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A note from the President...

A short note from myself and the CAA Board to our members and families, wishing you a peaceful holiday season and a new year with artful opportunities in 2016.

We are looking forward to 2016 with more exhibition and workshop opportunities and intriguing meeting programs.

Our November 20 meeting featured Tod Lychkoff, a downtown Los Angeles collage artist who shared his art process generously. We look forward to a presentation on January 22 by David Lovejoy, a multi-faceted mixed media artist. Please read in this newsletter for more information on this program and on our upcoming workshop Wednesday, January 27 by Rachelle Mark.

Happy Holidays!

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A note from the Exhibits Chair...

I would like to thank all of the artists who participated in our "Small Works of Great Art" exhibit at Towns Burr Gallery last month. I'm happy to report that every member who entered had at least one piece juried into the exhibit!

We had a great opening reception, thanks to the efforts of Barbara Zager-Mathis who

supplied the food, and gallery owners Connie and Bruce Burr who set up the patio area so beautifully. They worked very hard to give us the best exhibition experience. Our guest book is filled with compliments!

Thanks also to Susie Gesundheit for creating the award certificates, and Susanne Belcher and Marian Devney for their help with marketing and getting the word out! We had some great local press, as well as a wonderful article by Christine Zeiger on Examiner.com.

Here's what gallery owner and director, Connie Towns Burr wrote to me after the closing: *"I wanted to thank you and the group again for the opportunity to show their work. I was very pleased with the quality of the work and the level of professionalism that the group conducted themselves with."*

I agree 100%! Congratulations to all of the award winners, and to those whose artwork was purchased during the exhibit. It was a great end to 2015.

On that note, we do not yet have an exhibit scheduled for Winter/Spring 2016. If you have ideas for a gallery space rental, please contact me as soon as possible.

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CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Friday, January 22, 2016

GENERAL MEETING

David Lovejoy, Guest Artist

San Fernando Valley Arts & Cultural Center

Wednesday, January 27

WORKSHOP

"Functional Canvas Art"

Friday, March 25, 2016

GENERAL MEETING

Friday, May 20, 2016

ANNUAL MEETING

JANUARY GUEST ARTIST

January 22, 2016

DAVID JOVEJOY



DAVID LOVEJOY is a self-described "maker of things." His artistic expression has always involved an exploration of old, weathered surfaces and textures, including clay, wood, or an assemblage of various materials. Whatever materials he chooses to use, Lovejoy's creative methods remain fairly consistent in that he tends to work from the outside in, spontaneously gathering objects to develop a story. His work ranges from assemblage and installation to public art and ceramics.



CAA WORKSHOP

"FUNCTIONAL CANVAS ART"

Rachelle Mark, Instructor



WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 27, 2016

San Fernando Valley Arts & Cultural Center
18312 Oxnard Street
Tarzana CA 91356

In this hands-on workshop, Rachelle will demonstrate techniques on how to collage onto unstretched #4 heavy canvas, which will then be coated with heat-resistant acrylic varnish. The finished washable work can serve as placemats, floor paintings, or frameable art!

Rachelle Mark has been a practicing artist in the Los Angeles area for the past 25 years. Her diverse body of work includes painting, collage, monoprint and encaustic, as well as free-standing and sculptural functional art. Rachelle's artwork is inspired by her world travels and personal vocabulary of images. She has had solo shows in galleries across Los Angeles, and has participated in numerous group shows both in California and internationally.

View, download and print workshop flyer [here](#) and registration form [here](#)

Workshop flyer and registration form can also be found on the CAA website [WORKSHOPS](#) page.

Contact Workshop Chair Barbara Zager-Mathis with any questions. 818-314-9938 (cell) or louisandbarbara@aol.com (email)

MEMBER NEWS

SUSANNE BELCHER, JEAN FERRIS, SUSIE GESUNDHEIT and KWEI-LIN LUM invite you to join them and other artists at SFVACC Winter Art Faire, where artwork and gift items will be on display and for sale.

Dates: December 1 - 20, 2015

Location: San Fernando Valley Arts & Cultural Center, 18312 Oxnard Street, Tarzana CA

91356

Info: <http://sfvacc.org>

JOHN SELLECK is a featured artist in [The Artist's Magazine December 2015 issue](#).

Congratulations, John!

KWEI-LIN LUM's award-winning collage *Pale Nightfall* is the featured image in [Kolaj Magazine's](#) write-up on CAA's "Small Works of Great Art" exhibit.

SHAWN K. RILEY is one of many artists participating in Groundspace Project Holiday Art Show and Party! Come see the show, share a holiday toast and enjoy a special performance by The Annoying Yukele Ladies.

Date: Saturday, December 12, 5-9 pm

Location: Groundspace Project, 1427 E. 4th Street #4, Los Angeles CA 90033

Info: <http://groundspaceproject.com>

BARBARA ZAGER-MATHIS has a piece in La Galeria Gitana's "Music For the Eyes" exhibit.

Dates: December 12 - February 5, 2016

Opening Reception: Saturday, December 12, 6-9:30 pm

Location: Galeria Gitana, 120 N. Maclay Avenue, Suite E, San Fernando CA 91340

Info: <http://galeriagitana.com>

SUSANNE BELCHER, BARBARA TABACHNICK and **BARBARA ZAGER-MATHIS** have all been juried into California Art League's "Fire and Ice" exhibit. **BARBARA ZAGER-MATHIS** received a Merchandise Award for her mixed-media piece, *Clash of Fire and Ice*.

Dates: December 5 - March 4, 2016

Reception and Awards Ceremony: Saturday, December 19, 2-4 pm

Location: Women's City Club of Pasadena, 160 N. Oakland, Pasadena CA 91011

LIZA JULIEN's collage *Torii Gate*, part of her ongoing symbol series, was accepted into the 2015 National Collage Society 31st Annual Juried Exhibit.

Online at [National Collage Society](#) through November 1, 2016.

NEW MEMBERS

Virginia Gardiner Phillips

Catskill NY

Nataliya Scheib

Missouri City TX

Do you have an exhibit to announce? Have you been accepted into a gallery, art shop or collage-related organization? Can you or your art be found in a recent publication? Let us know by emailing "Member News" to caa@collageartists.org. Notification deadline for inclusion in the monthly newsletter is the 25th of the previous month.

KEEP IN MIND

There are a number of ways to connect with Collage Artists of America. We look forward to hearing from you.

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