

## MARCH- MAY Schedule of Events

- March 26 10am to noon: **ART INTAKE- New Members Only**
- March 27, 10am to noon: **JURY SCREENING - New Members art intake**
- March 28 10am to 4pm **ART INTAKE – Gallery Members Only**
- April 1, 6 to 8pm: **OPENING AND MEET THE ARTIST RECEPTION**
- April 2 and 3, 10am to 4pm: **ART MART**
- April 9: 10am **BOARD MEETING**
- April 12, 2pm **GENERAL MEETING and ANNUAL HIGH SCHOOL SCHOLARSHIP AWARD PRESENTATION.**
- May 7: **BOARD MEETING**
- May 15: **MEMBERS ANNUAL SPRING LUNCH**
- MAY 30 AND 31: **REMOVE ARTWORK FROM GALLERY**
- May 31: **GALLERY CLOSSES FOR SUMMER.**

## DAC Membership Benefit

The Palm Canyon Theater (next to the Gallery) offers \$16 tickets for most performances (regular tickets are \$30). All you need to do is show your DAC membership card when purchasing your tickets. For more information call the theater (760) 323-5123. Thanks to **Pat Stevens** for this tip.

## Art Intake Clarification

'Art Intake – New Members Only' day is also intake day for existing gallery members who wish to be juried in a new medium.

If the existing hanging member wishes to show both mediums in one show they must pay an extra \$40 gallery membership and expect to sit the gallery two times per month in order to show two art mediums. See Gallery Display Rule #6.

## Art Mart: April 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3rd



The second annual Spring Art Mart will take place on Saturday and Sunday, April 2 and 3, in the park outside the gallery from 10am to 4pm each day. We have more than 40 artists displaying and selling their work. **Roma Bogard** will hold a book signing each day for her book called "For The Love of Art. Insight into the Creative Process. A Collection of Artistic Impressions."

**Adele Hill** will be hosting the DAC booth, which will display paintings by Sally Ward, Louise Tennyson and other former DAC members

Volunteers are needed for cashiers and set-up. There will be an outside cash sales desk. We will need two to three cashiers each day. Set-up volunteers will assist in signing out tables, easels, and chairs each morning and the intake of the artwork to the Auditorium/small gallery for secure storage on Saturday night. Sign up to volunteer on Monday, March 28, art intake day.



## **2010-2012 Officers and Committees**

Co Presidents	Jonathan Caisse	(760) 902-1690
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### **GALLERY MANAGER**

John Malmquist		(661) 607-5644
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## **By-Law Change**

The Desert Art Center approved at the March 8 General meeting to amend the by-laws to allow the board to determine the student scholarship amount each year. Article X, Paragraph G now reads:

“The Scholarship Chairperson shall obtain candidate nominations and designees for the annual DAC monetary awards; such awards shall be an amount established by the Executive Board each year.”

This year the board has established an amount of \$1000 for each of the three awards.

## **Plein Air Painting Schedule**

March 19                      Box Canyon  
 April 7 and 16            Coachella Preserve  
 May 5                            Indian Canyons

Contact: Elaine Mathews 760-328-4911  
 elaineartist@yahoo.com

## **Desert Arts Festival Schedule**

West Coast Artists has a series of six art festivals that are held at Frances Stevens Park, adjacent to the Desert Art Center. They are celebrating their 25th year. These events are held and benefit local non-profit organizations. Their last festival will be:

April 9 and 10, 2011

## **Desertscapes**

The city of Palm Desert is again celebrating DESERTSCAPES in the month of April. There will be 3 paintouts during the month and a show of paintings by plein air artists at the Palm Desert library community room on Saturday April 16. Artists will need to display on their own freestanding or table easels. If anyone would like to help with this event feel free to volunteer.

Elaine Mathews            [elaineartist@yahoo.com](mailto:elaineartist@yahoo.com)  
 780-3284911  
 P.S. Cheap display easels can be purchased at Michaels

## **New Membership Contracts**

The board has modified our membership contract to require all prospective gallery members to attend a membership orientation to learn about the Desert Art Center. This new contract is available now, but will not go into effect until the fall.

# SCHEDULE OF CLASSES

The Desert Art Center is pleased to present its schedule classes. Please call the instructors to sign up for classes and be advised of supplies.

## MONDAYS

### 10-3 pm **Betty Jacobs, OILS**

Betty has been teaching art for many years and won numerous awards for her works. This class is for beginner to intermediate students. Please call Betty for rates.

