

## FERIAL NASSIRZADEH TO DEMONSTRATE AT AUGUST 25 GENERAL MEETING

Ferial will demonstrate how to prepare a canvas, set up a still life composition and where to purchase brushes and materials.

A resident of Southern California for the last 30 years, Ferial has always been interested in the arts and it was living close to the art mecca of Laguna Beach that inspired her to start her own journey into the art world.

She studied drawing and painting at Saddleback College, Watts Atelier in Encinitas, and at the Art Student League in New York, with such masters as David Leffel, Jeffery Watts, Jacqueline Kamin, John Cosby, and George Kyle.

She likes to paint in a traditional Dutch Masters style but with her own more free style. She also enjoys painting people and landscapes. Ferial's work is represented at the Cove Gallery in Laguna Beach and Showcase Gallery in Costa Mesa. She is a member of SoCalpapa, California Art Club, San Clemente Art Association and Social Artists. She has exhibited and won numerous awards in shows and competitions in different states and countries.



*"The dance of light on every beautiful creation of nature or man is what I want to capture with my brush. I am moved by the beauty of nature's colors, textures and what man can create. I am passionate about painting this, and I hope I can convey this passion to my viewers."*

—Ferial Nassirzadeh

Join us AUGUST 25. Meetings begin at 6:30 pm with light refreshments. At 7:00 pm we discuss business briefly followed immediately by the guest artist's demonstration.



*“Artists ought to walk a mile in someone else’s pants. That way you’re a mile away and you have their pants.”*

—Joseph P. Blodgett

Hello fellow OCFA members; I would like to take the time to say farewell to the Presidency, as yours truly has decided to pursue other artistic endeavors. Not to say that I haven't enjoyed my time on the Board, but, as the Bard says, "Ripeness is all," and the time and opportunity have come available to allow me to further my educational career. I couldn't say no. I feel confident that the incoming President, **STEPHEN AUSTIN**, is ready, willing, and fully able to steer OCFA down the future road of artistic excellence. I will still be around, naturally, to help; and to spend time hanging out with the crowd at Bear Street Gallery, for coffee and art critiques.

Speaking of Board membership, these are the individuals who have generously offered to lend their time and efforts to OCFA, as Officers, for the 2011-2012 fiscal year, subject to acceptance at the August Membership Meeting:

**PRESIDENT: STEPHEN AUSTIN**  
(New Officer)

**VICE PRESIDENT: DOREEN GALCHUTT**  
(New Officer)

**TREASURER: LAURA ROBINSON**  
(Continuing Officer)

**SECRETARY: DARLEEN NICART**  
(New Officer)

The usual suspects will be helping the board officers as Directors, Chairpersons, or lending assistance as needed for OCFA operations: **MARGIE ZULIANI, MAX YAMADA, ANN JONES, TOURAJ** and **JILA HAKIMI, VICTORIA WOOD, ELLEN SEEFELDT, CASEY SULLIVAN, KATY BRACK, DANIEL SANTOS, LINDA LEYDEKKERS, TERRY WALKER, VICKIE WILLIAMS, MARILYN BRAME, LINDA BROOKS** and **SALLY WILSON**.

We are still in need of two individuals to help out with Hospitality duties: these individuals are responsible for arranging for treats at the Monthly Membership Meetings, and assisting with coordinating Artist receptions and other Membership events in the Showcase Gallery location. For further information about helping out, call Showcase Gallery at (714) 540-6430. And now, on to other things artistic: looks like the fall is going to be an exciting one for events around the County; Irvine is in the midst of celebrating its 40th Anniversary as a city this year. Irvine has managed to keep a vibrant arts community going, with its dedication to its Fine Arts Center, and creating artistic spaces for individuals of all ages. The Irvine Fine Arts Center is currently involved in its annual All-

Media Call for Art; do visit its website at [www.irvinefinearts.org](http://www.irvinefinearts.org).

Coming this fall, to OCFA: the annual **IKEBANA SHOW**. This year, we are fortunate, due to the efforts of Bear Street Gallery Director, Margie Zuliani, to have the Ikebana folks as guests in Showcase Gallery, in October. You will not want to miss this event. If you have any questions about how to participate, and help out with Gallery operations, don't hesitate to call the gallery to find out volunteer opportunities.

