

# MBPAPA

## Monterey Bay Plein Air Painters Association

April 2009

Newsletter

### ART EVENTS



#### PASO ROBLES FESTIVAL OF THE ARTS – FOLLOW THE RIVER, PAINT THE DREAM Saturday May 23, 2009

Memorial Day Weekend Festival celebrates both the arts and the environment with an exhibit of river-themed art honoring the Salinas River Corridor Project, and work of over 60 nationally & regionally acclaimed artists including MBPAPA members **Sibyl Johnson, Julia Seelos and Stan Robbins** on display in downtown City Park.

**9am Quick-Draw & Auction** followed by an art exhibition, demonstrations, live music and afternoon concert.  
[www.prcity.com](http://www.prcity.com)

#### NOTICE TO MEMBERS

If you have an email account you should be receiving regular notices from our MBMAPAgoogle group. If you are NOT getting the newsletter from Julia and paint-out notices from Rolf via your email please contact our Membership Chair, Rose Sloan at [sloan3548@sbcglobal.net](mailto:sloan3548@sbcglobal.net) to be added to the google group.

### QUAIL LODGE OPENING RECEPTION -APRIL 3, 2009 by Yolanda Gurries

Members of the Monterey Bay Plein Air Painters Association and more than 250 guests gathered at Quail Lodge for the opening reception of the signature members exhibition on Friday, April 3rd. The paintings were hung so professionally that they complimented the decor of the Lodge. It was a pleasure to view the art work of landscapes "painted from the heart." The subjects captured the grandeur of the known and loved places of the Monterey Peninsula. The inherent beauty of the manicured gardens and golf course of Quail Lodge were the main theme of the majority of the paintings.

Members and guests enjoyed the hospitality of the staff at Quail Lodge. There were wonderful hors d'oeuvres and wine offered at the Main Lodge and the Lodge Clubhouse. Guests were transported by chauffeur driven vans to and from the Main Lodge and the Clubhouse where paintings were displayed. All the hard work by the participants in this group exhibition was evidently a labor of love with a style that can be described as "impressionistic realism". If you missed the party, please stop by to see the exhibit and pick up a stack of postcard to invite your friends and collectors.



Exhibition Chairperson, Lilli-anne Price



Christine Crozier & Vivian Cornwall



Ingrid Jackson, Sibyl Johnson, Jeff D Smith & Cyndra



Karen Garnett



Rose Sloan, Cyndra Bradford & Tim Sloan

### THE PACIFIC GROVE HERITAGE, ALL-MEMBER SHOW



Jeff Daniels Smith

has been scheduled for **this fall**, not the fall of 2010 as announced at the General Meeting. The Exhibition, to be held at the Pacific Grove Art Center, will be in conjunction with **THE PACIFIC GROVE 40th ANNUAL HISTORICAL HOME TOUR**. Artists may wish to begin painting historical landmarks, houses, cottages and street scenes of Pacific Grove now. Some images will be needed by July 1st for advertising purposes.

Other dates for your calendar:

- Delivery of paintings, Aug. 29th, 2009
- Opening and reception: Sept. 4th, 2009
- Close of Show: Oct. 15th, 2009
- The Historical Home Tour is Oct 4th.

**WATCH FOR THE "CALL TO ARTISTS"**

## MEMBER NEWS

MBPAPA is well represented in the Arts Council of Monterey County, **3RD ANNUAL EXHIBITION CELEBRATION MONTEREY COUNTY** 168 West Alisal St., Salinas, Congratulations to **Joanne Baine, Thomas Hawley, Mary Kay King, Paula Lewycky, Eva Nicols, Joe Ouye and Andy Williams.**



**Sibyl Johnson & Julia Seelos** were among 20 artists who participated in the **3rd Annual BORREGO SPRINGS PLEIN AIR INVITATIONAL**, March 15 - 21st. Among the highlights of the week were abundant desert flowers, cerulean skies by day and starry, starry nights spent at a Mustang sanctuary.

