

# Friends of Taka Sumi-e August 2021 Newsletter

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Dear Friends of Taka Sumi-e,

Summer is in full swing and so are our wonderful classes. Be sure to sign up for fall classes so they do not get cancelled. We have an exciting workshop coming up on August 7th which will be led by the fabulous Naoko. You are not going to want to miss this!

Also, upcoming is our Annual Summer Party on September 11th. Last year it was virtual, and this year it will be in person at Gaye's home. All vaccinated members are welcome so put it on your calendar! We will also have an opportunity to ZOOM in for those of you who live out of town or who wish to visit remotely.

Keep painting! Respectfully, Your President, Alice

### **JULY WORKSHOP WITH FAWN**

What a fun landscape workshop with Fawn! Her background in art education really stood out as she presented the material. With her kind encouragement, everyone's work was a success, as evidenced by Cliff's, shown here. Thanks, Fawn, and we can't wait to have you back.



# **AUGUST WORKSHOP WITH NAOKO**



We are so excited to have Naoko present a workshop for Friends of TakaSumi-e Saturday, August 7<sup>th</sup> at 9:00 am via ZOOM. She will demonstrate Bellflower. Watch for handouts with the ZOOM link later this week.

San Diego-based Japanese brush painting artist, Naoko Ozaki was born and raised in Japan.

Sumi-e is a traditionally developed art form with Zen philosophy, which is taught with deliberately limited word choice. Naoko, in line with many of the ancient

masters, passionately believes that technical omission of strokes (Shohitsu) is the ideal painting stroke to depict the expression of inner self. These Sumi ink (pine soot mixed with a binding agent) strokes can be obtained with specially calibrated Japanese brush tips and practice of calligraphy strokes.

By enrolling in a calligraphy instructor certification program, the Japan Shodo Education Society, Naoko continues to develop the authenticity and the quality of her paintings.

She has memberships in Washu Kai, Friends of TakaSumi-e, and the Japanese Art Club; through these organizations she has performed several Sumi-e demonstrations for outreach events.

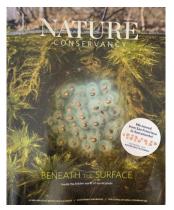
She can be reached at: <a href="https://naokoozaki.wixsite.com/sumi/blog">https://www.facebook.com/inkscapesbyn/</a>

Awards include: Honorable Mention, Asian Brush Painting Professional Fine Art Division, San Diego County Fair 2019; Lung Hsiang Chinese Brush Painting Society Award Professional Fine Art Division, San Diego County Fair 2019; Best of Show, Ink Drawing Student Art Showcase, San Diego County Fair 2019.



#### BALBOA PARK UPDATE

At the July meeting of The San Diego Botanical Garden Foundation (our umbrella organization in Balboa Park), we were notified by the Diego Park & Recreation Department that the public use facilities, of which Casa del Prado is one, are open for unrestricted use as of July 17, 2021. Since our organization's Board has not had the opportunity to meet since this announcement, no plans have been made, moving forward, for monthly workshops in Room 104 and our annual exhibition in Room 101. We do have reservations for these two facilities in place, we just need to determine how and when we will "move back in". Any and all suggestions are appreciated; send your thoughts to takasumiesociety@gmail.com and they will be shared with the Board.



# **SYLVIA ASKS A QUESTION!**

Louise is a subscriber to *Nature Conservancy* magazine. As Louise was reading through, she saw in the letters to the editor a letter by someone she thought she knew from Friends of TakaSumi-e and Tuesday Painters and, sure enough, it was Sylvia! Sylvia is an avid subscriber, too, and had a question about an artist she had frequently seen in the magazine. Thanks for sharing, ladies. Read on!



# **TUESDAY PAINTERS**

Tuesday Painters has been meeting virtually on Tuesdays at 12:30 PM for some time. We are sketching/painting in our gardens or some other favorite spot and sharing our efforts. While we have a wonderful core group, we are always open to everyone and would love to have anyone who is interested join us. Plein air painting/sketching is a good exercise for an artist and the weekly camaraderie is nice, too! Please consider joining us . . .

