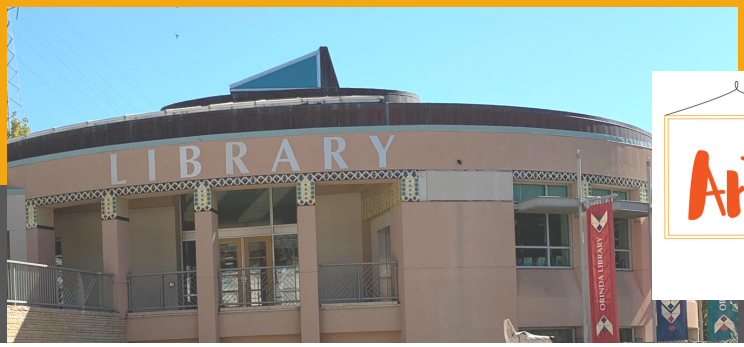

Art Gallery at the ORINDA LIBRARY

Tablets, Out of Africa Photos and Watercolors

May 2022 Featured Artists

Francesca Borgatta

Francesca Borgatta of Oakland describes her show as "Reading the Tablet." "A library holds a collection of books, meant to be shared. I hope this presentation will cause people to think about the act of reading, not just as words, but as a means of communication." "Untranslated," a 42" x 18" tablet portrays messages in Farsi to be fathomed while musing over its intricate hand-fashioned frame. All the tablets are bas relief sculpture with mixed media assemblage. She is drawn to folk art and religious traditions, including Indonesian shadow theater and pre-Conquest Mexican figures and architecture. For more information about Borgatta's exploration of tablets go to www.puppetfigures.com/2019/12/francesca-borgatta-reliefs/'.



Francesca Borgatta, "Untranslated" 42" x 18", bas relief found object assemblage



Maggie Boscoe, "I Am Woman, Hear Me Roar" 8" x 10", photograph

Out of Africa

The "Out of Africa" show was organized by Maggie Boscoe, who is a Lamorinda Arts Council board member and a longtime curation team volunteer for the Art Gallery at the Orinda Library. The exhibit includes photographs by Boscoe, David Fleisig, Pam Hall, Jeff Halliday and Maureen Rosati-Wee. Group members roamed far from home to assemble this exhibit of photographs, a mixture of animals, landscape scenes and exotic birds taken mostly in African National Parks.



David Fleisig, "Serengeti Cheetah" 8" x 10", photograph

Anne Fallin

Anne Fallin of Walnut Creek describes her artistic style as contemporary realism. Fortunately for us, the 24 watercolors she is exhibiting display a wide variety of subjects. "I love the challenge of creating a strong design with any subject imaginable," she said. Some of her favorite artists are Karl Larsson, Will Bullas and Pam Glover (1924 – 2010). She painted and studied with Lundy Siegrist (1925 – 1985) for a long time, which is how she met Pam Glover.



Anne Fallin, "Candy-Cane Dahlias" 20" x 24.5", watercolor

It's safe to say that at 80 years of age she knows how to play with watercolors in just about every way imaginable. Her bold sense of design provides a structure for her explorations of brilliant color. Her 20" x 24.5" watercolor, "Candy-Striped Dahlias," is bursting with color and depth of field. One of her cousins, Clyde Smith, is a renowned portrait painter in New York. "We grew up together and he had quite an influence on me," she said. She likes experiencing artwork and exhibits through books and printed materials as the lack of distractions allows her to concentrate fully on the details of the artwork. Visit www.annefallinwatercolors.com to learn more about her striking watercolors.

This exhibit runs May 1 - 301at the
Art Gallery at the Orinda Library at 26 Orinda Way.
Open during Library Hours: Mon. – Thur., 10 am – 8 pm, Fri. – Sat.,
10 am – 6 pm, closed on Sunday. The Library is closed all day Mon. May 30 for Memorial Day. Call 925.254.2184 for more information about the Library or visit www.ccclib.org/. Email the curators with questions at gallery@lamorindaarts.org or call the Lamorinda Arts Council at 925.359.9940.

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