

MESSAGE FROM THE BOARD - DECEMBER 2023



**** LAST NEWSLETTER ****

Reminder to those of you receiving this mailed Newsletter that this will be the last one. We have moved all information to the Art Associations website AtascaderoArt.org. If you have an email and are willing to share it with us, you will receive a monthly notice when the website is updated as well as reminders for any events. Other than that, we do not email members on a regular basis. You can send your name and email address to: AtasArtAssn@gmail.com

If you have internet access... Generally all internet providers also provide you an email account as part of your internet service. It is also possible to set up a free gmail account on-line, or just check our website after the beginning of each month.

If you do not have internet access...perhaps a friend or family member will be willing to receive emails on your behalf and keep you posted. You can let them know that it would be only one to two emails per month.

SEE THE UNDER \$200 SHOW...

Remember *The ARTery* on Traffic Way, is holding an under \$200 show during the month of December. Take a moment to stop in and check out the work of local artists. Be sure to ask about the 3D painting and take a look through 3D glasses to see what the artist has done. Very fun! Congratulations to member Tori, who sold a painting the first night.





...AND DROP OFF YOUR DONATION

Don't forget we are participating with the Kiwanis in the holiday art supply collection for community youngsters. *The ARTery* will collect donations again this year. Drop off art supply donations to *The ARTery* by **December 12**th so they can be included. Art supplies should be **NEW** and are for kids and teens and could include paper, paint, color pencils, pens, how-to books...

FAIR THEME

California Mid-State Fair has announced the theme for the 2024 Fair. It's never too early to get a start if you want to paint something to enter under the Fair's Theme category, so think "Wide Open Spaces" and get working. The Fair release says it is combining another galaxy with the wild west...think cowboy boots, UFOs, moons, stars, wagon wheels and cactus. That sounds pretty wide open for your imagination to take hold and create something wonderful.

LAST MEETING OF THE YEAR

On December 2nd members shared a holiday potluck for the final General Membership meeting of the year. Members brought salads and desserts to keep it simple and shared art work and handmade holiday cards.





BALLOT

There is only about a week left to get your ballot in the mail for counting to be included by the **deadline of December 15th**. Membership renewals can be completed at anytime.

OPPORTUNITIES

Be sure to check out what Cuesta College is offering for Emeritus Classes and Community Programs in the Spring Semester.

<u>For Emeritus Classes:</u> Go to cuesta.edu, search under menu "Academics" then "Find Classes" - you are looking for classes with a CRN of "ECOL" which stands for Emeritus. These classes are free.

<u>For Community Program Classes:</u> Go to cuesta.edu/communityprograms. These classes are generally not the full semester, and may be only one or two meeting classes. There is typically a cost for these and information is often posted on the website later than it is for the regular Cuesta programs, so check back again if you don't see anything the first time you look.

The Atascadero Recreation Department has been offering Watercolor classes as well, a great opportunity if you have never tried this medium. Classes tend to fill up very fast, so you may have to sign up for a future session. Go to: atascadero.org/recreation

Check out other class and demonstration opportunities on our website under "Links": AtascaderoArt.org

