

OLIVE HYDE *Art* GUILD

MARCH 2026

OLIVE HYDE *Art* CENTER
and GALLERY
CITY OF FREMONT



CURRENT EXHIBIT:

Hidden Treasures, Local Talent

Virtual Exhibit: Thur, March 26 – Sat, May 23

Exhibition Dates: Thur, April 2 – Sat, May 23

Opening Reception: Friday, April 10 (7 – 9pm)

Scholarship Awards Reception:

Friday, May 15 (7–9pm)

UPCOMING EXHIBIT:

Printmaking Exhibition

Virtual Exhibit: Thur, June 4 – Sat, August 1

Exhibition Dates: Thur, June 11 – Sat, August 1

Opening Reception: Friday, June 26 (7 – 9pm)

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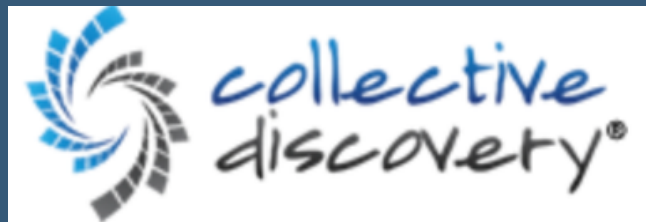
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TREASURER'S REPORT

BANK BALANCE 1/31/26 - \$50,709.66

INCOME - \$0

EXPENSES - (\$540.36)

BANK BALANCE - 2/28/26 - \$50,169.30

LESS UNCLEARED CHECKS - (\$452.50)

ADJ BANK BALANCE 2/28/26 - \$49,716.80

CD + INTEREST - \$23,553.21

TOTAL ASSETS 2/28/26- \$73,270.01

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Hello Members!

As the current exhibit "Traces of Light and Stillness" comes to a close this month, I want to take a moment to thank Victoria Veedell for sharing her beautiful paintings, her time, and her knowledge. It has truly been a pleasure to get to know her and her beautiful artwork. I hope you folks enjoyed the exhibit as much as I have. I look forward to seeing more of her work in the future.

I would also like to thank Farshid Namei for her presentation on oil painting portraits. She engaged the participants in the class, answered questions on her techniques, motivation, and her selection of subjects. It was a really wonderful learning experience.

So what's coming up??

The artists for the "Hidden Treasures, Local Talent" exhibit have all been chosen. A ton of entries were received by over 100 local artists. The show opens Thursday, April 2 and runs through Saturday, May 23. The virtual tour will be available online Thursday, March 26. Please don't miss the opening reception on Friday, April 10 from 7 to 9pm.

Finally, on Thursday, March 26, from 10am to 12 noon, Hetal Anjaria will join us for a hands-on Warli art demonstration in the Mission Room. Her art bridges traditional Indian heritage with contemporary design. There is a \$10 material fee collected on the day of the event. Please consult our website for more information. This promises to be a very immersive experience.

That's all for now folks! Looking forward to seeing you at the Guild.

Scott Capen, President
Olive Hyde Art Guild

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BOARD MEETING HIGHLIGHTS

- Victoria Veedell sold 2 artworks & 8 catalogs
- Serra Center art program begins March 19 with instructor Richard Clarke; 19 enrolled
- Hidden Treasures, Local Talent: 100+ applicants; 60 artists selected, one piece each
- New Mission Room chairs installed; easier cleaning
- Holiday Show planning underway; sponsor outreach in progress. \$1,000 donation received from private foundation; contacting past
- Roberta Moody retiring as HS Artist Contact; Mihika Kulkarni taking over role
- boxART! reception planned at boxART! site; recognition event for student artists; Mayor Salwan to be invited. Board members may supplement food. The project nearing completion; awaiting Fremont Art Review Board approval. Student artwork described as high quality; mock-up of box completed. High-resolution artwork photos and parent permissions collected. Website page is up with thumbnails of student artwork. Acknowledgment of great project work by Judy Anglin, Scott Capen, Lisa Stambaugh, and Susan Longini
- Rodent concern checked; no evidence found in cupboards
- Scholarship outreach continuing to Fremont high schools with help from Cathy Castillou. Additional promotion; applications pending. Lisa Stambaugh and Durba Sen are scholarship judges; significant cost savings
- OHAG joined Fremont-Union City-Newark (FUN) Museum Alliance; quarterly meetings of regional museum groups. Alliance website now includes link to OHAG

UPCOMING:



Olive Hyde Art Gallery

APRIL-MAY 2026

HIDDEN TREASURES

Local Talent Exhibition



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The City of Fremont's Olive Hyde Art Gallery is proud to present its 2026 open biennial exhibition Hidden Treasures, Local Talent. Held every two years, this community-focused exhibition invites artists of all ages and experience levels to participate, celebrating the diverse creative voices within the community.