#### **REIGNING CATS & DOGS**

This year's show will be presented at Veltz Fine Art Gallery in the Liberty Station Arts District, San Diego, September 3 - 11, 2021. I have attached the prospectus to this email.

#### Entries close - August 10, 2021

Go to <a href="www.OnlineJuriedShows.com">www.OnlineJuriedShows.com</a> and find Reigning Cats & Dogs 2021 to enter the show. When you are on the onlinejuriedshows website, scroll down and you will find the logo for the show. Click on "I want to enter this show." You will be guided through the process

#### MYSTERY PAPER ABOUNDS

There is an abundance of mystery paper which has been donated to Friends of TakaSumi-e stored in my family's garage. I have made this announcement in the past and am doing so again in an effort to get it into others' hands. A few of us have made a couple of trips to the garage and enjoyed the fruits of our adventures. I will not make deliveries but I am more than willing to make arrangements to meet you there at a mutually agreeable time so that you can survey the lot and make your choices. Those of us who have made the short trek, it has been very rewarding!



# THE ANNUAL SUMMER PARTY

Be sure to get your RSVP in to Victor (<a href="workwvic@gmail.com">workwvic@gmail.com</a>) for the Annual Summer Party scheduled for Saturday, September 11<sup>th</sup>. The flyer more fully describing the event is on the next page!

**MEMBERSHIP** -- A reminder that the Membership Year begins October first so you may want to send in your registration form and membership dues (\$20) beginning now!) See attached form.

# Friends of Taka Sumi-e Society

# Annual End-of-Summer Party

Saturday Sept. 11, 2021

2:00 P.M. - 5:00 P.M.

**PACIFIC TIME** 

Gaye & Ron Lingley's Home 1272 Moana Drive Point Loma, CA 92107

# **Potluck**

Bring Your Own Beverage and a Chair

F.O.T. will provide Ice Tea, Water, & Ice

R.S.V.P. to Vic Baker workwvic@gmail.com

**Must Be Vaccinated** to attend in person, please

**ZOOM** attendance information to be provided later. Let Vic know when you RSVP.

If you have disability access needs, contact Gaye for arrangements. (ralsgal@gmail.com)

### **WORKSHOP SCHEDULE**

We're continuing to work on our Workshop Schedule. If you haven't already done so, please reach out to Tina Matchett, our intrepid Workshop Coordinator (<a href="mailto:rainy4275@yahoo.com">rainy4275@yahoo.com</a>) and get your name on the list. If you need guidance, Cliff (<a href="mailto:cliffbrownart@gmail.com">cliffbrownart@gmail.com</a>) is at the ready to guide you through any questions/concerns you may have. It's lots of fun and very rewarding. Your audience is patient and attentive. AND you have a year to practice!

When the time is close to your workshop, please get your handouts, if any, to Gaye (<a href="mailto:ralsgal@gmail.com">ralsgal@gmail.com</a>) so we can give them to the members before your workshop.

#### Tentative schedule

DATE	NAME	SUBJECT	COST/FEE
2021		YEAR OF THE OX	
March	Cliff Brown	Petunias	SUPER FUN!
April 3	Henry Li	Orchids, misty mountains; streams & trees	FABULOUS!
May 1	Louise Rendich	Birds and Flowers	WHOOPPEE!
June 5	Stephen Smith	Roses	WHAT FUN!
July 3	Fawn Leone	Landscape mountains; stream & trees	LEARNED A LOT!
August 7	Naoko Ozaki	Bell Flower	
September 4	OFF CALENDAR	FOR THE FOLLOWING WEEK'S PARTY!	
October 2	Deborah Pennell	Autumn Leaves & Colors	
November 6	Kathy Romero		
December 4	Gaye Lingley	Nordic Elves in Sumi-e	
2022		YEAR OF THE TIGER	
January 1	Christina Matchett		
February 5	Deborah Pennell		
March 5			
April 2			
May 7			
June 4			
July 2			
August 6			
September 3			
October 1			
November 5			
December 3			
2023		YEAR OF THE RABBIT	
January 7			
February 4			
March 4			