# SEQUOIA BARK

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**NOVEMBER 18, 2026, BOB HILLS (PHOTOGRAPHY) IN-PERSON AT THE VMB BLUESTAR ROOM, SECOND FLOOR, 7:00PM**: Bob's presentation will be "A Photo Essay of the Day of the Dead Celebration in Redwood City." He was originally from New Jersey and moved to Northern California in the late 1960s. His career was in various sales and marketing positions for companies that supplied manufacturing equipment to semiconductor device manufacturers domestically, in Europe and in Asia. Bob's Mechanical Engineering and Metallurgy degrees from Stevens Institute of Technology were a great asset in his being able to follow the fast-pacd development of the technologies as they occurred. During his career he travelled extensively throughout the U.S, Europe and Asia, including China. He retired in 2015. Prior to 2009 Bob became interested in photography as a hobby and obtained his Associate in Arts degrees in Photography and Art History from Foothill College in Los Alto, CA. Attending Foothill College enabled him to spend 10 weeks living and studying in Florence, Italy, and facilitated his six trips to Cuba. Photography has also taken him to Iceland in springtime and Yellowstone Park in the winter. He has been vacationing in mid-coast Maine for the last 20 plus years, usually in October.

**REFRESHMENTS**: Premi John will bring refreshments to the November meeting. If you wish to volunteer to provide refreshments during 2027, please contact Pat McClure, Refreshment Chairperson, at 650-369-1893.

| OCTOBER 2026 VOTE WINNERS | | |
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| *Winner's Circle* | *Popular Vote* | *Photography* |
| 1st Place: Dave McClure | 1st Place: Catherine Delfs | 1st Place: n/a |
| 2nd Place: Anne Oseberg | 2nd Place: Judy Martinelli | 2nd Place: n/a |
| 3rd Place: Marla Lehr | 3rd Place: Camilla Roos | 3rd Place: n/a |

**2027 SAG DUES**: As this is the last newsletter of the year, we are taking this opportunity to remind you that the SAG dues for 2027 are payable as of January 1. Before you forget, please mail in the amount of $30.00 payable to Sequoia Art Group, and mail the check to our Treasurer Dave McClure at 702 California Way, Redwood City, CA 94062-4007. We need to publish a new Roster of Members but will wait until all the 2027 dues have been paid, hopefully by February.

**SAG MEETINGS**: Visit our website at www.sequoiaartgroup.com under the Calendar/Demo section for more information about the following calendar events:

- December: no meeting
- January 23, 2027 (Saturday): Installation/Award Luncheon at Harry's Hofbrau.

**6TH ANNUAL MEMBERS ONLY VIRTUAL ART SHOW**: Thank you to Catherine Delfs, Dave McClure, Bryan Beck and Ann Gahagen for facilitating this year's show. Sherry Vockel judged both art and photography this year, as her education background encompassed both media. Winners are posted online and our judge said, "It was very hard because there were so many wonderful and creative pieces submitted." We ended up with 54 entries (one more than the previous year). Some of the ribbons and checks were handed out at our October 28 meeting for those who were present, and more will be distributed at our November meeting, after which the remainder will be mailed to members. View the entries online at https://sequoiaartgroup.com/members-art-show-2026/.

**PROGRAM/DEMO SUGGESTIONS NEEDED**: Catherine Delfs is starting to book our demonstrations for 2027 (4th Wednesdays) and would appreciate any suggestions from our members. Please provide Catherine at csdelfs@pacbell.net with your suggested presenter's email and/or phone number, and website They receive a check from SAG for their time.

**NOMINATIONS FOR 2027 SAG OFFICERS**: Our bylaws require that we publish the nominations for next year's officers in our November newsletter, which are the same as 2026: President/Ann Gahagen, Vice President/Premi John, Secretary/Marla Lehr and Treasurer/Dave McClure. If any members wishes to run against those named, please contact Catherine Delfs to let her know, and they will be added to the nomination process. Members will vote on November 18.

**ART BIAS**: They have Open Studios the first Sunday of each month, 12:00pm-4:00pm, with the next one being on December 6. Deborah Shea states that they now have 100 artists in residence.

**BLICK ART NEW STORE:** Located at 3430 Stevens Creek Boulevard, San Jose, CA 95117: So now you don't have to order by catalog.

**CALIFORNIA ART SUPPLY**: Located at 3600 S. El Camino Real (West side of El Camino, San Mateo) is our closest art store.

**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.

- November 21: Natasha Foucault (painting on silk)

**PORTOLA ART GALLERY**: Located at Allied Arts, 75 Arbor Road, Menlo Park, is open Monday-Saturday 11:00am-4:00pm. Their current exhibit is "As Time Goes By" oil paintings by Jared Sines. Their December exhibit is "Making Spirits Bright," a collection of gallery members' art, photography, and pottery.

**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 4th Friday of each month features live music on Santa Cruz Avenue from 6:00-9:00pm and the Main Gallery will be open throughout. Their current exhibit runs from November 3 to December 23 and is a group exhibit of gallery members.

**DeYOUNG MUSEUM OF SAN FRANCISCO**: Free Saturdays from 9:00am-5:00pm. "Treasures of the Pharaohs" through January 31, 2027; Nengi Omuku: "The Gathering" through May 18, 2028; "Rooted in Place: California Native Art" though December 6, 2026; Rose B. Simpson, "Lexicon" through February 7, 2027.

**LEGION OF HONOR GALLERY OF SAN FRANCISCO**: The current exhibit is Miro: Proof Against All through July 25, 2027; Eternal Paris: Photographing the City of Light through April 4, 2027.

**2026 OFFICE HOLDERS**

**President**: Ann Gahagen
**Vice President**: Premi John
**Secretary**: Marla Lehr
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***Send information to be included in the Bark to Catherine Delfs at csdelfs@pacbell.net before the 10th of the month.***