



# SEQUOIA BARK

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**APRIL 22, 2026, JOHN SPOTORNO (WATERCOLOR WATERFALL) IN-PERSON AT THE VMSC SUNSEST ROOM, 7:00PM:** John is a 4th generation Californian and has resided in Redwood City for the past 40 years. He discovered his passion for drawing and watercolor painting while attending Cal Poly School of Architecture. The recipient of a national design award allowed John nine months of travel honing his skills in sketching and painting. John is a licensed architect currently practicing commercial architecture in Palo Alto, CA. He joined the Pacific Art League in 2021 where he has his paintings on display, and at University Art in Redwood City (closing soon). He routinely leads a summer watercolor camp for youth and “Introduction to Watercolor” courses for adults throughout the rest of the year. He states that “watercolor is a wonderful way to capture the power and beauty of nature on paper. Water simply mixed with pigment applied with the brush becomes the medium to transform a white surface into a compelling composition quickly compared to other media choices.”

MARCH 2026 VOTE WINNERS		
<i>Winner's Circle</i>	<i>Popular Vote</i>	<i>Photography</i>
1st Place: Anne Oseberg	1st Place: Nicole Joshi	1st Place: n/a
2nd Place: Marla Lehr	2nd Place: Anne Foster	2nd Place: n/a
3rd Place: Ann Gahagen	3rd Place: LeVay Norquist	3rd Place: n/a

**REFRESHMENTS:** Reminder for Judy Martinelli and Camilla Roos who are signed up to bring refreshments to the April meeting.

**SAG MEETINGS:** Our meetings will continue to be on the fourth Wednesday each month at 7:00pm in the Sunset Room at the VMSC. Visit our website at [www.sequoiartgroup.com](http://www.sequoiartgroup.com) under the Calendar/Demo section for more information about the following calendar events:

- May 27: Edna Acri (frameless watercolors)
- June 24: Kim Holl (gel prints)

**MEMBERS ONLY VIRTUAL ART SHOW 2025:** This show will continue to be posted on our website through September 2026. Be sure to invite all of your friends and relatives to view this show on our website at <https://sequoiaartgroup.com/members-art-show-2025>.

**MEMBER ACTIVITIES:** Bob Hills has his “Day of the Dead” photographs currently hanging in the Redwood Shores Library through April. Taki Stamates has two paintings in the upcoming Pacific Art League (PAL) show starting May8 and ending June 23.

**THANK YOU DAVE:** Our Treasurer Dave McClure not only pays our bills but also facilitates income for our group by coordinating rental of our group’s wiremesh exhibit panels to various organizations. This spring he is handling four different rentals including Open Studio participants, which takes a lot of time. We wish to thank him for these efforts on SAG’s behalf.

**UNIVERSITY ART IN REDWOOD CITY CLOSING WITH 50% OFF NOW:** They don't have a final date yet but it will probably be later this April. After 78, years, this is sad.

**BLICK ART MATERIALS OPENED A NEW STORE:** Blick opened a new store at 3430 Stevens Creek Boulevard, San Jose, CA 95117. So now you don't have to order by catalog.

**SWA UPCOMING PROGRAMS:** Their programs are back to in-person demonstrations at their San Bruno Gallery, 1:00pm-3:00pm. You can check their website one week later for a recorded Zoom demonstration.

- April 18: Joseph Altwer (landscape oil)
- June 20: Laurie Johnson Lepkowska (TBA)

**PORTOLA ART GALLERY:** Located at Allied Arts, 75 Arbor Road, Menlo Park, is open Monday-Saturday 11:00am-4:00pm. Their current exhibit is pastels by Robin Scholl entitled “Around the World.” They also have two new artists whose works are worth seeing: Kim Holl, monoprints and Christina Lim, acrylic landscapes which she refers to as “visual sanctuaries.”

**MAIN GALLERY:** The gallery is located at 883 Santa Cruz Avenue, Suite 1, Menlo Park, and is open Tuesday-Saturday 11:00am-5:00pm. These rotating exhibits feature art books, ceramics, glass, jewelry, mosaic paintings, photography, prints, sculpture, and woodwork. The April 14 to May 31 exhibit called “One Place” features abstract/geometric landscapes by Amy Darrah, as well as assorted works by other gallery members.

**DeYOUNG MUSEUM OF SAN FRANCISCO:** Free Saturdays from 9:00am-5:00pm. Leilah Babirye: We Have a History to May 3, 2026; About Place: Bay Area Artists from Svane Gift through July 5, 2026; Arts of Indigenous America through August 31, 2028; Embroidered Histories through May 24; McCoy Jones Collection: “Textiles from Central Asia and Middle East” through May 24; Monet and Venice starting March 21 through July 26.

**LEGION OF HONOR GALLERY OF SAN FRANCISCO:** The current exhibit is “Ferlinghetti for San Francisco” to July 19; Drawn to Venice through Aug.2.

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