

Redwood Art Association Awards more than \$2600 in Prizes at 53rd Fall Exhibition

Kristi Nicola Clark won the Best of Show and was awarded \$600 for her oil painting, "Thread," during the 53rd Redwood Art Association Fall Exhibition.

"Best of Show Photography Award (\$300) went to David Boston for his piece titled "Yellow Peppers". Linda Wise, Arlene Broyles and Judy Willis also won "Best" in sculpture, abstract and painting categories respectively.

Lawrence Fong, curator of American art at the Jordan Schnitzer Museum of Art at the University of Oregon, Eugene was this year's judge of the Redwood Art Association 53rd Fall Exhibition. A total of 12 awards totaling more than \$2,600 were given.

About Clarks work Lawrence Fong stated, "I liked the painterly expression of the piece and the use of different methods for applying the paint. It is a very well done and presented little piece. You can really feel the texture of the thread."

As curator, Fong's exhibitions include: Excessive Obsessions, 2011, featuring modern and contemporary artists Suzanne Caporaël, Ellsworth Kelly, Florence Pierce, Martin Puryear, and Gay Outlaw; Carl Morris: History of Religions (his complete series of 1959 murals),



Best of Show "Thread" by Kristi Nicola Clark

2007; New Art Northwest, contemporary art in Oregon and Washington, 2007; One Step Big Shot: Portraits by Andy Warhol and Gus Van Sant, 2010; and Ken Kesey's Jail Journals, 2010.

Fong's recent publications include: Forging a Modern Identity, American Paintings at the Detroit Institute of Arts, 2005, contributor; Frank Okada; The Shape of Elegance, 2006, catalogue essay, University of Washington Press; Art of the Time, Oregon State Capitol Art Collection, 2010, catalogue essay, Oregon Arts Commission; The Visionary Art Of Morris Graves, 2010, catalogue essay, Meridian Gallery; One Step Big Shot: Polaroid Portraits by Gus Van Sant, 2010, monograph, Nazraeli Press; and forthcoming, Effort to Bloom, Letters of Morris Graves, 2012, University of Washington Press.

Other awards went to Frank Speck, Marlene Hall, Leslie Odelberg, Rachel Schlueter, Marvin Trump, Melanie Kasek, and Linda Bareilles.

The Fall Exhibition runs through Oct. 16 and is made possible by the generous support of Eureka Natural Foods. Awards are donated by individuals and local businesses.

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From the President

We have brought the RAA Vision to Eureka and Humboldt County – that the creation of art is an indispensable part of life and the economy in our community. Art is an essential component of every aspect of our culture.

It was not so long ago that the primary activities of the RAA were to organize three art exhibitions for its members plus curate the Hagopian Gallery at the Humboldt County Library. Look at the list of our activities now. Goodness, how we have changed!

- Humboldt Photography Exhibition, a collaboration with the Redwood Camera Club and the Eureka Photoshop Users Group, the largest photography exhibit in Humboldt County.

- Art in the Garden, our successful annual fund-raiser and community outreach that brings our guests into relationship with the creation of art.
- C Street Market Square Juried Sculpture Exhibition, in collaboration with the City of Eureka, Eureka Art and Culture Commission, Eureka Main Street, and The Ink People Center for the Arts to place beautiful art on Eureka's waterfront.
- Art at the Eureka/Arcata Airport, a new opportunity for RAA members to display their art and signal to travelers that art is important in our community.
- From Redwoods to Rembrandt: A Celebration of Humboldt Art
- RAA Winter Exhibition: Celebration of Arts

Now we have added these two month-long ex-

hibitions at 603 F Street that we announced at Arts Alive!

I am amazed when I think about what we have accomplished in the last few years.

You, our members, are an essential part of this – you create beautiful art, you serve on committees and volunteer for tasks.

I especially appreciate our energetic and committed Board of Directors, and the generous financial support of our membership and local businesses and individuals.

Thanks to all of you for being an important part of the RAA Vision.

Roy Grieshaber
President



The Redwood Art Association is a community dedicated to the creation of art as an important and indispensable part of life and the economy of Humboldt County

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The painting will be on display at the RAA gallery. The raffle tickets are \$10 each available at 603 F ST., Eureka.



Photo by Robert Fasic

Georgia Long and Richard Evans enjoy Orr Marshall's work at 53rd Fall Exhibit.

More Shows At 603 F Street

Redwood Art Association is staying put at its 603 F Street location through the end of the year and will stage two more exhibitions.

