The Art Alliance is a volunteer community group dedicated to the support of the Visual Arts at California State University, Fullerton



ART ALLIANCE

WINTER 2018-2019

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Feb 21, 2019 Enricht Mar 9, 2019 Invoca Mar 21, 2019 Enricht Apr 11, 2019 AA Boa May 1, 2019 Schola

Enrichment Trip—Judson Studios Invocation of Almost: The Art of David Tibet Curator's Talk 4:00 pm Enrichment Trip—Art in Public Places Historic Culver City AA Board Planning Retreat Scholarship Reception

President's Message

Welcome to another year of enrichment, philanthropy, and fun with Art Alliance. Our organization can be proud of our visual arts tours, gallery curator talks and exhibitions, and the support we give to CSUF Visual Arts student scholarships and the Exhibition Design and Muse-



um Studies program. We hope you will continue to support these endeavors with your time, money and energy.

We began the fall with the fabulous "Living with Clay" Collectors Panel and reception. Then members and guests gathered at the home of Fay Colmar, Art Alliance member and artist for our membership party. October we traveled to Laguna Beach Art Museum, and in November we visited Bowers Museum. By the time you read this we will have had a private visit to the home of ceramic collectors Richard and Judy Jacobs.

Individual Art Alliance Board members have planned each of these trips, with the assistance of Renee Gillespie, Development Coordinator, College of the Arts. Be sure to sign up for our next event, a tour of Judson Studios in Pasadena. This studio is over 100 years old and can only be seen with a private group like ours.

As we begin our spring calendar I would like to ask for volunteers to join us on the AA Board. We need a Secretary to take minutes at our Board meetings (six times a year). And we want input from members regarding Art of Dining locations, assistance planning enrichment tours, and our fall membership party. Just give me a call or email – this is a great way to be sure Art Alliance continues to plan events YOU want to attend.

Joann Driggers, President (swc9000@sbcglobal.net)

Thank you, Retiring Board Members

Retiring Board members were acknowledged for their service with a paper weight made by CSUF student glass artist Emily Brasch.



AA President Joann Driggers, Maxine Allen, Margie Starks



Shirley Finton



Maria McDonald



Lunching with Shirley Finton at Old Tony's on the Redondo Beach pier

Art of Dining—Blue Agave

In October, Art Alliance members and guests enjoyed delicious Southwestern cuisine at Blue Agave Restaurant in Yorba Linda. Among the menu offerings was Santa Fe grilled vegetable salad, chile relleno, steak taquitos and flash fried ice cream. As always, it was enjoyable to visit with old friends and new acquaintances while earning proceeds for student scholarships.



Art of Dining—Tin Tin

Art Alliance members and guests celebrated the Chinese New Year on January 31st and honored Joyce Leong at Tin Tin Restaurant in Anaheim. Despite the inclement weather, there was a great turnout, including Joyce's daughters Nina and Leslie. Several members of Music Associates also attended to honor Joyce and enjoy the delicious lunch.





Art Alliance September Board meeting at the President's house, hosted by Julie Virjee







Living with Clay: California Ceramics Collections

In August, members attended a Collectors Panel at the Art Alliance Preview of Living with Clay, an exhibition that paid homage to distinguished collectors of California ceramics. Selections from their impressive collections, which include thousands of works, were displayed with backdrops of lifesized photographs of the interiors of the collectors' homes and furniture used to display the collections in the homes. Rody N. Lopez, a CSUF MFA grad, curated the exhibition. The Collectors participated in a panel discussion moderated by Mike McGee, CSUF Art Department Exhibition Design faculty member and shared their stories of how they were first interested in ceramics, how they built their collections, their relationships with the artists whose work they collect, and the challenges of passing on the legacy of their collections.



Art Colony: The Laguna Beach Art Association, 1918-1935

In October, members traveled to Laguna Beach Art Museum for this exhibition, which is part of a yearlong celebration of the Museum's history and legacy and honors the artists of the last century whose Association formed the basis for the Museum. The exhibition included over one hundred works by sixty-six artists including a number of works by major artists that were seen in the original exhibitions by the Association. The highlight of the trip was a private docent tour by the co-Curator of the Exhibit who explained the important role the Association played and the Museum continues to play in the Laguna Beach community and the challenging process of acquiring the works for the exhibition from collectors and collections all over Many members also enjoyed lunch at Las the world. Brisas with its stunning views of the ocean on a beautiful Southern California day.

African Twilight—Bowers Museum Enrichment Trip



Lunch at Tangata at the Bowers Museum in November



I attended CSUF as a graduate student and am currently a docent for the Heritage House at the CSU Fullerton Arboretum. I love visual arts and spend my time working on glass art, jewelry making, wearable art, landscape design and Victorian fashion design. (Editor's Note: Darlene has been active in many Fullerton organizations including the Fullerton Garden Club.) — Darlene Smart

Introducing New Art Alliance Board Members

I have always enjoyed many forms of art and appreciate our enrichment trips. In high school I attended art classes at the Art Institute of Chicago. In college I began studying art and music but eventually changed. I was a Professor of child development and psychology at Fullerton College for over 30 years. This involved helping preschool children develop creativity and enjoyment of the arts and teaching college students. Locally I support the work of Pathways of Hope in helping the hungry and homeless in Orange County. I live at Morningside of Fullerton where I enjoy chairing the flower arranging committee. For fun at Morningside, my passion is playing ping pong. Supporting the art students and the program at CSUF is very rewarding.



Joann Driggers

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Kathy Miguel

Lucina Moses

Lois Austin

John DeLoof

Shanon Fitzpatrick

AA Board Committee

| In | Memoriam | |
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| Art Alliance Members | | |
| | Past AA President, established AA Endowments | |
| William "Bill" Leong | Philanthropist, AA Life Member | |
| | Three time AA President, Volun- teer Extraordinaire, AA Life Member | |
| - | AA Supporter/ Life Member, Fullerton Library Board | |
| CSUF Faculty | | |
| - | Artist, designer, educator, Pro- fessor Emeritus | |

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