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Exhibit Highlights

Masters At Work Through December 1st

Beautiful work by the four living Master Artists, **Virginia Hall, Tom Hill, Bobb Vann and Nicholas Wilson**, is now showing in the the Master Artist Gallery. Normally the work on these walls is part of the permanent collection and is not for sale. These four artists are working and producing new work. Here is your opportunity to see examples of work by one of Tubac's Master Artists that you can own and make part of your own permanent art collection.

Cabot & Cowboys Through December 3rd



"Shimmering Sunset," Hugh Cabot

Be sure to bring your Thanksgiving holiday guests in to see this wonderful exhibit with an amazing variety of work by Master Artist Hugh Cabot. You'll see not only cowboys, but also beautiful landscapes, sketches, bronze sculptures, and Hugh's own boots, chaps and hat.

Marvin Shaver Opens December 8th



Marvin Shaver: All the News

Opens December 8: **Marvin Shaver**, Juror for the Members Exhibit, will show his exciting contemporary work in the Master Gallery.

Tubac Center of the Arts
Members' Juried Exhibit
December 8, 2017 - January 14, 2017

Jan Thompson
Marilyn Bergstrom
Amy Pizer
Lisa Saliva
Susan Helman
Barbara Kuzara
Fiona Lovelock

Opens December 8th

Each year this exhibition gets better and better. TCA hears comments from visitors about how impressed they are with caliber of art and talent of our member artists. This year the juror, **Marvin Shaver**, has selected over 70 pieces in various media. All visitors have the opportunity to vote for their favorite artist and work on display. The artist with the most votes will be the next winner of the Master Mead award. Names and date of the award winners are on permanent display at the entrance to the Smith Gallery. Last year's winner was Leslie Miller. Be sure and come in to cast your ballot before the exhibit closes.

New this year is the **Virginia Hall Contemporary Art Award**, established with contributions from local artists, **Bruce Baughman, Bill Davis, Karol Honeycutt, Barbara Kuzara, Karon Leigh, & Brent Land.**

Win BIG! 50/50 Raffle Tickets Now Available

Only 200 tickets will be sold. Your chances to win \$1,000, \$1,500 or the 1st prize of \$2,500 are much better than buying a lottery ticket. Tickets are \$50 each and can be purchased from any TCA board member or at the TCA office. Half of the proceeds go back to the three winners and half benefit TCA.

Names of the three winning ticket holders will be drawn on **December 8th** at the Opening Reception for the Members' Juried Exhibition. Winners need NOT be present to be eligible to win. This would be the perfect way to finance your Christmas shopping this season. Call 520-398-2371 to buy your ticket(s) now before they are all sold!

WOVEN BY DESIGN



By Rilla Jaggia

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Palm weaving in a family cueva in Ixcatlan, Oaxaca, Mexico. Collaboration of University of Redlands and Oaxifornia. Photo: Rilla Jaggia

It is a crisp evening in May 2015. I sit in a subterranean cave lit by a naked lightbulb dangling from the low, rough-hewn ceiling. Stone walls ring with laughter, banter, and gossip. A fat TV squats on one side flashing faded images. The mezcal is doing its rounds. I hold up my shot glass for a refill with gratitude and awe at how this family group has seamlessly knit three foreigners from America into its nightly gathering as skillfully as their fingers weave palm fronds into baskets and hats and bottle covers.

Many of the craft items have the name of the community—Ixcatlan—woven into their designs. High in the mountains of Oaxaca, Mexico, most of the houses in this picturesque village boast their own cuevas where the steady temperature and humidity keep sun-dried palm fronds supple. My fingers are busy too, as my patient teacher demonstrates different patterns and teases when I drop a knot. I am here with a group of art students from Southern California to collaborate with artisans in Oaxaca in an exchange of ideas.

As I sit in the cozy cave, I am struck by the timelessness of this scene. After all, basket-weaving is one of the oldest human artforms.



