



# Friends of Taka Sumi-e

## December 2021 Newsletter

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Hello my Takasumi-e Friends!

Thanks to Kathy Romero, we had an amazing workshop last month on the Peony. It was much more than that. Kathy shared tips on color mixing, preparing a palate, brushes and much more. I really enjoyed it and we all painted a great flower.

Next up for December is Gaye Lingley. I am sure it will be exciting. We are so fortunate to have such creative artists in our painting community.

Heads up for an important meeting this month along with our wonderful workshop. We need to nominate and elect new officers. Please think carefully and see who you think would be good in the different offices. Come prepared to nominate and/or accept a position. Also, some of you have ideas on what we should do for this year's show, please come prepared to express your opinion.

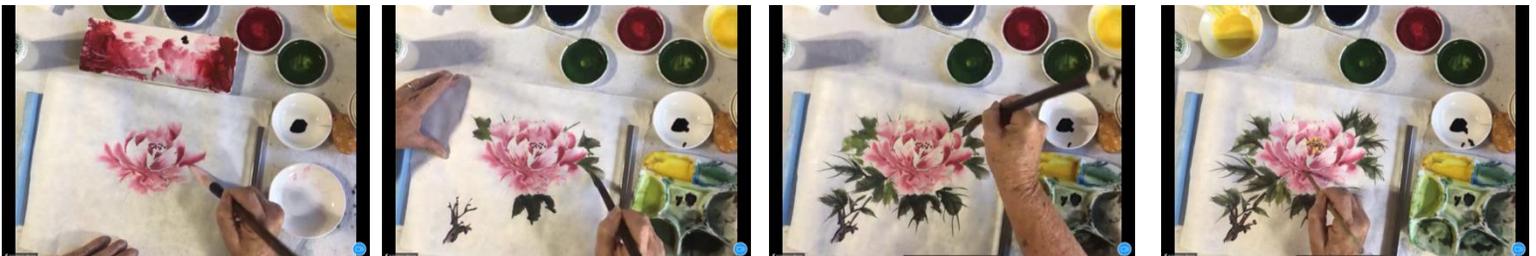
As we move into the Holiday Season I would like to wish everyone wonderful times, happiness and health!

Respectfully,  
Your President,  
Alice

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### NOVEMBER WORKSHOP

Wowie zowie, what a workshop! Kathy did such a terrific job and everyone raved!!!! The video she suggested, while all in Chinese, was a perfect lead-in to her demonstration and success was had by all. Here are a few screenshots taken by Tricia. We can't wait to have her back again in 2022.



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## MEMBERSHIP

As a reminder, your editor is publishing below a list of current members who have, to date, NOT renewed their membership for the 2021-2022 Society Year. If you intend to renew your membership, please do so NOW. Send in your registration form and membership dues (\$20). See Registration form following. Thanks!

Dennis Bates	Joan Ho	Lisa Moore
Noriko Benkner	Long Kha	Naoko Ozaki
Analyn Burrows	Michiyo Kirkpatrick	Joan Rasp
Diana Burrows	Margie Kitano	Jo Restrepo
Pat Crepeau	Lynn Konen	Julia Roth
So Lai Cummins	Chau Le	Catherine Sherman
Tricia Erler	Roberta Levy	Stephen Smith
Hermelinda Flores	Qing Qing Lu	Cynthia Stribling
Diane Francis	Kazuko (Kay) Mese	Christina Volz

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## Sister Society Member, Wendy Nakamura

Washu Kai member, Wendy, will be at the December 21, 2021 Pop-Up event, which includes her art -- OJIZO-SAN MEDITATES COVID-19 PANDEMIC painting -- for the WELLNESS programs at the Japanese Friendship Garden in Balboa Park. The Garden is FREE TUESDAYS. [www.niwa.org/programs](http://www.niwa.org/programs)

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## DECEMBER WORKSHOP WITH GAYE

Elves, Nisse, Tomte, Trolls – these are all names for folkloric figures in Nordic/Scandinavian tales of Christmas or Winter.

Nisse or Tomte (Tomten) tended to visit farms or barns which they felt needed help and, in turn, expected to be compensated by being provided with breakfast of oatmeal and honey. The Tomten are represented in a rather ragged grey suit with a red pointed hat. There are tales of the farmer's wife, feeling that the Tomte's clothing was tattered and worn, made him a new suit of clothes. This was not a good idea and was often met with hostility.

