



Torrance Artists' Guild

P.O. Box 1494, Torrance, CA 90505

September 2021

TAG Paint Together Meeting in person at Destination Art Saturday, 11:00 am - 3:00 pm, September 18, 2021

Featured Artist



Parrish Hirasaki

Parrish Nelson Hirasaki grew up in Charleston, South Carolina. Upon completion of her degree in mechanical engineering at Duke University, she moved to Houston to work in the Apollo program and eventually the energy industry. She has been painting most of her life, though less often during her career and while her two children were young.

Parrish is at ease capturing the likeness in a portrait, and she likes to paint her two favorite places to be – the beach and Venice, Italy. Initially an oil portrait painter and prone to work for



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months on a painting, Parrish took up watercolor as a medium that wouldn't allow continuous rework. Living near Houston, she became active in WAS-H, the 600-member watercolor society. The WAS-H

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Statement of Purpose

The Torrance Artists' Guild is a non-profit corporation organized to cultivate art skills, promote awareness and encourage appreciation of art in our community. It is chartered by the City of Torrance in cooperation with the Cultural Services Division of the Community Services Department. Meetings are held on the second Tuesday of every other month.

General TAG Meeting: Tuesday, Oct.12th at 7:00 p.m. at the Garden Meeting Room, 3350 Civic Center Drive, Torrance

Board Meeting: Tues. 10-5-21, 6:30pm

Newsletter Deadline: Wed. 10-6-21

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gallery and class rooms provided a place to learn and to display art. Parrish quickly became primarily a watercolorist.

When Parrish retired to

Southern California in 2013, she had a plan for making new friends and says it worked wonderfully. She joined and became active in art societies, TAG being one of the first. Parrish ran the Monthly Competition for three years. She is also a member of the South Bay Watercolor Society, San Pedro Art Association, and the National Watercolor Society. She is a Signature Member of the National Society of Artists and a Patron Member of the Portrait Society of America.



Swirl



Venice Canal



Breezy Day



The Chess Master

Torrance Artist Guild (TAG) Online Show 2021 October 4 – October 31, 2021

IMPORTANT DATES:

Show Registration: Monday, September 6 through Wednesday, September 22
Online Show Dates: Monday, October 4 through Sunday, October 31
In-Person Show Reception: TBD

This is a summary. You should have received the full prospectus in your email.

REQUIREMENTS:

- To participate in this show, you must be a current TAG member.

RULES:

- The registration fee of \$35 includes up to two pieces.
- Artwork should not have been entered in a previous TAG Show and should've been completed during the last 2 years.
- Artwork must be original and 100% personally executed, not from a "directed" class or workshop.
- Upload a quality JPEG photo for each artwork submitted. Your photo should be of the painting without the mat or frame. Make sure that there is no glare on your photo.

REGISTRATION PROCEDURES:

- Register online through this link: <https://portal.destination-art.net/shows>
- When you are asked to create a password, write this unique password down for later use. It will ONLY apply to this show. It will be needed to modify your registration, change your artwork photo, finish payment or provide any other assistance with your show account. ONCE YOU FINISH PAYING YOU CANNOT LOGIN AGAIN!
- Each painting submitted will request a price during registration. If it is not for sale (NFS), you will still be required to enter a price. Enter 0.00 if it is not for sale.

If you need help registering online or uploading a photo, please contact Robin Johns at rbroudyjohns@gmail.com or contact her directly at 310-488-6864. You may also send an email to the Destination: Art email address at localartists@destination-art.net

President's Message

Registration for our annual show is happening now and ends Sept. 22nd.

Online registration can be accomplished by clicking on the special link seen below: <https://portal.destination-art.net/shows/> You may enter two paintings in this online show, and they will automatically be accepted. The registration fee is \$35. If you have trouble registering, uploading a photo, or paying online, send an email message to localartists@destination-art.net or contact Robin Johns at rbroudyjohns@gmail.com or at 310-488-6864.



Also, please tell your non-TAG-member artist friends that they are welcome to enter the show if they live in one of the following neighboring cities: Marina del Rey, Manhattan Beach, Hermosa Beach, Redondo Beach, Palos Verdes, Hawthorne, Lomita, or San Pedro. They only first need to pay the annual membership fee for this year, which is half price at \$15, to become TAG members. The payment should go to our treasurer, Diane Reeves at P.O. Box 1494, Torrance, CA 90505.

Your TAG board decided to open up this show in hopes of attracting new members. We currently have 53 members, which is a good number, considering we are in a pandemic. Some art groups have made at least one show per year open to artists who are not currently members, so we thought we would try this approach.

The TAG annual show in-person reception is expected to be in the Garden Room of the Torrance facility, a few steps from where our TAG meetings used to be held in the Ken Miller auditorium. The plan is to present a slideshow of the entries on a large-screen TV and have the award-winning paintings physically present. There will be finger food, wine, and other beverages. The date has not been set, but the plan is to have it on a Saturday or Sunday afternoon in October.