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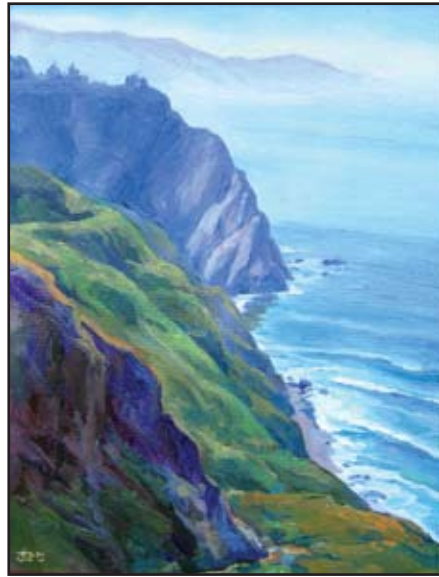
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Send notices in the body of your email and photos as high res. jpegs (300dpi) with titles.

## BIG SUR PLEIN AIR &amp; GARDEN TOUR



*Fuller's Beach Revisited 2008 by Julia Seelos*

by Rose Sloan

Everyone who has participated in the Big Sur Plein Air Celebration has special memories of the three day event. One year I spent 20 minutes watching a condor preen itself as it sat on a rock about a block away. Yes, I did have binoculars! I know where I was when I heard about the lightning strike that started the Big Sur fires last year!

Juried Artists will be painting **Thursday, Friday and Saturday, May 14th, 15th and 16th.** On Saturday, artists are invited to paint in one of the gardens open for the Hidden Garden Tour. **The wet-paint reception will be from 5:00 -7:00 Saturday the 16th.**

A Call-to-Artists will be forthcoming.

For more info please call Rose Sloan at 831-394-5490.

## Santa Cruz Plein Air Affaire 2009



Don't miss this year's Plein Air Affaire, sponsored by the Museum of Art & History of Santa Cruz.

This is a juried outdoor event with a display and sale in Abbott Square in the Museum's courtyard celebrating scenic Santa Cruz County. The display & sale dates are **Saturday & Sunday, July 11th & 12th from 11am -5pm.** MBPAPA member, **Julia Seelos & Maggie Hellmann** are participating in this year's event. With Impressionist stylized short brush strokes, the artists use their expertise to portray the effects of light and shadow during the preceding week. Make sure you visit Santa Cruz to see this exciting event and see some great Plein Air works!

*Nevada County Plein Air Painters*

Several members of the Nevada County Plein Air Painters are coming to paint with MBPAPA at the April 8th Elkhorn Slough Paint-Out. They will be here for four days. The intrepid group is planning to paint at least two paintings a day at different locations around the Monterey Bay area before joining us at Elkhorn Slough. Usually they paint in the foothills and the Sierras, but have asked to participate in some of our paint-outs. When the weather is warmer in their neighborhood, NCPAP would like to reciprocate by inviting any of our members who would like, to paint with them. MBPAPA members are hosting the Nevada County painters in their homes. They would like to do the same for us when we hit the road to paint with them. This is a fun way to meet members of other painting groups and perhaps renew old acquaintances. A painting trip to the Sierras might be the perfect remedy for summer fog.



Contact Penelope Partch at (530) 2654-8597 to see where the group plans to paint while they are here. They will be at Carmel River Beach Sunday afternoon, April 5th and at Elkhorn Slough Wednesday, April 8th.

## MEMBER NEWS



Coastal Lagoon by S. Migliore

**Susan Migliore & Julia Seelos** have paintings accepted into the **Los Gatos Art Association 25th Annual Statewide Show**. Reception April 5th 1 - 4pm. Awards Juror, Randall Sexton. [www.lgaa.org/News.html](http://www.lgaa.org/News.html)

**Los Gatos Plein Air Art Show** Auction Saturday May 30th starting at 11 am in Old Town **Maria Boisvert, Dan Tello, Susan Migliore, Sibyl Johnson & Julia Seelos** have been juried into this 3 day event. [www.lgpleinair.org/events.php](http://www.lgpleinair.org/events.php)

**Sibyl Johnson** was invited to jury "The Spring Show" for the **Central California Art Association** opening April 16th at the Miselin Gallery in Modesto.



