

Flourish

EAST VALLEY ARTISTS'
MONTHLY NEWSLETTER



June demo by Michael O. Rogan

PRESIDENT'S NOTES

BY CAROLE CAMERON

July and the heat is coming.

I always find excuses not to make art based on the weather; it's too cold, the sky is definitely too gray, or gosh darn it, it's way too hot. These excuses fit in nicely with my other excuses; I gotta pay bills, walk the dog, do errands, stop the house from falling down around me. But the weather-related ones are a sure thing when I'm looking to procrastinate.

But I am finding that when the summer heat sets in, it is good to be inside out of the blazing sun or heat of my garage shop and be working on a painting. If you've been following my fascinating <sic> life story, you'll know I am more of a maker than painter and I am forcing myself to become a painter, gosh darn it again.

I'm here to report that the strategy is working and I have a completed painting and am working on another.



So, the story goes, just keep trying. Inspiration comes after the work.

I hope to see you all at the Coffee Cup on Friday the 14th.

Carole

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ARTIST OF THE MONTH ONLINE

Congratulations to our AOMO winners for the month of June!

Entries for the AOMO contest should be emailed to us at eastvalleyartists@gmail.com by 8:00 pm on the third Wednesday of each month.

July AOMO entries are due on July 19th!

FIRST PLACE (TIE)



Carole Cameron - Mochi Every Day
Acrylic, 16 x 20

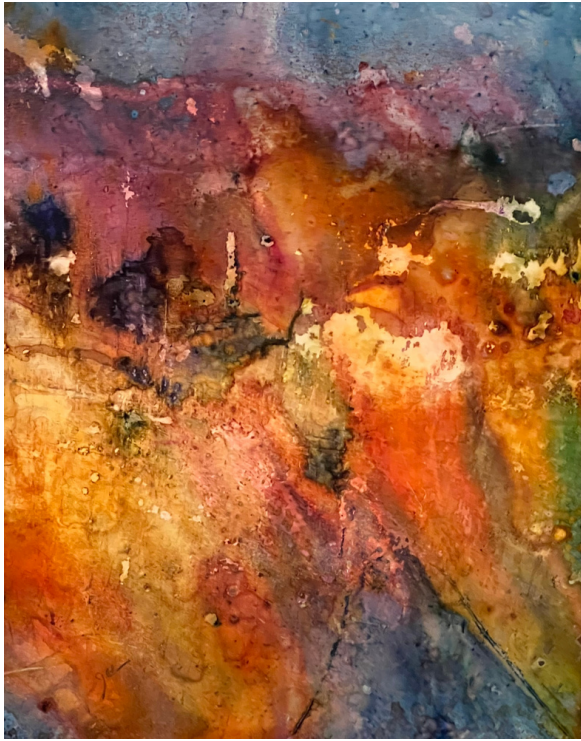
FIRST PLACE (TIE)



Jennifer Wool and Sloane Perroots - Clay,
Fiber and Linen
6" tall x 7" wide

ARTIST OF THE MONTH ONLINE [CONTINUED]

SECOND PLACE (TIE)



Julia Cline - Tapestry City
Mixed Media, 10.25 x 13.5

THIRD PLACE



Sriharsha Annadore - Meadow Lark's View of the World
Photography, 16 x 20

SECOND PLACE (TIE) & BONUS CATEGORY: MOST EFFECTIVE USE OF CONTRAST



Wendell Fiock - Clear Lake Species
Acrylic and Ink, 14 x 18

JUNE ARTIST OF THE MONTH ONLINE'S FOURTH CATEGORY: THE UNEXPECTED

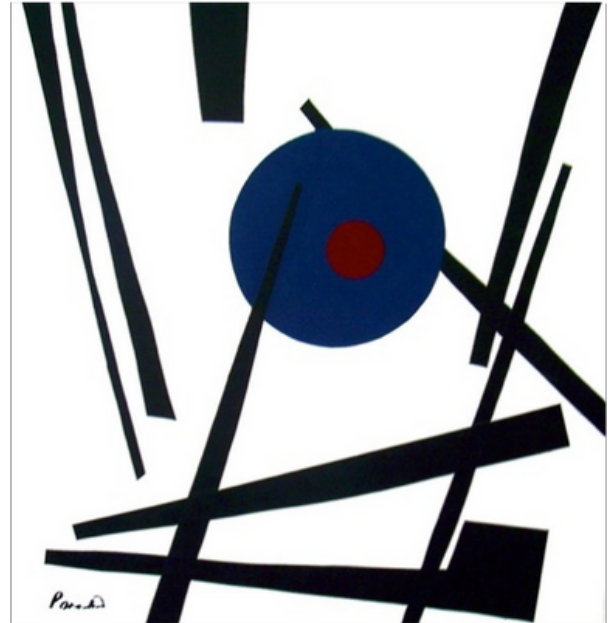
BY JULIA CLINE

The late Jim Paradis, longtime member of EVA, was a master of the unexpected. He wound an elephant's trunk back into its head to create "Elephanty." In "Non-Objective," he dropped what resembles a colorful bowling-ball among black marks that mostly resemble chopsticks. A 3-dimensional hand grabs the edge of Jim's 2-dimensional composition "Caught Red-Handed."