TAG members are going to meet in person this month on Sept. 18th from 11am-3pm for a "paint in" at Destination Art. These "paint ins" are an experiment, to learn whether there is an interest in

members painting together. If so, paint-ins could become regular meeting occasions for TAG. Your board is interested to know what sorts of activities you would like to engage in with other members.

TAG needs a volunteer to become president for next year. Most of the current board members intend to stay on the board, but there will be a shuffling of positions. I'll remain on the board as your past-president. However, we do not yet have someone to nominate for president. Clearly, if we cannot find a new president, our group will not be able to continue its decades-long history as a charter member of the City of Torrance.

Keep on painting,

Tricia Alexander

TAG Member News

Congratulations to the many TAG members who produced outstanding work for the South Bay Watercolor Society 2021 Annual Juried Show!

- Bobbie Davison** - Best of Show - "Pelican"
- Parrish Hirasaki** - 2nd Place - "The Chess Master"
- Debbie Abshear** - 3rd Place - "Cloisonné"
- Beverly Spisak** - Gloria Lee Memorial Award - "Homeward Bound"
- Louisa McHugh** - Honorable Mention - "Harbor Boats III"
- Moira Cohn** - Honorable Mention - "Solo"
- Vickie Myers** - Merchandise Award - "Explosion of Color"

Candy Paula has a New Virtual Art Exhibit "Time & Chance" which features Original Art Works from her Western Theme Series and Original Photography. For a relaxing getaway visit the YouTube Channel Candy Paula Arts. Your support is appreciated and all are welcome!

Contact information: candypaulaarts@gmail.com



Art Event News

Destination: Art

Made in the South Bay Show Aug 2-Oct 31 In the Destination Art Gallery and online at www.destination-art.net

National Watercolor Society

Mary Whyte: The Portrait and The Figure Workshop – starts Oct 7, 9:00am - ends Oct 9, 4:00pm 2021, 915 S. Pacific Ave, San Pedro www.nationalwatercolorssociety.org

South Bay Watercolor Society

2021 Annual SBWS Juried Member Show – Aug 19-Sept 18 Thurs-Sun, National Watercolor Society Gallery,

Online Juried Shows

Entry portal for various art shows from around the country OnlineJuriedShows.com

Palos Verdes Art Center

PVAC90: Past, Present & Future year-long 90th Anniversary Exhibition pvartcenter.org

Gardena Valley Japanese Cultural Institute

Virtual art exhibit from Sept. 18-30, 2021. The theme is "Cultural Heritage." The exhibit will be posted on the GVJCI website. For more information go to: <https://www.jci-gardena.org/2021-online-art-show.html>

San Pedro Art Association

85th Anniversary Nov 13, 2021, 6:00pm Doubletree by Hilton Hotel 2800 Via Cabrillo Marina, San Pedro order tickets online at sanpedroart.org

Torrance Art Museum

SUR:biennial Sept 18 - Dec 4, 2021, Recent works by local and international artists influenced by the cultures and artistic traditions of Mexico, Central & South America, and the Caribbean torranceartmuseum.com

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Destination: Art – Classes and Workshops

Creating Paintings with Collage, –

Liz Walker – acrylic mixed media, Sept 18, 2021 \$70

Joe Mancuso - Pastel Landscape Workshop. In

Studio – Joe Mancuso – pastel, Sept 23-24, 2021 \$120

Joe Mancuso - Pastel Landscape Workshop. Zoom –

Joe Mancuso – pastel, Sept 23-24, 2021 \$120

Louisa McHugh Contemporary Watercolor, In

Studio Evening – Louisa McHugh – watercolor, Oct 6-Nov 3, 2021 \$145

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Constructing a Painting in Pastel with Dori

Dewberry, In Studio – Dori Dewberry – pastel, Oct 6-Nov 3, 2021 \$150

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Dewberry, Zoom – Dori Dewberry – pastel, Oct 6-Nov 3, 2021 \$150

Gelli Plate Printmaking - Debbie Abshear, In Studio

Debbie Abshear – printmaking, Sat. Oct 23-24, 2021 \$140

Find Your Voice - Critique with Frank Minuto, In

Studio – Frank Minuto all mediums, Aug 26-Sept 23, 2021 \$150

Paint-Ins

Tuesdays 10:00am-3:00pm, \$15 each, \$10 for Assoc. Artists, Drop in, no registration

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Sign up on line.

Destination: Art offers a variety of art classes and workshops to provide our community with quality instruction, a comfortable environment and support to improve technique and knowledge. Destination: Art continues to hold classes in pastel, oil painting, watercolor, mixed media and drawing.

Instructors are award winning artists, and classes are kept small, granting students the best learning opportunity. There is a Zoom option for most classes along with the in person experience. If there is an art skill you wish to learn please provide the information by contacting Destination: Art.

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Sun noon - 4:00 pm