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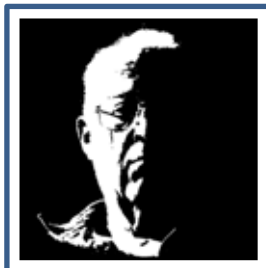
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Encouraging creativity in visual arts and serving the community since 1950

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President's Message



It seems that spring is springing and we are seeing more flowers, birds, and sunshine than the previous few months. The covid thing looks like it was getting better (less of it) but there seems to be some concern about it ramping up again, so keep those masks on when appropriate.



The best part of spring for BAA is the Spring Members' Show to be held at the GEO starting April 12. Unlike the fall show, we can actually get up close to the artwork after the check-in and hanging of the exhibit. Granted, we won't be doing an on-site reception. But the show will be judged, and there will be ribbons galore. Ellie Klein and her support crew have been putting in a great deal of time to organize the event (and nag you to enter something that you have done lately). We will be having an on-line turn-the-page catalog for this show just like the one we had in the fall. So we can see the art in the comfort of our own living rooms as well as show up and see them for real. By all means, make sure you submit something to the show. It is always a fun experience.

Here is an example of the "thick paint" mode of the graphics tablet for your information.

Stay safe and keep painting, sewing, casting, throwing, chiseling, soldering and hammering.

Ren Colantoni

Membership Memo

Hello fellow artists! If you still haven't renewed your membership, this is a friendly reminder to do so. You don't want to miss out in participating in our upcoming Spring Show! In order to be eligible, dues must be received no later than March 15, 2021.

Dues for the half-year are \$20 for Individual Memberships and \$25 for Family Memberships for both renewing and new members. Prior to September 1st, we will review our budget and make any adjustments needed for the coming 2021-2022 year.

Payments can be made online with a credit card or by mailing a check to BAA, P.O. Box 1013, Burbank, CA 91507.

If you have any question, please contact Mimi Rossi through this email: membership@burbankartassociation.org.



Dates to remember:

April 10 – Take-in at Geo Gallery and Pick up "Night Gallery" artwork

April 18 - BAA scholarship applications due

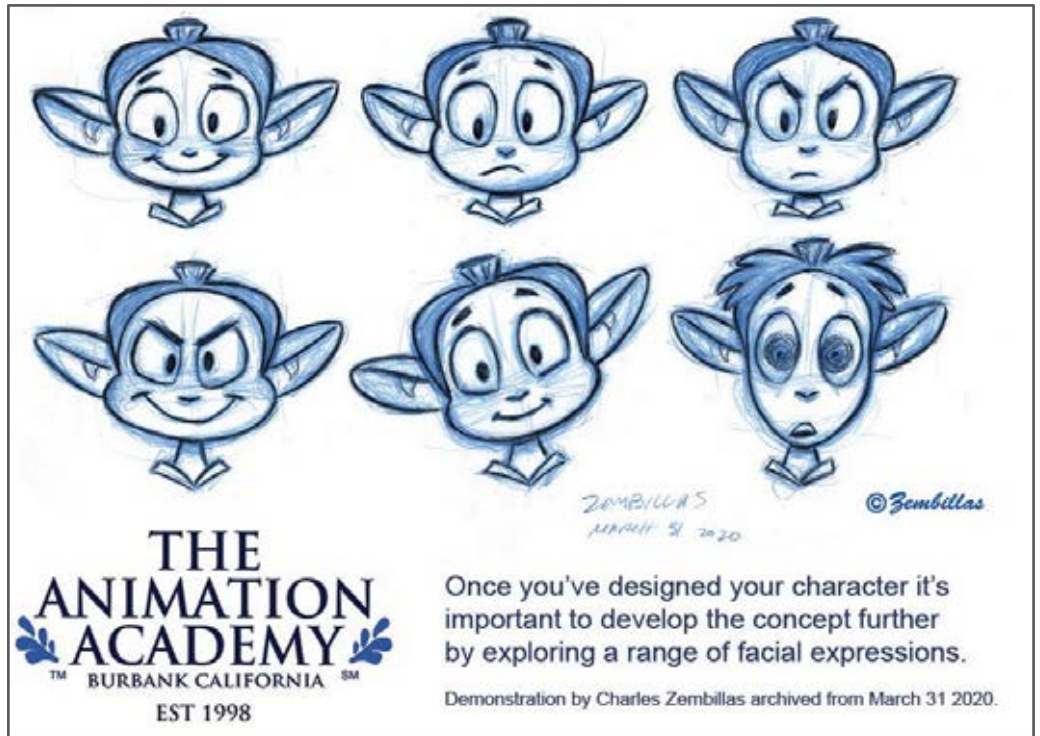
April 21 - Regular monthly BAA meeting, 7pm via Zoom

