



Los Altos Art Club

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July 2026 NEWSLETTER

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CLUB NEWS

Welcome to Our Newest Members

Ariel Rideout and **Cheryl Yund Goodrich**, both of Los Altos. Welcome! We look forward to seeing you in July.

Next Club Meeting

ANNUAL POTLUCK!! RSVP→
Monday, July 13, at 7 p.m.
Apricot Room

[No Zoom](#) this month

July Meeting Agenda

- Business: Venues, etc.
- Potluck Dinner

2026 Meeting Schedule

- August—Annual Break (no meeting or newsletter)
- September— Inna Zatulovsky
- October: Member Presentation
- November: TBD
- December: Holiday Party

July Potluck
Sign up here:

[LAAC Pot Luck - Google Sheets](#)

Bring one or two new works or works in progress to share during the party



A member presentation can be:

- A retrospective or your work
- Technique demonstration
- Virtual tour of your studio
- Anything you dream up!
- Email Rona at ronasuef@gmail.com to volunteer or ask questions

June Meeting Report

Demonstrator: Julia Munger Seelos, California Plein Air Art



Julia works alla prima using oils to catch the quickly changing light and shadows. She paints the rural countryside of the California central coast and the dramatic canyons of the Southwest. You can often find her at fairs throughout the US West doing quick plein air paintings like the one she did for us. Note the paper towel rack (bungee cord) she's attached to her easel.

[Watch a recording of the demo](#) here
[Read more about her and see her art.](#)

Member Sharing

Several members brought work to share.



Past Demo Recordings

Did you miss a demo? Watch recordings of the demos from the last four years by clicking the links the Resources tab on the club website: [Artists | Los Altos Art Club | Los Altos](#)

Note: all links are on YouTube – search for **losaltosartclubdemo**.

Refreshments: Signup Link

Congratulations to all of us: Refreshment signups are full through 2026! To check which dates you've volunteered for and to see who is signed up with you, click [LAAC Refreshment Signup](#).



Questions, email Carol at carolrivers@pacbell.net

Venues

We are very short for venue sign-ups for the September-October period, including State Street Market. We need people to show their beautiful art!!!

Here is the link to sign up for all our current venues: [LAAC Venue sign up - Google Sheets](#)

PLEASE VISIT VENUES BEFORE HANGING so that you know what to expect and can plan your exhibit accordingly. Reminders and more information about hanging at venues are included in Appendix A at the end of this newsletter.

[Click this link](#) to see which venues have openings through the end of the year, what size each venue wants, and more. To sign up to exhibit, just type your name in the appropriate box; no need to save. You will get an email reminder when it's time to arrange the hanging. You can also sign up in person at LAAC meetings.



Wanda Lee's pastel paintings at Barre3 on First St.

Send in pics of your venue hangings

Once you've hung your artwork, take a few pictures and send them to ellen.barker@pacbell – I'll include them in the next month's newsletter.

MEMBER ART NEWS

We are here to support each other! Send your news to ellen.barker@pacbell.net

LAAC Membership

[Click here for the current roster of club members.](#) You can view but not edit the sheet. If you can't access the sheet or need to update data, contact Isao at isao.nojima@gmail.com.

Julia Kahan

Julia will be showing (and selling!) her stained-glass art at the **Los Altos Arts and Wine Festival** (downtown) July 11 and 12 from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m., Saturday and Sunday. Booth 731.

Mehrdad and Zahra Mofidi

Mehrdad will be showing his glass mosaics at the **Los Altos Arts and Wine Festival** (downtown) July 11 and 12 from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m., Saturday and Sunday. Booth 727.

Rona Foster

Rona offers custom, one-on-one and small group classes at her studio. Contact her to discuss. Call (no text) her at 650-858-0589 or use the contact form on her [website: Contact — Rona Foster](#).

LOCAL ART SCENE

Los Altos Arts and Wine

Mark your calendars for this year's festival:
10-6 p.m. Saturday and Sunday July 11 and 12
Club Participants:



- **Julia Kahan**—Booth 731.
- **Mehrdad Mofidi**—Booth 727.

[Click here to volunteer at the festival.](#)

Los Altos Library

Watercolor workshop for adults

Friday, July 10, 11:00am–12:30pm [View all dates](#)

All supplies will be provided. Registration is not necessary. Seating will be determined on a first-come, first-serve basis, and no seat saving.

Future dates, all 11 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.:

August 14

September 21

October 19

[Sunday Crafternoons](#)

Sunday, August 16, 2:00 – 3:30 p.m. in the Orchard Room

Relaxed crafting on the 3rd Sunday of every month. All ages.

Supplies are provided for you to explore a surprise art activity.