The Lapps of northern Norway, Sweden and Russia had a 17<sup>th</sup> and 18<sup>th</sup> century rite of the Bear Hunt and Feast as the Bear was a much-feared and much-revered creature in that culture. The Lapps, with their nomadic caribou-centric culture, would send their best hunters out to slay and bring back the beast and then the entire village would celebrate in a rather raucous, festive, and all-inclusive manner. I'm attaching a copy of "The Bear Feast" by Ossian Elgstrom (1883-1950) which is a pen & ink piece and which, I think, lends itself to sumi-e interpretation. The Lapps, as imagined by Elgstrom, have a Tomte-feel to them.

I'm providing a couple of links for you, if you're interested, about Nisse and a child's story about Tomten.

"The Nisse": <https://youtu.be/jETPxlyJOF4>

"The Tomten and the Fox": <https://youtu.be/fAsOp-cawXw>

Peer Gynt by Henrik Ibsen is a Norwegian tale which includes Trolls. Some of us may know this story and its subsequent music, the Peer Gynt Suite by Edvard Grieg. Gaye's oldest daughter's favorite story as a child was the "Three Billy Goats Gruff", which included a Troll who lived under a bridge.

There are many pictures of trolls, nisse, elves and tomte online today. Included are a few for your reference. We'll translate these images into a Japanese style using sumi and our papers and colors.

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## WASHU KAI ANNUAL ART EXHIBITION (Virtual)

Our sister organization, Washu Kai, hosts its 46<sup>th</sup> annual art exhibition, virtually again this year. I just viewed it and it is exquisite. Thank you to those who worked so hard to put it together again this year for the worlds' enjoyment. Here is the link: <https://youtu.be/FwcQWgViB0c>

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## FRIENDS OF TAKASUMI-E / WASHU KAI JOINT SALE (IN THE FUTURE)

Sue Landers ([suelanders11@gmail.com](mailto:suelanders11@gmail.com)) is forming a group of folks who are interested in creating a sale of sumi-e – related items in one of the Patios in Casa del Prado. Please contact her if you are interested.

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### 3 RAFFLE PRIZES TO BE GIVEN OUT IN DECEMBER TO DEMO ARTISTS

Several more artists are needed for completion of the demo schedule for 2022 and 2023. Those artists who demoed in 2021 will be in the Christmas drawing of 3 raffle prizes (variety of rice paper, art supplies and a painting book) to be announced after the December 2021 demo. The 2022 participating artists will have a chance to win one of 3 raffle prizes, too, at the December 2022 demo. Thank you all for helping out to make our workshops a success.

Tina Matchett, Workshop Coordinator

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## WORKSHOP SCHEDULE

When the time is close to your workshop, please get your handouts, if any, to Gaye ([ralsgal@gmail.com](mailto:ralsgal@gmail.com)) so we can give them to the members before your workshop.

DATE	NAME	SUBJECT	COMMENT(S)
<b>2021</b>		<b>YEAR OF THE OX</b>	
March	Cliff Brown	Petunias	SUPER FUN!
April 3	Henry Li	Orchids, misty mountains; streams & trees	FABULOUS!
May 1	Louise Rendich	Birds and Flowers	WHOOPEE!
June 5	Stephen Smith	Roses	WHAT FUN!
July 3	Fawn Leone	Landscape mountains; stream & trees	LEARNED A LOT!
August 7	Naoko Ozaki	Bell Flower	***WOW***
September 4	OFF CALENDAR	FOR THE FOLLOWING WEEK'S PARTY!	

October 2	Deborah Pennell	Autumn Leaves & Colors	WONDERFUL!
November 6	Kathy Romero	Peony	EXQUISITE!
December 4	Gaye Lingley	Nordic Elves in Sumi-e	
<b>2022</b>		<b>YEAR OF THE TIGER</b>	
January 8	Christina Matchett		
February 5	Cliff Brown		
March 5	Fawn Leone		
April 2	Tricia Eler		
May 7	Margie Johnson & Alice Rogow		
June 4	Takashi Ijichi		
July 2	Dennis Bates		
August 6	Lynn Konen		
September 3			
October 1	Louise Rendich		
November 5	Cindy Morgan		
December 3	Alice Rogow & Gaye Lingley	Tag Team Painting	
<b>2023</b>		<b>YEAR OF THE RABBIT</b>	
January 7			
February 4			
March 4			

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## YEARLY MEMBERSHIP REGISTRATION FORM

Please note our membership year is from October 1 through September 30 the following year. Dues must be paid by March 1 of each year to participate in the annual show.

