



Lodi Community Art Center Newsletter

March 2016

56th Annual Spring Art Show

By: Lodi Community Art Center



Location:

Woodbridge Winery
Art Display Area
5950 Woodbridge Rd East
Acampo, CA 95220 [map](#)

Join us for a Champagne & Dessert Benefit Gala!

Theme: "Back to the Future in Art"

Awards: Artist awards will be presented at the benefit.

Date: Friday, April 15

Time: 6:30pm

Tickets: **Artists**

All artists in the show will receive one free ticket and the option to buy one ticket at the discounted rate (\$30)

LCAC Members

Will be able to buy 2 tickets at the discounted rate (\$30 each)

Public

Tickets are available online for \$50 each [click here](#)

At the Door

\$55 each

Spring Art Show Exhibition

Date: Saturday, April 16

Time: 10:30am—4pm

Tickets: FREE—Open to the Public

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Gallery Hours

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4th Annual Photography Show Results

By: Lodi Community Art Center

Best of Show

Michael Randolph - *Journey*

Abstract, Creative, Altered

- 1st: Michael Randolph | *Bodie*
- 2nd: Charlene Martin | *Heaven's Portal*
- 3rd: Joanne Sogsti | *Blood Moon*

Honorable Mentions

Troy Steinhart | *Montage for Daniel*
Anna Barber | *Painted Horses*

Landscape/Nature, Wildlife

- 1st: Trey Steinhart | *Northstar Ski Resort from 10,000*
- 2nd: Robin Mayoff | *California Gold*
- 3rd: Larry Klink | *Among the Elders*

Honorable Mentions

Teresa Wilson | *Looking at Me*
Stan Sogsti | *Bengal Beauty*
Suzanne Hambleton | *Yosemite Valley Fog*

Congratulations to our Winners!

Special thanks to all who participated and volunteered

Man-Made, Cityscapes

- 1st: Karen Olson | *Free Your Mind*
- 2nd: Barbara Kantz | *The Cure*
- 3rd: Barbara Kantz | *Lawn Chairs*

Honorable Mentions

Maria Flumiana | *Glass Jar Soldiers*
Dennis Bryant | *Classic Reflections*

People

- 1st: Michael Randolph | *Dream 161*
- 2nd: Linda Poteet | *Little Red on Massive Oak*
- 3rd: Debra Bently | *Venice Beach State Park*

Honorable Mentions

Tiffanie Heben | *Mark Knife in His Studio*
Austin Brewin | *Solano Stroll Dancers*



Lodi Community Art Center Mission

Our mission is to stimulate and encourage interest in, and a study of, the Visual Arts. Specifically:

- ◇ To provide a meeting place for the members of this organization.
- ◇ To encourage the teaching of art and provide classrooms for Art Instruction.
- ◇ To encourage the civic development of Fine Arts and Crafts and strengthen such interest in the community.
- ◇ To sponsor a gallery or exhibition of arts and crafts.



Chairpersons Needed

Please contact JC Strote to volunteer

Lodi Taco Truck Cook-Off

When June 25, 2016 | 11am—2pm

Where Lodi Arts Commission @ Central Avenue & Hilborn Street

Details Every year, the LCAC sponsors a kids activity at the Art Commission's Taco Truck Cook-Off. We usually provide paints and cards for kids to paint.

We have the paints and usually receive mat stock donated for the kids to paint on.

We need 3-5 people to work the booth on the day of this fun event.

Paint Lodi Art Contest

When: April 30—May 8, 2016 | With display throughout the month of May

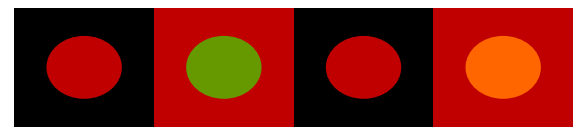
Details Lodi is sponsoring a "Home Town" painting contest for young and old alike. This contest is open to all ages, with multiple categories for grammar school age, high school and adults. Awards will be determined by people's choice voting of displayed art. Special awards may be given depending on category sponsors. Participating artists will have 1 week to 10 days to complete art work within categories.

We are planning for a fun art event that is family friendly and involves the entire community.

This project focuses on the "Lodi Experience", to present views of Lodi through the eyes of artists young and old. The artists develop a different view and the gallery visitors and award voters develop an awareness of the varied views of our community.

Our goals:

- ◇ Bring attention to Lodi through art, art expression and application
- ◇ Bring people to Lodi to discover and enjoy the "Lodi Experience"
- ◇ Bring people into the gallery and other local merchant businesses.
- ◇ To have at least 10 artists in each age category: Ages 6-12, Student 13-18, Adult 19-64, Senior 65+
- ◇ To reach out to East Side residents to encourage participation, providing up to 10 scholarship entries as well as "art merchandise" prizes for all student art participants.



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Artist of the Month—Meet George Dillon!

By: Lodi Community Art Center

George has had an interest and a connection to art all his life but only in the last eighteen years has been able to dedicate his full time to his pursuit.

His teachers include nationally renowned landscape artist Charles White, watercolorists Penny Soto and Joan Dougherty, Judie Cain, a frequent contributor to *Artist Magazine* and portraitist Gary Bergren. Ben Kikuyama, an internationally known featured artist at the Lahaina Galleries in Maui has been his mentor in the field of mixed media and three-dimensional art.

George's style is most often surreal or modern and has been influenced by Picasso, Matisse and Georges Braque as well as his first encounters with African Art and travel.

His imagination and whimsy have all been inspiration to him and have encouraged experimentation with color, theme and materials. His 3-dimensional art, which will be the subject of his presentation to the Lodi Council of Arts, is typically built from canvas or paper and then layered upon each other to form his interpretation of the subject. He takes a more conventional approach to more traditional themes.

