

# JUNE NEWSLETTER

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**GENERAL MEETING  
FRIDAY, JUNE 6TH, 7:00PM**

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## NOTE THE LOCATION

Join us at the **Pinole United Methodist Church** at 2000 San Pablo Avenue, right past the bus stop mural.

Change in program schedule: Tesia Blackburn, the Golden Paints Rep, was scheduled to tell us what's new with acrylic paints at our next meeting. Tesia is unable to make that date and we will instead have a slide presentation by Michael Resso, AKA **THE PORCELAIN DOCTOR**. Michael is often asked questions about

his restoration business, so he (or was it his wife?) put together a power point

presentation that will address most of these inquiries. Michael has been restoring porcelain, ceramic, and pottery collectibles for seven years now, and has a booming business. Because of his meticulous care and perfectionist skills, he has a wait list that can be as long as one year. Come and hear about his techniques, about first-aid for your precious piece if the unthinkable happens, and see some amazing examples of "undetectable" repairs. **THE PORCELAIN DOCTOR** will see you now. -Vickie Resso

Please Note: The July meeting will be held the second Friday of the month, July 11th at the Pinole United Methodist Church.



Photo by Alan Vaughn

## THE PINOLE ART CENTER

The Pinole Artisans  
Foundation  
Gallery and Classes  
2221 Pear Street  
Pinole, CA 94564  
(510) 724-2008  
Gallery Hours  
Tuesday—Saturday  
10:30—4:30

## FOUNDATION EVENTS & INFORMATION

Summer won't officially be here until June 21st, but until then, we will be keeping thoughts of summer warmth in mind as our "Spirit of Aloha" show continues. We are also approaching the exciting **Pro Arts East Bay Open Studios** events to be held at the Gallery and City Hall Patio on the weekends of **June 7-8, and 14-15**. There are a number of artists who will

be present seeking shade under their tents on the patio, as well as enjoying music and light refreshments. Even if you are not participating, we would love to see you there to support our endeavor to bring more attention to local art.

The next show, "**A Touch of Color**," will have take-in on Tuesday, June 17th, with installation on Thursday, June 19th and

the **Grand Opening on Saturday, June 21st**, from 1-6PM. It will hang until July 31st, at which time you should pick up your artwork to make room for all of the new creations for the "Hot Summer Days" Show.

Make sure you check out the Artisans Bulletin Board—there's lots of information and many upcoming opportunities to participate in a variety of ways.

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## LETTER FROM THE PRESIDENT'S DESK

I am so sorry to have to tell you that Tesia Blackburn (the representative from Golden Paints) is unable to be our speaker for this June Meeting. She had a medical emergency and had to cancel at the last minute. We are, however, very lucky to have a wonderful substitute. Mike Resso has put together a presentation on the magic of porcelain and ceramic repair. So Mike will be our speaker for the June 6 meeting.

The July meeting will also be an exciting one. We are collecting and cleaning gourds, and will be hand-painting them at the July Pinole Artisans Meeting. That meeting, by the way, will NOT be on the 4th of July, but will be one week later on July 11.

The first two weekends in June (7,8 and 14,15) will be an exciting time for Pinole Artisans, as we participate in the PRO ARTS EAST BAY OPEN STUDIOS EVENT. It has been well advertised and we are hopeful to have lots of people coming into our Gallery. Those of us who are joined with Pro Arts will have tents set up on the City Patio. We will have live music and light refreshments. I WILL NEED AT LEAST FOUR VOLUNTEERS FOR EACH SUNDAY TO MAN SALES IN THE GALLERY. Please speak to me if you can do this or call me a (510) 758-2935.

We have lots of new classes this month, so look over the schedule and sign up for the ones that inter-

est you.

Our next Gallery show will begin on June 20. The title is "A Touch of Color." Take-In will be Tuesday, June 17 from 10:30-4:30, and the Grand Opening will be Saturday, June 21. This Show will run until July 31. I have a list of 21 names of people who want to participate, but we could use more. Call me if I have inadvertently left you out. (510-758-2935). Even if you are not participating this time, please support your fellow Artisans by coming to the Grand Opening and inviting friends.

Have a great summer!

