



ART ALLIANCE of the Riverside Art Museum



President: Debra Johnson

November 2022

President's Message

As we approach the holiday season, my heart is full of gratitude for all of you. For each one of you who serve on the board, serve on committees, or bring refreshments to our meetings. My thanks to each of you who attend and support our events. Through all of these ways, you make a difference in our community by supporting RAM.

One way you can support RAM is through shopping for holiday gifts at the Blue Door store. Holiday sale begins on Wednesday, November 9th with a member preview.

I look forward to seeing you at our upcoming general meeting on November 17th at 6 pm at The Cheech, upstairs in the Auditorium. Happy Holidays!

Debra Johnson, *President*

PROGRAMS



Tiffany Brooks is an accomplished artist in Southern California. She is best known for her title of 'Resident Artist' at Riverside's historic Mission Inn, where she has practiced her craft since 1997.

Upon exploring the Mission Inn, you will encounter many pieces of her frescos and artwork, which fit effortlessly into its ancient walls.

Tiffany has become proficient in the areas of Trompe L'oeil, Murals, Artwork Venetian plaster and many styles of Faux.

Her excitement for what she creates puts her clients at ease as she strives to bring their unique project to life.

Denise Kraemer, Programs Chair

MEMBERSHIP

Part of the job for new members is to decorate the RAM holiday tree. We found inspiration in our fearless leader Debra Johnson's motto, "Connection through Art." In that vein we had a lot of fun at Anita Silvestri's making wonderfully artistic ornaments. But you don't have to take my word for it. This is just a small sample of the ornaments.



Our next ornament making workshop is Saturday November 12th at the home of Emmanuelle Reynolds who will help us make two ornaments, one of resin and the other painting the inside of a glass ball. We are really excited by this. Thank you, Emmanuelle!

We would like to welcome our new members. Please add their contact information to your directories.

Please add **Raven Johnson:**

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Raven is no stranger to the Art Alliance. She has worked at RAM and worked

closely with Art Alliance members on many projects throughout the years. Raven grew up in Riverside and as she says, "she never left!" Growing up her mother and aunts took her to museums and encouraged her artistic abilities. Her degree is in Art History and Studio Arts. Her favorite period of art is the Italian Baroque. She states that she is not an artist, but a teacher who enjoys printmaking and drawing. I'd call that an artist.

Please add **Debi Varvi**

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Debi moved to Riverside in 1999 and was encouraged to join the Art Alliance by Denise Kraemer, her print instructor. Debi is really interested in the upcoming artist talks at the Art Alliance General Meetings. We have Denise to thank for that!

Debi has been an artist since she first held a crayon and enjoys creating art on maps, dry point etching, color pencils and painting. Debi is a professional henna artist. She is familiar with the Art Alliance since she is a past participant of the Art Market.

Please add **Dana Hart-Nibbrig**

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Dana is a new resident of Riverside, having moved here this October. But RAM and the Art Alliance is not new to her. She has visited the Riverside Art Museum many times, and she knows a lot about the Art Alliance as she is Patti Funder's sister. Her husband Harold Hart-Nibbrig participated in past Riverside Art Markets by demonstrating the art of portraiture. He generously donated a portrait that he would paint at the 2017 Art Market as a raffle item.

Dana is a Human Resources and Management consultant and an educator. She is the chair of the government advocacy team for Professionals in Human Resources Management (P.I.H.R.A). When time allows, she enjoys designing and making jewelry. She has taught art classes at Scripps College Camp

Scripps and the Pasadena Senior Center. She says that she is looking forward to getting to know the talented people of Riverside.

Please add **Rin Colabucci**

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Rin is an artist who enjoys painting with oil and mixed media. She moved to Riverside during the pandemic and wants to become a part of Riverside's art community. She learned about the Art Alliance through RAM's website.

We are so happy that you have joined us Raven, Debi, Dana, and Rin!

The application and payment pages are on the Art Alliance's website. Please encourage your friends to visit the site and join our amazing group of dedicated volunteers. Thank you to Beth Kollmyer and Pam Kaptain for making our application process easy to find and do. If anyone would prefer a paper application, please send their contact information to either Anne Deem or me.