And, if you are looking for a quick art class to amuse yourself, do take advantage of our Workshop class opportunities. Workshop Director, Margie Zuliani, has worked extremely hard to put together a list of offerings to please every style of art, from one-day seminars, to longer-term classes for more in-depth study. All of the instructors are experts in their genres. It is well-worth your time to take advantage of the art experiences offered.

Cheers,

*Jacqueline Zimbalist,  
Outgoing OCFA President*

Bear Street  
Director  
Margie Tabor  
Zuliani, *Paris For  
All Seasons*



George Kaczmarek, *Salton Sea*

Zoe Chadwick jewelry  
available in the ARTShop



Japanese Ikebana Floral Design Show October 28-30

The transformation of Bear Street Studio and Gallery is well underway. Artists in residence at Bear Street are **GEORGE KACZMAREK, DENNIS SCHOLZ, CANDACE FOSTER, JACKIE ZIMBALIST, DARLENE NICART** and **MARGIE TABOR ZULIANI**.

Starting this weekend our Coffee & Critique will be Friday nights from 6:00-8:00 pm. Bring your paintings and get a free critique, plus free coffee. Pick up a treat at Corner bakery next door and come by and hang out.

Preparations for the new Showcase Gallery exhibition **VERSIONS** are well under way for September 10. Bear Street Studio and Gallery will be open the same day and time so be sure to check us out when Showcase has their opening reception!

OC Art Guide  
[www.ocartguide.com](http://www.ocartguide.com)  
LA Art Guide  
[www.laartguide.net](http://www.laartguide.net)  
Artists, Art Shows, Events, etc.

**International  
Plein Air Competition**  
Award Judge: Ms. Lynn Gertenbach, PAPA  
**Entry Deadline: August 31, 2011**  
[www.internationalartguide.com](http://www.internationalartguide.com)



Clockwise from far left:  
Thomas Tom, Julie Barbeau,  
and Victoria Wood at Thom-  
as Tom's reception; Al Gerk  
discussing his OC Fair win-  
ning image; Avantgarden  
window display of Thomas  
Tom's work; Thomas Tom  
discussing the finer points  
of his creative output.



## Opportunities

Artists from around the world are invited to submit their creative interpretations of peace to The Peace Project's 2nd Annual International call for artists; deadline: September 4. The Peace Project is a non-profit that mobilizes creatives around the world for change. Every entry helps fund The Peace Project's Operation Rise. On September 21, The Peace Project will provide 10,000 pairs of crutches and mobility devices to everyone in need throughout the entire post-conflict country of Sierra Leone, Africa. For more info: [www.thewhole9.com/thepeaceproject](http://www.thewhole9.com/thepeaceproject)

## Member News

**Wayne Tarshis** is exhibiting his oil paintings at the Art-A-Fair through August 28. His display at booth B7 includes still life paintings with wines and fruit. For more information visit the web site [www.art-a-fair.com](http://www.art-a-fair.com)

**Jared Millar** is one of eight artists featured in *Making Mischief: Humor in Art* at the Irvine Fine Arts Center through September 17.

*The Artist's Eye newsletter reaches over 250 local artists. A business card size ad is \$10 for one month or \$20 for three months. Additionally, your printed flyers can be inserted for \$25 per issue. E-mail or mail your ad and send payment made out to OCFA by the 15th of the month.*



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## VERSIONS OPENING RECEPTION

Showcase Gallery's opening reception for VERSIONS will be September 10 from 4:00-7:00 pm. *Arizona Highways* photographer **STEVE GILB** will be our featured artist—and if he hasn't dropped off a cliff in Brazil we hope to see him at the opening, where we'll also be thrilled to welcome assemblage artist **JEFFREY FRISCH** to the gallery. Jeffrey will be exhibiting his *dreamVessels*, which are assemblage works you have to see to believe.

Also check out the live musical performance by internationally acclaimed guitarist **SHINTA UMEZAWA**. Mr. Umezawa plays everything from classical to jazz to Japanese folk music and he will also perform for the **IKEBANA RECEPTION** all three days in October 28, 29, 30! This is truly a blockbuster lineup!

