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August 2012 Newsletter

Key dates to remember:

Aug. 5 (Sun), 6 – 8pm:
“Sunset by the Lake”
EBAG Art Exhibit
Pleasant Hill City Hall
100 Gregory Lane

Aug. 19 (Sun), 6 – 8pm:
“Sunset by the Lake”
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Aug. 22 (Wed*), 7 - 8:30pm:
EBAG General Meeting
Members Artwork Critique
Pleasant Hill City Hall
Community Room,
100 Gregory Lane
(***New meeting time moved
from Sundays to Wednesdays for
the remainder of 2012.***)

EBAG Directors & Officers

- Michael Warwick, *President*
- Glynda Dixon, *Vice President*
- Martin Biro, *Education Director*
- Roz Zinns, *Membership Chair*
- Leslie Norgren, *Secretary*
- Kurt Vorheis, *Chamber of Commerce Representative*
- Aileen Nichols, *Newsletter Editor*
- Walter Crew, *Crescent Exhibit*
- **Open: Exhibition Director**

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August 22: EBAG General Meeting Members Artwork Critique

Summer is a great time to wind down, step back from busy routines, and take a moment for reflection. At our next general meeting, Martin Biro will lead another art critique, this time with the opportunity for members to reflect on their own artwork and styles. **Come bring an art piece that you have made and get valuable feedback from other members.**

Sign-ups for the last of Pleasant Hill’s “*Sunset by the Lake*” **Summer Concerts** will be available, in addition to announcements on future exhibitions at **John Muir Hospital** and the **Metropolitan Transportation Commission**. EBAG President Michael Warwick will also discuss a proposed Directors & Officers insurance, which is essential to keep the guild going. The cost may effect an increase in membership dues next year. Come share your ideas, meet other members, and sign up to exhibit your work. Guests are always welcome, so feel free to invite others too. We look forward to seeing you at the meeting!

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*“Every child is an artist.
The problem is how to remain an
artist once we grow up.”*
~Pablo Picasso
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Thank You to all the EBAG artists and volunteers who participated in the “*Sunset by the Lake*” Art Exhibit on **July 8 & July 22**. Both occasions were filled with lively music and crowds of people by the lake at Pleasant City Hall. Members shared their artwork with the community, and passed out brochures and flyers inviting them to EBAG. In addition, Glynda Dixon led a pencil coloring activity for children, bringing many enthusiastic artists over to the EBAG tables. Read more about her experience below.

Crescent Drive Exhibit

- **Sept 5, 2012 (Thurs), 10am - 11am**
55 Crescent Dr., Pleasant Hill
Contact: Walter Crew
Phcrew@juno.com to make arrangements for drop-off and display.

A DAY AT THE KID'S ART TABLE

By Glynda Dixon

EBAG's Community Art outreach to kids at the Pleasant Hill Concert at the Lake on Sunday, July 8th was a success! With a table full of supplies and ideas for drawing, Glynda Dixon introduced children and their parents to drawing with colored pencils. For most of them it was new. Many people think art is a big messy experience, with water, oils, big canvases and then a lot of cleaning up. Colored pencils proved to be fun, creative and "clean"! The surprise of the involvement with pencils, even for the parents, caused one of them to sit down and start scribbling with pencils with his daughter.



Glynda, "the Good Witch" draws with children at Pleasant Hill City Hall. Photo courtesy of Walter Crew.

Glynda initially had two kids, a sister and brother, who drew pictures and continued to ask for new pieces of paper to continue their drawings. Some of the children were initially hesitant but finally started drawing and there was no shortage of creativity. The size of the crowd of kids grew and

Leslie Norgren sat with kids on the concrete seating by the fountain, helping them with their drawing. They had a wonderful time and were very proud of their work. Several parents thanked us for having the art table available.

However, as with any kid's activity, what was really priceless were some of their comments and questions. One of the kids suddenly asked me, "Who is your favorite artist?" I didn't quite know what to say. "Have you seen the Picasso exhibit? My class saw the exhibit and my favorite artist is Picasso." Another boy asked me what my name was, I responded with "Glynda the Good Witch!" He then asked me if any of my art was hanging on the panels. He went over to see the art and then came back, excited and said, "Your name really is Glynda!" One of my favorite questions from some of the children and the parents, about the day was: "Are you coming back to do this again?" The answer is YES. ~GD

Glynda Dixon will also lead a colored pencil activity for aspiring young artists. Volunteers are needed to help. Come show your work, and invite family and friends out to a fun evening of music and art.

