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## JUNE 2015

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### *A note from the President....*

I am very proud of our current exhibition "Artist's Choice" at the San Fernando Valley Arts & Cultural Center. Thank you to Shawn Riley for organizing this exhibit and to Kristine Schomaker for curating and jurying for awards. Congratulations to the award winners, whose winning pieces are featured in this newsletter.

It was very exciting to hold our last meeting of the fiscal year surrounded by CAA members' art. It was also exciting to see original members Betty Beam, Martha Blanchard, Helen Merken, Betty Tokar and Carolann Watterson at the meeting. We missed seeing Dorothy Tate and we send her good wishes for a speedy recovery.

Our guest presenter for the meeting was Crystal Michaelson, whose artwork is wonderfully textured and composed. She brought many examples of her work for us to see, including a piece she generously donated to our raffle. The lucky winner was Patricia Thayer. Also at this meeting, Christel Thompson presented her workshop "Painting With Light on Fabric" that will take place Tuesday, June 16 at the San Fernando Valley Arts & Cultural Center. You won't want to miss this workshop! Read all about it in this newsletter.

As we approach the new fiscal year, I want to remind you that the board needs your help. We are fortunate to have the talents of Marian Devney as [Newsletter](#) editor. She will continue as editor but would welcome the assistance of someone with the skills to create the layout and final design. CAA also desperately needs a [Publicity chair](#). We have so many great happenings that need to get out to the world! And I know at least one of you has connections in the collage artist's world and can bring guest artist speakers to our meetings. We need you as our [Programs chair](#). Many CAA members have the skills we need. I know you're out there. Please consider joining us!

Thank you everyone for supporting our exhibitions, programs and workshops. The board will meet over the summer to discuss plans for the upcoming year. If you have ideas or referrals for exhibition venues, program speakers, workshop instructors or studio visits, please let us know. Member input, knowledge and expertise is vital to planning the best for CAA.

Have a great summer and we'll see you on September 25!

Susie Gesundheit

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## CAA EXHIBIT NOW ON VIEW

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### "ARTIST'S CHOICE"

Curated and Juried for Awards by Kristine Schomaker

May 27 - June 13, 2015

SAN FERNANDO VALLEY ARTS & CULTURAL CENTER

18312 Oxnard Street

Tarzana CA 91356

This exhibit gave members an opportunity to show their artworks of choice. Entries were not restricted by theme, and all entries were accepted for exhibition. The format made for a wonderfully eclectic collection of collage, mixed-media and assemblage art. CAA thanks all artists for entering and congratulates the award winners.

### FIRST PLACE

Nancy Goodman Lawrence, "Steve Shows his Feminine Side"



### SECOND PLACE

Jeanne Zinniker, "My Past Life"



### THIRD PLACE

Kwei-lin Lum, "Street Scan"



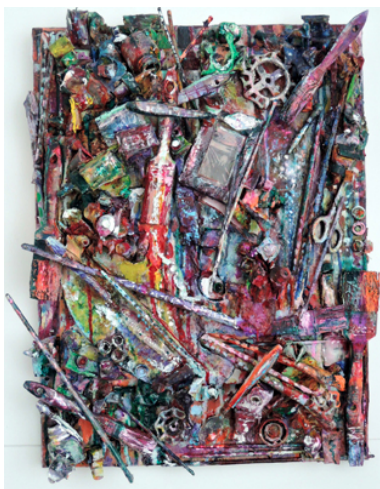
### CAA MEMBERSHIP AWARD

Sharon Brooks, "The Shadow Do"



## **MERCHANDISE AWARD**

Barbara Zager, "Artist's Right Brain"



## **HONORABLE MENTION**

Young Y. Summers, "Gem Show I"



### **Juror's Statement**

*I was very impressed with the quality of work and use of process that was seen. It was a difficult job as a juror as there were so many wonderful submissions. When looking at the work, I asked a few questions. Did the work have visual impact; was the image well composed and well designed? What was the work about. did the artist seem to have a clear sense of what they were communicating? What was the work expressing? Many of the collages could have been chosen for award recognition. It was very hard to choose.*

*Kristine Schomaker*

*Curator and Juror for Awards*

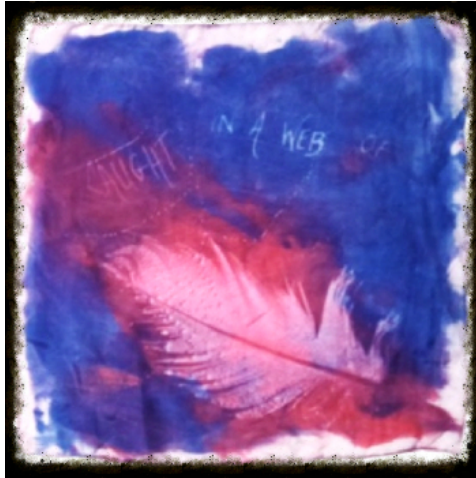
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## CAA WORKSHOP

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### "PAINTING WITH LIGHT ON FABRIC"

**Christel Thompson, Instructor**



**TUESDAY, JUNE 16, 2015**

**10:00 am - 4:00 pm**

**San Fernando Valley Arts and Cultural Center**

**18312 Oxnard Street**

**Tarzana CA 91356**

In this hands-on workshop, participants will be instructed in the use of non-toxic light-sensitive products to create intriguing two- and three-dimensional artworks on silk and cotton/muslin. Christel will also introduce examples of various substrates and methods for creating your vision or design. Exploration and experimentation are encouraged!

Christel Thompson is a Los Angeles multi-media artist hailing from the Midwest, where she had her first artistic experience as a child throwing mud pies on the back of a white farm house. From that moment, her experimental nature in art began to flourish. Christel's media of choice is "anything she can experiment with" and ranges from mixed-media to sculpture, assemblage and alternative photographic processes. She is inspired by dreams, curiosities, birth, growth, decay, nature and music.