Future dates for Crafternoons:

September 20

For more future events, [click here.](#)

Los Altos Community Center

Community Center Beginning and Intermediate Painting Classes

[Click here for details.](#) Full disclosure, this website is hard to navigate.

The Activity Guide is easier to read, but without links to register:

[Activity Guide | Los Altos, CA.](#) Pick up a paper copy at the main desk.

Los Altos Hills Town Hall

“Colors in Rhythm,” an art exhibit featuring a collection of paintings by local artist Tanya Momi, will be on display at the Town Hall through September. Read more [in the Town Crier](#).



Los Altos History Museum



The Spirit of '76
Reflecting on America's 250th
Through November 8

In honor of America's 250th anniversary, this exhibition invites visitors to reflect on foundational texts and their relevance today, while exploring local histories of civic engagement and community building. More info here: [The Spirit of '76 - Exhibits - Los Altos History Museum](#)

Arts Los Altos



New Downtown Art



Arts Los Altos is pleased to announce a new public art mural for downtown Los Altos. The inspiration for the mural includes the grace and movement of birds photographed by Arts Los Altos photographer Joel Bartlett at Baylands Nature Preserve and Shoreline Park.

The mural is at 140 Third Street on the side wall of Los Altos Dance Academy. Their hope is to bring observers into a space of color, harmony and movement, symbolic of dance.

Oakland based artist team, Twin Walls Mural Company, was chosen to create the design and paint the mural. A Meet-the-Artist Art Opening is planned for August 7th, at 6:15, coinciding with downtown's First Friday events, following our monthly walking tour of Arts Los Altos' Public Art Installations downtown. Read more about this new installation on the [Arts Los Altos website](#).

First Friday walking tours with a real human start at 6 pm every first Friday, meeting at the Mandahlia sculpture (169 State Street at Third) and lasting about an hour. For a private group tour, email your preferred dates/times to tours@artslosaltos.org

Self-Guided Walking Tour Digital App (Apple devices only)
Explore the downtown Los Altos public art collection with this digital walking tour app. Find and learn about all Arts Los Altos installations through an interactive map, photos, descriptions, and turn-by-turn directions. [Download the Los Altos History Museum app](#) from the App Store for your iPhone or iPad and go! Select '**Tours**' → '**Public Art Walking Tour**' to begin.

Mountain View Makers Market Downtown



Here is an opportunity for local artists and makers to showcase and sell their work in a community-centered setting on Castro Street. There's no application fee or

booth fee.

<https://econdev.mountainview.gov/downtown/makers-market-2026>



FabMo

1240 Birchwood Drive, Suite 2 Sunnyvale



15th Annual Artisans Market will return to the Los Altos Community Center on Sunday, October 4, from 11 to 4 pm. If you are new to FabMo, the Artisans Market is where you can buy or sell unique, handcrafted treasures made out of repurposed, recycled, or reused materials saved from the landfill by FabMo.

Join the Artisans Market Committee. We are looking for non-vendor committee members and would love to have your help. [e-mail](#) us!

Vendor applications will be accepted beginning July 1 at 8 am PT. Keep an eye out for announcements in the [FabMo Newsletter](#).

FabMo Workshops

[Stitching Stories from Scrap Fabric \(Fabric Book Making\)](#)

\$50.00

9 am to 12 pm Sunday, July 12th

Join FabMo for a personalized fabric book making workshop. You will learn how to make and embellish a small fabric book using scrap fabric, yarn, wallpaper, and various notions. A simple blanket stitch will bind the pages into an expressive book of texture, shape and color. During the class, you will have the opportunity to use rubber stamp letters and even a typewriter to mark your pages with a meaningful word or phrase.



ArtVentures

ArtVentures is a drop-in open studio with an ever-changing set of artists, many of whom are LAAC members. Artists meet in person to work on their own projects and to encourage, critique, and commiserate with each other.

- **Join Us in Person:** Drop in any Wednesday, any time between 9:30 a.m. and 12:30 p.m. in the Apricot room of the Los Altos Community Center. Registration is not required, and it's free.
- See what ArtVenturers have been creating here:
[ArtVenturers.](#)

A constantly changing selection of their work is displayed in the Adult 50+ Center at Hillview. The latest collection are self portraits, shown at right. Stop in for coffee and take a look every Monday through Thursday.



Local Galleries



GALLERY HOUSE

CONTEMPORARY FINE ART

826 Santa Cruz Ave, Menlo Park, CA 94025
Wednesday - Sunday 11am to 5pm

Check the [gallery website](#) for new works.

On May 22, Gallery House was transformed into a runway space for a fashion show. Gallery House partnered with Cañada College Fashion Design & Merchandising students for a collaboration blending art and fashion. Students worked with Gallery House artists

to develop designs inspired by original artworks. Two LAAC members were part of this effort: **Patricia Nojima** and **Eimei Onaga**.