Your President,  
Joan Landis



## MAY PEER AWARDS

**1st Place:** A tie between Janie Chambers for "Calla Lilies" and Joan Landis for "Crashing Waves"

**2nd Place:** Jim Davis for "Abandoned in Hercules"

**3rd Place:** Joe Shaw for "Catch a Wave"

## OUR CONDOLENCES

For those of you who have not yet heard, Elmer Fisk, Jean Fisk's husband, passed away on the evening of May 27th. Our condolences go out to Jean Fisk in this difficult time. We would like her to know that we are here to support her in any way we can.

For those of you who would like to pay your respects, there will be a visitation on Monday, June 2nd, from 3PM to 8PM at the Wilson and Kratzer on 24th and Barrett Ave. in Richmond. The main services will be at the Pinole United Methodist Church on Tuesday, June 3rd at 11AM, with the burial to follow at Rolling Wood Cemetery.

The Gallery will remain closed on Tuesday in honor of Elmer and Jean.

We send our Prayers and love to Jean and the family.

-Joan Landis

## ARTISANS BULLETIN BOARD

**Conservatory for the Arts:** This is a reminder about the collaborative quilt project to help our sister organization with their fundraiser auction in September.

The quilt committee decided at the May 2nd meeting that the quilt will be constructed by using artwork, created by members of the Pinole Artisans, which will be printed on fabric with an inkjet printer. The size of the quilt will depend on the number of artwork pieces submitted.

Janie Chambers is chairing the quilt committee and will be meeting with them again in conjunction with the June 6th meeting. This second brainstorming session will be to focus more on the theme and set an artwork submission deadline. This would be done by submitting a digital file (scanned or photographed) of one piece of artwork to be printed. Janie will also be bringing a sample of artwork printed on fabric so you can get a better idea of how the quilt pieces will look.

If you would like to discuss the project with Janie, you can reach her at (510) 233-4036 or (510) 323-3915. There's still time to participate!

**Art Exhibit June 6th:** Dionisio Ceballos will be in an exhibition with the Opening Night to be held June 6th at the Hot Mango Pickle Gallery in Palo Alto (539 Bryant St.). The exhibition runs until July 1st, but if you cannot make it down there, images will also be up on the web the day after the opening— check it out at: [www.dionisio.com.mx](http://www.dionisio.com.mx)

**Membership Committee Needed:** We would like to have several people form a membership committee to welcome new members and keep track of memberships. If you are comfortable using a computer (Excel, Word) and think you might like to help Penny and I with a vari-

ety of tasks, let me know. Duties would include keeping a membership directory up to date, as well as distributing membership cards, updating mailing labels, making sure dues and newsletter postage are up to date, and occasional special mailings. Amanda Bruun (510) 499-1283 [PinoleArtisans@yahoo.com](mailto:PinoleArtisans@yahoo.com).

**Spring Cleaning:** It is only in the early planning stages, but several of the Artisans are putting together a collaborative garage/rummage sale to raise funds to purchase some furniture pieces for the Gallery. If you are thinking about Spring cleaning (and even if you aren't) please consider donating some items to our collaborative sale, which we hope to hold by the end of the summer. More details will be determined in the coming months. If you are interested in donating items, please contact Amanda Bruun at (510) 499-1283 or [PinoleArtisans@yahoo.com](mailto:PinoleArtisans@yahoo.com).

**Pinole Artisans at the Hercules Public Library:** Andrew Walters would love to see some of our art up in the recently complete Hercules Library. He tells us the Hercules Public Library has a lot of wall space available for exhibits, but there has been a mysterious dearth of applications. He wants all you members to know that they very much want to see local artists on the walls. It does not have to be organized by the Pinole Artisans Group as a whole, but can be an individual painter or photographer submitting an application to show a few pieces on their own. If you are interested, stop by the library or e-mail Andrew Walters at [candrewwalters@sbcglobal.net](mailto:candrewwalters@sbcglobal.net).

