

Docent Doings

May 2014

President's Message

In a world where a Malaysian plane can suddenly disappear, or the moon can turn blood red, do we trust what we see? I'm told that data, documents and images are stored on a cloud, but has anyone seen this cloud? We are constantly taking in information, and trying to make sense of our world. Artists can push us to expand and question what we perceive and what we believe.

In our current exhibition, *Sarkisian and Sarkisian*, Paul and Peter Sarkisian utilize elements of tromp l'oeil, techniques to "fool the eye." At first glance, the effects are fascinating and one is tempted to flit from piece to piece, like a bee flies from flower to flower. However, is there more than optical trickery to their art? How do we get from "Wow, how did he do this?" to "Why?" and "What does it mean?" It is only through extended looking that we have a chance to consider these deeper issues. So, choose your tour stops carefully, and use the limited time to really engage with your visitor.

I hope you enjoy sharing these experiences. The art offers a chance to encounter the impossible and fanciful, and perhaps it begins to open our minds to the mysteries of the everyday.

Bonita Stern
President

Important Dates to Remember

June 2, 2014 Monday, 10:00am

Board Meeting: "old board/new board" transitional meeting and potluck lunch.

Board members for 2014-15 are invited to meet with current board members and be our guests for lunch.

5.1.14/8:00pm

Cinema Orange | Film Screening

6:30 - 8:30pm Food truck onsite: StuffNIt Burger

8:00pm Film Screening: Herb and Dorothy 50 x 50

5.5.14/10:00am

Docent Council Board Meeting

5.11.14/11:00am

Free Second Sunday | Mother's Day Tribute

11:00am - 3:00pm Food truck onsite: Soho Taco

11:00am - 4:00pm Hands-on art making

11:00am - 5:00pm Free exhibition admission

5.12.14/10:00am

General Docent Council Meeting | Docent's Choice: Let your voice be heard!

As 2013-14 comes to a close, the May General Council meeting will be a time to look forward to next year and to begin making decisions that will shape 2014-15's programming. Come to cast your vote on topics ranging from the proposed Docent Council board to field trip preferences to movie screenings for the upcoming August Movie Madness.

5.13.14 9 am Docent field trip/mashup

Hands-on dessert class at Surf as Culinary District followed by lunch. We will carpool to the Laguna Art Museum for a docent led tour of the Wayne Thiebaud exhibit. Meet at OCMA at 9 am, return at 3:30. The cost is \$25, plus the cost of lunch. Send check made out to OCMA Docent Council to Jane Fowler, 122 Via Orvieto, Newport Beach CA 92663.

5.15.14/7:00pm

Third Thursday | Artist Talk

5:30pm – 7:00pm Food truck onsite: Grilled Cheese

6:00pm Gallery tour

7:00pm Artist talk

Pasadena c.1963: Artists George Herms and Llyn Foulkes join Dan Cameron to discuss the emerging art scene in 1960s Pasadena and Paul Sarkisian's work from that era.

5.25.14/11:00am

Studio Sunday | Trompe l'oeil Casts

11:00am – 12:30 pm Studio Workshop

Led by local artist Toni Ivashkov, create a trick of the eye (trompe l'oeil) with a turn of plaster in this casting workshop founded in misdirection and play.

Education Department

Docent Kudos

Kudos to Diane Cherniss, Valerie Greeley, and Lynda Wilson for aiding in an engaging Continuing Education session. Big thanks to Barbara DeGroot and Edie Levin for planning brainstorming sessions for touring docents. Thanks to Lynda Wilson for leading a one-stop at Evening for Educators.

Education Department

Docent - to - Docent

End of the Year Docent Luncheon

Oh what a pleasure it will be to see everyone together at the End of the Year Luncheon, where you can expect a worthwhile program, a delicious lunch, and - of course - the extraordinarily fine company of the Docent Council and the OCMA staff.

Rendezvous at 11:00 AM at the Museum Pavilion on June 9th to partake of a lunch that promises to be well worth the \$20.00 price.

Please address your checks to OCMA Docent Council & mail them to Pat Jorgensen,

3227 Clay St., Newport Beach, CA 92663

Before or by June 2, 2014.

Looking forward to seeing you,

Gale Edelberg

Assistant Hospitality Chair

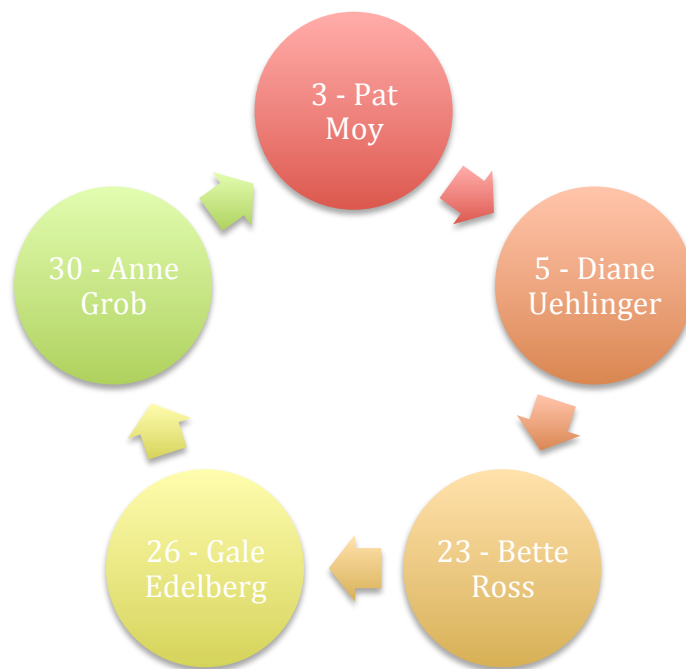
Deadline for next DOCENT DOINGS

June 30, 2014

Submit all copy in writing to:
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Birthday Corner

June Birthdays



Fair words butter no parsnips.

Clarke—*Paræmiologia*. P. 12. (Ed. 1639). Quoted “soft words.”*

*Hoyt’s New Cyclopedia of Practical Quotations



cook & look

a mashup field
trip inspired by
the artwork of
Wayne Thiebaud

Spend a day immersed in Thiebaud's world of sweets and treats. We'll kick off the day with a hands-on baking class at SOCO's Surfside Culinary District, followed by lunch at their cafe, and then a docent-led tour of *Wayne Thiebaud: American Memories* at Laguna Art Museum.

when: Tuesday, May 13 from 9:00-3:30pm

where: Meet at OCMA at 9:00am to carpool between destinations.

cost: \$25. The cost of the baking class has been supplemented by the docent council.

want to go? Spots are limited to 20 docents. To reserve your spot, send a check (made out to OCMA Docent Council) to Jane Fowler (122 Via Orvieto, Newport Beach, 92663). If you have questions or are willing to drive a carpool, please contact Jane Fowler at janeof122@gmail.com.



DOCENTS' CHOICE

LET YOUR VOICE BE HEARD!

MAY 12 10:00-12:00

DOCENT GENERAL COUNCIL MTG

As 2013-14 comes to a close, the May General Council meeting will be a time to look forward to next year and to begin making decisions that will shape 2014-15 Docent Council programming.

Come to the May 12 meeting to cast your vote on the following topics and more:

- Proposed Docent Council Board for 2014-15
- Movie Screenings for the return of Movie Madness in August 2014
- Inspirational speakers for an upcoming docent council meeting
- Preferences for field trip sites
- Ideas for future continuing education and brainstorming sessions

We look forward to your participation!