Designer Erika Garcia was drawn to Patricia Nojima's *Hydrangeas* for its lace-like floral forms, which echoed the crocheted tablecloth she used as the foundation for her dress. She also noted that the artwork's shifting color tones reminded her of the nuanced, uneven shades in the fabric she selected.

Patricia's *Hydranges* and *Cook Forest Benches*



Erika's Dress

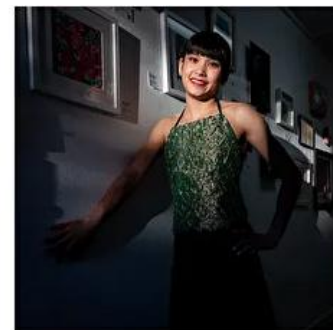


Jennifer Moya chose Eimei's *Redwood Grove* artwork for its strong sense of natural texture and meticulous details. The layered compositions matched her concept of "small leaves" inspired by nature, trees, and hummingbirds.

Eimei's *After the Gathering—Redwood Grove*



Jennifer's Dress





[Submit here,](#)
[deadline is July 31.](#)

Memory Lane explore the intimate connection between memory and art.

Artists are encouraged to submit works that capture the essence of a significant memory—whether joyful, bittersweet, transformative, or fleeting—and pair each piece with a short written story that shares its personal significance. All styles and mediums.

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Tuesday - Saturday 11 – 5, Sunday 12 – 5

July Exhibition: Wild Wonders, Photography by Bill Scull

Dates: June 30 - August 2

Opening Reception: First Friday, July 3rd, 5 – 8 pm

Wild Wonders includes images from safaris in Tanzania, Botswana and Zimbabwe. The photographs capture magnificent creatures being



themselves in their herds or flocks or as solo operators: migrating, hunting, mating, nurturing their young, fighting for their position, and generally playing the survival game.

More about the artist: scull.smugmug.com



315 State St., Los Altos
(650) 941-5789
Gallery hours: Wed-Sun 11am-5pm

July Exhibition: “Walking Toward Serenity” by Georgesse Gomez

Show Dates: July 1 - August 2, 2026

Reception: Friday July 3, 5-9pm

Meet the Artist Saturdays: July 11, July 18; and August 1, 12-6pm



This new collection reveals Georgesse’s expertise in traditional oil painting, showcasing her exceptional ability to depict a sense of place, emotion, and atmosphere inspired by meaningful moments and locations from her past.

More information about Georgesse’s latest collection is available on [Viewpoints Gallery website](#) and on [Georgesse’s website](#).

Upcoming featured artists at Viewpoints Gallery

August - Stacey Nussbaum

September - Jane Grady

October - Kaaren Marquez

November - Amy Rattner

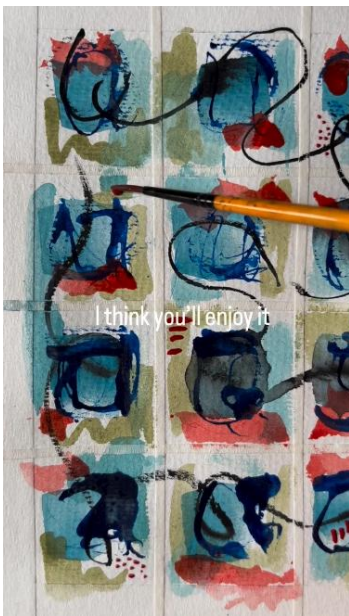
December - Sylvie Levesque

Recommended by Our Members

Opportunities to get your artwork out there

[Click here](#) to see local and national shows and competitions.

One Last Click for July



[Give yourself some time to play.](#)

Please send newsletter comments, complaints, and contributions to ellen.barker@pacbell.net

Reminder: As usual, we will not meet in August. And the newsletter editor will be taking a break—so no August newsletter in August either. It all starts up again in September!

APPENDIX

Venue Reminders

Guidelines for signing up at all venues

- An artist cannot sign up for the same venue two times consecutively.
- An artist cannot sign up for more than one venue at a time
- Exceptions will be made if we have empty slots on the schedule within a few days of the art exchange date – contact Julia.

Reminder about Sales

- For each sale through a club venue, please send 10% to LAAC, c/o Isao Nojima (treasurer), 475 Knoll Drive, Los Altos, CA 94024.

Tags at Venues

- [Click this link](#) to open a pdf and print the official tags (print them on card stock if you can, otherwise printer paper is fine). You can fill them in by hand or electronically.
- Artwork must display the official LAAC tag next to each artwork
- Prices should be included if the piece is for sale (otherwise, put “not for sale” on the tag)
- Make sure your contact information is legible and correct
- Printed tags can also be picked at our club meetings