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MAY 2016*

*You did not miss an issue. There was no April newsletter.

A note from the President...

Hello Collage Artists,

Our last meeting of 2015-2016 is coming up Friday, May 20! Here is a recap of this year's highlights:

Exhibits: Small Works of Great Art, Artist's Choice Speakers: Crystal Michaelson, Alexandra Grant, Todd Lychkoff, David Lovejoy, Sylvia Torres and this month's Yrneh Gabon. Workshop Presenters: Mary Guzman, Rachelle Mark, Sylvia Torres Thank you Shawn K. Riley, Exhibits VP; Rachelle Mark, Programs VP; and Barbara Zager Mathis, Workshops Chair.

Thank you Christel Thompson, Philanthropy Chair, for maintaining our Second Chance table and raffle. Christel is looking for a partner to help her with the Second Chance table. We have boxes full of collage-worthy material that someone needs to collect, store and bring to the meetings. Until that happens, we are asking collage members to bring materials to the meeting, but if it doesn't get recycled to other members at the meeting, it will be collected and disposed of or donated because there is no storage available right now.

Thanks also to Kwei-lin, Secretary, and Barbara Tabachnick, Audio Visuals, who put together our member survey, and to Publicity Chair Susanne Belcher.

Marian Devney, past president 2012-2014, web mistress, Facebook captain, newsletter editor, student scholarship seeker, field trip coordinator, and our board "mentor" is taking a break from the board. It will take a team to replace her. Thank you so much, Marian, for six

years on the board!

I am willing to stay on as President temporarily and I'm offering an opportunity for someone who wants to co-President with me, learn the ropes and take over!

We have so much coming up and really need help with exhibitions for our National Open in November. A committee is in place but a Chair or co-Chair(s) is needed.

Any help is welcomed. This is your chance to get to know the board and your group better going into 2016-17. Connecting with fellow CAA artists and working together on projects is very gratifying.

The ballot is in your email; please vote, as we need a membership quorum to pass the slate.

Thanks again.

Susan Gesundheit, President Soozworm@aol.com 818-216-8901

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Monday, May 16

POSTMARK DEADLINE SUMMER 2016 JURIED EXHIBITION ENTRIES

Friday, May 20

ANNUAL MEETING 2016-2018 Board Elections Yrneh Gabon, Guest Artist

July 1

2016-2017 FISCAL YEAR BEGINS Membership renewal due

July 30 - October 29

SUMMER 2016 SUMMER JURIED EXHIBITION Encino Terrace Center

> Friday, September 23 GENERAL MEETING

Friday, November 18 GENERAL MEETING

MAY GUEST ARTIST May 20, 2016

YRNEH GABON BROWN



YRNEH GABON BROWN is a Jamaican-born, Los Angeles-based visual artist who has lived and worked in the United States, Europe, Africa, Japan and the Caribbean. Yrneh's art is informed by his world-view of socio-political concerns, which are eloquently reflected in a variety of media, including photography, collage, clay, sculpture and performance.

Passionate about using his art to educate people, Yrneh states that his goal is "to first capture an audience's mind, then secondly provoke thoughts which will transform into conversations and inspire the audience to delve into the deepest recesses of the mind." He has achieved this goal most recently in "Visibly Invisible," the result of his research and documentation of the devastating treatment of people affected with albinism in Tanzania, Jamaica and even the United States.

Yrneh is a graduate of the Roski School of Art and Design at the University of Southern California; has worked as an actor, director, producer and creative director; and is currently pursuing his MFA in Public Practice at Otis School of Art and Design.

CAA EXHIBIT

SUMMER 2016 JURIED MEMBER EXHIBITION



July 30 - October 29

The CAA 2016 SUMMER EXHIBITION offers an opportunity to display and sell your art in the main floor gallery space at Encino Terrace Center, a busy office building located in the heart of Encino CA's Ventura Boulevard Business District. This space can accommodate artwork from 18" x 24" to 5' x 5'. Selected pieces will be exhibited in secure, glass-fronted showcases viewable by building tenants, visitors and the public.

Entry is by color photo mailed to the Exhibits Chair. See prospectus for details.

Questions? Contact Shawn K. Riley at shawnkriley@gmail.com or (310) 962-5401.