"Elephanty" by Jim Paradis

At a reception for a show the Villages Arts and Crafts Association had arranged to honor Jim, I overheard EVA member Wendell Fiock question the elder artist about a huge abstract prominently displayed in the reception area of Cribari Center. Wendell's question went something like, "Jim, now how did you get that textured effect? What materials did you use?" "Oh, that?" Jim responded. "I was working in the garage and I picked up a can of motor oil and started slinging it at the canvas." Even Jim's materials resided among the unexpected.



"Non-Objective" by Jim Paradis

The fourth category for July's Artist of the Month competition invites us to grab the baton from Jim and create something surprising—be it so in medium, subject matter or composition. So go sling your motor oil and have fun doing it!



"Caught Red Handed" by Jim Paradis

THIS MONTH'S INSPIRATION WORD IS: ICE CREAM

Are you stuck? Need a muse to kick you off? Here's an inspiration word to get you going.

Use the words "ice cream" to inspire your work this month.

Share what you create in our Facebook Group, [Members and Friends of East Valley Artists](#). Or email us your work!



GOOD TO KNOW

The De Young Museum is free on Saturdays for Bay Area residents

Why not plan a trip with EVA members?

[Visit the De Young's website](#) for more info.

UPCOMING EVA 23 EVENTS

JULY 14 ARTIST MEETUP AT THE COFFEE CUP



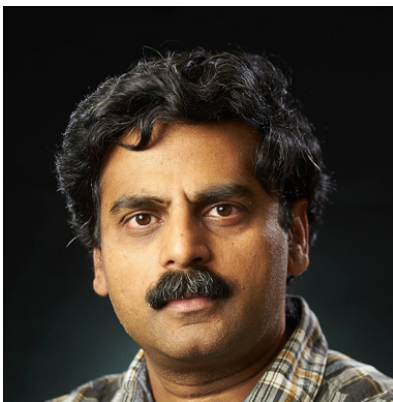
Let's get together over coffee to chat about what projects we're working on, exhibits we saw that inspired us, ideas we have for the club, what we're making for dinner... whatever!

There will be fresh art on display by Jeanne Wardrip thanks to Coffee Cup owner Michelle, who graciously provides exhibit space for our artists.

When: Friday, July 14 at 9:00 AM

Where: The Coffee Cup - 438 Toyon Ave, San Jose

JULY 22 NATURE PHOTOGRAPHY WALK W/ SRIHARSHA ANNADORE



Bring your camera or cell phone to photograph the beauty we find in nature. EVA member Sriharsha Annadore (Sri) will guide us in how to make the most of our equipment while we photograph flowers at the Municipal Rose Garden.

When: Saturday, July 22 at 9:00 AM

Location: Rose Garden, Dana and Naglee Ave, San Jose, 95126

RSVP: eastvalleyartists@gmail.com



UPCOMING EVA 23 EVENTS [CONTINUED]

AUG 10 DEADLINE TO REGISTER FOR THE ANNUAL SHOW & SALE

Exhibiting members of East Valley Artists who wish to participate in our Annual Show and Sale on September 23 and 24 must sign up by August 10, 2023. Sign up now on our website!

Annual Show & Sale



TELL YOUR FRIENDS TO JOIN EVA BY JULY 19TH!

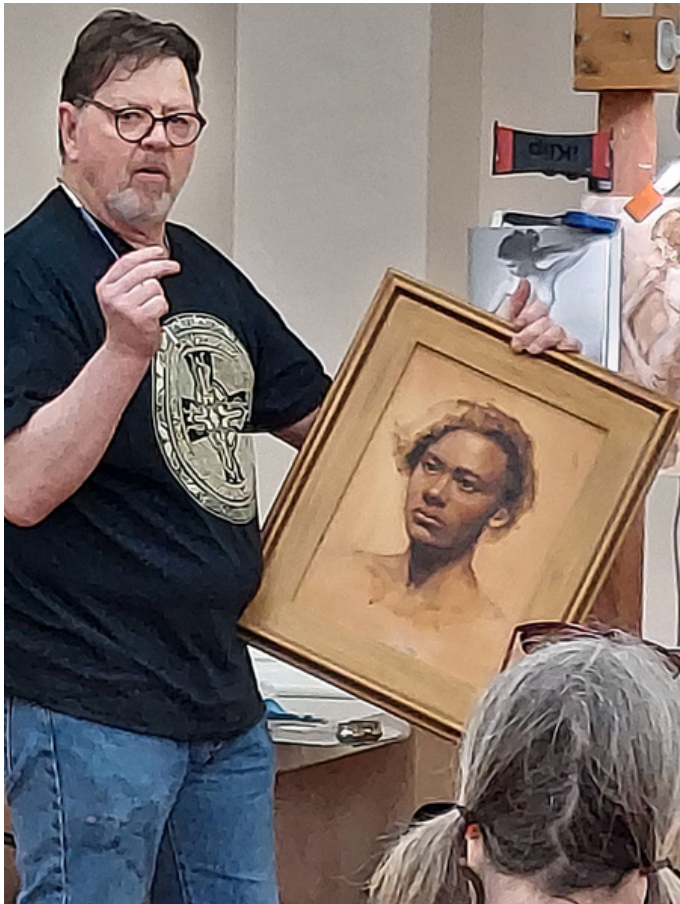
We're looking to expand our membership by encouraging local artists to join EVA in time to participate in this year's annual show.