Last month our President Roy Grieshaber, was approached by the landlord of RAA's current gallery located at 603 F Street, asking if we would like to rent the space for a large discount through December. We jumped on it for the following reasons: the rent was a great deal, provides more opportunities to show work, increases RAA visibility in the community, tests out having a venue for longer periods than 3-4 months so that we have a better idea of what it would take to run a year round venue, potential to increase membership by offering one show open to all Humboldt County artists, and increases ability to hold seminars and special member events.

Even though the rent is low, the RAA still needs to charge a small entry fee to cover the two shows. To save money there will be no membership reception before our Arts Alive openings. The exhibitions are open to artists working in any media.

The first exhibition, titled "From Redwoods to Rembrandt: A Celebration of Humboldt Art," will be open to all artists living and working in Humboldt County but RAA members will have a reduced entry fee. Entry day will be Oct. 22 from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. It will run from Oct. 26 to Nov. 18. There will be a "People's Choice" award of a free one year regular membership.

The second exhibition is titled "Redwood Art Association Winter Exhibition: Celebration of Art." Members can submit up to two pieces on Nov. 19 from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. and the show will run from Nov. 23 to Dec. 18.

Expect to see the entry forms and more information available online or email (mailed through the regular mail for those who do not have email) in the very near future! And we hope to see you on the entry days!

Art in the Garden Garners more than Funds

Significant capital was added to our RAA resources at the fourth Art in the Garden held Aug. 7. That capital came in two forms: We netted more than \$7,000 for the permanent venue fund and created a huge amount of good will with our guests and artists.

More than 400 people mingled with over 20 artists painting en plein air at the Wells Gardens in Bayside. An array of delicious snacks and fine wine were consumed in record amounts. A beautiful setting, amazing art, brilliant talks and demonstrations, great music, a fabulous raffle and a superb group of volunteers all came together to make a perfect event.

The following was written by one of our guests and sums it up:

"I am a new resident of Eureka and I must thank you so much for a perfectly wonderful day. I was a bit doubtful when I was told to park in a cow pasture and hop over cow pies on a misty foggy day in August. BUT, it was perfection. The food, music, venue and the ART. The whimsical garden dotted with artists and their easels, made me feel like "Alice down the rabbit hole." I have sent in my membership dues, not because I am an artist, but because I enjoy art. Your members and their artwork are an inspiration. I can't wait to see more.

In appreciation of all your work,
Susan "

On behalf of the Board of Directors, thank you all for your assistance in making this event successful for the RAA.

Murline Georgeson and Diane Williams



Photo by Robert Fasic

John Crater painting at the fourth annual Art in the Garden.



Photo provided by Mark Deneen Best of Show winner "Transmission" in photo exhibit.

Eureka Photographer Wins Exhibition

Mark Deneen of Eureka was the grand prize winner of the third annual Humboldt Photography Exhibition, which ran through Sept. 16 at the RAA gallery at 603 F St. in Eureka.

Awards were presented to Deneen and nine other award winners on Saturday, Sept. 3, during Arts Alive!

Deneen's black and white entry, titled "Transmission," was selected from 135 entries in the juried exhibition.

"It was a real surprise because the picture I entered is one of my favorite photos of the last few months. I just wanted to enter the photo I liked best. One I absolutely love," he said.

He has been taking photographs seriously the past few years since retiring. He works in film and converts his negatives to digital images on his computer. He shoots in the 120 format with a Mamiya 7 camera with rangefinder. Deneen prefers shooting with film to use digital pho-

tography. He likes the feel of working with the film and developing it himself. He owned a stereo component company that specialized in high end systems before he retired.

For his winning photograph, he received an Adobe CS5 Premium Suite, which is software that is the digital equivalent of a darkroom. Mary Ann Machi won the Redwood Camera Club Founders' Award of \$100 for her picture, "Pansy." Best of Show awards of \$100 were won by Deborah Ketelsen, "A Parent's Work is Never Done!;" David Boston, "Waters Edge;" Dawson Darling, "Munich Stairway;" Boshua Struve, "Technologies;" and Jesse Rather, "Samoa Fog"

Honorable Mention awards of \$50 went to Barry Evans, "Barichara;" Wes Juliana, "Winter Oak;" Michael Harris, "McNary Dam;" Lori Mangini, "Masking;" and Jeanne C. Scranton, "A Quintet of Queen Annes"

Juror Godfrey DiGiorgi was enthusiastic in his praise of the work and the show organizers. He said his judging became detail oriented because there were four or five entries on equal footing in each of five categories he devised to organize the work.