Please provide the information below (PRINT). Mail with your check for \$20 payable to **Friends of Taka Sumi-e** and mail to: Teri Ashabraner

454 Inkopah Street  
Chula Vista, CA 91911

NAME \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_

[STREET, CITY, STATE, ZIP]

TELEPHONE \_\_\_\_\_

EMAIL\* \_\_\_\_\_

CLASS(ES) \_\_\_\_\_

\*Friends of Taka Sumi-e communication, newsletter and notices are sent through email.

AMOUNT PAID _____	<input type="checkbox"/> CASH	<input type="checkbox"/> CHECK # _____
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<input type="checkbox"/> GIVEN TO _____	AT _____	DATE _____

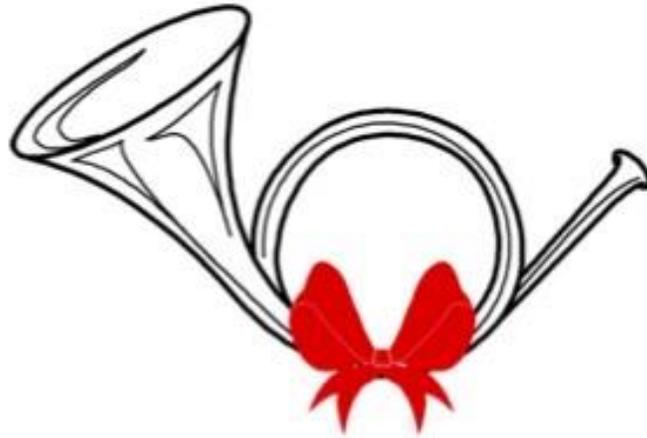
### BE SURE TO FILL OUT THE FOLLOWING:

#### VOLUNTEER POSITION:

- Board Member (President, Vice President, Treasurer, Secretary, Membership, Workshop Coordinator, SDBGF Representative)
- Ten Shi (Classroom liaison. This person provides information to members and other students about Friends of Taka Sumi-e activities in the classroom.)
- Workshop demonstration
- Field Trip Coordinator
- Hospitality
- Website
- Other \_\_\_\_\_

Our annual Exhibition is a cooperative event. **All entrants must volunteer in at *least one* position.**

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Reception     | <input type="checkbox"/> Breakdown     | <input type="checkbox"/> Sound                      |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Tea Table     | <input type="checkbox"/> Publicity     | <input type="checkbox"/> Digital/Internet Expertise |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Demonstration | <input type="checkbox"/> MC            | <input type="checkbox"/> Website Interest/Expertise |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Kitchen       | <input type="checkbox"/> Photography   | <input type="checkbox"/> Online Exhibition Interest |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Cashier       | <input type="checkbox"/> Security      | <input type="checkbox"/> _____                      |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Fashion Show  | <input type="checkbox"/> Stage Manager | <input type="checkbox"/> _____                      |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Setup         | <input type="checkbox"/> Stage Hand    | _____   |



*San Diego City Guard Band  
Holiday Concert*

*December 14, 2021  
7:00 pm*

*Liberty Hall  
Paradise Village Retirement Community  
2700 E. 4<sup>th</sup> Street, National City*



Thanks, Stephen, for sharing this information

# 46th Annual Senior Art Contest & Exhibit

The Art Exhibit will be on display at Park de la Cruz Community Center  
3901 Landis Street, San Diego 92105

From January 18th through January 28th, 2022

## CATEGORIES

\*ACRYLIC \*DRAWING \*PASTEL \*MIXED MEDIA \* OIL \* WATER COLOR

One entry per person will be accepted at the following locations  
from January 3rd through 13th

Park de la Cruz Center 3901 Landis St., SD, 92105	Mon-Wed Thur-Sat	8:30am-5:30pm 8:30am-1:30pm
Balboa Park Senior Lounge 1650 El Prado, room 105, SD 92101	Tues-Fri	9:00am-12:00pm
San Ysidro Senior Center 125 East Park, San Ysidro, 92173	Mon/Wed/Fri	2:00pm-6:00pm

**Artists must be age 55 or better.**

**For more information or to request a registration form call (619) 525-8247.**

Thanks, Sue, for sharing this information.