Showcase Main Gallery will host a mixed media group show that will be showing a lot of new artists. If you have not gotten juried into Showcase yet there is still time. The **SHOWCASE EXECUTIVE COUNCIL MEETING** is August 26th from 5:30-8:30 pm. Demand has been high so don't delay if you'd like to be included.

## NEW CLASSES AT OCFA STUDIOS

Starting August 15, **KIM VANDERHOEK** will be hosting a series of Monday night oil painting classes. She did the demo last month and the place was packed! Contact Kim by going to the OCFA Calendar and get her contact information by clicking on the class to sign up!

Also **BARBARA CLOSE** will be having new classes at the Bowers Museum! Go to OCFA Calendar and get Barbara's contact information to find out the dates and times!

## IKEBANA SHOW—THREE DAYS ONLY

Save this date! This will be the event of your life if you have not been to an Ikebana Show! The Japanese Ikebana Floral Design Show is coming to Showcase Gallery October 28 through 30. This show is only up for three days when the flowers are at their peak. Original ceramic vessels will also be available for purchase.

Participating in making the ceramic vessels for the exhibition are **KEVIN MEYERS** and his artists from **ORANGE COAST COLLEGE** and **MUDDY STUDIOS** as well as **PAT CRABB** and his ceramic artists from **SANTA ANA COLLEGE**.

This will be a sensual sensation, the vision, the fragrance, the design, music, artists, and friends! Ikebana design shows always make a lasting impression. Find out for yourself when you experience this exhibit!



Special Guest  
Assemblage Artist

Jeffrey Frisch

will exhibit his  
*dreamVessels*  
at Showcase  
Gallery.



*dreamVessels* are created intuitively from seemingly unrelated elements of used and discarded materials collected in the course of the artist's daily travels. The construction is relatively primitive, consisting of simplified assembly methods.

VERSIONS EXHIBIT SEPTEMBER 10-OCTOBER 21

JAPANESE IKEBANA FLORAL DESIGN SHOW OCTOBER 28, 29, 30

upcoming events

### OCFA Art Center:

South Coast Plaza Village  
3851 South Bear St., Suite B-15  
Santa Ana, CA 92704

#### •Showcase Gallery & Art Shop

ocfa\_showcase@sbcglobal.net  
714-540-6430

Open Wed., 10:30 am–2 pm; Thurs.–Sat.,  
10:30 am–5:30 pm; Sun., 11:30 am–3  
pm; open Second Saturdays each month  
for artist's receptions 4:00–7:00 pm

#### •Bear Street Gallery/Studios

www.bearstreetgallery.org  
714-825-0592

Open when studio artists are at work

#### •OCFA Studio

714-825-0592

Open when studio artists are at work

#### Avantgarden-The Art Gallery

ocfa\_avantgarden@sbcglobal.net

Santora Arts Building

207 North Broadway, Suite B-7B

Santa Ana, CA 92701

714-558-8843

Open First Saturday of each month,

4-10 pm and by appointment

artavantgarden.com

#### Artist Eye Laguna Gallery

1294 South Coast Hwy., Suite A

Laguna Beach, CA 92651

949-497-5898

Hours: Sun., noon–5 pm; Mon.–Thurs. 1–6

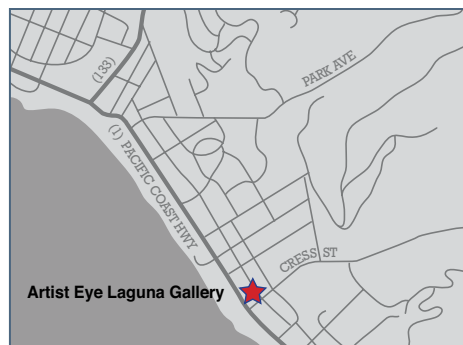
pm; Fri.–Sat., 11 am–9 pm; (until 9 pm the

1st Thursday of the month)

artisteyelagunagallery.com

### NEXT MEETING: August 25

General Meetings are held the fourth Thursday of each month except July and December at Showcase Gallery and begin with a short informational session followed by refreshments at 6:30 and an artist's demonstration at 7:00. Guests are always welcome.



### Officers and Directors

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