

**JANUARY 2025** 

#### OLIVE HYDE CENTER and GALLERY

### **EXHIBIT CALENDAR:**

#### **Chromatic Rhythms: Paintings by Durba Sen**

Virtual Exhibit: Thursday, January 16 to Saturday, March 15, 2025 Exhibition Dates: Thursday, January 23 to Saturday, March 15, 2025 Room 1 and Room 2 Opening Reception: Friday, January 31 (7 – 9 pm) Artist Talk: Friday, February 7, 12 noon



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Happy New Year to everyone! Unfortunately, the year has begun on a somber note with the devastating fires in our beloved Los Angeles. Our hearts go out to all who have lost their homes, businesses, and livelihoods. In such challenging times, we must find strength in staying hopeful and positive.

We are kicking off the New Year with an incredible abstract solo painting exhibition, "Chromatic Rhythms", by talented local Fremont artist Durba Sen. Durba's playful use of color and form creates captivating artworks that reveal something new with each viewing.

We're equally thrilled to present our first program of the year: a glass-blowing demonstration at the Bay Area Glass Institute. Witness the magic of glass art up close as skilled artists transform molten material into stunning pieces. This rare opportunity promises to be an unforgettable experience—don't miss it!

Join us for the opening reception of "Chromatic Rhythms" on Friday, January 31, and mark your calendars for the artist's curatorial talk on Friday, February 7.

Read about all the details in our newsletter and sign up as required.

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Wishing you warmth and safety in the year ahead!

My best regards to all of you, Manveen Kalyanpur

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#### **BOARD MEETING HIGHLIGHTS**

- Meeting Minutes from Nov 2024 were approved.
- Fliers for Members Juried Show were put out in all the COF recreation sites
- Edie Christensen will lead the Serra Center Art Project
- Bay Area Glass Institute field trip all set for Jan 31st
- Feb program will be Durba Sen's workshop
- In March planning to have Kay Mueller
- For HSS next year, need co-chairs for artist contact, hospitality and coordinator for scheduling,
- Will have artist list poster for HSS
- Will have emergency procedures posted for HSS
- Members are not bringing food for receptions
- Tanaz Sutaria submitted the article with Gail Blalock for the Scholarship
- A huge thanks to Lisa Stambaugh for making our online membership happen - renewal will happen online, even though we have some PayPal fees to pay, we will save on postage
- Board discussed that we need to figure out how to do online voting for the board positions too
- Hope to do a curatorial tour with Leah during April for the ACCM during our Members Juried Show
- Cynthia Horn will be the judge for the Member's Juried Show
- Plan to have Steve Leitner for the music for the Member's Juried Show - it is generally a large turnout
- Its time to think of the new board Manveen will be sending out the questionnaire to the existing board to see if they will continue and then create nominating committee



## CHROMATIC RHYTHMS PAINTINGS BY DURBA SEN

The Olive Hyde Art Gallery proudly presents Chromatic Rhythms, showcasing paintings by local, Fremont-based artist Durba Sen.

Join us for an in-person Artist Talk on Friday, February 7, at 12 Noon.

All are invited to our opening reception on Friday, January 31 from 7 to 9 pm to meet Durba Sen and enjoy the night with fellow art enthusiasts. Admission is free!







# CHROMATIC RHYTHMS BY DURBA SEN



Art has always been an important part of Durba's life. It has helped in defining her expression, views, sensibilities and experiences.

Born and raised in India, Durba started off by taking classes in art and Indian classical dancing. She enjoyed both, but decided to take art with her when she traveled to the U.S. While growing up, she explored water colors, graphite, charcoal and oil pastels. The exploration of different media fascinated her and made her curious for more! She worked on landscapes, especially skies in their different moods, hues and colors. She also created portraits using graphite and charcoal, exploring the light and shadow and the contours of the face.

For a long time thereafter art took a backseat with career in banking and raising a family in the U.S. Relocating back to India from the U.S for a few years sparked back her interest in pursuing Art again. The vibrant colors of India, the spontaneity of the people, the textures found in fabrics and spices, the diverse music, the depth and color in art and architecture, and the feel of aplomb and vibrancy in the festivals and celebrations in every corner of the country –all stirred the artistic passion in Durba, and helped create a dynamic vibrancy of color and movement on the canvas!

Colors, shapes and textures weave through her imagination and feelings to render striking geometric forms, colorful fauvism naturescapes, and vivid abstract art. Over time her art has gravitated towards an abstract rendition of life and nature, complete with imagery and color. Her paintings render a good sense of composition, design and contrast, and conveys a sense of balance and harmony. There is always something hidden, waiting to be discovered in her paintings!



## OHAG FIELD TRIP PROGRAM BAY AREA GLASS INSTITUTE GLASS BLOWING DEMO THURSDAY, JANUARY 30TH, 10 AM

You are all invited to come watch a glass blowing demonstration at the <u>BAGI (Bay Area</u> <u>Glass Institute)</u> at **10:30 AM on Thursday, Jan 30th**. The demonstration will last about an hour and we can tour the rest of the facilities afterwards.

BAGI is less than 30 minutes from Olive Hyde Art Gallery and we recommend car-pooling. We will meet at the gallery no later than 10 AM. Bring a bag lunch because weather permitting we will be able to take advantage of their picnic tables to enjoy lunch together after the event. It usually is hot around the furnaces, so if you bundle up to be outside, make sure you can strip down inside.

