

# MBPAPA

## Monterey Bay Plein Air Painters Association

June 2018

Newsletter

### Upcoming MBPAPA shows

**LOCAL INSPIRATION** our MBPAPA Signature Member show will be at the Pacific Grove Museum of Natural History. Theme: The Museum would like to showcase the lesser known parks in the area, ie. SFB Morse Preserve, Elkhorn Slough, Jacks Peak, Garland Ranch and the DelRey Oaks Frog Pond as well as the George Washington Park in PG. This is a great incentive to get out and paint somewhere other than our usual haunts.

Juror: George Rivera. PG Museum of Natural History  
**Last day to enter: June 17th, Reception July 20th**

**CALIFORNIA DREAMING** our All Member Show theme is California Dreaming a very open title so get inspired. We are a plein air group so please try to enter plein air paintings or plein air inspired studio pieces for your entries. This means you should have a small plein air study that you turned into a studio painting.

Juror: Karen Leoni  
July 6th to Aug 31st, Pacific Grove Art Center  
**Last day to enter June 15th, Reception July 6th**

Both calls-for-entry are at [onlinejuriedshows.com](http://onlinejuriedshows.com).

**NOTICE** of change at Natividad Hospital. Natividad has a new president Jennifer Williams as well as a new website [www.natividadfoundation.org](http://www.natividadfoundation.org).

### Art Needs No Translation - Only Interpretation NATIVIDAD SHOW OPENING NIGHT

On April 12th MBPAPA members, guests and medical staff were treated to a lovely reception with music, food, and art exhibition of MBPAPA artists work. Music by the Dick Whittington Duo. Awards were presented to the following talented artists:

**1st Place Cindy Wilbur - Winding River II**

**2nd Place Julia Seelos - Fog Rolling in**

**3rd Place Bobbie Braninerd - Garapatta Beach**

Honorable Mention **Coraly Hanson - Point Lobos Shadows**

Honorable Mention **Sibyl Johnson - Opalescent Point Lobos**

Honorable Mention **Robyn Leimer - Marsh Life**



**Maria Boisvert** donated a painting for a raffle entitled "Morning Light, Cypress Grove". The lucky winner was the wife of the Natividad hospital chaplain. This was appropriate since 30% of the proceeds from art sales benefit the Natividad Medical Foundation's Spiritual Care Program. **Kati D'Amore** gave a presentation acknowledging the Monterey Bay Plein Air Painters Association and introduced the board member and the volunteers who helped with the exhibit. Much gratitude and appreciation goes to **Kati** for her fine work in organizing the exhibits for MBPAPA throughout the year. Yolanda Gurries

### NATIVIDAD WINNERS



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Winding River II



2nd Place Julia Seelos  
Fog Rolling In



3rd Place Bobbie Braninerd  
Garapatta Beach

**CALLS FOR ENTRY  
CAPITOLA PLEIN AIR 2018**

Capitola Plein Air returns for the fourth annual art festival November 1st -4th, 2018. There will be 40 competitors selected. Judge, Pastelist Terri Ford. Artists can register now to paint in beautiful Capitola this fall. For more info, go to the website, <http://capitolapleinair.com> or register now at <https://onlinejuriedshows.com/> Online submission deadline: Monday, July 30th, 2018



**ESCALANTE CANYONS ART FESTIVAL  
SEPTEMBER 21-30, 2018**



The 14th Annual Escalante Canyons Art Festival-Everett Ruess Days is the premier art event of the Colorado Plateau. Escalante National Monument is along Utah's only All American Road, Scenic Byway 12, between Bryce Canyon and Capitol Reef National Parks, in the heart of the Gand Staircase. Local hosts accommodate artists. Registration Regular – May 1st to Aug 31st.

Late – Sept 1st thru Sept 20th. Walk-in till Sept 21st.  
[www.scalantecanyonsartfestival.org/for-artists/](http://www.scalantecanyonsartfestival.org/for-artists/)



**KATHARINA D'AMORE** participated in the **Aromas Garden Tour** on Saturday, May 12th. The tour was hosted by the **Aromas Hills Artisans**.

