

THE CAMILLE AND ERIC DURAND DOCENT COUNCIL

Orange COUNTY MUSEUM OF ART

Docent Doings

September 2017

President's Message

Dear Docents,

The most important thing I wish to say this month is to take note of the dates listed below. I am very anxious to have a robust attendance for both the September and October meetings.

At the September meeting we will be given the overview of the upcoming exhibition by Cassandra and Todd. I had a sneak preview of some of the selections, and you will be eager to share these treasures from our permanent collection.

The October Continuing Education will benefit from all docent participation, even if you do not currently tour. Following the meeting, the Welcome Back Luncheon sponsored by the Docent Board will provide a time to catch up and continue discussing ideas and reflections on the exhibition.

This fall there will be more need for public tours than school tours due to the holidays. With this in mind, we're working toward having a special public tour given for the docents to facilitate new ideas and greater comfort in welcoming our adult groups. Docents have reported some large numbers showing up for public tours, and we want to impress all of our visitors with our knowledge and warmth.

On Monday, October 16th, Karen Evarts has graciously agreed to give a shortened public tour for docents. Afterwards time will be provided for feedback and ideas or questions. Karen recognizes that not every public tour will have willing participants for an interactive discussion, so it becomes important to respond accordingly. It should be fun and helpful. Details will follow, but I anticipate a 10:00 am time slot.

Thank you all for your contribution to the museum.

Valerie Greeley
President

Important Dates to Remember

9.5.17 – 10:00 am

Docent Council Board Meeting

9.11.17 – 10:00 am

Docent Council General Meeting
Preview of upcoming exhibitions with Cassandra and Todd Smith, discussing the permanent collection and Shi Zhiying, respectively.

10.2.17 – 10:00 am

Docent Council Board Meeting

10.9.17 – 10:00 am
Docent Council General Meeting
Continuing Education and Fall Welcome
Back Luncheon

Education Department – Public Programs

10.6.17 – 6:00/7:00 pm
VIP/Members opening reception of
Pivotal: Highlights from the Collection
and *Shi Zhiying*.

10.7.17 – 11:00 am
Opening Day for Fall 2017 Exhibitions:
Pivotal: Highlights from the Collection
and *Shi Zhiying*

10.7.17 – 2:00 pm
Join OCMA Director and CEO Todd
Smith for a walkthrough of the exhibition
Shi Zhiying. Following, OCMA Senior
Curator Cassandra Coblenz will lead a
walkthrough of the exhibition *Pivotal:
Highlights from the OCMA collection*.

10.13.17 – 7:00 pm
Cinema Orange

10.14.17 – 10:00 am
Guided Meditation with Ross
Stoutenborough from Yoga Center

10.21.17 – 2:00 pm
Lecture about Buddhism with Rongdao
Lai, USC Assistant Professor of Religion

Wufoo Touring Schedule Signup

On September 8, we will be sending out the Wufoo schedule signup for the new exhibition cycle. Please look for it in your email inbox and **complete the form by September 22** so that we can arrange the fall touring schedule for everyone as quickly as possible. Feel free to reach

out to Shimin at szheng@ocma.net if you have any questions.

Lights, Action, Camera

The set was a flurry of action, with people milling around, trying on various pieces of clothing and snacking on delectable treats accompanied by champagne and wine. The makeup artist was busy applying makeup for individual shoots and the excitement level was palpable and contagious.

All this was taking place on the 29th of August in the Pavilion at OCMA. Carmen Argote was wrapping up her exhibition, *Place on Fold*, for the 2017 California-Pacific Triennial at OCMA. She had invited Docents and Board Members to take part in a photo shoot highlighting the various articles of clothing she had produced as an ongoing project during the exhibition.



Each participant was treated to a makeup session with Danie Cansino, the professional makeup artist on hand

for the event, and then filmed individually wearing Carmen's creations with a variety of footwear.

Carmen was warm and inviting, and the whole experience was delightful and loads of fun, bringing a gentle closure to this latest exhibition of OCMA. I would do it again for sure.

Mary Blacker

Docent Roster Available Soon

A new, up-to-date Docent Roster is nearing completion, but we need your picture to make it great. We can't use the pictures from the old roster because they are lost somewhere in the OCMA computer archives. Please email a headshot, preferably one you like, to me at bdegroot@aol.com. If you prefer, I can take your picture at the Sept. 11 meeting.

We are also including the names of spouses, so send in that information if you wish it to be included.

A copy of the updated roster will be available at the Sept. 11 meeting, for members to check their information. The new roster will be easy to update and available to all. I'm hoping to have it ready by the October meeting.

Thanks to Fiorenza Comunian for her invaluable help in creating the new roster.

Barbara De Groot
VP Membership

Help Wanted: Calling All Docents with a Cell Phone Camera

If you attend an OCMA field trip, an OCMA opening or walkthrough, and have a phone with which to take pictures, please, take photos, label and send them to this year's Historian, Gale Edelberg via email gale.edelberg@gmail.com or via text (949) 310-2710

Pictures are needed for our album in order to keep a visual record of our year. Your invaluable help is most appreciated!

Gale Edelberg
Historian

Save the Date: Monday, October 9th

Fall Welcome Back Luncheon

Following the Continuing Education program

Invitation to follow

October Reading Group Selection

The reading group will meet on October 2nd to discuss Culture as a Weapon, by Nato Thompson.

Upcoming Birthdays

September:

Valerie Greeley – 9/1
Richard Channin – 9/2
Merle Stern – 9/15
Ruth Roe – 9/18

October:

Harriet Selna – 10/1
Ann Anderson – 10/5
Joan Savitt – 10/6
Barbara DeGroot – 10/31

Deadline for the next *Docent Doings*

Monday, September 25th, 2017

Submit all copy to:
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