For a complete listing of the Summer Concert Series, visit: <http://www.pleasanthillconcerts.com/>

City Chamber Mixers

Pleasant Hill's "Chamber Mixers," typically held the 3rd Wednesday of every month, are a great way for you to personally network with local businesses that may be interested in displaying or purchasing your artwork. Contact Kurt Vorheis at kurt@v2bio.com and check out the Pleasant Hill Chamber of Commerce website for the next mixer event and location: <http://pleasanthillchamber.com/calendar.php?str=no>

Special Note to all EBAG Artists:

- **New EBAG Brochures** are available. Come to the meetings or an EBAG event and pick up some copies to share.
- **ARTWORK is needed for the new EBAG Website**, currently being updated by **Michael Warwick**. Please email images of your art as soon as possible, to: eastbayartistsquild@yahoo.com

CONGRATULATIONS!!!

Three of our EBAG members exhibited work at the California State Fair:

Michael Warwick
"Among the Piers"
Photograph.

Jeanette Fromm,
"Barnyard Favorite" Oil.

Martin Biro
"Old Country Road" Oil.

Their work was on display in the **Cal Expo Fine Art Gallery**, July 12 - July 29, 2012. Recently, both **Jeanette Fromm** and **Martin Biro** received good news that their paintings sold at the fair.



Roz Zinns has her paintings on display at the following places. You may also visit her website: www.absolutearts.com/rozzinns

Lemongrass Bistro
501 Main Street, Martinez
(925) 287-0388

M-F: Lunch 11-3pm; Dinner 5-9pm
Sat: 12-2:30pm; 5-9pm
Sun: 5-8pm



"Egyptian Bread Oven," by Roz Zinns
Lemongrass Restaurant, August 2012

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"Fantasyland"
Aug 3 - Oct 28, 2012
Lawler House Gallery
718 Main Street,
Suisun City, CA 94585
(see attached flyer)

www.lawlerhousegallery.org/events

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SPACES AND PLACES
June 29 - August 10, 2012
Village Theater Art Gallery
233 Front Street, Danville

Gallery Hours:
Mon - Tues by appt. only;
Wed - Fri - noon - 5pm;
Sat - 11am - 3pm

New show at **The aRt Cottage**

"Heads & Bodies"

Featuring work by artists **Mike Jones** and **Jeff Stobbe**
August 1 – 31
Reception: Aug 2, 5-8pm
(see attached flyer)

From Fro...

These are 2 Santa Cruz artists (Mike Jones the blind ceramic sculptor happens to be my brother in law). The heads are very large and Jeff Stobbe's bodies are also quite different and large. They are both seasoned artists. Mike will also be entertaining us with mandolin music for the evening.

Please come and show your support to aRt Cottage and these fantastic artists at their **reception on Aug. 2nd**. Come early and then go to the farmer's market and enjoy the music and market series. It really is a nice summer treat. Thank you always for your support.

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www.artcottage.info

Michael Warwick is exhibiting work at the following show:

"Beyond Photography"

August 1 – 31

**Reception: August 18,
Saturday, 2 - 4pm.**

San Ramon Community Center
12501 Alcosta Blvd
San Ramon, CA 94583

Michael Warwick
<http://www.naturalvisions.com/>

Photographer **Wenda Pyman** invites you to visit the following show:

**Gallery Concord Group
Show:**

"Light & Shadow"

**June 26 - September 23, 2012,
11am - 4pm, Thurs. - Sun.**

Gallery Concord
1765 Galindo Street, Concord,
California 94520

Full details of Wenda's exhibits @
http://www.wendapyman.com/10ArtFairs_pg/10_ArtFairs2.htm

TJ's Western Café
is featuring work by artist
Lila Strong.

The show includes 29 original oil paintings of landscapes and animals.

TJ's Western Cafe
3210 Pacheco Boulevard,
Martinez, CA 94553
(925) 370-6379

Upcoming exhibit opportunities include

- EBAG's annual **John Muir Hospital Exhibit**, (Date TBA) coordinated by Walter Crew.
- **Metropolitan Transportation Commission (MTC)** in Oakland (March – May 2013), coordinated by Michael Warwick.

Other Artful Outings...

MTC EXHIBIT

The Metropolitan Transportation Commission (MTC) is currently This is a great opportunity to view artwork and see the space where your art can be displayed with EBAG in 2013. MTC is conveniently located across from the Lake Merritt BART station in Oakland. For more

information, visit:
http://www.mtc.ca.gov/about_mtc/art_gallery/
showing **Hiro Sugimura's**
photography:

"Mirrored Reflections"
Reception: Aug. 8, 4:30- 7pm
101 Eighth Street, Oakland, CA

EBAG guidelines for newsletter submissions:

- Submissions due by the **22nd of the month**, to insure timely inclusion in the next month's newsletter (sent the 1st of the month).
- Email submissions to **both Aileen N. Nichols (Editor)** ann.artist@ymail.com & **Michael Warwick (President)** eastbayartistsguild@yahoo.com for review.
- Images and flyers for your future art events are also welcome.

May the last of these summer days bring many wonderful, artful experiences for you to enjoy. Thanks for reading...

Best Wishes,

Aileen N. Nichols
Newsletter Editor