



# Flourish

July 2020

## Upcoming Events on Zoom:

July 2 - 6:30p Board Meeting

July 16 - 6:30p Club Meeting & Hands-on Demo w/Sarah Nguyen

## Presidents Notes:

Hello Artists. Wishing you an early happy Independence Day, however you choose to celebrate in these interesting times. I hope you will take some time to check out our **new website!** Julie, Sarah and Laurie did a wonderful job planning and building the website. [www.eastvalleyartists.com](http://www.eastvalleyartists.com) I want to thank Laurie also for building the newsletter for the first half of the year. She did a beautiful job and I am grateful for all her hard work! Lastly, just a heads up that we will continue virtual meetings until we are able to meet together again. The board will keep you posted as things change! Kind regards,

*Shelly*



## July 16 Zoom Meeting & Demonstration

Join us at our next virtual club meeting for a paint-along workshop by EVA member Sarah Nguyen. Sarah will show us how to create a sparkling night sky with watercolor. Follow along to paint a tranquil evening landscape, or use the techniques she demonstrates to experiment and create your own colorful galaxy. Suggested materials are listed below; a more detailed list including links will be sent separately.

Sarah has a BA in Art History from San Jose State University and an AS in Graphic Design from Mission College. She has always loved creating, but has only recently begun building a professional career as an artist and designer; she worked for over a decade as a patent paralegal when she decided to pursue a more creative life. She

works primarily in watercolor and mixed media.

### SUGGESTED MATERIALS:

- ★ A small sheet of good quality watercolor paper (about 4x6" or 6x8")
- ★ A small set of watercolors with at least a black and a blue + palette w/large wells for mixing
- ★ A mid-sized soft round brush that holds a lot of paint (or a mop brush), a wash brush
- ★ White acrylic paint or white ink (such as Dr. Ph. Martin's Bleed Proof White)
- ★ Masking tape, an old toothbrush or a stiff paint brush, a water container, and paper towels
- ★ Optional: a hair drier, masking fluid, more brushes for painting details

## Challenges:

The challenges are going strong - thank you all who are submitting such inspirational work. Please see our facebook group page and our new website for all the lovely work.

Facebook: East Valley Artists and friends and website: Eastvalleyartists.com  
Next challenges July 1-15: Wildlife July 16-31: Extra-Terrestrial

## Artist spotlight:



**Candy Yu**, who was born in Taiwan, moved with her husband, Roger, to the United States after college. She completed her graduate studies in Computer Science and worked in high-tech. Unfortunately, her hand was quickly injured, which required her to leave her work. Despite this setback, she started a new career assisting autistic special education in local schools until she retired.

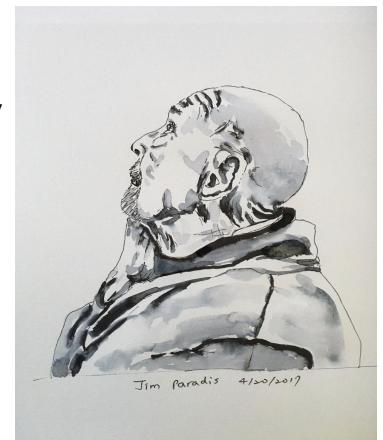
In addition to painting watercolors, since 1995 she has sung in the Bo-Ai Chorus as a soprano, and was elected its president twice for a total of three years. She was a board member of Taipei First Girls' High School Alumni Association from 2011 to 2012.



In her leisure time, she sews purses, and makes fabric face masks for the community during Shelter-In-Place. She enjoys cooking meals and making desserts for family and friends. She also loves gardening and grows hibiscus, roses, lavender, grapes, tomatoes, peaches, persimmons, passion fruit, squash, and green onions.

She became a new grandmother when her only daughter, Michelle, had a baby girl, Evelyn, in May, 2020. She takes care of them and cooks special Chinese meals for the new mother. She also happily makes baby clothes, mittens, and wrappers for her dear granddaughter.

She had a 527 square foot art room built in November, 2016. In it, she has been enjoying making her art, hand-made jewelry, paintings, as well as sewing.



## Member News:

**Congratulations:** to Candy Yu on her new granddaughter - Evelyn, born on May 20, 2020.



# Stay Safe & Sane

And keep on making beautiful art!!!!

## Garage Sale Items:

Best offer, all proceeds go to EVA, contact [juliacline@sbcglobal.net](mailto:juliacline@sbcglobal.net)



Wooden drafting table



Drying rack



Roller bag,  
misc mats & sleeves



Slatted storage  
40" h x 60 5/8" w x 48 5/8" d

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