



Friends of Taka Sumi-e

July 2020 Newsletter

Dear Friends of TakaSumi-e,

www.takasumi-e.com

As Room 104 continues to be closed to us, we want to remember that our friendships and interests are still intact. With that in mind, we signed up for one year of unlimited Zoom service so that we can keep in touch. We have all been reaching out in one form or another, so here is a chance to continue our monthly interaction with each other.

For our July 11th workshop you will all be sent a link via email to meet us on Zoom. We can do some visiting, Tricia will do a workshop on Masks, and although we will not have an official meeting, you are welcome to bring up any issues for consideration. Hopefully you are all well, and we will have a wonderful experience together!

Be Safe.
Respectfully,

Your President, Alice

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Although Balboa Park is open for the public's enjoyment, the buildings are NOT open at this time for use so we will not be able to hold our monthly workshops at this time and our August cooperative sale with Washu Kai is also either on hold or canceled. We'll just have to wait and see (as will all other users of the building facilities in the Park).

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ZOOM INSTRUCTIONS FOR WORKSHOPS AND ANNUAL SOCIETY GATHERING

Here is how to sign in for July's workshop and our Annual Gathering:

- Go to the email which you will receive from takasumie@gmail.com or ralsgal@gmail.com prior to the event.
- Click on the link provided in that email.
- Be sure to click on both the "audio" and "video" components so that you can see and be seen and hear and be heard during our visits.

- Wait in the “waiting room” to be admitted. It’s just like the doctor’s office or the hair salon; we’re doing this so that we don’t have uninvited guests crashing our Zoom event.
- HELPFUL HINTS:
 - Prior to joining in the fun, be sure that your camera is on and that it is situated so that we’re not looking up your nose and that you appear bright and fresh. Sometimes putting it on a box or book or propping your device against something is a good idea. Also make sure that the sound is working on your end. There is an opportunity to test it.
 - Comb your hair, brush your teeth and put on a shirt/blouse (pants are not a requirement [tee hee]).
 - If you’d prefer, or if you do not have the technology, please feel free to join in without the video component.
 - Some of us are technologically savvy and have backgrounds we’d like to use. Sometimes they are a challenge though, and cause problems. Perhaps this is not the ideal time to use them – just choose a nice part of your home to situate yourself.
 - Keep in mind that there will be many folks joining in so that conversation is a challenge. The host will probably MUTE everyone in the beginning so that there is some sort of order to start off. If you have something to say, just raise your hand and you will be recognized. We will also all be MUTED during demonstration time; again, raise your hand if you have a question and you will be recognized. During our social time and during discussion, the mute button will be turned off and everyone will be able to chat.
 - When/if you need to leave the Zoom meeting, just click on the LEAVE button and we will see you the next time.
- If you have something you would like to share during the meeting – art-wise --- be sure to have it at hand and we’ll spend some time doing that. To do so, please hold it up to your camera and hold it steady so everyone can see it. Sometimes it’s a challenge, so hold it still and for a few moments.
- Finally, be patient with everyone as this will be FOT’s first foray and there will be bumps and bruises. Any input is appreciated and it is hoped that we can have many more Zoom meetings and gatherings going forward until we can all be together in person.

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ANNUAL SOCIETY GATHERING

The Society’s annual gathering will be a ZOOM event hosted by Tuesday Painters! Please watch for an invitation to this fun, exciting and creative new approach to our annual social event.

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JULY WORKSHOP

Our **July 11, 2020 (9AM to noon)** workshop will be a ZOOM workshop on Masks! and will be led by Tricia Erler. See the attachments to this email for further information. It should be a fun morning, especially because Tricia would like us to spend time socializing while we're painting, too! We'll sign on at 9AM and wrap it up about noon. Watch for the email so you can join in. Be sure to have your usual sumi-e tools at the ready, including ink, brushes and colors.

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SHARE YOUR ART

During our hiatus, please send your sketches, paintings, and anything you may have found that are inspirational to me (ralsgal@gmail.com) as a .jpg and we'll post some of them in our next newsletter and on the website. It will be fun to share and to see what everyone is doing with their free time.

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ARTWORK RECEIVED DURING MAY/JUNE



Lynn Konen



Deborah Pennell

Sylvia Nielsen



Edna Harper