Christel is a two-time Emmy winner for Outstanding Graphic Design. She is an active member of CAA (currently serving on the board as Philanthropy Chair), and Los Angeles Experimental Artists Group II. Her work has been exhibited in a number of galleries in Illinois and California, and she's received numerous awards in juried shows.

Class size is limited to 20 participants on a first-come, first-served basis. \$110 CAA members / \$135 non-members. Contact Rachelle Mark with any questions: [Mark5085@aol.com](mailto:Mark5085@aol.com) or 818-535-7262

**Download, view and print workshop flyer [here](#), and registration form [here](#)**

Workshop flyer and registration form can also be found on the CAA website:  
<http://www.collageartists.org/workshops.html>

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## ANNOUNCEMENTS

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### IT'S TIME TO RENEW YOUR MEMBERSHIP

**The CAA membership year is July 1 - June 30.** To retain active membership, renew by July 1, 2015. Don't miss out on opportunities to participate in upcoming 2015-2016 member programs, exhibits, workshops, studio tours and more.

Membership dues can be paid online at the CAA website <http://collageartists.org/join.html> with a credit/debit card or PayPal account; or by mail with a check payable to Collage Artists of America sent to Anita Van Tellengen, CAA Membership, 6831 Bothwell Road, Reseda CA 91335.

Please print and complete the Membership and Volunteer Form ([found here](#)) with your current information and payment method (include check or PayPal transaction number) and return to CAA Membership Chair Anita Van Tellengen (see above).

### CAA SCHOLARSHIP WINNER

**Victor Braseau** is a sculptor, designer and mixed-media art student at California State University, Northridge. Victor was selected to receive CAA's 2015 Scholarship Award because his passion for the process is clearly evident in the way he combines sculpture with salvaged materials and collage to create works of art that are both soulful and dynamic. He is currently working on a proposal for Los Angeles County Museum of Art's 2016 Art & Technology Lab that expands on that process to create an interactive hybrid of sculpture and user interface, composed of remnants of passed ones' lives super-imposed with images uploaded by their loved ones. Victor will use his scholarship award to help fund a prototype supporting his proposal.

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## MEMBER NEWS

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**BARBARA MARGOLIES** has work in "Art Pals Educators Make Art" sponsored by the National Council of Jewish Women.

*Exhibit dates: May 21 - July 13 . Artist's Reception: Saturday May 9, 5-7 pm*

*Location: NCJW/LA Council House . 543 N. Fairfax Ave. Los Angeles CA*

**MARIAN DEVNEY** has five pieces in "Over The Top," an assemblage art exhibit at The Atrium Gallery in Ventura, California

*Exhibit dates: May 29 - July 13*

*Location: The Atrium Gallery, 4th Floor . 800 S. Victoria Ave. Ventura CA 93009*

*Does your member info need to be updated? 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](mailto:caa@collageartists.org).*

*Notification deadline for inclusion in the monthly newsletter is the 25th of the previous month.*

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## OPPORTUNITIES

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*The following are not CAA events but are provided for your information.*

### WORKSHOPS

#### **WATERMEDIA PAINTING**

Rea Nagel invites you to join a fun watermedia painting class, using watercolors, acrylics and ink.

This ongoing class meets Wednesdays at 10:00 a.m. at the San Fernando Valley Arts and Cultural Center in Tarzana CA. Contact Rea for more information: [reanagel@mac.com](mailto:reanagel@mac.com)

### EXHIBITS

#### **SANTA CRUZ ART LEAGUE: "MIX IT UP"**

Juried mixed-media exhibit open to all U.S. mixed-media artists!

*Entry deadline: June 21, 2015*

*Exhibit dates: August 14 - September 13, 2015*

*Prospectus and online submission: [onlinejuriedshows.com](http://onlinejuriedshows.com)*

*Contact: Audrey (831) 426-5787*

#### **TAG GALLERY 2015 CALIFORNIA OPEN EXHIBITION**

TAG Gallery at Bergamot Station in Santa Monica CA presents its 10th Annual Juried Exhibition.

Open to U.S. artists 18+ working in computer art, drawing, mixed-media, painting, photography, printmaking, sculpture.

*Entry deadline: June 26, 2015*

*Exhibit dates: August 12-28, 2015*

*Prospectus: <http://taggallery.net/ca-open>*

*Online submission: [www.callforentry.org](http://www.callforentry.org)*

*Questions: tel 310-829-9556 . email [caopen@taggallery.net](mailto:caopen@taggallery.net)*

Contribute any exhibition or workshop opportunities you may know of by emailing "Opportunities" to [caa@collageartists.org](mailto:caa@collageartists.org). Notification deadline for inclusion in the monthly newsletter is the 25th of the previous month.

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## CALENDAR OF EVENTS

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**May 27 - June 13**

**"ARTIST'S CHOICE"**

Member Exhibit

San Fernando Valley Arts and Cultural Center

**June 16**

**"PAINTING WITH LIGHT ON FABRIC"**

Workshop with Christel Thompson

**July 8**

**CAA SUMMER BOARD MEETING**

**September 9**

**CAA BOARD MEETING**

**September 25**

**GENERAL MEETING**

11:00 - 1:00

For map and driving directions, click [here](#)

**November 20**

**GENERAL MEETING**

11:00 - 1:00

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### KEEP IN MIND

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

**CAA WEBSITE**

<http://www.collageartists.org>

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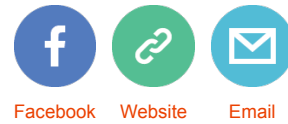
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