**Maggie Renner Hellmann** will open her studio in the 2nd annual **Santa Cruz 'Art & Chocolate'** tour on Mother's Day weekend, May 9th & 10th, 11-5. Art will be on exhibit along with a different kind of free chocolate to sample at each studio location. [www.MaggieHellmann.com/artandchocolate.html](http://www.MaggieHellmann.com/artandchocolate.html)  
Or call (831) 462-9337

**Aki Ouye** has been invited to participate as one of the artists at the **Tor House Annual Garden Party**. The party will be held on Sunday, May 3rd, from 2 to 5 pm 26304 Ocean View Ave., Carmel

## QUAIL LODGE PAINT-OUT by Yolanda Gurries

On Saturday, February 21, members of MBPAPA gathered to paint at Quail Lodge in preparation for the Signature Exhibition. The day was partly cloudy and the winds were still. There was a lot of activity which included many golfers. Some of the artists painted from the bridge over the Carmel River, looking toward the lovely home of screen actress Doris Day. It was exciting to watch a fly fisherman casting his line waist high in the raging waters of the river.

The hospitality from the staff at Quail Lodge was an unexpected surprise. Some of the artists were carted with their painting gear from the parking lot to the paint site of their choice. Hot chocolate, tea and coffee were brought and offered to the artists free of charge. Some of us were given a 15% off coupon to be used at the restaurants at Quail Lodge.

It was a beautiful day for a paint-out. Nature's pallet was gray with lovely tones of ambers and the mustard in the fields was blooming at its peak.



Yolanda Gurries



Stan Robbins



Karen Leoni



### May 14 - 17, 2009

MBPAPA will be well represented at this year's festival. Artists were selected from a large group of nationally known painters.

MBPAPA members participating are: **Vivian Cornwall, Cornelia Emery, Rolf Lygren, Julia Seelos & Taki Tu**. Artists will be painting throughout the Monterey area starting on Thursday and submitting the wet paintings for the exhibition Friday afternoon. The show will again be on Mission Street adjacent to Devendorf Park, Saturday. 10:00 AM - 6:00 PM. view and bid on plein air paintings.

5 PM - Plein Air Awards Ceremony. Live auction to follow bidding. [www.carmelartfestival.org/](http://www.carmelartfestival.org/)

## Digital Photo & Web Workshop at Quail Lodge By Rose Sloan

About fourteen painters gathered at Quail Lodge for a workshop, on Monday, March 2nd presented by Julia Munger Seelos. During the morning session, Julia taught us how to edit digital photos of our art work by using Photoshop. She actually photographed some paintings brought in by Lilli-Anne Price. She used a standard digital camera and shot the photographs outdoors in natural light. One painting she laid on the ground and stood above it to take the picture. Another, she photographed while the artist held it. She demonstrated how to make corrections using Photoshop. She then gave us the basics on how to prepare the images of our paintings as jpegs. We were glad that the computer did not always do what it was supposed to, even for Julia.

Using the photos taken during the morning session, Julia showed us how to set up a web-site using FineArtStudioOnline.com. By the end of the afternoon, Julia had structured the format for a web site for Lilli-Anne. It was helpful to see this done through a workshop experience and gave us all incentive to go home and try it on our own.

The experience level of the students varied and Julia had to answer the same questions numerous times. I don't know what she was thinking, but she kept her sense of humor. We were given notes which helped to keep us on task and also will help to refresh our memories in the weeks to come. I sincerely hope that Julia offers this again and would encourage anyone interested to attend.

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### PAINT-OUT SCHEDULE

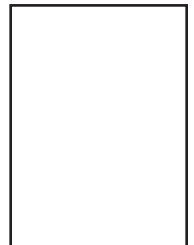
### APRIL - JUNE 2009

- Wed Apr 8th     Elkhorn Slough 9am - Visitor Center
- Sat Apr 18th    Naval Postgraduate School 9am- Artists must confirm for this paint out.  
Email Rolf if you are going to attend. rolflygren@mac.com236-3306
- Wed May 13th    Pacific Grove 9am Historic Tour Map will be provided from PG Chamber
- Sat May 16th    Naval Postgraduate School 2pm - Artists must confirm for this paint out.  
Email Rolf if you are going to attend. rolflygren@mac.com236-3306
- Wed June 10th   Pacific Grove 9am
- Sat June 20th   Pacific Grove 2pm
- Sat June 27th   Carmel Mission Founder's Day 12 - 5pm MBPAPA artists are invited to paint
- Wed July 8th    Wilder Ranch north of Santa Cruz off of Highway 1

<http://www.mbpapa.org/paintouts.htm>

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