We have limited space for 25 participants but you will need to **signup and sign a liability waiver by January 26th.** This is a special trip for members and the Guild is absorbing the cost of the demo. So please don't miss this wonderful opportunity!



## ATTENTION OHAG ARTISTS!!! 13TH MEMBERS JURIED SHOW

### MJS Online Entry Deadline is Friday, February 21.

If you're an OHAG artist you don't want to miss this great opportunity to have your art exhibited in the 2025 MJS Exhibition at the Olive Hyde Art Gallery! To enter up to four 2- or 3-dimensional artworks for the judging and selection process visit <u>www.OliveHydeArtGuild.org/mjs</u>.

#### Juror for the 2025 Show: Cynthia Horn

We are so pleased to announce our Juror for the show, Cynthia Horn. Cynthia is a San Francisco Bay Area fine artist and educator specializing in figurative painting and ceramics. Cynthia is a full-time Professor of Painting and Drawing at the College of Alameda and also teaches at College of Marin and Chabot College.

#### **Awards and Monetary Prizes**

- Best of Show \$250, 2nd Place \$200, 3rd Place \$150
- Merit Awards & People's Choice winners receive gift card

#### **OHAG Members Juried Show Dates**

Virtual Online Exhibit: Thursday, March 27 – Saturday, May 24, 2025 Exhibit at Olive Hyde Art Gallery: Thursday, April 3 – May 24, 2025 Opening Reception & Awards: Friday, April 11, 7-9 pm

#### Wonderful that OHAG's 2025 MJS will be part of "April is Arts, Culture and

**Creativity Month"!!!** Learn more about this city-wide program celebrating the arts at <u>https://FremontCreates.com</u>.

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## UPCOMING: FEBRUARY PROGRAM ALCOHOLIC INK ON TILE WORKSHOP BY DURBA SEN





#### WHEN: Thursday, FEB 27th, 10 AM - Noon WHERE: Olive Hyde Art Gallery

Join our workshop with OHAG's current exhibiting artist **Durba Sen**, where you'll explore the fascinating world of abstract designs using alcohol inks. Participants will begin by practicing techniques on specialized waterproof paper ideal for alcohol ink. Using a variety of colors and isopropyl alcohol, you'll learn to create captivating effects. Once comfortable, you'll craft your own artwork on a ceramic tile under Durba's guidance.

Durba will not only demonstrate techniques but also share insights into her abstract art journey, showcasing her use of vibrant colors to create striking compositions.

Supplies provided include alcohol ink paper, various colors of alcohol inks, brushes, straws for ink-blowing, gloves, isopropyl alcohol, small cups, and ceramic tiles. A \$10 materials fee per participant will cover these items. Don't miss this creative and inspiring session!

Link to register and save your spot after February 1st https://olivehydeartguild.org/news-events/upcoming-programs/





## **HOSPITALITY REQUEST FOR RECEPTIONS**

As a member of Olive Hyde Art Guild there is a long-held tradition for members to donate food or help during our much loved receptions for Olive Hyde Art exhibits. There are about 6-10 receptions for the year.

**IF YOUR LAST NAME BEGINS WITH LA to RO**, we request you bring hand size appetizers or desserts to serve about 15 people from each member. We are notifying you in the newsletter by alphabetical order in groups of 20-40 depending on the size of the event. Please respond to <u>hospitality@olivehydeartguild.org</u> as to what you will bring and if you're able to help in the kitchen.

Please remember this is a volunteer organization and is dependent on members' help. If you would like to assist in any other capacity please contact <u>president@olivehydeartguild.org</u>. As always, your involvement is greatly appreciated!

The next reception is Friday, Jan 31st for the Chromatic Rhythms exhibit by paintings by Durba Sen from 7-9 pm. Please bring an appetizer or dessert or help in the kitchen. If you are unable to attend, please send a small donation to OHAG, PO Box 3073, Fremont, CA 94539.

Thank you for all your help and generosity. Lauren Shaver & Judy Cooper, Hospitality Co-Chairs.



#### **ABOUT THE SHOW**

- · Exhibition of multimedia 2- and 3-dimensional art
- · Held at the Olive Hyde Art Gallery in Fremont
- · Juror for the Show: Cynthia Horn
- Monetary Prize Awards
- Gallery Exhibition: April 3 May 24, 2025
- Opening Night Reception at the Gallery: Friday, April 11, 2025, 7-9pm

## CALL FOR ARTISTS MEMBERS JURIED SHOW

#### Visit OliveHydeArtGuild.org/mjs to:

- Review the Show Prospectus.
- Enter your artwork online.
- Become a member new members are welcome!

Questions? Contact us at MembersJuriedShow@OliveHydeArtGuild.org

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## **Call to Artists - Open Studio Tour**

Exhibit your work at the 4th annual Tri Valley Artist Studio Tour on May 3rd and 4th from 10AM to 5PM. Select locations will also be open to the public on Friday May 2nd. The tour takes place in five cities: Livermore, Pleasanton, Dublin, Danville, and San Ramon. If you are outside of these cities, or need studio space, there are several group sites available that fill up quickly.

Registration opens January 1st. Learn more and sign up at <u>TVAST.com</u>

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