

WELCOME BACK DATES TO REMEMBER

- September 24**, 10am: **BOARD MEETING**
- October 1**, 9am: **MEMBER ORIENTATION** for gallery assistants
- October 3**, 10am-4pm: **ART INTAKE** –Gallery Members Only
- October 6**, 4:30pm: **BOARD MEETING**
- October 7**, 6pm-8pm: **OPENING AND MEET THE ARTIST RECEPTION**
- October 11**, 1:30pm: **GENERAL MEETING** with demonstration by Antoinette Hanson
- October 14**, 5pm-8pm: **TEACHER'S RECEPTION**
- October 22**, 9am: **MEMBER ORIENTATION**
- November 3**, 4:30: **BOARD MEETING**
- November 8**, 1:30 pm: **GENERAL MEETING** with demonstration by Patrick Sheehan, of the Red Dot Gallery
- November 12**, 9am: **MEMBER ORIENTATION**
- November 19**, 10am –Noon: **NEW MEMBER ART INTAKE**
- November 20**: **JURY SCREENING** - New members art intake
- November 28**, 10am-4pm: **ART INTAKE**
- December 2**, 6pm-8pm: **OPENING AND MEET THE ARTIST RECEPTION**
- December 8**, 4:30pm: **BOARD MEETING**
- December 11**, 12 noon: **HOLIDAY LUNCH**
- December 17**, 9am: **MEMBER ORIENTATION**

SUMMER SHOW

The Gallery was opened Friday – Sunday from 10am to 1pm for the months of June and July with over 30 of our artists showing their work. June averaged about 9 visitors per day and we sold close to \$1000 worth of artwork. July, the sales and visitors dropped and it was decided not to continue to stay open in August. Thanks to all of those who participated.

2011-2012 SEASON

Art intake for members only Monday, October 3, followed on Friday, October 7, with our first fall opening reception .

On Friday, October 14, the Desert Art Center will host a reception for all our teachers, from 5pm to 8pm. This will be an opportunity for the public to learn about our classes, meet the teachers and hopefully sign-up for classes .

This coming year the Desert Art Center, in our continual commitment to promoting art in the community, will co-host the 14th Annual Palm Springs Juried Art Show in February, 2012, with the City of Palm Springs. The Show will run from Friday, February 3 through Saturday, February 26. While our Main Gallery will exhibit the Juried Show, The Desert art center will hold a 'small art show' in our Small Gallery, so that we can continue to present members artwork. Our hosting of Annual Juried Show will give our gallery great exposure in community plus the added publicity from the City. Members are encouraged to enter the show.

In March we will open the Main Gallery with a new show, which will continue through April. Then our final show will begin in May and continue hopefully through June.

The 3rd annual Student Art Show is scheduled for Saturday, January 14 through Sunday, January 22. This show is for all high school students in the Palm Springs Unified School District. We plan to have a second Student Art Show for the Seniors entering our Student Scholarship Show from Saturday, April 7 through Tuesday, April 17, when scholarships will be presented.

Our Annual Art Mart is scheduled for March 12 - 13, 2012. Details to follow later this fall.

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Please review the committees and share your expertise by volunteering and have fun meeting new people in our organization!!!

MEMBERSHIP ORIENTATION

This year we are continuing our membership orientation program. Begun last spring for all new members who joined the gallery (and a requirement to be juried in as a gallery member), we are opening the program for all members. This will be especially important for gallery members to attend and refresh themselves on the workings of the gallery. This year we have purchased a cash register for the front desk and the sales process is made easier, so we should have fewer mistakes. The first orientation, on Saturday, October 1, at 9am is for the gallery assistance. If you are not a gallery assistant, but would like to be one please contact Brad Zylstra, brad_zylstra@yahoo.com, for details.

SUMMER NEWS

The Library and Storage room off the small gallery have been cleaned. The Storage is to be used for easels, tarps for the classes. The library is for our book collection only. We received a large collection of watercolor and drawing books.

In September we hope to have the auditorium painted and new window coverings will replace the old draperies.

We had problems with the auditorium air conditioning and it was unusable for two months. It turned out that the thermostat had been turned off. A new air conditioner has installed for the main gallery. New programmable thermostats will be installed for both the auditorium and galleries.

MEMBERSHIP NEWS

Lynne Cunningham, will be a featured artist at the Palm Desert Community Gallery (located in Palm Desert City Hall) in it's new exhibition, "Elements", from October 13 to December 9, 2011. The gallery is open from 8am-5pm Monday through Friday. There will be a public reception to honor the artists on Monday, October 17 from 5:30 – 7 p.m. For more information, please call 760-346-0611, ext. 664 . Her work may be seen on her website: www.lynnecunningham.com/

Carolyn Hawley is now showing her work in Wilde Meyer Gallery, in Scottsdale and Tucson Arizona. www.wildemeyer.com/hawley.php

David Farrington will be the featured artist at a show in Redlands. 'It's the Art for Heavens Sake' runs October 14 – 16. www.artforheavenssake.org

IN MEMORY

Carl Bray, a life member of the Desert Art Center passed away on July 23, at the age of 94. An early desert artist and 'smoke tree' painter, he was painting up until two months before his death. To learn more about Carl Bray and his life see the article in California Desert Art: www.californiadesertart.com/?p=29