



# Community Outreach

## CWA Awards at the Alameda County Fair



Ryan Victor "Parrot" 7-8 grade category



Coral Felix "Palm Tree" 9-10 grade category



Vicky Lin "Koi Fishpond" 11-12 grade category

*Every year CWA Community Outreach honors three aspiring young watercolorists exhibiting at the Alameda County Fair. This year Georganne Zaro-Eddy and Sheila Cain juried the artwork and choose the winners.*

The award categories are 7-8th grade, 9-10th grade and 11-12th grade. The best watercolor for grades 7-8 went to Ryan Victor for his painting titled, "Parrot." The quality of the bird popping right out of the picture plane won Ryan the prize. The best watercolor grades 9-10 went to Coral Felix for the painting titled "Beach." Coral's creation of depth at the horizon and fine clouds made this painting the winner. The best watercolor grades 11-12 went to Vicky Lin for the painting "Koi Fishpond." Vicky's painting has the mystery, emotion and technical skill that made it the prize winner.

Each winning artist received a check for \$50 and a CWA youth award blue ribbon at the "Youth Awards Ceremony" held July 5, 2018. CWA Community Outreach is excited to have the opportunity to award deserving youth for their watercolor paintings.

*Sheila Cain*





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CWA Community Outreach Art Studio at Martinez VA



In our June Community Outreach we received a special request for fireworks-themed paintings for the 4th of July display in the main hallway. We had two regulars and a new painter participate. We started with wet paper and experimented with dropping and tapping paint in various drop sizes, color and paint thickness. Our results were varied, and everyone had a good time. We learned that some paintings have little or no hard edges and the paint moves differently depending on the moisture content of both paint and paper.



As always, we had others come to paint and socialize. The display case where the paintings will be displayed when dry and matted also has military memorabilia and festive decorations. It was already drawing an interested crowd as it was being created.

*Maggie Metcalf*





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## Monument Crisis Center – Kids Camp!



Concord Art Association (CAA) and California Watercolor Association (CWA) participated in a kid's camp event at the Monument Crisis Center in Concord. Our artists were warmly welcomed by staff at the center. Kudos to the entire group of folks who made this happen!

Organized by CAA/CWA member, Sandi Sherwood, members of both associations taught drawing, mixed media, watercolor and encouraged creativity to 54 children ages 5 to 14. What a day... in a good way!

The instructors threw everything they had at the excited participants and although everyone was exhausted at the end of the day, everyone left with smiles and... art.

Blick donated brushes to CWA for the event and let me tell you, there was not a dry brush in the bunch by the time we closed the event. A big shout out to Blick for their generosity and support of community outreach.

We had a wonderful day.

*Carol Husslein*



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### Art instructors/encouragers were:

CAA - Mary Frances Crabtree, Janice Davis, Cathy McNutt and Deena Sheranko

CWA - Michael Friedland

CAA/CWA - Carol Husslein and Sandi Sherwood

Gardens at Heather Farm - Arlene Molina