(760) 328-6663

### 1:30-4:30 pm **Carolyn Hawley, OILS**

Carolyn has been teaching and showing nationally since 1990. She is a member of the Women Artists Of The West and Oil Painters of America. See her work at Dansk Gallery in Palm Desert. Beginner to Advanced students. Preregistration, 4 class for \$140.

website: [www.hawleyfineart.com](http://www.hawleyfineart.com)

(760) 401-3639

## TUESDAYS

### 9-12 pm **Terry Masters, OILS**

Terry was raised here in the desert and has a beautiful appreciation of our valley and desert life. These classes are for beginner to advanced students. Terry's art is known nationally as well as here in the desert.

\$130 for 4. Website: [www.desertpainter.com](http://www.desertpainter.com)

(760) 324-8300

### 1-4 pm **Elaine Mathews, OILS/ACRYLICS**

Elaine holds a BA in Art and an MA in teaching. Her large paintings are included in several corporate collections. Classes are for beginner to intermediate students who will paint from photos and learn plein air techniques.

\$115 for 4. (760) 328-4911

## WEDNESDAYS

### 9-12 pm **Kay Henkel, SCULPTURE**

Kay works as a full-time artist out of her studio and gallery in Palm Springs. An honored member of the National Sculpture Society, she uses varied media including clay, plaster and bronze. Many celebrities have purchased her works. Beginner to advanced students.

Call for rates: (760) 320-5276

### 9-12pm **John Malmquist, DIGITAL PHOTOGRAPHY**

John is an internationally published photographer, working in Los Angeles for over 10 years. He wants to help others learn about digital photography, a skill that has become a necessity in the digital age. Beginners to Intermediate: \$100 for 4 classes pr \$30 for 1. Website: [www.pixdude.com](http://www.pixdude.com)

(661) 607 5644

### 1-4 pm **John Malmquist, ADVANCED DIGITAL PHOTOGRAPHY:** See above for information

### 1-4 pm **Moira Johanessen, WATERCOLORS**

Moira's popular classes are well attended, so call for reservations. She has won many awards in local and national shows. She teaches the different techniques of watercolor to students from beginner to intermediate.

\$100 for 5. \$25 for 1. (760) 322 2523

## THURSDAYS

### 9-12 pm **David Furrington, OILS**

David has an extensive background in painting and drawing. He has painted over 500 personal portraits, ballet subjects and he was a Combat Artist for the US Army. \$140 for 4. Website:

[www.davidfurrington.com](http://www.davidfurrington.com)

## THURSDAYS continued:

### 9-12 pm **Don Dietz, STAINED GLASS (at Don's Studio)**

Don is a retired teacher with an MA in Vocational Education. He has been making stained glass for 12 years. His work sells throughout the US and Canada. Students learn glass selection, pattern transfer, cutting, grinding, foiling, soldering and finishing. Students will complete a basic project. \$25 per class. (760) 671-5000

### 9-12:30 pm and 1-4 pm, **Frances Poole, DRAWING- Charcoal and Pastel**

Class is designed as a first step for those wishing to take painting classes or to improve drawing skills. All levels welcome.

Frances has her MFA in Drawing and painting, has taught Art for 15 years and is an award winning artist whose paintings have shown nationally in Galleries and Museums for 25 years. Web: <http://www.francespoole.com>  
4 classes: \$100. \$30: for one 760-288-3162

### 1-4 pm **Moira Johanessen, WATERCOLORS**

See Wednesday's description

## FRIDAYS

### 9-12 pm **Louise Passey, OILS**

Louise is a full-time resident of Palm Springs and has a background in art teaching, set design, fantasy costume design for TV and clothing design. She has an MA with a major in painting and has received recognition in many national and local shows. \$100 for 4.  
(310) 629-8155

### 9-4 pm **Rafael Maniago, OILS**

Rafael is a premier artist from the Philippines where he is known as the "Master Painter of Portraits". He made his name in the art world with his beautiful paintings of figures and landscapes. He limits his class to 7 students and you must call Karen Brobeck for reservations. \$110 for the day.

(760) 322-7303

## SATURDAYS

### 9-12 pm **Meridy Volz, LIFE DRAWING**

Meridy is one of our most popular teachers. Her subjects are nude models. You will have exercises to loosen up and instruction on how to render the human figure. Warm-up is usually in charcoal on newsprint with longer poses in the medium of your choice. \$120 for 4.  
(760) 668-9852

### 9-12 pm **Don Dietz, STAINED GLASS (at Don's Studio)**

See Thursday's description

### 1-4 pm **Tony Diorio, OILS**

Tony is a master with the palette knife with his beautiful oils of seascapes, flowers and landscapes. He has taught painting and studied art most of his life. Come learn an exciting new way to paint. \$30 per class.

