



Collage Artists of America

NEWSLETTER
NOVEMBER 2006

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Many thanks to Merwin Altfeld for the wonderful program he presented at our September meeting. He gave us a laugh a minute and great piano playing along with his wonderful art.

I am looking forward to viewing the works of our talented members at our upcoming "Ripped and Torn" exhibit.

The Collage Artists' Board once again voted to give VIVA a \$2,000 grant. VIVA is our gallery, and we definitely need to support it.

Virginia Carlson, our excellent Hospitality Chairperson, has had to resign for personal reasons. Will one or two of you step up to the plate (and platters) and take over this position? It is a great way to get to know a lot of members. It requires buying food, wine and other drinks for our receptions (only twice a year). All the funds for your purchases come from the CAA treasury. Virginia has left detailed information for the person taking over her job: what to buy and where to get it, etc. See? It's easy, and you will be very popular because *you* will have brought the wine and desserts. Please call me ASAP to tell me you will be our next Hospitality Chairperson. Thanks!

—Dorothy Tate
President
(818) 886-5575

**NEXT MEETING
FRIDAY
DECEMBER 1, 2006
10:30 A.M.**

**BERNARD MILKEN JEWISH COMMUNITY CAMPUS AUDITORIUM
22622 VANOWEN STREET
WEST HILLS, CA 91307
(818) 464-3300**

EXHIBIT REPORT

We are well underway with our exhibits this year. “Ripped & Torn” is our first exhibit of the 2006-2007 season. Our juror will be Kent Twitchell, who is one of America's foremost muralists and a Los Angeles artistic treasure. His work enhances the walls and freeways of our city as well as other locations around the country. We are very excited that his mural of “The Freeway Lady” will grace the northwest wall of VIVA in the near future.

Just a reminder of the timeline for this next show:

- Hand deliver artwork: Monday, November 13, 2006, 10 a.m. - 12 p.m.
- Pick-up of non-accepted work: 2 - 3 p.m., Monday, November 13
- Show Opens: Wednesday, November 15
- Reception: Sunday, November 19 3 - 5 p.m. Awards 4 p.m.
- Show Ends: Saturday, December 2
- Pick-up: Saturday, December 2 4 - 5 p.m.

So get your work ready to enter and don't forget.....there is \$1,150 plus merchandise awards waiting for you, but you can't win unless you enter. I hope to see you Monday, November 13th between 10 and 12.

We have an exciting raffle that will be offered at the reception. It is a wonderful piece of art done by Hirofumi Inaba, one of our previous scholarship recipients. Tickets for the chance to win will be offered at VIVA during the reception on November 19. Plan on buying multiple tickets to enhance your chances to own this original work. It is a good way to support our organization; good luck to all.

We are working on our future shows, and announcements will be made when dates have been set. So keep ripping, tearing, cutting and glueing.

—Marge Rheuban
Exhibit Chairperson

DECEMBER PROGRAM

On December 1, our member and guest artist Nancy Goodman Lawrence will present a program of her work using collage as another “painting medium.” Nancy refers to her work as collages, although paper paintings may be a more apt description. Her subject matter is figurative, using maps to impart a print-like quality to the surface.

Nancy began as an art major at UCLA, then honed her skills at Santa Monica College, UCLA Extension and in private workshops.

Do come and enjoy this unusual approach to collage and perhaps win Nancy's donation to our raffle.

—Carolann Watterson
Program Chairperson

“ABSTRACTION IS THE DIRECT ROUTE TO THE INTELLECT.”

—AL LOVING

MEMBERSHIP REPORT

If you have not yet renewed your membership for the fiscal year of 2006-2007, please send your check for \$45 payable to Collage Artists of America, to Susie Gesundheit, 3720 Meadville Drive, Sherman Oaks, CA 91403. Include any changes of address, phone, email, and your website.

You can send me your check now or if you intend to enter the show on Monday Nov. 13th, you can give me your check for your dues then.

You are getting this newsletter as a final reminder, but here is the sad news: if you do not renew, you will not be able to enter the Fall show, you will no longer get this newsletter, and you will not be listed in the new roster coming out at the December 1 meeting. We don't want that to happen. Do you?

Our general meetings are always open to anyone interested in collage; guests will be welcome to attend the December 1 meeting for \$5 at the door. See you there!

—Susie Gesundheit
Membership
(818) 986-8568

OPPORTUNITY REPORT

Come early before the meeting and see all the new goodies that have been donated for our second-hand table. There is lots of great material you must have for your next collage.

Don't forget to wear your collage name tag and receive a bonus ticket. I have some great “stuff” for the raffle.

Our speaker, Nancy Goodman Lawrence, has generously donated one of her works to be raffled off, so buy those tickets and you may be taking an original Lawrence home with you.

—Sandy Rooney
Opportunity Chairperson
(818) 249-9006

LIBRARY REPORT

My aching knees are telling me I need some help at the book table at our meetings. If anyone could lend me hand before the meeting I'd appreciate it. *Please call me at 818-781-0493.*

SAM MALOOF TRIP

I know many of you were looking forward to this trip, but we have had difficulty getting a bus for it; we will reschedule ASAP. Don't give up! Thank you to everyone who signed up, and we'll keep you posted. Meanwhile, keep enjoying our book and video library.

—Barbara Tiber
Librarian

TREASURER'S REPORT

As of November 1, 2006: \$15,446.34

—Jeanne Zinniker
Treasurer

CAA WEBSITE

Keep checking out CAA on our website. Current members, e-mail your website links for our Artists page to Trish Meyer (email address online). And don't forget to share our web address: www.collageartists.org to help get the word out about our great organization!

—Harriet Lahana
Publicity

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