Artwork: Alicia (Alix) Rosales Jimenez Xula Palma Artesanal Ixcatlan Photo: Karina Torres/Oaxifornia.org

Baskets were woven before the mastery of fire and the creation of ceramics and some found in Egypt date back 10,000-12,000 years. In every part of the world, since time immemorial, we have coiled, twined, or plaited twigs, grasses, tree bark, rushes, willows, bamboo, vines, palms, plastic, aluminum—whatever we can lay our hands on—into hats and sandals, infant carriers and shrouds, bridal dowry baskets, toys, clothes, water containers, wall hangings, birdcages—everything imaginable.

High in the Alps, 5,300 years ago, Ötzi, the famous ice man, wore a cloak of woven grass. Deep in the Arctic, contemporary artists decorate sea grass or baleen baskets with walrus ivory and whale bone. If you travel to North-Eastern India, you might encounter a new bride using her wedding gift, a basket adorned with shell tassels that tinkle in the breeze, to bring lunch to her husband laboring in the fields. If you have enjoyed Ethiopian cuisine, you have possibly shared a meal around the mesob, a tall, colorful basket-table used for communal dining. And, if you find yourself in Tubac this Nov/Dec, you can surround yourself with Southwestern Baskets for All Seasons in the art center's demo/sale, and learn more about this fascinating artform in a lecture on the "Burden Baskets of the Tohono O'Odham."

Just as my hosts, Alix, Luis Miguel, and Marii, so warmly wove me into their family in Ixcatlan, I hope the baskets and their creators here at the Tubac Center for the Arts will bring your family together in joy and peace this holiday season.

HOLIDAY TRUNK SHOWS

First three weekends in December.



A "trunk show" is an event in which vendors present merchandise directly to customers at a retail location or other venue. It allows customers to meet the artists, preview and purchase merchandise before it's made available to the public. Just as in the past, the Gallery Gift Shop and front gallery will be decorated for the holidays and filled with an array of unique items for gift giving.

This holiday season, TCA will have several artists participating in the trunk shows. Guests will have the opportunity to purchase art furniture, ceramics, art glass, silks, jewelry, batiks, prints, and more! It's a great opportunity to get all those special, one of a kind gifts for friends and loved ones..



LUMINARIA NIGHTS – December 1st and 2nd. Start the December holiday season with a visit to Tubac during these two special nights when the entire village glows with lights everywhere from hundreds of luminarias. At TCA, Santa will be in front of the fireplace where children can stop in to let him know what they hope he will bring them for Christmas. Santa will be available for photos with children and their families.

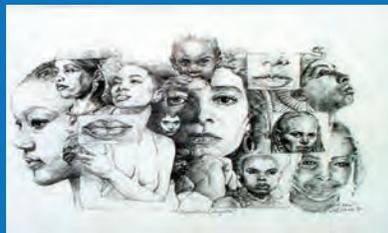
ART SPEAKS

ARTS SPEAK! Join the Conversation!

Come and learn from artists and experts on various topics in the world of art, literature, music and more. Each presenter will encourage open discussions, questions, and exchange of information. Free for members of TCA, suggested donation of \$8 for guests/nonmembers.

Thurs. Dec 14, 2017: Royce Manual: "Burden Baskets of the Tohono O'odham."

Upcoming Art Workshops



Drawing for Pleasure, "A Quest for Seeing" with Bobb Vann

Wed., & Thurs., November 29th & 30th.
Easy online registration. Visit TubacArtWorkshops.com.

ANNUAL MEETING

Hats Off to the Members! Board President Colin Steffen welcomed a crowd of over 100 who gathered, many in colorful western dress.

Special recognition went to retiring board members **Joseph Birkett, Tim Duffin, Meg Flanders, Mike Jacoby, Kim Roseman and Polly Schlitz.** Tim Duffin, as outgoing Treasurer, gave the financial report for the 2016-17 fiscal year and **Steve Smith** reported on the new Board Directed Reserve Fund. Four new board members were elected: **Debbie Barrios, Debbie Bostian, Pam Wedemeyer and Carolyn Wayland.**



New this year was a colorful, informative 2016-17 Annual Report first made available to those attending this meeting. This annual report is also on the TCA website and features not only the financial information, but also some interesting "Fast Facts" about the results of the past year. If you were not at the meeting, you can find this annual report on our [website](#).

