

April 29<sup>th</sup>, 2020 Oakland Art Association eBulletin

Dear OAA Members:

Just a very quick update;

1. With the Shelter in place order extended through May, the Board has officially **canceled the June Painting Show at the Rockridge Library.**
2. Again, because the shelter in place order has been extended, it seems likely that the show at John Muir Hospital will need to remain in place a little longer. More news as soon as we get confirmation from the Hospital.
3. The Board met remotely last week, setting in motion a plan to **organize virtual art shows.** The first step is expected to be a full membership on line meeting (using your computer, tablet or phone) to talk about how the shows will work, answer questions and leave you with ideas about how to photograph your artwork and enter it into a OAA Virtual Show. Look for an update on this project in about two weeks.

That is about all the new information to report for now. Please note below a reprint of the April 13<sup>th</sup> eBulletin for your reference.

Thanks - stay safe!

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*I hope this note finds you well, practicing social distancing and of course producing lots of art!*

*As you already know, OAA and our plans for the rest of the year are currently on hold. Hopefully we'll get back on track shortly, but ----- Watch your email for new information concerning the status of our current shows and/or upcoming shows. Following are a few notes which will bring you up to date for the moment:*

- *Amid all this uncertainty OAA has a brand-new member. Welcome Ms. Kathy Diehl!!*
  - *Publication of an updated Roster/Handbook will be a priority as soon as the shelter in place order is lifted.*
- *The John Muir Hospital Show end date has officially been extended to May 22<sup>nd</sup>, but it's possible it will be extended further.*
- *The Grass Valley Student Art Show up at the Law Library will remain in place until the Library re-opens – May 4<sup>th</sup> at the earliest. The first show up after reopening will be Mary Milliman's "Law Day Show" (originally scheduled for May and June), and the previously scheduled OAA shows will be pushed back to start after that.*
- *The Alameda County Administration Building Show has always been scheduled to come down on August 6<sup>th</sup>, that still seems probable.*
- *The Solo shows up at Piedmont Gardens, First Federal Bank, Highlands Country Club, and at the Oakland Chamber will not be changed at least until the shelter in*

*place order is lifted. The expectation is that the remaining shows scheduled this year will simply be pushed back to later dates. More news to follow.*

- The April Photo Show was canceled, unfortunately it will be next year before this show can be rescheduled.*
- The May Smart Phone photo show has also been canceled; however, our show chairman Tony Kay is working with the Rockridge Library staff to reschedule – possibly as early as August.*
- The Rockridge Painting Show is still set for June; however, it may have to be canceled as well. A decision will be made at the next board meeting and of course you'll be promptly notified one way or the other.*
- The Board met on March 27<sup>th</sup> via conference call and will meet the same way again at 2pm on April 24<sup>th</sup>. Members are of course welcome to join the call, just let me know by return email and I'll get you the necessary details.*

*Stay safe, stay well – thank you very much for your continuing support in this uncertain time!*