George's art is typically both bold and colorful and challenges his viewer's sensibilities with sometimes humorous and sometimes penetrating looks at culture and its surroundings. Further adding to his art are his pithy titles that often reflect both innuendo and a healthy splash of irony.

When asked what type of art he creates, Dillon responds, "It is hard to categorize, but I am known for color. I want each observer to have an emotional response of some type to my paintings. The vivid use of color causes a reaction as we tend to be internally stirred by the spectrum before us. I can describe what a painting means to me, but I hope the viewer comes up with a meaning that conjures up his or her own inner feelings."

Dillon always starts a painting with the idea of where he wants to go but reflects that sometimes the creative process takes over and the finished product is something he never dreamed of. He gets a great feeling looking at a painting and having no idea how he did it but great satisfaction in the accomplishment. He offers a tip for viewers. "Often my titles help to discover what the art piece is trying to convey." Many of his titles will challenge the observer to examine their own awareness.

Currently George is a member of the Calaveras Arts Council, the Amador County Artists Association and the Lodi Council of Arts. His works have been on display in several venues in the Bay Area, Sacramento and currently in the California foothills.





Nice to Meet You!

By: Jacie Rivas | Member since Jan 2016

A Little Bit About Me

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I am the proud mom of a 19 year old son who wows me every day. I work in the Technology Industry as a Solution Consultant for an East Bay based Print, Direct Mail, Web and Digital Solutions company.

Introducing Our New Newsletter!

Hello! My name is Jacie Rivas and my fiancé, Don Figari, and I have been LCAC members since January. We have received such a warm welcome from those we have met so far, and are very much looking forward to meeting everyone and getting to know you all!

We love our little town and every treasure we have discovered, and continue to discover, both here and in the surrounding areas. You can usually find us traipsing around vineyards, hiking up mountains, rock scrambling in rivers and sipping wine downtown... and taking pictures *all the time* in an attempt to capture and share the beauty we witness everywhere we go.

When asked "What kind of art do you do?" by my fellow LCAC members, I always pause for a second. Though I definitely consider myself to be artistic and creative, I've never been asked this question before joining this community! In a nutshell: I'm a photography "dabbler" (Don's the *true* photography talent in this partnership), I love to create things with paper and images (like scrapbooking, greeting cards, gift tags, etc.), I enjoy web design and digital arts and I've always had a deep desire (though not much natural talent!) to paint, draw or sculpt. But the one thing I do that brings me the most pleasure and satisfaction is **writing**.

Perfect segue to the reason for this article!

Beginning with this issue, I am honored to have the opportunity to create our monthly newsletter! This takes all the tasks I love (planning, coordinating, organizing) and merges them together beautifully with my creative side! I hope this newsletter will be informative, fun to read and provide all members with a way to share information and get to know each other better!

In the coming months, I'll be reaching out to board members to arrange for a monthly column for each of you. I'll also be reaching out to members each month to create a "Member Spotlight" column where we'll focus on anything you'd like to share! I'm also very open to any ideas our readers have or tips to make this newsletter the very best that it can be. **Cheers!**

Upcoming 2016 Gallery Themes

MAR *Bowing in the Wind*
 APR *Everything Old is New Again*
 MAY *Are You My Mother*
 JUN *Memories of the Past*

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Raffle Basket Assembly Mondays

Mar 21 & Mar 28
 10:30am—12 Noon

Let's put raffle baskets together and assemble beautiful packaging for the cork pull wine bottles to be given away at the 2016 Spring Art Show!

Contact JC Strote to volunteer.

All About Membership

By: Lodi Community Art Center

We'd love to have you join our community of artists and art lovers!

Visit our website at <http://www.lodiartcenter.org/join-membership/> or speak to any Board Member for more information.

Who Can Join?

Lodi Community Art Center membership is open to artists and those interested in supporting the arts.

Discounts Include

- ◇ Juried Show entries
- ◇ Classes
- ◇ Workshops
- ◇ Events such as the Spring Show Gala and other gallery events.

Other Benefits

- ◇ Web profile listing you and your art
- ◇ Comradery with other artists and art lovers.
- ◇ Knowledge that your support enables our community involvement with the Art Commission, Art Hop and youth gallery displays

Meetings

Membership meetings are held on the 2nd Tuesday of each month at 6:30pm. Often there are free art demonstrations and the meetings are open to the public.

The Gallery

The Gallery offers a venue for members to show their works and for art lovers to see and purchase locally produced art and meet the artists. New art is shown every month.

Members are encouraged to participate in the monthly gallery shows by hanging their works (hanging fees / show fees may apply) and volunteering.

Annual Individual Membership Fees

- ◇ Basic membership \$50 (memberships purchased after January are prorated to \$25)
- ◇ Student \$15
- ◇ Sustaining \$100—\$499
- ◇ Donor \$500—\$999
- ◇ Patron \$1,000+
- ◇ Lifetime \$500 (Lifetime members with one-time payment)

Annual Corporate Membership Fees

- ◇ Sustaining \$1,000—\$2,499
- ◇ Donor \$2,500—\$7,499
- ◇ Patron \$7,500+

Who We Are

Lodi Community Art Center is an active nonprofit organization of local artists and art supporters which evolved from a small group of artists and artisans in the 1930s. To find out more about our history, visit us at

<http://www.lodiartcenter.org/about-ushistory/>





Classes and Workshops

For a schedule of classes and workshops, contact any Board Member or visit us online:

Adult Classes

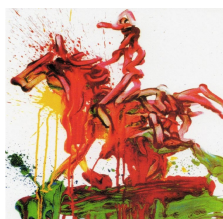
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Adult Workshops

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Youth Classes

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