This year, the Olive Hyde Art Gallery received more than double the number of submissions compared to 2024. The exceptional level of artistic talent and creativity within the community is truly remarkable, making the selection process this year especially competitive. From more than 120 applicants, 60 artists were selected to showcase their work. Of those selected artists, 26 are Olive Hyde Art Guild members.

The exhibition highlights a wide range of mediums, including ceramic, textiles, watercolor, oil and acrylic painting, printmaking, mixed media, and more. The artwork will explore a variety of themes and subjects, ensuring there will be something to inspire everyone.

Participating Artists:

Vimal Advani*, Hetal Anjaria*, Karen Barry*, Bradner Bond, Scott Capen*, Jason Jyeshern Cheng, Edie Christensen*, Richard Clarke, Thom Cory*, Swapna Das, Adriane Dedic*, Ansh Doshi, Randy Garber, Tania Gentchev, Sandra Grantham, Dmitry Grudsky*, Seema Gupta*, Hedaya Hasan, Susan Helmer*, Glenn Hernandez, Charmaine Hussain*, Jeff Ishikawa, Yogs Janarthanan, Wing-Hei Jau, Jai Kaja, Kanchan Kartha, Mythili Kattupalli, Mihika Kulkarni*, Peter Langenbach*, Connie Lee, Leona Lee, Suzanne J Levy, Ruth Li*, Christina Lim*, Monica Loncola, Lina Melkonian*, Bhavna Misra, Pragati Sharma Mohanty, Farshid Namei*, Parul Parekh*, Janine Pitta, Maria Grazia Romeo*, Piyaali B Samanta, Arathi Satish*, Gregory Saxon, Barbara Schlein*, Bhawna Seth, Ria Sharma, Lynne Shephard*, Sarabjit Singh, Vidyut Singhal, Lisa Stambaugh*, Joy Steuerwald, Geeta Taneja, Kevin Tschaen*, Metis Tse*, Aland Walker, Rachel Wu, Vivian Yu, Sophie Zhang*

*** Olive Hyde Art Guild members**

Images of OHAG Member artwork may be found on our website on the [Exhibits page](#)

Thursday, March 26, 2026
10:00am to 12:00 noon
Mission Room, Olive Hyde Art Center

MARCH PROGRAM: WARLI ART BY HETAL ANJARIA

Hetal Anjaria is a Mumbai-born, Fremont-based artist whose work bridges traditional Indian heritage with contemporary design through a plethora of painting and crafting techniques. With a background in textile design, she utilizes oils, watercolors, and traditional dyes to reimagine folk art for the modern era. Her award-winning talent has been recognized by the American Art Awards and the Alameda County Virtual Fair. Her work was also featured in the Olive Hyde Guild's Holiday Show.

In this session, she invites you to explore Warli art, a geometric folk art style of the Warli tribe in Maharashtra, India that depicts daily life and celebrations. Participants will learn to apply these rhythmic motifs to both wooden coasters and paper tote bags. All the materials will be provided. Material Fee: \$10 collected on the day of the event. Cash, Venmo, Zelle, or PayPal accepted at the door. Visit the artist's portfolio at www.hetalanjaria.weebly.com



FEBRUARY DEMO BY FARSHID NAMEI ON OIL PAINTING



On February 26th, 2026, the gallery hosted an interactive oil painting demonstration by veteran artist Farshid Namei. A distinguished Signature Member of the Oil Painters of America, American Women Artists, and the National Oil and Acrylic Painters Society, Farshid shared her techniques and philosophical approach to portrait painting, in a captivating session.

The demonstration began with the audience selecting a portrait subject from a range of photo references. As Farshid led the class through her process, she emphasized her unwavering commitment to realism and the precision required in portraiture, noting that "A difference of a millimeter can turn it into a monster."

Beyond brushwork and materials, Farshid shared her philosophy on the importance of knowing a subject in person to truly capture their essence. She detailed her specific approach to reference photography, insisting on taking her own photos using a single light source to ensure structural clarity.

Throughout the session, the audience engaged in deep discussions regarding the beginning, adaptability of techniques, the importance of proportions, the ethics of reference material, and the intense time commitment required to achieve realistic results. It was this enthusiastic exchange of thoughts that raised the spirit of the program.



OLIVE HYDE *Art* GUILD

Proudly Presents the 42nd

Holiday for the Arts 2026

Call for Artists

**Entry Deadline for New Artists:
July 15, 2026**

**Olive Hyde Art Guild is now accepting
entries for the Holiday for the Arts Gala,
Show & Sale, October 16-18, 2026**

The show opens with a ticketed Gala on Friday night featuring hors d'oeuvres, sweets, wine, and live music, with the first viewing and sale of art.

