

SANTA ROSA ART ASSOCIATION, INC.

People who create: for each other, for the community, for education, for the future.

THE OLDEST ARTIST GROUP IN SANTA ROSA COUNTY

BRINGING YEARS OF BEAUTY TO OUR COMMUNITY

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Upcoming Meeting Date: Saturday, January 22 @ 9:00 a.m.

Workshop for the month: Kristy Sirmins, one of our Grant winners will help us do her bas relief art.

From the President: Well, here we are at the beginning of another year and also another decade. Can you believe that 10% of this century is already behind us? Hopefully the last ten years have brought positive changes in us, individually and as an organization. As I look back over the eight years I have belonged, I thank the “shoulders we stand on” - Suzanne Borges, Naita Peschel, Dianna Neary - Presidents who kept us growing and changing. I challenge each of you now to be thinking how YOU can make a positive influence on our association. In two months, a nominating committee will be searching for new leadership of our great group; will you say “no” when you are called to serve?

From my own sometimes foggy memory, I'd like to walk you through the 2000-2010 decade of the SRAA — Art Affair (which became ArtFest) which gave out thousands of dollars in scholarships (thanks to Jim and Helen for birthing Art Affair). Our Teacher Grant Program which has provided thousands of dollars to SRC teachers for promoting art in the classroom. Two years of “cram the van” for art (can't remember what we called it.) Judging of student art at the County Fairs. Hosting the Chamber of Commerce Meet and Greet. Participation in Riverwalk. Hanging of our art in the County Commission building. Bringing art to Berryhill Elementary. Dozens of fantastic workshops, always free to members. I think we can proudly say that we have made an impact in the community. And now we begin this year and decade with our show at the Dragonfly Gallery, which will hopefully be the beginning of a new and profitable relationship with the SRACF and its new leadership.

Hopefully, you have already put January 22 on your 2011 calendar; if not, please do so and make plans to be at our Jan. meeting. We have several agenda items which need the input of as many of our members as possible.

PROFILE - None this month due to all other info!

JANUARY WORKSHOP- We will be learning the art of “faux bas-relief” with Kristy Sirmins, art instructor at Hobbs Middle School by making a Celluclay project. You will need to bring a simple picture of an object (flower, animal, etc.) During the workshop will sketch your object on the canvas and then apply the Celluclay assign detail as you go. When the clay is dry, you can paint it with acrylic paint. According to Kristy, “Once you get started, it is hard to stop!” You will need Celluclay, an instant paper mache product, a canvas, pencil and a picture of your object. Hobby Lobby has Celluclay in a 1 lb. box for \$6.99 or a 5 lb. bag for \$23.99, so look for your 40% coupon in Sunday's paper before buying. Obviously, the 5 lb. bag is a better deal, so if 5 or more people want to go together and share, email me and I'll put y'all together. Kristy didn't say how much each picture needs, but I am thinking probably a pound.....

JANUARY ART WALK - Saturday, January 29. We are going to meet at 9 a.m. in very front of the Fred's/Beall's Outlet parking lot and carpool together to the Baker Block Museum and be guests of Mary Richardson who will give us a tour. If the weather is decent, this is a great opportunity for some plein aire. Other folks, bring your camera. We will have lunch at one of the local Baker establishments before returning to Milton/Pace.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

**Please visit our Show at the Dragonfly Gallery if you were not able to be with us for the Reception. And please

invite friends and neighbors to go sometime during the month of January.

**Congratulations to the winners of the ribbons awarded at the reception: First place - Reta Rudy for her dogwoods, Second place - Mary Richardson for her quilt; Third place - Jim Berry for his horse and Honorable Mention to Melinda Giron for her apples.

**Congratulations also to Reta for being included in Quayside Gallery; she had an opening reception the same night as our reception.

** There is a display of the art of Christo and Jeanne Claude (the artists who drape the world) at the Anna Lamar Switzer Gallery at PSC until March 25. I'm thinking we need an Artwalk in Feb. or Mar, also!

**Lorraine Cathey has classes at the Blue Morning Gallery featured in the PSC Continuing Ed Catalog.

And last, but not least, at our October meeting, we discussed creating Journals for homeless and foster children and decided that that would be our March workshop activity, so I am reminding you to be looking for journal books. Hobby Lobby had some for sale during the holidays. (Of course, I wasn't smart enough to grab one, as I was on a mission to get something else.....)

On behalf of all the Board - Paula, Lorraine, Patti and me - I wish for each of you a wonderful, healthy, and creative New Year and decade.

Wishing you happy creating.....don't let a day go by that you don't CREATE something, even if it is just in your mind!!!!!!