



CALIFORNIA ART CLUB, *est. 1909*

Celebrating the Heritage and Practices of Traditional Fine Arts Worldwide

March 2022



Greetings Friend!

It was great to see many of you at last Saturday's **Plein Air Day**. The event, which attracted several hundred attendees, celebrated the opening of our newest exhibition at the California Art Club Gallery at The Old Mill as well as the practice of painting outdoors. In particular, I enjoyed watching budding artists of all ages join CAC artists in capturing imagery of the historic site that houses our gallery. My gratitude goes to **Christopher and Jennifer Burgan**, co-chairs of the San Gabriel/Pomona Valley Chapter, and **Chuck Kovacic**, chair of the Los Angeles Chapter, for their invaluable assistance in making this event a great success.

Later this month, we will have another opportunity to gather – at our first online **Learn & Mingle Membership Meeting**. As our membership continues to grow beyond geographic boundaries, we recognized the need to make these meetings accessible to all members. I am looking forward to spotlighting the winners of our **Excellence in Traditional Fine Art**

Competition, which will certainly be an inspiring discussion.

I hope to see you at our virtual Learn & Mingle on Saturday, March 26.

Yours in Art,



Michael Obermeyer
President

P.S. Don't forget that today (March 1) is the deadline for submitting for the 111th Gold Medal Exhibition at the Bowers.

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Programs & Events

Intuitive Portrait Painting Demonstration with Nikita Budkov

Date: Saturday, March 12

Time: 10 a.m. to 12 noon

Location: Online via Zoom

Cost: CAC Members - \$25.00

Non-Members - \$30.00

Join us for a virtual painting demonstration with award-winning artist **Nikita Budkov**, as he paints and teaches from a live model.

Attendees will learn insightful tips for creating a narrative with portraits from this up-and-coming artist who is taking visual storytelling to new heights.



Nikita Budkov
Rebirth of Light

[Register Now](#)

Learn & Mingle...
Membership Meeting on Zoom



Nathaniel Skousen
Birth of the Moon
First Place – *Rebirth & Renewal*

Date: Saturday, March 26
Time: 10 a.m. – 12 noon
Location: Online via Zoom

Cost: CAC Members - \$5.00
Non-Members - \$10.00

The California Art Club will gather on Zoom for a Membership Meeting, allowing members near and far to connect!

We will share news about upcoming programs and exhibitions, as we spotlight prize-winning artists in the **Excellence in Traditional Fine Art Competition** launched last year.

[Register Now](#)

Spring ArtNight Pasadena – *Save the Date!*

Date: Friday, April 29
Time: 6 to 10 p.m.
Location: Pasadena, Calif.

Cost: Free

ArtNight Pasadena, one of Southern California's premier arts and culture events, returns as an in-person event this Spring. The California Art Club will be partnering with the famed **Gamble House** to offer a Paint-Out/Paint-Along outside this iconic American Craftsman home.

Keep an eye on your inbox for more details about this special event.

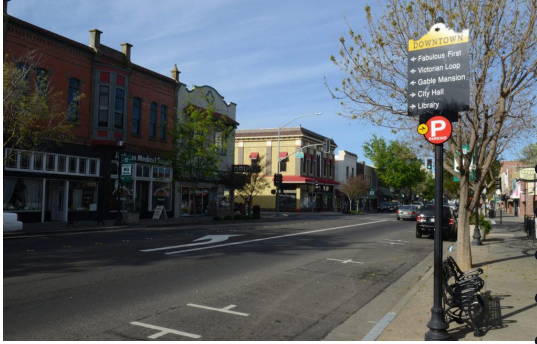


Capturing the Spirit of Woodland Retreat

Dates: June 3 to 9
Location: Woodland, Calif.

Cost: CAC Members - \$385
Non-Members - \$450

Join us for a seven-day artist retreat



in California's heartland, which will offer:

- A stroll through history
- Wide open spaces
- A plein air paradise
- Incredible architecture
- Four Signature Artist

demonstrations

- Picturesque private estates and
- Friends, food and fun (*most important!*)

Please Note: Retreat cost does not include hotel/accommodations and those reservations need to be made *separately*.

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programs@californiaartclub.org

Exhibitions

2020 Hindsight

Bird Dog Arts

5701 Outlets at Tejon Parkway Suite 440,
Tejon Ranch, CA 93203

Exhibition Dates: March 26 – May 1

Reception: Apr. 2, 5:30 – 7:30 p.m.

