



# NEWSLETTER

September 2009

VAG proudly announces a demo at

✧ *The Encino Center* ✧



**Sally Jacobs** has taught botanical illustration at Otis College of Art and Design, the Los Angeles Arboretum, and The Getty Center. She has a BA from Cornell University, MA from Harvard University, and an EdD from UCLA. Sally's work has been included in several American Society of Botanical Artists juried art exhibitions in New York City; the New York State Museum's "Focus on Nature" exhibits; Johnson and Johnson's "Art Imitates Life" exhibition; and the 5<sup>th</sup>, 6<sup>th</sup>, 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> Annual Botanical Art Exhibit at Filoli.

Her work was featured in a segment on new art collectables on CNNfn's "Your Money" show. She has been a review panelist for the National Endowment for the Arts. Sally has also served as vice president of the Southern California Botanical Artists Guild and is currently vice president of The Artists' Gallery in Santa Monica.



*Next General Meeting*  
Date: Sunday, September 27, 2009  
Time: 1:00 to 3:00 p.m.  
Place: The Encino women's center  
Admission: \$7.00 member \$8.00 Guest

*! Bring a painting for the Mini Show !*

## Presidents Message

We join together for reasons that are vital. We connect as a group to share our insights and moments of joy as we follow our individual path and fulfill our calling. And who are we? We are the people who stop the quickened pace of life in order to breathe deeply from its beauty. We are the ones who find our heart pounding at the notion of unity, and harmony. We are the poets who are compelled to speak, when others do not have adequate vocabulary. We let color sing to us, whispering into our souls and then we sing it back to our viewers. We work in silence, alone, or in circles, with others. We discover texture and meaning where others cannot. We say "yes" to a world filled with music. Art plays a role in our lives that resonates in our hearts, and this is why we form our family; the Valley Artists Guild.

As we begin our Fall 2009 season, many opportunities for exhibition, personal and professional growth and friendship are in store. I invite all of you to reach your highest potential.

*John Paul Thornton*

President, Valley Artists Guild.



We wish to congratulate the following artists who were juried in as new exhibiting members. The quality of the work was superb and we look forward to seeing their work grace our gallery walls for the upcoming VAG fall show. If you see them at our fall exhibit please introduce yourselves and welcome them to VAG.

Shula Singer Arbel

Pam Cartmel

George Charmaa

Rick Friesen

Pamela Harnois

Marci Hersel

Gloria Jacobson

Loel Jurado

Christine Kalkjian

Stuart Kusher

Patricia Livinghouse

Linda Marshall

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# Events

## CANOGA PARK youth arts center

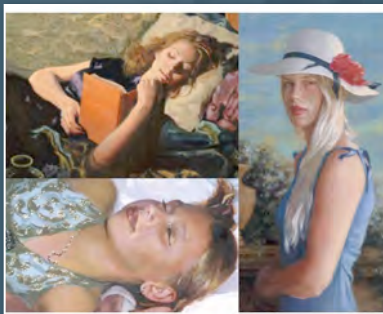


Material World Exhibition: **Judy Koenig, Jude Wisenfeld, Barbara E. Jones, Terry Romero Paul, Donna Geist Buch** (Missing: **Richard Herd and Carol Merric**)



VAG held its Material World Exhibit this past July 14th. There was a Poet's Interlude featuring: Richard Herd & Dori Marler. Over all the show was very successful with a few works being sold.

### DRAWING HEAD CONSTRUCTION



### HEAD CONSTRUCTION & SHAPES OF FEATURES

This is a great class to learn to analyze, measure & map out human head construction using references such as Walt Reed, Andrew Loomis and John Vanderpoel. The class will utilize some reference & photos through the first half of the semester, and then transfer to a live model. this class helps ease the transition to drawing when using a live model.