On Saturday and Sunday, the show is open to the public without charge. Each year we sell over \$25,000 of high-quality handcrafted objects and fine art.

All aspects of the show, including sales, are handled by Guild members. Artists do not need to be present at the event, but are responsible for providing inventory information and affixing price tags.

Media: Ceramics, glass, paintings, photography, paper, jewelry, fiber, wood, metal, sculpture, holiday goods.

Image samples of new artists' work will be screened online at the OHAG website. Artists submit 2-3 digital images using the online form at OliveHydeArtGuild.org.

**For new artist information, visit
OliveHydeArtGuild.org or
email ArtistContact@OliveHydeArtGuild.org**

OHAG HOLIDAY FOR THE ARTS 2026

MEMBERS ALERT!

Heads up Guild members and mark your calendars in advance with the critical ten days of our major fundraiser. October is a ways off but this early information is meant to help you plan ahead and fuel our mission!

Holiday for the Arts, Show & Sale:

- Friday, October 16: Opening Gala from 5:30pm-9pm
- Saturday, October 17: Show & Sale 10am-5pm
- Sunday, October 18: Show & Sale Final day 10am-5pm

Preparation Work Week:

- Monday, October 12: Decorations and Facility Prep
- Tuesday, October 13: Artist Check-In Day
- Wednesday, October 14: Installation and Display of artwork

After the Show:

- Monday, October 19: Inventory of artists' artwork
- Tuesday, October 20: Artist Check-Out Day
- Wednesday, October 21: Decorations and Facility Dismantling

NEW VOLUNTEER DESCRIPTIONS ON OUR WEBSITE

Volunteers are the key to the success of all Guild activities. There are many ways to get involved — from serving as a Board Officer or Chairperson to helping at events throughout the year.

We recently added a new page to our website, summarizing the roles, to help you decide how you might like to participate. Categories include:

- Board Officers
- Board Chairpersons
- Additional Chairpersons leading special tasks or programs
- Reception Volunteers
- Holiday Show & Sale Chairs
- Holiday Show & Sale Volunteers

The new page is in the About section of the website, labeled Volunteer Opportunities.

If you have questions about any of the roles, or want more details before committing, reach out to questions@OliveHydeArtGuild.org. You can also express your volunteer preferences on the Membership Renewal form, when renewal time comes around in June!



CELEBRATING 15 YEARS OF CREATIVITY: THE SERRA CENTER ART WORKSHOP IS BACK!



19 Serra Center participants were excited and ready to paint at the opening class this past Wednesday, March 11. Under the guidance of COF Art Instructor Richard O. Clarke and Instructor Aide Richa Priyanka, the students dove straight into their first projects with incredible enthusiasm. The 10-week art instruction program for adults with developmental disabilities is held on Wednesday evenings at the Olive Hyde Mission Room. Through a wonderful collaboration between the City of Fremont Recreation Services, Serra Center and Olive Hyde Art Guild, art is becoming more accessible in our community. Thanks to the Guild's generous support the students are provided with professional instruction, high-quality supplies, a space to create at the Mission Room, and final framing of one of their artworks.

Special thanks to our dedicated planning committee:

COF: Vanessa Yung, Recreation Supervisor and Taylor Delacy, Assistant Recreation Supervisor

Serra Center: Mary Kent, Operations Manager

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We are pleased to announce the completion of our Middle School boxART! student art competition

Theme: **Utopian Vision**

Fourteen artworks from Fremont Middle School students (grades 6-8) were selected to be featured as part of Fremont's boxART! program. The selected pieces are being incorporated into a collage design on a vinyl wrap that will transform a traffic signal control box into a vibrant public art display at the corner of Country Drive and Paseo Padre Parkway.

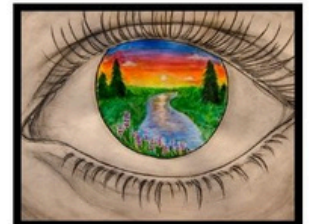
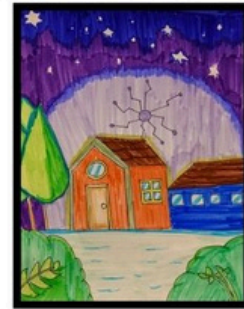
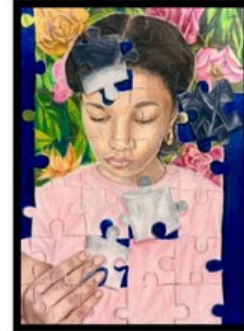
Visit <https://OliveHydeArtGuild.org/boxart> to see details about the artists, titles, and schools.

