

**DEMONSTRATOR**

**MELANIE PHILLIPS HIGHLIGHTS**

*I* was raised in the San Gabriel Mountains of California. Because we really had no neighbors, my siblings and I spent a lot of time entertaining ourselves. We built forts, I played teacher to my younger brother, and we created "art" using acorns, leaves, sticks, and whatever else we could find. We put on "shows" whenever we had company. We would come up with a skit and dress up and perform. I didn't know it at the time, but all of this shaped my ability, desire and need to "create".

Melanie is primarily a self taught artist although she has taken a few art classes and a few workshops. Melanie works in several mediums, and she loves to experiment. She enjoys watercolor painting because of the freedom and fluidity of the medium, collage because of the textural element, acrylic because of the many types of art that can be created using the same paint and various other mediums. She paints several different types of subject matter including wildlife, florals, and abstract to name a few.

Her work is displayed in the SoHo Gallery in Pomona where she is a member and was the Gallery Coordinator for 3 years. She belongs to the Pomona Valley Art Association and Associated Artists of Inland Empire.

Each week she teaches a watercolor class for the Chaffey Adult School, a children's art class and an adult art class in her studio, all in Rancho Cucamonga. She has also demonstrated for many groups including the L.A. Pomona County Fair in the Millard Sheets gallery and for the Covina art association.

She currently lives in Rancho Cucamonga, California with her husband Walt of 27 years and their dog "Buddie". They have three grown children, who are all married, and three grandchildren.

**WINNERS**

*For January*

**Carol Dahlquist**

won the Demonstrator's Award

**Katie Roberts**

won the Popular Vote Award

**Scott Maggard**

won the Demonstrator's Painting

**Phil Lund**

won the Opportunity Tickets prize

**BOARD MEETING**

The January meeting will be held on 2/20/08 at the home of Di Kröll  
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Meetings are held at 9:30 A.M. on the second Wednesday of each month.

Next Meeting: February 13

**Central Park Community Center**

11200 Baseline Road  
Rancho Cucamonga

**web address:**

[www.associatedartists-inlandempire.org](http://www.associatedartists-inlandempire.org)

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**2008 DEMONSTRATIONS**

- January 9 - Helga Batman-Koplin - oil
- February 13 - Melanie Phillips - mixed media
- March 12 - Tom Fong - watercolor
- April 9 - Gabrielle Baber - oil
- May 14 - Brenda Swenson - watercolor
- June 11 - Angela Hernandez - watercolor
- July 9 - Nancy Kasten - oil
- August 13 -
- September 10 -
- October 8 -
- November 12 -
- December 10 -

**2008 ARTWORK OF THE MONTH**

Artwork of the Month can always include 2- dimensional or 3- dimensional art pieces pertaining to the category. Specific rules are posted at the monthly meetings. The deadline for is submitting work is 9:30 a.m.

- January - Artist's Choice
- February - Landscapes
- March - Still Life
- April - Seascapes, Lakes, Rivers
- May - Florals
- June - Artist's Choice
- July - Structures: buildings, houses, bridges, etc.  
(can be paintings, drawings, or sculptures)
- August - Artist's Choice
- September - Animals, Birds
- October - Portraits & Figures
- November - Miniatures
- December -no exhibit

**ALAN MARRIOTT**

Alan has always had an interest in art but until retiring was not able to devote time to learn how to paint. His first foray into watercolor was with Chris Van Winkle with whom he has taken many classes and from whom he has gained an understanding of the basics and the possibilities that the water media present. Tom Fong was another teacher who demonstrated the spontaneity of watercolor and helped Alan develop a looser style – something sometimes difficult for a person with engineering training.

Alan is an avid backpacker and has always wanted to learn how to paint the incredible scenery of the Sierra Nevada mountains. He took workshops from Dale Laitinen, a master of that genre, and from Stephen Quiller, also a painter of the wilderness. Other artists with whom he has studied are Milford Zornes, Frank Francese, and Sam Kitamura.

Alan is a member of Associated Artists of the Inland Empire, Pomona Valley Art Association, and is on the board of the National Watercolor Society and the Mid-Valley Arts League. He has exhibited paintings at NWS Member shows, MVAL and Associated Artists Annual shows, and has received several awards. He currently has an exhibit at the PVAA SoHo Gallery.

Although watercolor has been Alan's media of choice so far, he recently began to paint with acrylics. Most of his subjects come from his experiences in hiking, fly fishing and traveling, both in this country and abroad. While doing mostly landscapes, he also likes to experiment with abstracts.



**SALES TABLES**

*February*

**Martha Cowan -Edible Valentines  
Dorothy Skarseth**

To reserve a table, contact Shirley Bonneville @ 909-463-6259. One month notice preferred.

**COOKIES**

*February*

**Elizabeth Carr, Jo Anna,  
Rhonda Kerr, Marion Steese**

**NEW MEMBERS**

Scott Maggard, Lenore Roth, Earl Ranney

**GIBSON SENIOR CENTER**

Artwork will be changed at the Gibson Senior center on February 27, 2008, at 9:30 am. If you have a piece hanging, please be there to pick it up. You may bring new work to exchange. If you have never participated, your work is welcomed!

**THANK YOU**

Thank you to member **Martha Underwood**, who donated four books for the monthly Opportunity Ticklers prize . . . .and thank you to **Kloy Law**, who donated a 2008-2009 Annual Associated Artist's Membership (in memory of Ginger Marshall's late son), to the monthly Opportunity Tickets prize. **This membership will be the Opportunity Tickets prize at the February meeting!**

**RC SENIOR CENTER**

Artwork will be changed at the Rancho Cucamonga Senior center on March 5, 2008. If you have a piece hanging, please be there to pick it up. Please contact Shirley @463-6259. Space is limited.

**SLATE OF OFFICERS 2008-09**

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Linda David, Pat Bivona,  
 Sandy Loomis, Chris Sayers  
**Best of Luck in 2007-2008!**

**MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION APRIL 2007 -MARCH 2008**

Note: Membership begins annually April 1 to the following April 1. Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Telephone \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_ City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

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**Regular Membership** - \$25.00 ( Must pay \$2.00 at each regular demo meeting).

**Special Membership** - \$39.00 (includes one year's cost of most demo programs).

(Life Memberships will continue to be honored)

Please enclose this form with check payable to : Associated Artists c/o Karen Werner  
 13432 Garcia Ave. Chino, CA 91710

Check one: New  Renewal

**AREA ART SHOWS**

**Chaffey Community Art Association:**

**1. Honoring the Artist:  
Martha Underwood**

January 4 - February 17, 2008  
 Open Friday - Sunday, noon to 5 pm.

**2. Juried Show**  
 Saturday, March 1 - Sunday, April 20

Take-in - Wed., Feb. 27, 2008.  
 Filippi Winery - 12467 Baseline Rd.  
 Rancho Cucamonga 91739

www.ccaamuseum.org

*For information, call 909-463-3733.*

**CONDOLENCES**

Our sincere condolences go out to the families of **Anna Ruth Pritchett** and **Marguerite Anderson**, both long-time members who passed away recently.