

THE CAMILLE AND ERIC DURAND DOCENT COUNCIL

Orange COUNTY MUSEUM OF ART

Docent Doings

November 2017

President's Message

Dear Docents,

As we welcome November (and even fall weather), I hope you will be marking your calendars with the upcoming events. At our November 13th Docent Council meeting, Mary Blacker has arranged for Bradford Salamon to address the docents. I am inviting you to bring friends that may also be interested in this program focusing on what it means to be an artist today.

December 11th is our annual Holiday Party. Watch for details in the evite sent by Joyce Rosenblum. The event will be held at the museum where we hope to have a large turnout. Most importantly, please do respond to the invitation indicating whether or not you plan to attend. This is critical for planning the menu and the seating.

Thank you to Barbara DeGroot for organizing the field trip to the Hammer Museum. Although the number of members able to attend was disappointing, those who participated reported a delightful day.

Another thank you goes out to Karen Evarts who took time to brainstorm with docents on giving a successful public tour. This is something we might consider repeating at a later date.

I'm certain you have received the urgent pleas from Shimin for docents to complete our touring obligations. It becomes an unfair burden on those who have signed on to tour when their groups become very large due to the docent shortage. Please take time to sign up for a couple of tours if you have not yet done so. There is a probability that this exhibition will remain open for the month of January, resulting in the need for more docents willing to tour. The students are enjoying the variety of pieces in this exhibition. To those already touring, a giant thank you.

Valerie Greeley
President

Important Dates to Remember

11.13.17 – 10:00 am

Docent Council General Meeting
Guest Speaker Bradford Salamon

12.4.17 – 10:00 am

Docent Council Board Meeting

12.11.17 – 10:00 am

Docent Council General Meeting

12.11.17 – 5:30 pm

Docent Council Holiday Party

Education Department – Public Programs

11.10.17 – 7:00 pm

Cinema Orange: *Blurred Lines: Inside the Art World*

<https://www.ocma.net/event/cinema-orange-blurred-lines-inside-art-world>

11.18.17 – 10:00 am

Classic Life Force Meditation: The Chi
Join meditation teacher Ross Stoutenborough for a 45-minute meditation focusing on Chi, a Chinese idea of energy or life force and the chakra or energy center that promotes health, wholeness, and vitality.

11.18.17 – 2:00 pm

Pivotal Artists in Conversation
Los Angeles artists Amanda Ross-Ho and Sean Duffy will discuss their work in the exhibition *Pivotal: Highlights from the Collection* and how it is reflective of their practice.

12.3.17 – 11:00 am – 4:00 pm

Free Family Day

12.8.17 – 7:00 pm

Cinema Orange: *Harry Seidler: Modernist*

<https://www.ocma.net/event/cinema-orange-harry-seidler-modernist>

The Relevance of Representational Art

The guest speaker for the November 13th General Council Meeting will be Southern California Artist Bradford Salamon. In addition to portraits, the self-described contemporary realist also trains his eye on utilitarian and often vintage objects, such as aspirin bottles, typewriters, and stereo turntables. In his words, he would rather paint a light

switch than a bowl of fruit. He paints contemporary images of individuals, depictions of human drama, as well as portraits of remarkable objects of the past that shaped society's daily lives, many in monumental sizes.



His work is currently on view at the Hilbert Museum of California Art in *California Masters: Bradford j. Salamon Works from the Hilbert Collection*, as well as other galleries in Orange County.



His presentation is open to docents and friends, and promises to be well attended. Don't miss this opportunity to hear from another "pivotal" artist in our time.



Save the Date Holiday Party

The holidays are upon us and that means planning for the traditional Docent Holiday Party. A formal invitation will follow, but please mark your calendar for:

Monday, December 11
5:30 – 8:00 pm – Museum Pavilion
Appetizers, small plates, wine, and art

Save the Date Field Trip to Mixographia Workshop and Studio

Saturday, January 13
9:30 am – 4:00 pm

20-25 individuals/bus

A tour of the Mixographia print shop to understand the printing process that allows artists to create prints in high relief with fine surface detail, producing artworks that are both three-dimensional and remarkably detailed. This Mixographia method has attracted artists such as John Baldessari, Helen Frankenthaler, and Ed Ruscha. Artwork by some of your favorite contemporary artists will be on display.

More details to follow in the next *Docent Doings*.

Joanne Mercer

December Reading Group Selection

The reading group will meet on December 4th to discuss The Last Painting of Sara De Vos, by Dominic Smith.

Upcoming Birthdays

November:

Bonita Stern – 11/23

December:

Annie Anderson – 12/3

Diane Cherniss – 12/16

Joel Shalit – 12/24

Deadline for the next *Docent Doings*

Monday, November 27th, 2017

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