(760) 329-1089 or (760) 534-0043

## March General Meeting

1. Co-President Jonathan Caisse conducted the meeting and opened with having the minutes from the last meeting approved.
2. Jonathan reported that the sales for the gallery have been doing well.
3. Co-President Brad Zylstra gave the Treasurer's Report. Gallery Sales to February: \$26,964. Last year's gallery sales for the same period: \$21,839. Payment to Artists: \$18,641. Class fees: \$6,500. Memberships: \$9,400. Total Expenses: \$27,797.
4. Jonathan reported on the formation of a new group of member volunteers that will be called "Gallery Assistants". These members will be serving at least two days per month and will be the daily Leader for gallery sales. The incentives for volunteering for this assignment will be that individuals, on the day they work in the gallery, will be able to bring in art pieces to display for the day. There may be a designated area, pieces may be placed on easels or there may be a special bin. Another incentive will be that the gallery hanging fee will be waived. A meeting is being planned to discuss this matter further. Anyone interested to serve as a Gallery Assistant should contact Jonathan at 760-902-1690 or Brad at 415-806-5847.
5. Jonathan discussed the plans for improved lighting in the gallery. Several discussions have been held and there was a suggestion to consider buying a \$3,000 circuit. The final plan will not involve this cost but will involve replacing the bulbs with LED bulbs and adding some additional fixtures.
6. The Art Mart to be held on April 2 and 3 has a total of 39 people who will be showing their art works. There will be ads in the Desert Sun. Volunteers are needed to help with cashiering and general assistance during the two day event. Anyone interested in volunteering should contact Co-Chairs for the event, Don Dietz and Sally Hedberg 925-788-9862.
7. On March 26, from 10-12 there will be a juried intake for new members. This juried process is also the time for current gallery members to bring in work to show in a new category, other than the one they are now approved for gallery showings.
8. On March 28, from 10-4, there will be a take-in for

members to bring in new art works for the gallery.

9. There was a discussion of the proposed amendment to the DAC By-Laws of the Scholarship monetary awards. Members attending the meeting gave approval for the change, which is "such awards shall be an amount established by the Executive Board each year." The purpose is to allow an increase in scholarship amounts based on DAC income.
10. There are several DAC members who have won awards at the Artists Council juried show at the Palm Springs Museum. The show ends on April 10.
11. DAC will now provide an orientation meeting for new members. The first orientation will be on March 12. Next season, all current gallery members will be asked to attend an orientation meeting.
12. The annual Clean Up Day at DAC is planned for March 14. Volunteers are needed to help clean up the auditorium.
13. DAC will hold the Opening and Meet the Artist Reception on April 1. Robert Rogers will coordinate refreshments.
14. Alice O'Neill coordinated the refreshments for the March 8 meeting.
15. Terry Masters was introduced and gave an oil painting demonstration. Terry teaches a class at DAC on Tuesday mornings from 9 - 12. Terry displayed numerous art images in various sizes. There were landscapes, city scenes, vistas, figures, an interior of a cafe and even a truck. The demo was made on an 18 x 24 panel depicting a scene of a desert vista in the afternoon. Terry invited questions and discussed his process. He said that he paints every day. He explained how the distribution of light should be considered when planning your image. He suggests that turning your painting upside down is a good way to look at composition. He does work from photos for reference and does paint in his studio, although he prefers painting outdoors. Currently, he uses synthetic brushes and replaces them often. Terry's enthusiasm for plein air painting was made evident during his demonstration. One of his paintings was raffled at the end of the demonstration.

Submitted by Nancy Evans

## Member News

**Carolyn Hawley's** "It's A Hair Cut & Shave" won 1st place in the Western category, and best of the show at the National Date Festival in Indio this year and also received the Judges Award Of Excellence,



Her "Break Time" (below) received a 2nd place in the animal division.



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**Ruth Nagel** won 1<sup>ST</sup> place (Blue Ribben) for Color Division for her photo 'Lotus Flower with Seed Pod" at the Riverside County Fair (Date Festival). This photo also won Best of Show in the Color Division. She Also won 1<sup>ST</sup> place in the Black and White Division (Still Life) for her "2 Pears"

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Desert Art Center members **Ron Childers, Hermann Fischer, Bob Hoffman, Moira Johannessen, Carolyn Gruninger, Linda Maxson, Bonnie Ruttan, Meridy Volz, Randall Weidner and David Whitlock** were among the fifty artists selected from a field of 134 to appear in The Palm Springs Art Museum's 2011 A.C.E. Juried Show which will be on display through April 11.

**Meridy Volz** received third prize for "Seated Children"



Honorable mentions went to **Ron Childers** for his "Margaret Explains"



and **Moira Johannessen** for her watercolor "Victoria Houseboats."



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of each month. Please place  
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newsletter box or email to

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at [www.desertartcenter.com](http://www.desertartcenter.com)

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