

HARLINGEN ART FORUM

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48th Annual Beachcombers Fine Art Show and Sale

Its that time of year! Beachcombers is just down the dune, surf's up and the dolphin are running! The show is in the final stages of planning and the next big step is production. Be sure to get in on the action.

This year there are 25 new artists who will be displaying their works and 70 returning artists. These artists produce works in almost every media imaginable, from art glass to zoological pen and ink drawings.

There will be exciting new sculptures and wood carvings as well as gold, silver and copper hand formed jewelry. There are stunning botanical paintings and whimsical acrylics and ceramics. Paints are being applied to glass, cloth, canvas, paper, stones, metal, fiberboard, photographs and seashells. Cactus will definitely be represented in images, models, castings and perhaps even in the hospitality room as fine dining.

No shortages of the animal kingdom either, we saw representations of fish, fowl, beast of burden, domestic companion animals, service animals and incredibly lifelike insects, carnivores and omnivores.

Your help is now urgently needed. We have the following opportunities for you to be an active participant with or without your art in a booth.

Sponsorship: We need individual HAF members to sign up business sponsors for the event. The cost to businesses is \$100 and for that amount they will get featured billing on our printed program and within the hall at the sponsors booth and during the hourly announcements throughout the show. Sponsor dollars are used primarily to provide the hospitality suite for our artists, funding free refreshments and helping subsidize the lunch costs so our artists can enjoy the show without undue care. We are targeting 35 sponsorships and we need each and everyone of the HAF members to approach a business and help us reach this goal. Sponsor forms are available at D'Arte Centre and will be distributed during the meeting next Monday night.

Booth Sitters: During the show HAF members volunteer as Booth Sitters to assist the artists by creating necessary time to make a quick trip to the rest room, run to the hospitality suite or grab their lunch. These short respites are one of the most highly rated features HAF provides to the artists. *(continued on page 2)*

Beachcombers Treasure Trove

The 48th Annual Beachcombers Fine Art Show is sailing into view!

Is it true that pirates called out loudly VOLUNTEERRRRRR VOLUNTEERRRRRR VOLUNTEERRRRRR?

Yes actually, whenever a ship was seized the remaining crew was asked if they would like to voluntarily join the pirates. Many did, others did not. But your chance is now!

Don't forget that during the show HAF members who volunteer in the HAF Exhibit Booth, at the front desk admissions table or any-

where they are needed will have the an opportunity to win! Keep track of the these clues and submit the most accurate Treasure Trove Manifest and that winning volunteer could be you!

This last newsletter clue is directly to the point, no self respecting pirate would be without one.....

What model of car would be the single most popular with pirates if they were buying cars? As an added clue production of this model was ceased on July 2, 1999, so the modern day pirate would have to find his own on the roadways or used car lots today.

HARLINGEN ART FORUM MEETING IS MONDAY June 25th 6 PM AT D'ARTE CENTRE

HAF Members Terry Smith will be presenting an workshop on Pastel Art.

Terry's work is featured in several Rio Grande Valley Galleries including [Nuevo Santander Gallery](#) in Mc Allen and D'Arte Centre in Harlingen

Don't forget to bring a few dollars for the raffle!

SPECIAL ITEMS OF INTEREST:

There are 129 members of the Harlingen Art Forum as of June 2007

Volunteer Opportunities

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Hospitality Room: During the show members of the Harlingen Art Forum provide assistance and supervision of the Hospitality Room. This area designed as a quick respite for the exhibiting artists. HAF makes free coffee, tea water and soft drinks available as well as a small breakfast selection. Artists are able to purchase a catered lunch and generally have a place where they can grab just a few moments from the floor of the show to recoup their energies. HAF members are on hand to provide assistance if needed and to be sure that the free hospitality services are used only by registered exhibiting artists.

Front Desk Greeters: The general public is first and foremost in all our minds at Beachcomber. We want them to have a great art experience and a pleasant and relaxing day. The desk greeters assist in the collection of the requested admission donation and the completion of the entry and door prize documents.

Signs and Posters: HAF tries to blanket the Island and the Valley with fliers and posters. Volunteers are needed to take these publicity materials to hotels, motels, retail venues and other locations so that the most people can have access to the information about our show.

Loading and unloading: The single area of greatest positive comment comes from our exhibiting artists on how they appreciate the assistance HAF provides in unloading their art before the show and reloading after the show. Volunteers are needed for Friday the 27th between 9am and 8 pm and again Sunday the 29th after 5pm. If you would sign up for a two hour period to assist in this process it

would be greatly appreciated. The Convention Centre provides dolly and rolling stock assistance, the artists take an active role and the volunteers just assist with getting art in and out of cars and onto carts and to the artist's booth location.

List of Exhibiting Artists

Nancy Algrim
Laguna Madre Art League
Duane Beard
FP (Tony) Bennett
Ed Bokamper
George Boutwell
Gwendolyn Branstetter
Don Breeden
Jodie Brown
Pauline Bryan
Jackie Buffington
Joe Bunnell
David Busch
Matilde Caceres-Zelinger
Alejandra Cantu
Darla Card
Bobby Castlebury
Audrey Cisneros
BillyLyn Clarke
Bernice Coleman
Connie Colten
Celeste DeLuna
Mary Ann Droege
Jerry Eaton
Jeff Ebel
Virginia Eggert
Don Elmore
Carol Epler
Teresa Farr
Beth Fedigan
Chelsea Fedigan
Elisa Fernandez
Jo Fiegel
Marge Ford
Joe Friddle
Margarita Garza
Michael Gilbert
Jerrie Glidden
Carol Goolsby
Barbara Gorman
Lisa Grant
John Haden
Deborah Harris

Raquel Hinojosa
Robin Renee Hix
Keith Holm
Jude Ann Hoy-Holden
Ping Irvin
Peg Kendall
Alida Klostermann
Valerie Kneeland
Judee Koester Soendker
Caryn Sue Landauer
Wilma Langhamer
Jan LeBleu
Alfred Lee
Dena Levine
Lewis Levine
Gayle Lybbert
Vivian Martin
Robert (Dan) McBain
Judith McCarthy
David Mercado
John (Arturo?) Mercado
Ann Moncus
Guy Morrow
Shou Ping Newcomb
Maren Phillips
Madelyn Pursley
Minerva Ritchie
Mark Roland
Stephen Romero
Jennifer Rose-Segrest
Gabriel Salazar
Roy Shaw
Linda Shreeve
Shirley Sondock
Lynn Speier
Elizabeth Sullivan
Pat Sullivan
Diana Taylor-Arturo
Roger Theriault
Gary Thompson
Rick Tolar
Sherry Tolar
Benjamin Varela
Ron Vaughan
BJ (Beverly) Weber
Collin Welsch
Curtis Whatley
Craig Wiegand
Patti Wilson
Todd Abbott Winters
Patty Withington
Voncille Zama