



# Friends of Sumi-e

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## Presidential Pearls of Wisdom from Kathy & Alice

Here we are in the month of Spring. Renewal of spirit and growth. As we move forward together, it's time to begin really asking yourself...how can I serve in this organization? We will be holding elections in May for President, Vice President, Secretary and Treasurer of Friends of Sumi-e. This should be an exciting time to hold an office, a new organization, a fresh start, and a community of members who all share a love for the art of sumi-e.

Ron Lingley and his elves have been working on the website. <https://www.friendsofsumi-e.com/> Still in progress but check it out. It's coming along beautifully and kudos to Ron for all his volunteer time and expertise!

Last month we had a wonderful workshop led by our esteemed Sensei Takashi Ijichi. He demonstrated fabric painting, and we all produced beautiful pieces of art. Thank you, Takashi, for sharing your expertise.

Respectfully,  
Your Presidents,  
Kathy and Alice

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### March Workshop Annual 3-Ring Circus – Stretching/Mounting (Wet & Dry), Matting & Framing Saturday, March 4, 2023 | 9:00 AM to Noon Room 104, Casa del Prado, Balboa Park In Person ONLY

Our March 4<sup>th</sup> workshop will be led by Cliff Brown, Tricia Erler & Gaye Lingley. Bring your stretching/mounting, matting and framing materials for a morning of learning and refreshing. The workshop will be in-person in Room 104, Casa del Prado, Balboa Park. Don't miss this opportunity to get that masterpiece stretched, matted and/or framed for The Show and to be with your fellow/sister painters. Materials lists will accompany this Newsletter as attachments.

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### February Workshop – Fabric/Textile Painting with Takashi Sensei

*Many Thanks* to Takashi Sensei for spending the morning of February 4<sup>th</sup> with us for a fun and informative fabric/textile painting workshop. We all came away with a masterpiece, some of which may be available for sale at our upcoming March Exhibition.

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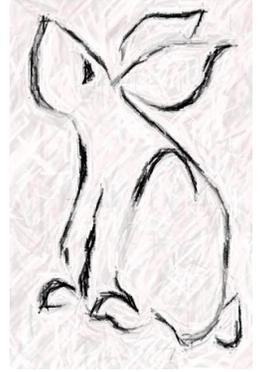
We need volunteers! Since we do not have in-person classes, getting folks to sign up for “jobs” on the weekend of The Show has been a bit of a challenge so we thought we’d try a different approach. This on-line application does NOT require a membership by anyone (friend/relative. Just click on the link, choose a slot or slots where your volunteer skills fit The Show’s needs and sign up! It’s pretty easy and you don’t have to show up to sign up! **If you have already signed up on paper, please click on the link and just fill in the slot where you already have signed up and that will help us out greatly!** Sorry for the overlap.

LINK: <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C094BA4AE2DAAFBC43-20th>

If you need help or have questions, you can call Gaye at 858.336.4916 or email her at [ralsgal@gmail.com](mailto:ralsgal@gmail.com)

Thanks, and we are eager to hear from you!

*Margie, Deborah & Gaye*  
Show Team



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### ART EXHIBITION IMPORTANT DATES

- ★ March 4, 2023      Last date to become a member of Friends of TakaSumi-e in order to enter the exhibition
- ★ March 15, 2023      Last date to state that you are participating in the Exhibition
- ★ March 24, 2023      Set-up date for the Exhibition
- ★ March 25-26, 2023      Exhibition dates

These dates are listed in last month’s Newsletter and its attachments (Exhibition Instructions). Please refer to that email or contact one of the Show Team (Margie [[margiejb@gmail.com](mailto:margiejb@gmail.com)], Deborah [[dockmom@mac.com](mailto:dockmom@mac.com)], or Gaye [[ralsgal@gmail.com](mailto:ralsgal@gmail.com)]) if you have questions or concerns.

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### Open Studio



Our February 1<sup>st</sup> Open Studio was a fun morning! While most of us worked on individual projects, Stella and Gaye, with the help of Joanne and Ileana, worked on a large Banner for the March 25-26 Exhibition. The project gave Joanne inspiration for her large Banner and headed home at noon to complete that project! Others in attendance provided input, too. Plan to join us on Wednesday, March 1<sup>st</sup> at 9AM for another morning of fun and camaraderie.