**MEMBER NEWS**

**JULIA MUNGER SEELOS** has been juried into the **14th Annual Sedona Plein Air Festival October 13th - 20th, 2018**. Presented by the Sedona Arts Center. Thirty artists from around the country have been selected to participate in this prestigious event. Paintings done during the festival are integrated into an ongoing exhibition throughout the week. The festival includes three paint-outs. Keynote address by judge, Bill Cramer mid-week and a gala Friday night.



[www.sedonapleinairfestival.org/](http://www.sedonapleinairfestival.org/)

**JULIA** has also been juried into the **6th Paint the Peninsula**, a juried plein air competition **August 18 through 26, 2018** held in Port Angeles, Washington, gateway to Olympic National Park. The event is hosted by the **Port Angeles Fine Arts Center (PAFAC)**, a non-profit organization which supports community art events.

[www.paintthepeninsula.org/2018-schedule-of-events](http://www.paintthepeninsula.org/2018-schedule-of-events)

**MARK MONSARRAT** has 2 paintings in the **Haggin Museum 60th Annual Juried Exhibition National Show**, through **July 15, 2018** "Earthbound Tractor" 12x16, and "Half Moon Bay Farm" 14x11.



**MARK** has been juried into rural **Bucks County Plein Air 2018, June 4-8**, outside Philadelphia. A national competition boasting \$15,000 in prize money.

**MARK** is juried into the **50/50 6"x6"** show at the Sanchez Art Center, opening **August 31**. Mark's theme this year is "Plein Air Diary", documenting his plein air activities, daily for 50 days.

**MARK** is scheduled to participate in the **North Lake Tahoe Plein Air, June 12-16**, in the following open paintouts **Alameda County Fair June 28 & Marin County Fair June 30** and the **Mendocino Plein Air** event, **Sept. 17-23!**

**MEMBER NEWS**



**USANA WEAVER** has a one woman art exhibit at the **Alvarado Gallery** by the City of Monterey Museum and Cultural Art Commission in the Monterey Conference Center in Portia Plaza, Carmel. The exhibit runs until August 6th.



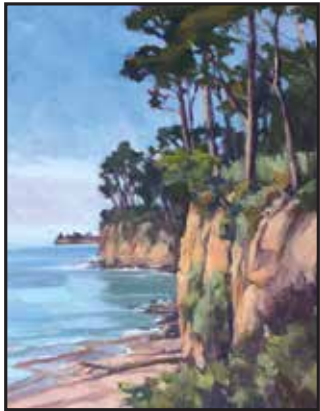
**Maggie Renner Hellmann** has a oil painting selected for the **'Community Portraits'** exhibit in the Museum of Art & History in Santa Cruz, CA. thru September. **Maggie** will be teaching another **Courageous Color Workshop** in Tuscany in 2019. [MaggieHellmann.com/Tuscany.html](http://MaggieHellmann.com/Tuscany.html)



**RHETT REGINA OWINGS'** painting "Sprinklers" was juried into the **Carnegie Arts Center** in Turlock for the Farms & Fields show thru July.



## SANTA CRUZ ART LEAGUE 88TH ANNUAL STATEWIDE CALIFORNIA LANDSCAPE EXHIBITION



Capitola Cliffs, Julia Munger Seelos, 11x14 oil

July 6 - August 5, 2018

Reception: July 6, Friday, 6-8pm

Juror: Susan Hillhouse Leask

**Julia Munger Seelos** has three paintings accepted. **Maggie Renner Hellmann** has two pieces, **Michele Hausman**, and **Wagne Adachi** also have works juried into the show.

This is always a wonderful show, especially for plein air painters. Hope to see you at the reception



## Frank Bette Center for the Arts 13th Annual 2018 PLEIN AIR PAINTOUT

**KATE MARTIN, JULIA SEELOS, SIBYL JOHNSON, MARK MONSARRAT & CATHERINE FASCIATO** have been juried into this year's Frank Bette Plein Air event running from **July 30th to August 4th, 2018.**

Schedule; Wednesday, August 1st Quick Draw.