APRIL PROGRAM ~ Stefanie Girard

At our monthly meeting on April 21, 7pm via Zoom, we will present our April guest speaker, Charles Zembillas.



Charles Zembillas is a Character Designer, Animator and Educator, working in the animation industry for more than 40 years. He is the founder of The Animation Academy and a former president of the Burbank Art Association. Charles has developed many memorable characters in video games, television and film. He'll be giving a demonstration on the principles of Character Design and showcasing how the basic fundamentals of the art relate to many forms of drawing and design.

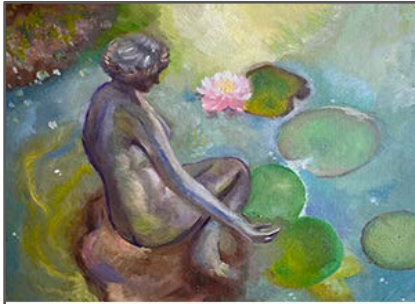


Light the Darkness

The **Burbank Human Relations Council** hopes to inspire citizens across our city to honor those who suffered or died due to persecution and mass extermination with a **Light the Darkness** community remembrance project **throughout the month of April**.

We will be encouraging every home and business to place an artistic rendering of a candle in their windows to recognize the *Holocaust Days of Remembrance, April 4-11, 2021* and *Armenian Genocide Remembrance Day on April 24th*.

EXHIBITS ~ Ellie Klein



By Tim West

2021 BAA Annual Members' Spring Show

Thank you to everyone who submitted photos of their Spring Show entries. The artwork we have seen is exceptional and promises a fantastic exhibit at the Geo Gallery.

Take-in is on Saturday, April 10 from 9:30am to 1:00pm at the Geo Gallery.

The Geo Gallery is located in the Geosystems building, 1545 Victory Blvd., Glendale (between Western and Sonoma).

Even if you have been fully vaccinated for COVID, masks are still required and appropriate social distancing should be maintained.

Entrants will bring artwork to the back of the building, where you will check-in and pay the entry fee.

Entry fee is \$20.00 payable by cash or check.

Entry forms will be available at check-in.

As always, we will check artwork for proper framing and wiring. If not properly wired, we can fix or rewire your piece for a "fee" (a \$5.00 donation to the gallery fund). Otherwise, you'll have to bring it home, fix it and bring it back.

Our judge for this year's show is Dr. Betty Ann Brown, art historian, curator, and teacher at CSUN and Pasadena City College. We look forward to giving her a great show from which to choose award winners in each category.

Once the digital catalog and video tour of the exhibit are completed, they will be posted on our website and social media pages. Be sure to "like" and "share" them, so they can be viewed by friends, family and many others. The show will stay up at the Geo until June 26th. (Details for take-down and pick-up will be posted later.)

Thank you, BAA artists, for continuing to do what you do and for participating in our annual shows in spite of the hurdles. Good days are ahead.

If you have any questions, please contact me at ellieoklein@gmail.com.

Ellie Klein, Exhibits Chair

OUTSIDE EXHIBITS

Online Exhibit Opportunities

Get your artwork spotlighted in *Southwest Art* and win \$2,000! Enter your best work in our competition and show us your Artistic Excellence! All mediums, styles, and subjects are accepted.

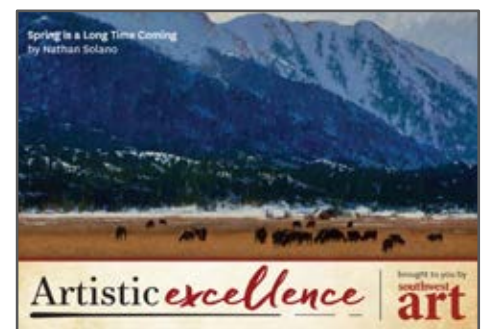
Award Winners will be published in the December 2021/January 2022 issue of *Southwest Art*.