After the judging, a two and one-half hour reception was held where entrants were invited to ask questions about photo, their own or others. He said questions reflected a "passionate desire to learn, to understand, to improve on their work."

DiGiorgi summed up his remarks by saying, "This is an excellent show, a fine showing by dedicated photographers bent passionately on making excellent photographs."

The exhibition was underwritten for the third time by Pierson Building Supply and co-sponsored by Redwood Art Association, the Eureka Photoshop Users Group and the Redwood Camera Club.

2011 Hagopian Schedule

The RAA curates the Hagopian Gallery located on the second floor of the Humboldt County Library.

Hagopian Curators:

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Diane Williams: DeeDeeLW@aol.com
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September- October:
Redwood Camera Club

November:

Friends of the Library (children's art)

December:

Pets Theme



"Devil's Claw #2" with the sculptor, James Hamilton Smith and his little son.

C Street Market Square Sculpture Installation Celebration

The Eureka Public Art Committee celebrated its sculpture installation during Art's Alive, Saturday, Oct. 1. Music was provided by a wonderful little group named, "Don's Neighbors".

Artists who created the sculptures are the winners of the first annual Redwood Art Association juried sculpture exhibition at the C Street Market Square on Eureka's waterfront. The annual competition was open to all Humboldt County artists and is presented in cooperation with the City of Eureka.

Gordon Senior, chair of the Art Department, California State University, Stanislaus, in Turlock was this year's juror.

The winners of the competition, all Humboldt County artists, Alastair E Bolton, Dorian Daneau, Justin Skillstad, James Hamilton Smith, and Patrick Williams. Their work will be displayed at the square through August 2012 and all the artists have the opportunity to sell their sculpture.

Each artist received a \$250 honorarium during the Set, 6 meeting of the Eureka City Council. The honoraria were made possible through generous donations made by Eureka Natural Foods and Coast Central Credit Union.



Arts Alive! at 603 F St.

Photo by Robert Fasic

AWARDS

Best of Show - \$600 Award

Kristi Nicola Clark
Thread, oil/canvas

Best of Photography - \$300 Award

David Boston
Peppers Yellow, photograph

Best Abstract - \$300 Award

Arlene Broyles
Breaking Through, monotype

Best Three-Dimensional - \$300 Award

Linda Wise
Grazing Deer, welded junk metal

Best Painting - \$300 Award

Judy S Willis
Last Stroke, oil

Best Representational Art - \$100 Award

Frank Speck
Elk River Flood, acrylic on canvas

Susie "Q" Zink Memorial - \$100 Award

Marlene Hall
Mask, acrylic, ink

Best Portrait - \$150 Award

Leslie Odelberg
Bandoneon Player, oil

\$150 Award

Rachel Schlueter
Celebration, acrylic on canvas

\$150 Award

Marvin Trump
A House, then Water, oil on canvas

\$100 Award

Melanie Kasek
Rock'n Redwood Table, redwood burl and maple

\$100 Award

Linda Bareilles
Summer Meadow, watercolor

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"Sorry, We're Closed" by Jean C. Hawkins received "The People Choice Award" For her effort she will receive a one year RAA membership. Jean created this image for her Allen Sandbourn watercolor critique group. Jean said "I am totally flattered for people to go seek out art and choose my piece as a favorite."

Redwood Art Association 2011 Exhibition Schedule

RAA Gallery

603 F Street, Eureka

Gallery Hours: Wednesday through Sunday,
noon – 5pm

53rd Annual Fall Exhibition

September 21 – October 16, 2011

A judged exhibition with awards
for RAA Members

Pick Up Day:

Monday, Oct. 17, 10am – 2pm

Annual Sculpture Exhibition

C Street Market Square

October 1, 2011 – September 24, 2012

From Redwoods to Rembrandt

October 26 - November 18, 2011

A open exhibit for all Humboldt County
Artists.

Entry Day:

Saturday October 22, 10 am - 2pm

Show Opens:

October 26 noon to 5pm

Arts Alive!

November 5th

Pick Up Day:

Saturday November 19, 10am - 2pm

Celebration of Arts

November 23- December 18, 2011

An RAA member exhibition (2 entries
allowed)

Entry Day:

Saturday November 19, 10am - 2pm

Show Opens:

Wednesday, November 23 noon to 5pm

Arts Alive!