Congratulations to our featured artists:

Meera Amarnath, Kavya Desai, Sahasra Gudipati, Yuvan Koduri, Akanksha Kulkarni, Abhi Arun Kumar, Bhuvi Kummara, Evan Liu, Mason Liu, Louisa Oswan, Simran Rao, Nivruth Rayasam, Mokshith Siddavaram, Riya Sinha.

This project was made possible through funding from a Grant from the Alameda County Arts Commission's ARTSFUND

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FREMONT CREATES

Call for Artists: Applications Now Open!

Inviting artists of all disciplines to participate

Artist Pop-Up Market on Sunday, April 26th

11:00am–3:00pm

At Fremont's Downtown Event Center

Sell your work directly to the public

Network with other local artists

Be part of a celebration of Fremont's creativity

How to apply:

Visit FremontCreates.com for event details and application forms.

Spaces are limited—don't miss your chance to be part of this creative showcase!

Scan for more information!





CALL TO PRINTMAKERS!

Submission Deadline:
Saturday, April 25, 2026

Exhibition Dates:
Thursday, June 11 –
Saturday, August 1

The City of Fremont's Olive Hyde Art Gallery is now accepting entries for **Matrix: A Printmaking Exhibition**. Submit your printmaking artwork for the opportunity to be exhibited! All printmakers are encouraged to apply.

All entries should be sent to olivehydecorator@fremont.gov

Submission Requirements

- Up to 5 entries with the title, medium, dimension, year, and sale price listed. (Submissions may include any form of 2D and/or 3D printmaking artwork.)
- Digital images of artwork must be of high quality resolution. Label files with your last name and title of the artwork.

Upon Acceptance:

- Accepted artists to be notified by Tuesday, April 28 through email.
- Submit \$30 entry fee on Art Delivery Day: Friday, May 29 and Saturday, May 30 from 10 AM – 12 Noon (No fee for FUSD and Ohlone students)
- Accepted artwork will also be exhibited on a virtual gallery platform.
- All work must be ready to install for exhibition. Shipping fees are the responsibility of the artist.

Submit all entries to olivehydecorator@fremont.gov by Saturday, April 25 2026

2026 BERRYESSA ART FESTIVAL IN PARTNERSHIP WITH EAST VALLEY ARTISTS (EVA)

The 49th Berryessa Art Festival at Penitencia Creek Park (3050 Berryessa Road) is on Saturday, May 9 from 10:00 AM – 5:00 PM.

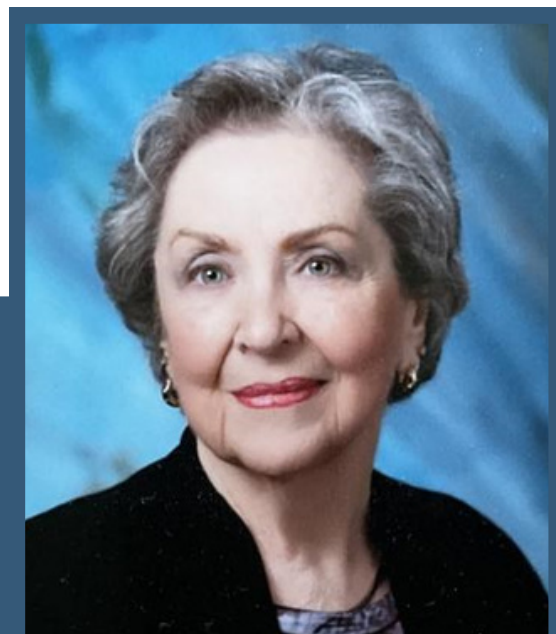
This year, the Berryessa Art Festival Foundation is partnering with East Valley Artists, an art club comprised of artists working in all media who are local to San Jose's East Foothills and beyond. Established in 1957, East Valley Artists aims to provide a supportive, friendly and welcoming environment for artists in the local art community to foster cooperation, education, and personal development in the visual arts.

The fine art area is a new feature for the 2026 Berryessa Art Festival. Fine artists of all media are invited to exhibit together under one area. Only fine art and fine artisan work created by the artist's own hand will be included in the fine art area.

For more information regarding the application process, please click [here](#).

IN LOVING MEMORY *of* NORMA NETO

It is with sadness that we share the passing of Norma Neto, who died on March 1, 2026. Norma was a talented watercolor artist and, along with her husband John—who passed away in 2015—was a longtime member of the Olive Hyde Art Guild. Both Norma and John enjoyed participating in many art-centered social gatherings with fellow guild members.



Norma worked for several years with the City of Fremont before retiring in 1998.

Services for Norma were held on March 10 at Berge Pappas Smith Chapel of the Angels and St. Joseph's Church.

The Guild extends its sincere condolences to Norma's son, Mitchell Neto, and to the entire Neto family.

April 2018 Field Trip to
Filoli Gardens (Norma is
far left in picture)

