and the Julia
Morgan Building, Thursday, April 4, 2024, 6:00 – 9:0
- First Sunday: The Cheech and the Julia Morgan Building, Sunday, April
7, 2024 1:00 – 4:00 PM.
- **Art Market White Park in downtown Riverside. Saturday April 13,
2024 10:00 AM - 4:00 PM. Admission Free**