**Kaiser Public Art Project:** Chandra is going to be the coordinator for Kaiser to purchase art for the inside of the new facility on Pinole Valley Road. Joan has the information from

Chandra about what information she needs to add each artist to her files. Joan has the forms and can make copies for anyone interested in being considered. Give her a call if you are interested (510) 758-2935

**Logo Wear:** Our new vendor for Logo Wear is Susan Toler, she runs her own small business called "It's Sew You" and she has a great opportunity for us. You can take her your personal items to have them embroidered with the Pinole Artisans logo. That means if you like a particular style of shirt, or favor a certain material, or if you have a unique item such as a scarf, that you would like to have the Pinole Artisans Logo on, you can take it to her. This lowers the cost to just her service of embroidery since you are not also paying for the item itself.

If, on the other hand, you want to sport our logo, but don't already have something you want it on, you can also purchase items from her. She has a few common items on hand, and can order a wide variety from a catalog.

If you are interested, contact Vickie Resso (510) 758-3558, for more information and pricing details.

**17th Annual "Cruising in the Sun"** car show in Downtown Pinole Sunday, June 22 from 8-5. If you are interested in being a vendor, fees are \$50 and you should contact Kathy Combs (510) 669-0761 before June 14th.

**Classroom Space Available:** Don't forget that the classroom space is available for rent for art related events. If you are interested, please check with Lorena for classroom availability, and with Joan for more details.

## IMPORTANT DATES TO REMEMBER

Monthly Meeting: Friday, June 6th, 2008 at 7:00 PM at the Pinole United Methodist Church  
**Pro Arts Open Studios:** Saturday and Sunday, June 7th & 8th, 14th & 15th from 11AM-6PM  
 Tuesday, June 17th, 2008: Take-In for the Gallery show “A Touch of Color” from 10:30-4:30  
 Thursday, June 19th, 2008: New Show installation and hanging day in the gallery  
 Saturday, June 21st, 2008: “A Touch of Color” Grand Opening from 1-6PM.  
 End of June, 2008: Library Show ends—pick up your art work and prepare for the next show  
 Monthly Meeting: Friday, July 11th, 2008 at The Pinole United Methodist Church  
 Thursday, July 31st, 2008: Last day of the “A Touch of Color” Show

## PINOLE ART CENTER CLASSES

**Creative Crafts for Kids:** A 4-week session, this class allows the kids to have a hands-on exploration of a variety of art mediums, including painting, printing, collage, paper crafts and more.

**Madden Watercolor with Penny:** This beginning-intermediate class is given by Penny Bledsoe, a Madden Certified Teacher. Over this 8 hour class period, you will paint “The Presidio.”

**Madden Watercolor with Lorena:** This beginning-intermediate class is taught by Lorena Fink, a Madden Certified Teacher, who brings you this month’s project “Barrels ‘n Bougies” which you can view at [www.lorenasworld.com](http://www.lorenasworld.com).

**One Stroke Painting with Debbie:** Everyone can learn this easy technique and paint beautiful florals and landscapes on all kinds of surfaces.

**Peyote Beading with Casey:** In this freeform class offered 4 times this month, you will learn to the peyote stitch, which you can use to make earrings and other jewelry. Come back for more each

week.

**PMC— Prong Setting Class:** In this class, you will be making a pendant with a fine silver prong setting. After firing the PMC, you will learn how to add your stones, which will be available for purchase. You can view an image of this project at [www.medesigns.biz](http://www.medesigns.biz).

**Scrapbooking with Melinda:** Scrapbooking featuring various themes: Beginning Scrapbooking, and Disney Themed Layouts. Use these themes to learn the basics .

**Melinda’s Crop Night:** Whether you’re an experience scrap-booker, or a beginner, bring your photos to crop and get you going.

**For More Class Info...** visit our website, where you can link to a calendar with all the dates, times, costs, and registration information. For further info, contact the Class Coordinator, Lorena Fink, at (510) 222-2425.

## WHO WE ARE

We believe that art enhances the quality of life of both individually and as a community. We are a group of artisans whose purpose in forming an organization is to:

- 1) Form a network for mutual learning and support
- 2) Provide art education, open to all levels of ability
- 3) Provide opportunities for artisans to show their works locally

The Pinole Artisans Foundation is a non-profit community organization whose purpose is to promote the arts, provide a forum for Pinole-area artists and artisans and to sponsor lectures, classes, and other artistic learning events and activities.

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