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December 2022 Newsletter

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Dear Friends of TakaSumi-e,

Washu-Kai just held its annual show, and we got to be guests! It was an exciting event with Odori Dancers, Taiko Drummers, Native American Flute, and of course beautiful paintings! Wonderful demonstrations by Louise, Gaye, and Naoko were enjoyed by all. And the demonstration tables were crowded all day, both days. Due to December Nights in the park and the business of everyone for the holiday season, there will not be a December workshop. We will come back together in January for a Shinnenkai celebration with Washu-Kai at Gaye's home.

I wish you all a wonderful, healthy holiday season and a Happy New Year!

Respectfully,
Your President and friend,
Alice

WASHU-KAI & FRIENDS OF TAKA SUMI-E NEWS

The new organization has a name and a logo!

Our new name, going forward, is Friends of Sumi-e, with the legacy names used as desired.

Your Friends of Taka Sumi-e Board



NOVEMBER WORKSHOP



WOW! This workshop, led by Cindy Morgan, was SO MUCH FUN!!!! Ink flew across the floor and tables by exuberant folks with fine results. A valiant attempt at ZOOM was made with marginal results, but everyone had a fabulous time. Picture shows results. Cindy was so successful that our Chinese brush painting sister group, Lung Hsiang got wind of our workshop and has asked her to spearhead their December workshop!

Go Cindy!

NO DECEMBER WORKSHOP

SHINNENKAI

Plans are to celebrate Shinnenkai on Saturday, January 7, 2023, at the home of Gaye and Ron Lingley, 1272 Moana Drive, 92107. It will be a brunch from 11-3 p.m. It will be our first official time as a combined group known now as Friends of Sumi-e. Please watch for more information.

DECEMBER 6 WASHU-KAI WORKSHOP

Washu-Kai's monthly workshop and meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, December 7th from 9:00 AM until Noon in Room 104, Casa del Prado, Balboa Park. This month's workshop is led by Kathy McMillen and will feature chigiri-e (torn paper). Members of Friends of TakaSumi-e are cordially invited to attend as the blending of both societies moves forward. Please watch for more details as to what to bring art-supplies-wise. Bring your cup for tea.

NOVEMBER WASHU-KAI ART EXHIBITION

The 47th Annual Washu-Kai Art Exhibition, celebrated November 19-20, in Room 101 of Casa del Prado, Balboa Park, was a beautiful event with some nostalgic things and some new things. The art was beautiful, the tea table and experiential tables were well received by the public. The addition of Odori dancers and Taiko drums from the Buddhist Temple were a new addition, as were all the small flower arrangements sprinkled around the artworks.

Although lightly attended, those who did view the exhibition had nothing but kind things to say and it looks like we may have summer workshops for some eager UC Berkley students if we can work it out!

Many thanks to everyone in Washu-Kai and Friends of TakaSumi-e who displayed their artwork and worked behind the scenes to present another beautiful exhibit to the public.

A word from your Editor:

It's been a wonderful year as we ease back into in-person and hybrid meetings. And as you've seen, by July first we will be a larger and more robust group with our blending with Washu-Kai, our beloved sister sumi-e group.

In March, Friends of TakaSumi-e will have its final solo exhibition, with Washu-Kai artists as guests (as they did for us this November).

Then, this Spring we look forward to elections for our new organization, Friends of Sumi-e (Washu-Kai and TakaSumi-e Society). Please dig deep into your heart and soul and consider how you can best serve Friends of Sumi-e. It will need a President, Vice President, Secretary and Treasurer and folks to spearhead some committees/teams which you will see on the new Membership registration form. When making your commitment, please consider: How can I help? What are my strengths?

What are my talents? How much time can I commit to this organization? Remember that many hands make light work; a few folks have carried a load for many years. Please consider . . .

Our 2023 Workshops will be listed in the upcoming Newsletter(s). Here is a place that you may consider volunteering – it's fun! Stay tuned!

In the meantime, please enjoy the holiday season with your family and friends and be safe.

Your editor,
Gaye

Kathy McMillen



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