PROSPECTUS & ENTRY FORM: Download here

ANNOUNCEMENTS

DON'T FORGET TO VOTE. Your vote for the CAA 2016-2018 Board of Directors is important. Completed ballots may be sent via email or post and must be received by May 18. Ballots may also be hand-delivered to the Annual Meeting on Friday, May 20. Download instructions and ballot here: <u>CAA 2016-2018 Board of Directors</u>

2016 SCHOLARSHIP AWARD WINNER. Theresa Knopf, a student at California State University, Northridge (CSUN), has been selected to receive CAA's 2016 Scholarship Award. Theresa's work explores identity, memory and silence in subtle yet compelling narratives that she creates by weaving together stories and images and manipulating materials such as cloth, paper, paint and needlework. The scholarship award is \$1000 and a one-year CAA membership.

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TIME TO RENEW. CAA's current membership year ends June 30, 2016. Renew now to

continue as an active member and retain eligibility to participate in CAA member-only exhibits, workshops, studio tours and other events in 2016-2017.

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OPPORTUNITIES

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

ART CALLS

MAIDEN L.A. - OPEN CALL FOR LOS ANGELES ARTISTS

MAIDEN LA is a county-wide network of "happenings" that will take place during the month of August 2016. The focus is to highlight Los Angeles as a vastly extensive and vibrant creative community, connecting open studios and exhibitions throughout the region. Coinciding with two LA biennials (<u>Hammer Museum's Made in LA show</u> and <u>Current:LA</u> <u>Water</u>), MAIDEN LA is a call to all Los Angeles creatives (artists, curators, performers, collectives, etc.) to host open studios, group shows, or self-initiated projects in both traditional and alternative spaces. *Submission deadline: June 15, 2016 Dates: August 1-31, 2016 Location: Los Angeles, citywide*

Information: <u>http://www.maiden.la</u>

BRAND 44: WORKS ON PAPER

The Brand Library Art Galleries announces its 44th Annual Juried Exhibition of Works on Paper. All accepted artworks will be included in a printed exhibition catalog. Our juror is internationally known contemporary artist Laddie John Dill. *Submission deadline: June 17, 2016 Exhibit dates: September 24 - October 28, 2016 Location: The Brand Library Art Galleries, Glendale CA Information and Prospectus: Brand 44 Works on Paper*

TAG 2016 CALIFORNIA OPEN EXHIBITION

TAG Gallery is proud to present the 11th annual California Open Juried Exhibition. This nationwide competition recognizes excellence in a diverse range of styles and media and offers artists exposure at Bergamot Station Arts Center, Southern California's largest art gallery complex and cultural center. Kent Twitchell is our juror. *Submission deadline: July 3, 2016 Exhibit dates: August 10-26, 2016 Location: TAG Gallery, Santa Monica CA Information: <u>http://www.taggallery.net</u>*

IN, ON, OF PAPER JURIED EXHIBITION

Entry is open to any original work in, on, or of paper including handmade paper, paper sculpture, origami, artist's books, cut paper, stitched paper or works on paper. All works, sculptural, decorative and functional must be original, be made primarily of paper and must have been completed in the last two years. Call is open to all artists working in the USA and Canada.

Submission deadline: July 15, 2016 Exhibit dates: September 5 - November 4, 2016 Location: Paper Circle Arts, Nelsonville OH Information: <u>http://papercircle.org</u>

ARTIST RETREAT IN THE MOUNTAINS OF TRANSYLVANIA

We offer a unique retreat for artists in an inspirational setting where they can escape the ordinary and get inspired by nature in an almost complete solitary environment. Here you can experience a healthier, simpler and slower lifestyle and have time to create. *Application deadline: August 1, 2016 Location: The Organic Art Ranch. Rachitele, Cluj, Romania Information: <u>http://www.organicartranch.org</u>*

WORKSHOPS

THE VAGABOND MAGPIE

Internationally known collage artist, author and instructor Lynne Perella conducts a three-day workshop in beautiful Taos, New Mexico. Join Lynne and fellow artists in creating a one-of-a-kind mixed-media "book of plenty." Enrollment limited. Dates: July 8-10, 2016 Location: Mabel Dodge Luhan House, Taos NM Information contact: <u>mikki@thesolidays.com</u>

ILLUMINATED MANUSCRIPTS - 2-DAY INTENSIVE COLLAGE/ASSEMBLAGE

Illuminated Manuscripts originally referred to the stunning letterforms created through the use of gold lead, metallic inks and a skilled hand, but the term has evolved to refer to any manuscript with ornate drawings, painting and borders. Using these old books as inspiration, we will take the concept a bit further and create our own illuminated mixed-media books of art by *literally* adding a light, truly illuminating the book from the inside.

Dates: August 20-21, 2016 Instructor: Andrea Matus DeMeng Location: Pacific Northwest Art School, Coupeville WA Information: <u>Pacific Northwest Art School Mixed-Media Workshops</u>

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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