Saturday, August 4th – 10am-6pm - Outdoor exhibit and sale at South Shore Center.

August 10th - September 29th – Alameda en Plein Air gallery exhibit of 2018 paintout paintings in the Frank Bette Center for the Arts Gallery, 1601 Paru Street, Alameda.

Friday, August 10th - 7-9 pm - Opening Reception Alameda en Plein Air.

PAPo@frankbettecenter.org

## CARMEL ART FESTIVAL

Several MBPAPA members were selected to participate in this years Festival; **Cindy Wilbur, Maria Boisvert, Rolf Lygren, Catherine Fasciato, Julia Munger Seelos, Coraly Hanson, Kate Martin, Lilli-anne Price & Mark Monsarrat.** The weather was mixed, cloudy and one day of sun. So the paintings expressed a wide variety of atmospheric conditions.



Coraly Hanson, Garrapata Cliffs, 12x16



Our own **Coraly Hanson** received two awards, **People's Choice** and an **Honorable Mention.** Because of receiving awards she also participated in the Sunday morning **Quick-draw**, completing this stunning study of a rhododendron..



## MEMBER NEWS



**KATI D'AMORE** won second place at the Pacific Grove Library Show, "**Built for Books**" with her painting "Daily Ritual". The show will run until July 6th. The models attended the opening.



**SIBYL JOHNSON'S** painting, "Under the Bridge" was accepted into the **California Art Club's** Exhibition "**Between the Lines**" at the Peninsula Museum of Art, 1777 California Avenue, Burlingame CA. April 29-July 8, 2018.

Works by **CATHERINE FASCIATO** and **ROBYN LEIMER** were also selected.



Robyn Leimer, "Outstanding But Delicate"

## CANYON COUNTRY TRIP & PACE 2018

Mark Monsarrat

I prefaced my drive to PACE (Plein Air Convention Expo) 2018 in Santa Fe with a week-long painting excursion through Canyon Country, focusing on the Grand Canyon, but with painting stops at Monument Valley and Canyon de Chelly (“de Shay”), and photo-op’s in between.

In an arc through northern Arizona, with convenient drives between sites, I drove north from Phoenix to the **Grand Canyon** town of Tusayan, AZ, and stayed at 7-Mile Inn, clean and reasonably priced. Becky, there 27 years is kindly, but they don’t take reservations!

Painting at the Grand Canyon is tricky because of the rapidly changing light and shadow. And at 6800 feet, the mid-April weather was cold and blustery, gusting to 75 mph!. The third day I resorted to taking photos, driving east along the canyon to Desert View Watchtower, then north to Page, AZ.

The easy 2.5-hour drive from Tusayan to Page turned into 5 or 6, with multiple stops for photos and detours to beautiful **Navajo Bridge, Marble Canyon, and Lee’s Ferry.**

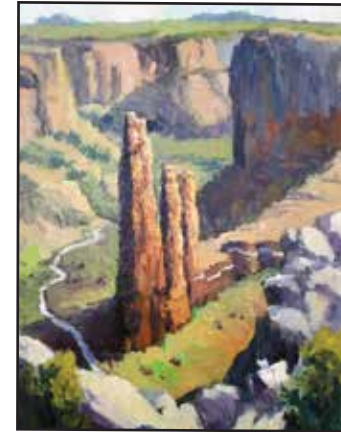
Page is north at the Utah border, and home to **Lake Powell, Glen Canyon Dam,** and Horseshoe Bend (a 2-hour visit by itself, which I did the next morning after staying at Page’s better-than-average Motel 6).

Two hours east and then north from Kayenta, AZ toward Utah, is spectacular **Monument Valley.** There I painted the “Mittens” at sunset, from



John Wayne’s favorite view.

1.5 hours southeast is Chinle, AZ and **Canyon de Chelly** (my first time). I stayed at the Holiday Inn Express, an oasis in a sadly impoverished Native American town complete with ubiquitous stray dogs looking for a handout. After hours exploring the sprawling, sheer red sandstone cliffs of de Chelly (accessible through multiple turnoffs from the highway), I finally got to paint iconic Spider Rock (which I remembered from a Chevrolet TV commercial stunt in the 1960’s). Note: Spider Rock is better as a morning scene for the shadow shapes. So I did some inventing!