### INSTRUCTOR: ELLEN BROWN

Day: Friday  
 Time: 10am to 1pm  
 Class #: 106  
 Classification: BS, FC, DE  
 Student: \$395  
 NonStudent: \$395  
 Weeks: 10  
 Hours: 30  
 Start Date: 10/02/09  
 No class 11/27/09  
 (Thanksgiving Weekend)



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# Member events and reminders

## UPCOMING VAG EVENTS

### GENERAL MEETING --

Our group meeting this month will be at the Encino Center on September 27 from 1:00 to 3:30 pm

### VAG BOARD MEETING --

Board meeting will be at Terry Romero's house on Sep 2 at 7:30 pm.

## VAG REMINDERS

### Deadline for submittal of items for the newsletter.

If you wish to share with us news, thoughts, anything that might interest your member friends, please submit it to me by the 20<sup>th</sup> of each month Send to Scott Kiche, [Lunahope2003@yahoo.com](mailto:Lunahope2003@yahoo.com), Or call 818-462-5708

### Board meeting change

The VAG board meeting day has changed from Thursday to the second Wednesday of the month all are welcome to come and join us.  
E-mail Scott Kiche at [Lunahope2003@yahoo.com](mailto:Lunahope2003@yahoo.com) or you can contact John Paul at 818-378-8381.

## MEMBER NEWS

**Lore Eckelberry** will be having a show in KOREA at the Craftstory Gallery in Busan, South Korea and another show at VIVA Gallery with the LA Experimental artists "IMPROVIZATIONS 4" the opening will be on September 12, 4-6 pm

Congratulations to **Norm Beal** for taking 2nd Place, and Carol Merrick taking 3rd Place in the 10th Anniversary All Group Show at VIVA.

**Donna Geist Buch** was accepted into the Brand 38 Works on Paper Exhibition. The exhibit is September 19 through October 23rd.

## MEMBER NEWS

**John Paul** and **Donna Geist Buch** will be in the upcoming Exhibition Titled "All Things Spiritual" which opens September 26th through December 24th at La Galeria Gitana.

**Donna Geist Buch** had 5 paintings accepted into WPW's Encino Terrace Exhibition now exhibiting through the end of October.

**Barara Jones, Lina Kogan, Lore' Eckleberry** and **Donna Geist Buch** will be exhibiting in the LAEA Exhibition at VIVA, entitled Improvisations III.

**Trice Tolle** was juried into the International Society of Acrylic Painters 12th Annual Show. She won a \$100 merchandise award for her painting "Fall Aspens #2". The shows opening reception was August 8th at the Santa Cruz Art League in Santa Cruz and runs until September 6th.

**Scott Kiche** will be exhibiting in a special five artist opening at the Wally Workman Gallery in Austin Texas. The title of the exhibit, New Talent opens Sept 12 - October 1, 2009

## Local Events

Lora Schlesinger Gallery  
[Patti Oleon: Phantom Spaces](#)  
September 12 - October 10, 2009  
Opening Reception: Saturday, Sept. 12, 6-8 p.m.

## ARTIST OPPORTUNITIES

### International Artist Magazine

CURRENT ONLINE COMPETITION

#### People & Figures

Entries Close:

16 Sep 2009

Winners Features: IA#70

DEC/JAN 2010

Entry Fee only **\$9.00 US**



“2009 California Open Exhibition” call for entries

TAG Gallery in Santa Monica, California announces a call for artists for its fourth annual juried art competition, August 19 - September 4. The exhibition recognizes excellence in a diverse range of media and offers selected artists a group show at TAG Gallery, cash awards totaling \$1000, plus catalog and

online exposure. The 2009 show will be juried by Michael Zakian, Director, Frederick R. Weisman Museum of Art, Malibu, and is open to all U.S. artists 18 years or older working in computer art, drawing, mixed media, painting, photography, printmaking, and sculpture.

Deadline for entries: June 27.

The prospectus for the TAG Gallery 2009 California Open is now available at the gallery and on the TAG website at <http://taggallery.net/news.php>.

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## Special up coming VAG September event



**Carol Pullman**

“Hungarian Flea Market”

Fall 2008 Best of Show



Our fall exhibit will be held this September 21 at VIVA gallery. Please visit our website to view and download a copy of this years prospectus and a copy of the take in sheet. Members with any questions please contact Donna Geist Buch our exhibit chair.

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