Saturday, December 3, 6 - 9pm

Pick Up Day:

Saturday, December 19, 10am – 2pm

RAA Holiday Party

December 5

The RAA Annual Membership Meeting &
Potluck Dinner

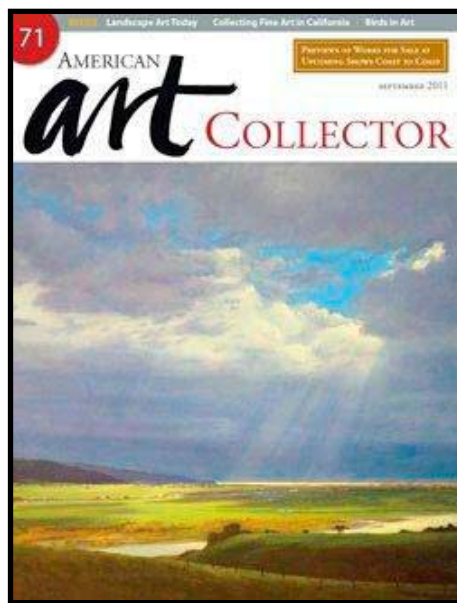
6:00 - 9:00 pm, Monday, December 5

The Wharfinger 1 Marina Way, Eureka

Turkey, Ham and Beverages provided by RAA
Family and Guests are welcome

Raffle Drawing:

Amaryllis with Mexican Chair, oil painting by
Theresa Oats to follow dinner.



Schlueter Seizes the Day

“Take what the day gives you. There is no such thing as just any old day.” That’s how Eureka artist Stock Schlueter approaches his plein air painting.

Schlueter, whose oil painting Eel River Valley is featured on the cover of American Art Collector’s September edition, has been a prominent member of the North Coast art community for several years.

He prefers painting out of doors and all the challenges and rewards that come with it. His C Street studio, he points out, is for winter when it is stormy and wet. He and wife Rachel, also an artist, have gone on camping trips where they paint for several days. He has painted in the Trinity Alps, Mexico for a month, in Yosemite during the winter, along with countless Humboldt County and North Coast areas.

He is best known for his landscapes, but he also does portraits. He also accepts commission work. He was featured in the same magazine before as well as in Southwest Art.

Raised in Willow Creek, he first became interested in painting when he was 12. “I loved it from the start,” he said and drew on everything he could. He was a star football player at Hoopa High School and then later as a linebacker on the College of the Redwoods 1968 state community college championship football team. He attended the University of Northern Colorado on a wrestling scholarship, receiving a BA in art in 1971. He returned to Humboldt County, putting some time in with his father logging and painting in the winter.

“I knew that was not good enough,” he said so he turned an old flatbed truck into a gypsy camper and lived in it, showing his work anywhere he could in the area. He also worked

part-time in mills, machine shops, as a clerk and for a contractor, where he learned to build. These jobs and painting sales helped him buy supplies and food.

After five years, he settled into a studio in Arcata near where Jim McVicker of Loleta and George VanHook, now of New York, both prominent artists, were painting. He saw them painting outside and thought this would teach him how to paint. Today he says he is still learning.

Schlueter says, “I paint because everything else seems like a waste of time.” Offering a bit of his philosophy he said it is important “to tell the story of being here, and how fantastic it is just to be able to see the wonder and beauty of the world. Art, he said, is “a passport to place and people.

He credits people in Humboldt County for making it possible to grow as a painter by buying his work when he was a struggling beginner. “I sold a lot of good pieces cheap,” he said in order to buy supplies and pay rent, but he does not regret any of those sales.

In the late 1980, he grew outside the county, placing work in small galleries. Pieces would sell “sometimes before I got home from my trip there.” He also showed in the Fairmont Gallery in Sonoma and eventually at the John Pence Gallery in San Francisco, where he is a regular. His success made it possible for him to work fulltime as a painter without having to take part-time work to supplement his income.

Schuster’s landscapes are often big. The piece featured in the collectors’ magazine measures 36 by 58 inches.

He belongs to the Redwood Art Association, Humboldt Arts Council and California Arts Clubs. His works are shown regularly in show throughout the area. He also has been a featured artist in Art in the Garden, the RAA’s building fundraiser.





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From Redwoods to Rembrandt
Exhibition Entry date:
Saturday, October 22, 10am – 2pm
Open to all Humboldt County Artists
entry form online at www.redwoodart.org



RAA 53rd Fall Exhibition
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