MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT, Vic Picou

Dear PSA members,

PSA is off to another great year having had one of our best exhibitions ever, this time in the Burbank Creative Arts Center. Big thanks to Larry and Rebecca and all the volunteers who helped install the nice exhibition.

In my 8 months of being PSA President, I have continuously reflected on the values of just what PSA is all about and the creative pathways ahead. In being a member for 10 years, I had never been too excited about the meetings and general activity. The exhibitions for the most part were good but I still felt a limited professional connection to PSA. In this new role, I feel at home, and I feel well connected now.

I invite you to review your need for PSA in your life and how PSA can enrich your professional interactions with other artists and opportunities. What else can PSA members do to be creative leaders in the art world?

Our meetings are no longer boring and are more interactive and informative. This is a chance for you to relax, and enjoy PSA on a personal and professional level. Come at 12:00 noon for the “social hour” before the general meeting and program, or sit in on the Board of Directors meeting every two months. You are welcome to bring your latest work to show other members.

On March 7th, we will have our Blinn House Exhibition reception at 2:00 pm, right after the meeting. Speaking of “meeting”, can someone think of a different name other than “meeting”?

Send me an email with your suggestions to
president@pasadenasocietyofartists.org

Thank you for being a vital person to PSA !!
Victor Picou, President PSA
president@pasadenasocietyofartists.org

NEW MONTHLY MEETING FORMAT:
Meetings in 2015 will be held on the first Saturday of the month. Board meetings will be held every other month from 12:00 pm with the general meeting beginning at 1:00 pm. Months with no board meeting will begin with a "social hour" beginning at 12:00 pm with the general meeting beginning at 1:00 pm. As always, members are welcome to attend the board meetings. Months with board meetings are March, May, July, September, November.

March Meeting
Saturday, March 7
Board Meeting: 12 noon
General Meeting 1:00 pm
Blinn House (Women's City Club of Pasadena)
160 N. Oakland Avenue, Pasadena, CA

March Program:
In lieu of the March program, there will be a reception for the Blinn House Artists' Choice Exhibition from 2 pm to 5 pm directly after the general meeting. Come and celebrate our artists!

April 4 Meeting and Program: Saturday, April 4, 2015: Program details pending.

February Program: Morgan Kari demonstrated several innovative mixed-media techniques including spectacular gold-leafing in her own wonderful artwork.
MEET OUR ARTISTS: Steve Smith

I am a storyteller. My work creates a dialogue with the viewer through the use of symbols and folkloric references. The ultimate goal is to give material form to ideas that exist, waiting for the hand of the artist to give them visual form. My themes celebrate the diversity that makes the Americas a rich fusion of world ideas.

Like meeting a person, the more time spent with the individual, one becomes richer: the same is true of a work of art. Visit often and your understanding and perception of both the artwork and of self will increase.

I was born in Japan but have lived in Altadena since I was a year old. I am a graduate of Pasadena schools and received an A.B. from Occidental College, where my mentor was Robert Hansen.

I have the good fortune to live in the forest with my spouse (a well-respected writer of both science and fiction), a daughter who divides her college studies between “theatah” and disability studies, and a pack of ill-mannered dogs.

More information at: www.smithartonline.wordpress.com

PSA EXHIBITIONS:
Please see website for details
March 7 - June 7, 2015:
Blinn House: Artists' Choice Exhibition
Drop off: March 6 from 9 am to 11 am
Reception: March 7 from 2 pm to 5 pm directly after the monthly meeting.

March 14 - April 4, 2015:
New Members Exhibition
Location: Towns Burr Gallery, 3609 West Magnolia Blvd., Burbank, Ca. 91505
Reception: March 14 from 1 pm to 4 pm
Members are requested to bring their favorite hors d'oeuvres
Questions/Comments: Contact Lawrence D. Rodgers at 626-802-7142
exhibitions@pasadenasocietyofartists.org

RAFFLE REMINDER: Please bring art or art-related donations to be raffled. And, bring your dollars. Raffle tickets are $3 for one and $5 for 2. The more money we bring in, the more we help our members. Thank you!

DUES REMINDER: If you haven't already paid your dues, please make it a priority. $48.00 for June 1, 2014 - May 31, 2015.