The convention in **Santa Fe** was entertaining and informative as usual: interviews with gallerists, collectors, and famed artists like David Leffel; painting demonstrations and art products for sale.

And though windy, we enjoyed paintouts at picturesque sites like Old Town, where I was pleased to sell a painting off my easel! The convention was great, but I especially enjoyed my painting trip through the amazing canyons of the West. Mishaps were few—phone meltdown outside Page, Soltek easel breakdown in Santa Fe, but my old Jeep was fine.



I can’t wait to go back! -- Mark Monsarrat 5-24-18

### PLEINAIR MAGAZINE'S 8TH ANNUAL PLEIN AIR CONVENTION & EXPO



**USANA WEAVER** painting in snow flurries at **Ghost Ranch**



**BARBARA GILL SALERNO & USANA**



The next **PLEIN AIR CONVENTION & EXPO** will take place in **San Francisco, California, April 24-28, 2019.**



**PAINT-OUT SCHEDULE**

DATE	TIME	LOCATION
Sat. June 9	9:00 am	Fisherman's Wharf, Monterey
Mon. June 11	1:00 pm	Fisherman's Wharf (Nocturne 6:00 pm)
Sat. June 23	9:00 am	Mission San Antonio de Padua (suggest car pooling)
Sat. Jul 14	9:00 am	San Juan Bautista (lunch in the park by the old jail)
Mon. Jul 16	1:00 pm	San Juan Bautista
Sat. Jul 28	9:00 am	Point Lobos (lunch, China Cove)
Sat. Aug. 11	9:00 am	Customhouse Plaza, Monterey
Mon. Aug 13	1:00pm	Customhouse Plaza (Nocturne 6:00pm)
Sat. Aug 25	9:00 am	Garland Ranch, Carmel Valley Rd
Sat. Sep. 8	9:00 am	Jack's Peak (west area)
Mon. Sep 10	1:00pm	Jack's Peak (west area)
Sat. Sep 22	9:00 am	Moss Landing/Elkhorne Slough
Sat. Nov 10	9:00 am	Lover's Point, Monterey
Mon. Nov 12	1:00pm	Lover's Point

**JUNE- NOVEMBER**

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



San Juan Bautista Paint-out



**MEMBER NEWS**



**CINDY WILBUR** will be participating for the 5th time in this year's "Where In The World Is Plein Air". Cindy is represented in the hosting Mission Gallery in St George Utah. Artists paint for one day and video tape their beginning, middle and end and it is up on a website for purchase. [www.wherewiththeworldispleinair.com](http://www.wherewiththeworldispleinair.com)



Catherine Fasciato "Sunlit" 12"x24", oil

**CATHERINE FASCIATO & JULIA SEELOS** have had works juried into the highly competitive California Art Club show, **The Shape of Water** at the Altadena Town & Country Club. June 1st - September 25th, 2018. Reception: Sunday, June 3rd, 2018

MBPAPA president, **MURRAY WAGNON** was approached to do a painting to help raise funds in support of **ALS Research**. His painting, "Vintage 356" 32x41 Oil on board, will be auctioned off during CarWeek at **"The Quail, A Motorsports Gathering"** on the 24th of August, at the Quail Lodge. The organizers of the fundraiser found an old Porsche 356 in a barn in Vermont, had it prepared for the road, and drove it from Vermont to Carmel, soliciting "donations per mile" to benefit ALS research. The painting was done from photographs of the car sent to him during the trip. His focus was to "Do a 'Car Painting' with a plein air attitude".

**MARK MONSARRAT'S** Friday morning "Joy of Landscape: VALUE!" class continues through June 8, at the Pacific Art League in Palo Alto (PAL). **MARK** is also offering two plein-air PAL workshops this summer: One day at a local park on Wednesday July 25, and 2 days in Half Moon Bay on Fri-Sat, September 7-8.



Murray Wagon, "Vintage 356" 32x41

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