## Lots Happening in the 2023 New Year

- ✓ Workshops are the 1<sup>st</sup> Saturday of the month from 9am to noon in Room 104, Casa del Prado and via ZOOM, as announced.
  - ✓ Tuesday Painters generally meet every week, plein air on-site 9:30am-noon, or ZOOM. ZOOM starts at 12:30 pm. Watch for weekly email notices.
  - ✓ Open Studio the 1<sup>st</sup> Wednesday of the month from 9am 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!
  - ✓ Cherry Blossom Festival is March 10-12 at the Japanese Friendship Garden.
  - ✓ Friends of TakaSumi-e's final, solo, exhibition is March 25-26; Washu-Kai is invited to participate as guest artists.
  - ✓ Community outreach at the Japanese Friendship Garden in May. Watch for more information.
  - ✓ Elections for Friends of Sumi-e will be held at the May 2023 meeting/workshop. Consider how you can serve the organization and volunteer!
  - ✓ Summer sumi-e workshops for UC Berkeley student(s) and others are in the development stage. If you'd like to be involved, contact Gaye ([ralsgal@gmail.com](mailto:ralsgal@gmail.com)).
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## Upcoming Workshops

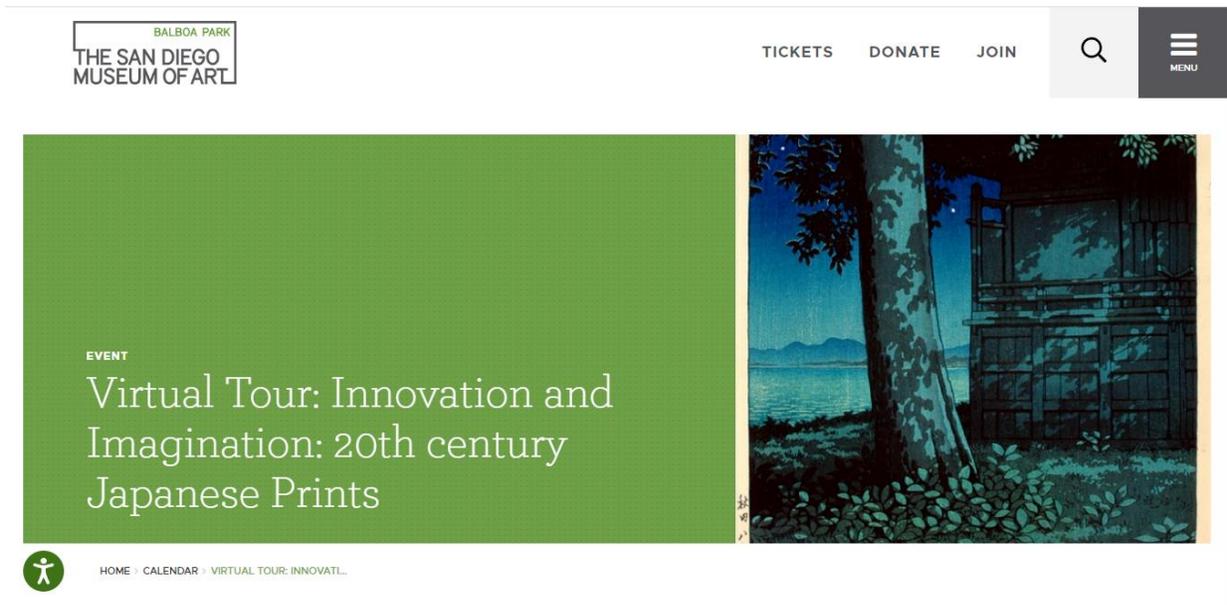
- April:** April 1, 2023, 9AM to Noon in Room 104, presented by Fawn Norrup
- May:** May 6, 2023, 9AM to Noon in Room 104, presented by Iris Lowe
- June:** June 3, 2023, 9AM to Noon in Room 104, presented by Deborah Pennell
- July:** July 1, 2023, 9AM to Noon in Room 104
- August:** August 5, 9AM to Noon in Room 104
- October:** October 7, 9AM to Noon in Room 104
- November:** November 4, 9AM to Noon in Room 104, presented by Kathy McMillen. Postcards for December Nights Tree Project
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## Friends of Sumi-e Website

Our webmaster, Ron, is reminding us that the new Friends of Sumi-e website, although in its infancy, is up and running! It is developing and is quite lovely. Go to [www.friendsofsumi-e.com](http://www.friendsofsumi-e.com) and check it out! Webmaster Ron is reaching out to you for a Team to continue to develop the site going forward. This is another opportunity for Washu-Kai and Friends of TakaSumi-e to work together on a project to share with the world the beauty of Sumi-e! You can contact Webmaster Ron at [rlingley53@gmail.com](mailto:rlingley53@gmail.com).



## Community Happenings



BALBOA PARK  
THE SAN DIEGO MUSEUM OF ART

TICKETS DONATE JOIN

SEARCH MENU

EVENT  
Virtual Tour: Innovation and Imagination: 20th century Japanese Prints

HOME CALENDAR VIRTUAL TOUR: INNOVATI...

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