



## Las Juntas~East Bay Artists Guild

*A Group of Committed, Dedicated Local Artists*

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# December 2023 Newsletter

### MEETING DATES:

### BOARD MEETING

**NO MEETING IN DEC**

### GENERAL MEETING

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*St. Mark's Lutheran Church  
3051 Putnam Boulevard  
St. Mark's Room,  
Pleasant Hill*

**CALLS FOR ART – all info  
received for opportunities to  
display at other venues will be  
sent as separate e-mails.**

### EBAG Officers & Directors

- **Lorna Lyle**, *President*
  - **Vacant**, *Vice President*
  - **Lia Germain**, *Secretary*
  - **Valerie Zito**, *Treasurer*
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- **Kelly Marinello**,  
*Education Director*
  - **Vacant**, *Exhibition  
Coordinator(s)*
  - **Joo Chase**, *Newsletter Editor*
  - **Phyllis Couillard**,  
*Membership Chair /  
Newsletter Editor*
  - **Vacant**, *Community Outreach,  
Publicity Director*

*“My work is like a dialogue  
between me and unseen  
powers, like alchemy.”*

*~Cai Guo-Qiang*

**GENERAL MEETING —  
NO MEETING THIS  
MONTH — Enjoy your  
Holiday!!**



### A Message From the President...

There's so much that our guild offered in 2023 as internal and external sources of learning, inspiration, sharing our art, friendship and community—all that I hoped for when I joined!

Thanks to our Board members and participants who made these possible (and often fun!):

**Lia Germaine**, Secretary and a driving force behind our March and October receptions.

**Valerie Zito**, Treasurer and key player.

**Kelly Marinello**, Education Director, who treated us to an array of fascinating demos and field trips, and updates our Website.

### A Message From the President...(continued)

**Phyllis Couillard**, Membership Chair, Newsletter Editor, also a key player and idea generator.

**Joo Chase**, Newsletter Editor who artfully assembles our news and is eager to pursue expanding our guild's presence on social media.

Thanks to members who showed their art at the Pleasant Hill Senior Center, St. Andrew's, and at our guild's beautiful receptions and monthly meetings.

I hope you'll consider how you can participate in the upcoming year. A notable vacancy: Valerie, our Treasurer, is stepping down and will be missed. Any numbers savvy among us? Would be a welcome way to give back to our group without a huge time commitment.

We welcome your ideas about venues, field trips, demo artists, publicity outlets. Your word-of-mouth online as well as among friends and fellow artists who might benefit from becoming members, *is invaluable*.

Looking forward to seeing you -- and your art -- in the New Year!

Stay safe, well and inspired,

*Lorna Lyle*

## CURRENT & UPCOMING EVENTS / VENUES

### Pleasant Hill Senior Center



Our current show - 'Favorite Places and Things' is on display! We have grouped each artist's selection of their work...stop by and have a look. Now through January 13, 2024.

### St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church



Marylynne Nicholson, Oct 7<sup>th</sup> Fine Art Exhibit, courtesy of Lorna Lyle

Our current show will run from December 2, 2023 through February 3, 2024. *Watch for the call for art!*

There is no theme for this exhibition and the space at the *Celebration Center* offers you a great opportunity to hang your large-size paintings here.

## Other Art Groups / Events and Galleries

### aRt Cottage Presents 12th Annual Holiday Boutique!

This is the 12<sup>th</sup> year of the aRt Cottage hosting this boutique. The boutique will be open from November 4<sup>th</sup> - December 21<sup>st</sup>. <http://artscottage.blogspot.com/>

## Other Art Groups / Events and Galleries (continued)

### Moraga Art Gallery- "Now and Then-Artists Journey"



*Life is Sometimes a Good Cup of Coffee* by Susan Erickson

The show features the works of member artists, *Margaret Lucas-Hill* and *Susan Erickson* with guest artist, *Linda Ellinwood*.

This show opened October 14<sup>th</sup> and runs through December 31<sup>st</sup>.

<https://moragaartgallery.com>

## 14<sup>th</sup> Annual Free - Super Holiday Boutique in Pleasant Hill & Concord

The holiday season's largest shopping extravaganza.

**Saturday, Dec 2**, the Boutique is from 10 – 2 p.m. at **Pleasant Hill Community Center**, 320 Civic Dr. off Taylor Blvd. in Pleasant Hill.

**Sunday, Dec 3**, from 11– 3 p.m. at **Hilton Concord Hotel**, 1970 Diamond Blvd. in Concord.

<https://www.eventbrite.com/e/super-holiday-boutique-14th-annual-free-in-pleasant-hill-registration-523690862467>

## Guidelines for monthly newsletter submissions:

- Submissions are due by the **22nd of the month**, to ensure timely inclusion in the next month's newsletter (sent the 1st week of the month).
- Submissions after the 22nd are still welcome and may be sent out as a separate announcement via email to the members. Send email submissions to [eastbayartistsguild@yahoo.com](mailto:eastbayartistsguild@yahoo.com) for inclusion.
- Images and flyers for your future art events are always welcome.

Thanks for reading...

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Joo Chase, Oct 7<sup>th</sup> Fine Art Exhibit, courtesy of Lorna Lyle



Lia Germain, showing her Mom (Bonnie's) work, Oct 7<sup>th</sup> Fine Art Exhibit, courtesy of Lorna Lyle