Do you know any artists who are not EVA members but who might be interested in participating? Ask them to join EVA by July 19th to be eligible to exhibit with us.

More info on our website:

<https://www.eastvalleyartists.com/annual-show-signup>

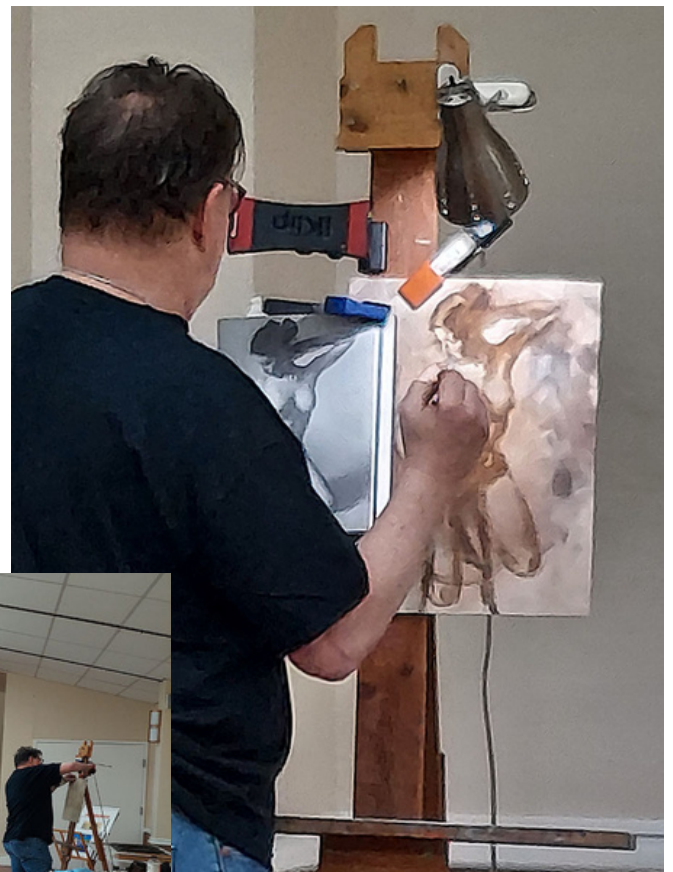
DEMO HIGHLIGHTS



Our July demonstration was a great success. We had a good turnout and enjoyed learning from oil painter Michael O. Rogan, who provided insight on his process and answered questions on materials.

If you missed this demonstration and would like to watch it online, [visit our Facebook page](#).

Photos courtesy of Hadi Aghae.



MEMBER NEWS

Here's what our members had to share this month.

Send your news to eastvalleyartists@gmail.com (with photos if possible!) and we'll include it in next month's Flourish.



A warm welcome to EVA's newest members:

- MARY BROCKMAN**
- CARA DROUIN**
- SUSAN HARDING**
- JANKI CHOKSHI**
- LINA MELKONIAN**

And congratulations to Janki and Lina, who have been voted in as Exhibiting Members!



HADI AGHAEI

I have 3 pieces of figurative art at Chopsticks Alley Art's "Out of the Box" Exhibition at 38 S. 2nd St. San Jose, CA. The show will continue from June 2 to August 20, 2023.

My painting, "Prickly Stubble" is part of Salon at Triton exhibition currently on display until August 20th.

I have one piece at Works/San Jose Gallery "Ray for All All for Ray" exhibition.

I was one of the participants in the Redwood City Chalk art festival during the July 4th celebration and created a 10'X10' chalk art.



MEMBER NEWS CONTINUED



CANDY YU

In June, Candy's painting "Cute Dog!" at Los Altos Library got the first place of Popular Choice Award for the Santa Clara Valley Watercolor Society Watermedia Unbound exhibit. Congrats Candy!

SARAH J.L. NGUYEN

While visiting family, I checked out the Golden paint factory in New Berlin, NY. With a 5-year-old in tow, I wasn't able to take a factory tour, but I did take some photos outside the building and in the gallery. My paint stash is now larger after purchasing some new paints in the shop, and the friendly staff gave us many samples to try!



Tay mirroring the art



None of the paintings had labels, so unfortunately I can't credit the artists!



Sarah with her mom and uncle



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