Early Bird (**Save \$5**) Deadline: **May 24, 2021**

Final Deadline: **July 30, 2021**.

Visit website for entry fees and rules:

<https://www.southwestart.com/competitions-contests/artistic-excellence-art-competition>



GEO GALLERY NEWS ~ Joanna Lewis

Solo Show at Geo Gallery- Call for Artists

For our members new and old, a reminder that the Geo Gallery is available for your own solo show. We have ceased this during the pandemic, but if you are interested, we may be able to have in-person receptions this Fall.

Please note that you are responsible for promotion, hanging, reception, and take down (we can definitely help and consult).

Email Joanna Lewis at vp@burbankartassociation.org to get on the waiting list. We look forward to this delightful opportunity to see an artists' body of work coordinated and displayed with love.

Pick up paintings from Night Gallery Show

Please remember to pick up your Night Gallery pieces from the Geo Gallery on Saturday, April 10th, 9-12, when you drop off for the Spring Show.

We will have your art at the front door facing the street (Victory Blvd) and then around back, Ellie will be running the Spring Show take-in.

Stay 6 feet apart, wear your masks and please let us know if you need to make alternate arrangements to pick up your art.

Thank you and I hope you all enjoyed The Night Gallery! Happy Spring!



SCHOLARSHIP NEWS ~ Jamie Butterworth

It's Scholarship Time!

Do you know any Burbank high school seniors who are visual artists and planning to continue their art studies in college in the fall? If you do, please encourage them to apply for our Burbank Art Association Scholarship! We will be awarding two monetary scholarships - the Arline Helm Scholarship of \$500 and the Charlotte Jones Scholarship of \$250 in memory of two of our past members.

Applications and all required documents (portfolio, letter of recommendation, artist's statement, and letter of acceptance) **are due by Sunday, April 18.**

Students may submit applications using this Google Form: BAA Scholarship Application

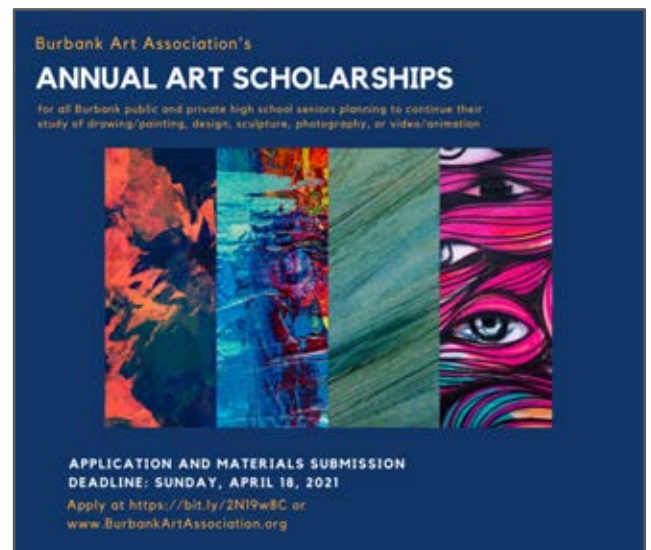
<https://forms.gle/2yDb1vT3CiTakPd67>

or by email at

baa2021scholarships@gmail.com using the PDF application on our BAA website.

Please share this information with any Burbank high school students you think may be interested! Our scholarship committee will be making a decision by early to mid-May.

Jamie Butterworth, VP/Scholarship Chair



Penstrokes- A short news update from our Members.

We welcome our members to send in information on any interesting art stuff they would like to share. This could be personal accomplishments or events you think we would be interested in.

Send in before the end of the month to Helena: helenasbowman@gmail.com.
Mark the emails "BAA Penstrokes"

✿ **Fred Fuges**. Fred's first love is mobile making, but there is no more room in his house or on his property to accommodate new flying art. So, Fred has been doing a lot of work involving acrylic ink drawing and scratch-off images combined with reverse painting in acrylics on Lexan, glass, and flexible acetate sheets. Reverse painting involves working "backwards", drawing and painting foreground first and then moving to background last, all on the back side of the media. He usually ends up covering the entire work with white or gold paint as a last step. Fred likes the feeling of immediacy that seems to come from drawing and painting on the reverse side of the "window" on the work.