Patti Funder, Co-Chairwoman Membership

“Holidays Around The World,” this year's annual holiday brunch, will be held Saturday, December 3, at The Cheech. Each of the tables will represent a different country or area of the world. Brunch will be catered by Cafe Le Reve and entertainment will be provided by the Yukes of Hazzard and One Lone Guitar. The brunch will feature an opportunity drawing which will include art, holidays items, jewelry and dinner for six catered by Cafe Le Reve. Attendees are welcome to stay and visit The Cheech after brunch. (The brunch is currently sold out.)

Phyllis Crabtree, Co-Chair

SPRING FUNDRAISER



SAVE THE DATE

Saturday, April 1st, 2023

10 a.m. – 5 p.m.

White Park, Riverside

Planning for the Riverside Art Market is now in full swing! The Call to Artists has been sent and Artist applications using RAM's new computer software begins this month. The White Park venue map has been beautifully revised,

utilizing input from last year's artists and volunteers. The Riverside Art Market Committee will begin meeting this month. Thank you to all of you that volunteered to be on this team!

This is our 8th Riverside Art Market! Be prepared to have fun!

Barbara Holshouser, Karen Karlsson, Kathy Christmas, Co-Chairs

Blue Door Museum Store

The Blue Door Museum Store is pleased to announce that its annual Holiday Sale begins on November 10. There are still a few autumn items left, and thanks to the diligence of the store committee, there is an abundance of unique gifts and decor for the December holidays. Stop by soon for the best selection.

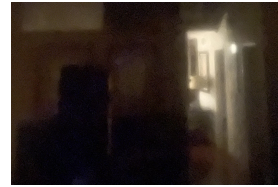
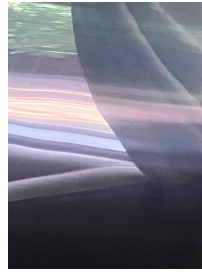
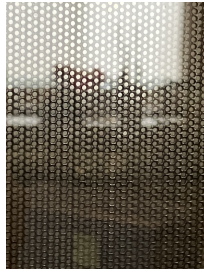
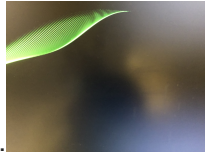
Kathy Arthur, Blue Door Museum Store Chair

Are You an Artist? Turn It Off

We are surrounded by electronic screens. Into these we can immerse ourselves with images of other people, places, times and moods. This assignment requires you to take a look at these **screens turned off to see the magic.**

1. Turn off a screen (e.g.: computer, I pad, TV, car screen, microwave, whatever)

2. Using your phone camera, take a photo of the turned off screen up close so that you only see the screen in the photo.
4. Make sure to think like an artist. Look for color, pattern, form.
5. Move around to see how the turned off screen changes based on your location and choose the best shot.
6. Try different times of the day and see how the light affects your image.
7. Don't get people in the shot.
8. Up load the image and email it to Kathy Bocian kathleen.bocian@gmail.com by **NOVEMBER 15th**
9. Last but not least – Join us at the Art Alliance November 17th meeting to see how others interpreted this assignment. We can't wait to see your magic of turned off electronic screens



TREASURER'S TALK

Attached are the September financials showing the \$10,000 donation we made to RAM (the remaining profit from Art Market 2022).

With the Art Alliance Board meeting on the first day of October, materials needed to complete the October financials were not available. However, a great deal was taking place in October with our successful Off the Wall Fall fundraiser.

With a great deal of help and work from RAM staff, artist payment checks totaling just under \$12,000 were sent out the first week in November. Not only did our event raise money for RAM, it also was a success for many artists. Reconciliation of all the credit card sponsorships, Gala tickets, and art sold is currently taking place.

Since Art Alliance is quiet in December, there will be a great deal to report in January. Hopefully we will be able to start off 2023 giving the profits from Off the Wall to RAM.

Pam Balys, *Treasurer*

CALENDAR

NOVEMBER

Wednesday, Nov. 9	10:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.	BDMS Holiday Sale Opening
Thursday, Nov. 17	6:00 p.m.-7:30 p.m.	General Meeting at The Cheech

DECEMBER

Saturday, Dec. 3	11:00 a.m. - 1:30 p.m.	Holiday Event
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