This exhibition commemorates the two-year anniversary of Covid-19 shutdowns with imagery that reveals deeply personal changes because of the pandemic.

CALIFORNIA ART CLUB
AND BIRD DOG ARTS

Presents

2020
HINDSIGHT

MARCH 26 – MAY 1, 2022

Winter Solace:

**Excellence in Traditional
Fine Art Competition**

A Virtual Exhibition on the CAC Website

Website:

californiaartclub.org/wintercompetition

Exhibition Dates: Through Apr. 1



Frank Serrano
Big Pine Winter
First Place

Winter Solace is the fourth installment of the Excellence in Traditional Fine Art Competition and features 48 finalists.

Thanks to **Tim Newton**, publisher of *Western Art & Architecture*, who served as the guest judge.

En Plein Air

An Exploration of Malibu
and Ventura County

Santa Paula Art Museum
117 North 10th Street, Santa Paula, CA
93060

Website: californiaartclub.org
Exhibition Dates: Through May 8

This exhibition showcases the beauty of Malibu and Ventura County, featuring works from members in the Malibu/Ventura and Los Angeles Chapters.



Junn Roca
The Back Trail, Malibu Creek



A Walk Down Memory Lane

CAC Gallery at The Old Mill
1120 Old Mill Road, San Marino, CA 91108

Website: californiaartclub.org
Exhibition Dates: Through May 22

The exhibition showcases paintings of a variety of beloved locations that hold special meaning for the exhibiting artists.

Note: The gallery is temporarily open only on Tuesdays, Wednesdays and weekends from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m.

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Calls for Entries

111th Annual Gold Medal Exhibition

Bowers Museum
Santa Ana, California

Submission Deadline: March 1
Exhibition: July 16 to August 21

Our signature event is un-themed to encourage artists to create their most important works.

[Click here](#) for more information.



TODAY (March 1)
is the Submission Deadline!



Lumière de California

Bonita Museum & Cultural Center
4355 Bonita Road, Bonita, CA 91902

Submission Deadline: Mar. 23
Exhibition: May 21 – June 24

Lumière de California celebrates the unique light of California as expressed through plein air painting.

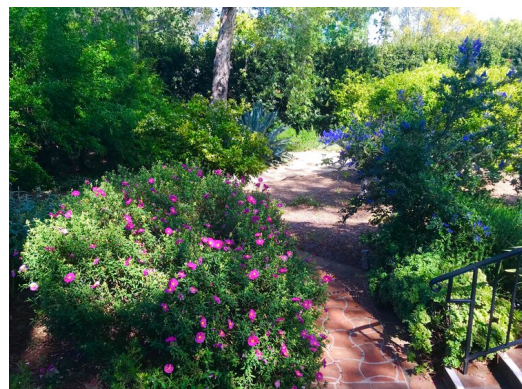
[Click here](#) for more information.

California Gardens

CAC Gallery at The Old Mill
1120 Old Mill Road, San Marino, CA 91108

Submission Deadline: April 13
Exhibition: May 26 – Sept. 25

This exhibition will delight with imagery from beloved gardens throughout the Golden State.



[Click here](#) for more information.

Additional Calls for Entries

Calls for Entries have been posted for most of our 2022 exhibitions, including the upcoming installments of the Excellent in Traditional Fine Art Competition.

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Staff Positions Available

The California Art Club is Hiring!

We currently have openings for the following positions:

- **Manager of Membership** (full time)
- **Exhibitions Assistant** (part time)
- **Multimedia Assistant** (part time)

Interested applicants for any of these positions should email a resume and cover letter to jobs@californiaartclub.org.

CAC in the News

The article about artist and historian **Harry Muir Kurtzworth** that appeared in the Winter/Spring 2021 issue of the *California Art Club Newsletter* made headlines!

The *Larchmont Chronicle*, the community newspaper for which Kurtzworth created sketches in the 1960s, shared information from a story written by **Daniela Ionescu** with its Hancock Park readers, which includes Kurtzworth's granddaughter.

Ionescu's article, titled *Tales of the Past: California Art Club's Permanent Collection – Mrs. Harry Muir Kurtzworth and Her Daughter Constance*, reported the effort to identify the two individuals featured in a **Theodor Lukits** portrait that is part of the



Theodor Lukits (1897-1992)
*Mrs. Harry Muir Kurtzworth and her Daughter
Constance* (1938)
Oil on canvas 42" x 32"

To read the *Larchmont Chronicle* article [click here](#).

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*111th Annual
Gold Medal Exhibition*
JULY 16 TO AUGUST 21, 2022

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