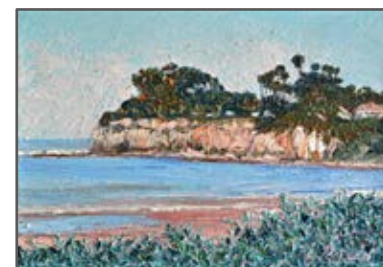


✿ **Narine Isajanyan**. Narine travels to Malibu and Santa Monica to work on art. She gets inspired being in nature and always tries to use the materials surrounding her. Narine is working on project calls - surrounded by the souls from the people she knew before. To be connected and feel the power and feeling the Energy. Working in nature gives Narine the freedom for space. Here is a photo from Santa Monica -next to the pier. It was a windy day. The sound of the ocean was so powerful. Narine used a plastic sheet from her car to cover herself using the plastic like a tent. The natural light, organic materials and being free from everybody - it was a wonderful day! Narine's son was the photographer. "It was a beautiful day, having my son with me and doing whatever I like."

✿ **Sydney Persaud**. Sydney has been drawing since she was a kid and always has an artistic eye. She took art all through high school but didn't know she wanted to pursue art until college when it became clear that art was the only thing she could see herself doing. Sydney has been taking college classes as well as other classes in her own time to learn and grow. The pandemic is hard to be going through as an art student but she hasn't let that stop her and still works on art when she can.



✿ **Timothy West**. Tim has always carried and drawn in a sketchbook. In recent years he has been attending art classes each Saturday. These classes and his fellow students have become time he truly values and looks forward to. Tim has created several paintings some of which have become cherished gifts to friends and family. Lately, he has been working in oils on canvas. Tim also still likes to express himself by sketching and making jewelry for himself and others.



✿ **Lu Rotsen**. Lu has been dabbling in small format Californian landscape paintings.

BAA Candidates for May 2021 Election of 2021-2022 Board and Chairmanships

Dear BAA Members, the election of the New Board will be conducted again on-line through our website. The information on how to do this will be in the May Newsletter.

Please note that we need a Treasurer. A new treasurer will have plenty of support from fellow board members, so, if you are good at budgeting and balancing a checkbook, do not hesitate to join us as a board member if you are interested. Contact Karen Sachs (karebrace@aol.com) or Helena Bowman (helenasbowman@gmail.com) for more information about this position.

The Nominating Committee has assembled the following slate of candidates for the Board and Chairmanships position for 2021-2022 year. We thank the following members for accepting a nomination for the positions noted.

Officers:

President – Mimi Rossi

Vice President - Jamie Butterworth

Secretary – Carol Tensen

Treasurer - **Open**

Financial Secretary – Ellie Klein

Financial Advisor - Marsha Ramos

Board Advisor* - Ren Colantoni

** This is an appointed position, typically filled by the immediate Past President.*

Chairmanships

Exhibit Chair (Fall and Spring Shows) -Ellie Klein

Geo Gallery Director - Joanna Lewis

Programs - Stefanie Girard

Program Co-Chair - Pam McDonald

Newsletter Editor – Karen Sachs

Penstrokes - Helena Bowman

Outside Exhibits Chair - Joanna Lewis

Macy's Gallery - Wendy Wallace

Exhibit Catalog - Delta Mishler

BAA Website - Ren Colantoni

Membership – Yvonne Jongeling

Social Media – Stefanie Girard

Hospitality Chair - Jenny Cirrincione

Host/Greeter – Debra Reynold

The Nominating Committee 2021: Helena Bowman, Mimi Rossi and Ellie Klein.

*The Burbank Art Association is a volunteer-run, non-profit organization.
Our mission is to stimulate and encourage creative expression and provide a showcase
for our members' talents. Artists of all ages and skill levels are welcome to join.
Sponsorships and donations to the BAA help to fund exhibits, awards and student scholarships.
Your gift will have a tremendous impact by keeping our organization thriving and serving its community.
If you or someone you know would like to become a sponsor, please contact us through our website at:
www.burbankartassociation.org*

Carter Sexton

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