Included in the annual report is a listing of the membership in the various Circles of Support levels. In that report, there were some errors or omissions. This occurred during this past year while transferring information to our new data base. This has been corrected; please see the membership listings in the annual report on the [website](#). We value each and every one of our members and sincerely apologize to any members who were impacted.



Pam Wedemeyer, Debbie Bostian, & Debbie Barrios



Tim Duffin & Meg Flanders



Virginia & Gabriel Vovchuk

BASKETS FOR ALL SEASONS:

Please join us over the Thanksgiving weekend and meet basket weavers from Mexico and North America, representing Seri, Tohono O'odam, and Hopi artisans!

These artists will be demonstrating their basket weaving skills as well as bringing pieces of their basketry art which will be available for sale. This is a special opportunity to see how baskets are still being made using the same techniques passed on from one generation to another. Baskets For All Seasons will be on display through December 31, 2017.



2018 Home Tour Saturday, January 13th



This annual event will delight those who enjoy the opportunity to see the beautiful and diverse homes of Tubac. All of these homes have special features, such as game rooms, an indoor theater and wonderful art on the walls.

Check out The Tubac Villager's December issue for a photo spread showcasing the homes and article on this year's Home Tour as well as a feature in the GVNews. To see all six homes "in person", register on-line, [CLICK HERE](#) or call 520-398-2371.

BUSINESS & ARTIST MEMBER NEWS



PURCELL GALLERIES DAY & NIGHT

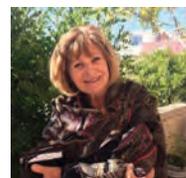


A collection of new work by photographer, Sabrina Caswell. Fri., Nov. 24th & Sat., Nov. 25th, 11am - 5pm. Purcell Galleries of Fine Art 24 Tubac Road, Tubac, AZ 85646 520-398-2371 www.PurcellGalleries.com

LITERARY LIONS

Want to talk books? The Literary Lions group meets the third Thursday of every month in the library at 10:30am. They would be pleased to welcome new members interested in joining their discussion group. Feel free to stop in; no registration required.

Artist member, Linda Wagner and her husband Lonnie had a recent garage sale where there were several paintings and art objects sold.



Linda was thinking ahead and wanted to save these for the 2019 auction, but knew we had no storage space available yet. Instead, Linda donated \$150 to Tubac Center of the Arts from the proceeds of this sale. Although it's another year before the big auction, we thank the Wagners for this headstart.



MIRAGE & BIRD

Mirage & Bird has closed their retail shop and is still open for custom botanical design services. Call Ana at 520-248-5039 for appointments and more information.

NEW!

Art Club, hosted by **Kathy Reyes**, is a new group now meeting at the Tubac Community Center. Stop in to talk "art" with Kathy and fellow artists on Mondays from noon to 4pm.



PERFORMING ARTS

2017-2018 Series

Tubac Center of the Arts is pleased to present the 2017-2018 Performing Arts series.



Tubac Singers Holiday Concerts

Sunday, December 10th, 3:00pm

& Wednesday, December 13th, 7:00pm

The Tubac Singers annual holiday concerts bring that special joy to the season. Enjoy an afternoon performance with your visit to the art center or make it an evening out.

Matinee: \$5 suggested donation.

Evening performance: \$15, includes wine & dessert.

Coming in 2018: Brad Richter, Val Vigoda, TSO Brass Quintet and the Wildcat Jazz Band.



Purchase tickets online. [CLICK HERE.](#)

The 2017-2018 Performing Arts Series is sponsored by the [Greater Green Valley Community Foundation.](#)



"ART"

A Tubac Civic Theatre Production

Fri., February 23rd

& Sun., February 25th.

Purchase Tickets:

[CLICK HERE.](#)



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