



# *Friends of Sumi-e*

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**Our beautiful contribution to the Festival of Trees at December Nights in Balboa Park, sponsored by San Diego Floral.**

**Thank you, Kathy, and your team, and to everyone who painted a postcard or folded a crane for a great job!**



Hello Friends of Sumi-e,

What a great Year of the Rabbit with lots of outreach and sharing of our gifts and talents and love of sumi-e with each other and the San Diego community! We also received many gifts in return. Thank you to the Estate of Gloria Moriki for brushes, colors, ink sticks and shikishi boards, among other treasures. Rumor has it that more treasures from Ms. Moriki are coming . . .

For those of you who attend the Community College classes, sign-up for the Spring semester is in full swing. If you need class numbers, they are listed on the website – [www.friendsofsumi-e.com](http://www.friendsofsumi-e.com) – and are probably filling up fast!

The Year of the Wood Dragon arrives. With the New Year, there are ample opportunities for volunteerism and you know me – the Empress of Volunteering! As you can see from the workshop calendar later in the Newsletter, there are openings during the year AND the Hospitality, Program and Exhibition Teams are all still open. I have attached another copy of the “Standing Guidelines” so you can review the needs for each Team when you are deciding where your talents lie. Please consider making a commitment to the Society so it can continue its service to both its Members and to the greater San Diego Community.

February brings our annual Shinnenkai, a lovely tradition of friendship and camaraderie. I hope you will attend. Watch for more information.

Our Spring Exhibition, scheduled for March 23-24, 2024, is fast approaching. Together with preparation of that fabulous masterpiece, consider how you will share your special talents with the Society and when SignUp Genius is available or Deborah contacts you – sign up!

Paint On, Gaye

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## TEAMS WORKSHOP

January 6, 2024, from 9:00 AM until Noon

Room 104, Casa del Prado, Balboa Park

In Person and via ZOOM

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/85731054126?pwd=ZUt3aE5lMVo5UmJsZ00rZzZ4MlBWdz09>

Meeting ID: 857 3105 4126 - Passcode: 699742

We'll have a unique workshop this month. If you're joining in person, bring the materials listed in PARK TEAM below. If you're joining via ZOOM, have the materials listed in ZOOM TEAM below at hand and we'll assign you to a team. **NOTE** that there is a little homework here as you will have to research LOCAL BIRDS and bring pictures with you. We'll have large sheets of paper available for a teamwork approach to painting, including those on ZOOM! Bring a teacup with you, too, if you'd like a cup of tea as we'll have the pot on!

### PARK TEAM:

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- Usual painting & sketching materials. Stick charcoal would be helpful if you have it, for planning.
  - A laptop or tablet, if you have one.
  - Pictures of local winter birds in OUR community
  - “Found” materials such as acorns, seeds, feathers, leaves, twigs dried flowers, or things you might want to use, white glue.
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### ZOOM TEAM:

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- Usual painting & sketching materials
  - Picture(s) of local winter birds in YOUR community
  - Your imagination
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## January Birthdays

If you celebrate your birthday in January and you are interested in joining in a birthday luncheon, please contact Vic Baker ([workwvic@gmail.com](mailto:workwvic@gmail.com)). Space is still available.

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## Open Studio

January 3<sup>rd</sup> from 9AM to Noon is our next OPEN STUDIO date in Room 104, Casa del Prado, Balboa Park. Please consider joining in the artistic camaraderie. If you'd like some one-on-one help, this is the time!

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## 2023/2024 Happenings

- Tuesday Painters generally meet on Tuesday every week, plein air either on-site at 10:00am(ish)-noon somewhere in the County, or a ZOOM session. ZOOM starts at 12:30 pm. Watch for weekly email notices.
  - Open Studio the 1<sup>st</sup> Wednesday of the month from 9:00am to noon, Room 104. Bring your art materials and inspiration and join fellow/sister artists for a morning of sharing and painting inspiration. Lots of camaraderie and no rules!
  - Monthly Workshop the first Saturday of the month from 9:00am to noon, Room 104.
  - Shinnenkai February 3<sup>rd</sup> in Room 104, Casa del Prado, Balboa Park – watch for more information.
  - Annual Spring Exhibition March 23-24 – watch for more information.
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## Upcoming Workshops & Society Events/Activities

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| <b>January:</b>   | 1/6/2024 Teams Workshop  |
| <b>February:</b>  | 2/3/2024 Shinnenkai  |
| <b>March:</b>     | 3/2/2024 Three-ring circus in preparation for the Spring Exhibition – stretching, matting and framing demonstrations and assistance will be provided at this workshop. Bring your artwork and supplies. <b>MARCH 23-24 21<sup>st</sup> ANNUAL ART EXHIBITION</b> |
| <b>April:</b>     | 4/6/2024   |
| <b>May:</b>       | 5/4/2024   |
| <b>June:</b>      | 6/1/2024   |
| <b>July:</b>      | 7/6/2024   |
| <b>August:</b>    | 8/3/2024   |
| <b>September:</b> | Annual Gathering   |
| <b>October:</b>   | 10/5/2024  |
| <b>November:</b>  | 11/2/2024 <b>NOVEMBER 21-22 49<sup>th</sup> ANNUAL ART EXHIBITION</b>  |
| <b>December:</b>  | DARK   |

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## TUESDAY PAINTERS

Tuesday Painters celebrates the second half of its 10<sup>th</sup> anniversary in 2024! Please consider joining us on Tuesday either in person or via ZOOM.



Photo taken June 2013 featuring Cliff, Dennis, Gaye, Tricia, Stephen and Sarah at the San Diego Mission de Alcalá, one of our first sketching locations.



**Recent Cultural Excursion** – Many thanks to Tatsuko Sensei for the visit to the Mingei and serendipitous docent tour of the Washi Exhibit – what a great experience and now we have inspiration for our own show!



A lovely note of thanks from San Diego Floral for our entry in the Festival of Trees December Nights exhibit in Room 101, Casa del Prado this past December 1 and 2.

