

# **City Lights Artists' Co-op**

## ***The Lantern- News Update March 2007***

**The last Membership Meeting was held March 8th at 6:30 pm at #10 Water Street.**

One of our members, Erin Lale scheduled to tell us about the art of "Sun Prints" was unfortunately ill, so it was a short meeting, not well attended. The next meeting is scheduled for the second Thursday of April...if this day is not a good one for you, please let us know so that we can schedule meetings to encourage better attendance.

**City Lights Too** is gearing up for their Grand Opening this month...about 600 postcards will be going out, the space has been revitalized with paint and decorations, the artisans are bringing in their wares. The store will be open Thursday, Friday and Saturdays initially. We have some very talented members bringing in unique handmade items so do your entire gift shopping early as they plan to be open on Third Thursday.

***You may not have heard but...***

Some not unexpected but certainly sooner than we hoped for news has come down from the City of Henderson. Our buildings are to be demolished for redevelopment and we will be vacating both City Lights Art Gallery and City Lights Too at the end of June.

The City of Henderson will assist in our relocation so we will be looking for another space for all of us. All of you with vans and pick-up trucks and a few muscles will be needed to help with the relocation. More updates forthcoming!

Reminder...we need to start the Cook Book project.

The cook book will provide our artists an opportunity to not only share your favorite recipe, but also feature some of your artwork. They then will be sold as a donation to the Co-op and continue to support our mini-grant program.

***We need a volunteer to collect the recipes and another to collect digital imagery of the artists work*** to be displayed in the cook book. We are beginning to get some ideas of our costs as well as a bid for the printing of the book and will know more when we know how many participants.

**Membership Dues: Remember that dues are prorated when you sign up new members. The dues for March are \$20.00.**

**Third Thursdays and Featured Artists Reception:**

***The Featured Artists for March are KC Knight and Etel Surany.***

KC has some lovely works in Acrylic and our Etel does an array of watercolors and mixed media. Be sure to attend their reception on March 15<sup>th</sup>.

***Our Featured Artists for the February were Krystina Oborny and Vince Zocco.*** We had about 170 visitors !!! It was a lovely evening and all the galleries were pleased with the turnout.

We are pleased that Coronado High School has joined Foothill High School with student art in our Gallery. Check out their artwork.

**New Members: Welcome to** Kathleen Carmona, Kathleen Castanon, Gerry Hackney, Susanne Jones, Merriam Olds, Mary Siegmund, Brooke Sperry, Sharon Takahashi, Donna Thorne and Jennifer Vincent.

### **Ribbon Awards:**

The Visitors Choice Ribbon Award for January goes to *Barbara Beccue for "Perfection"*. *Vince Zocco came in a close second for his watercolor "Hibiscus"*. Many other artists received one vote and a couple had two votes, continuing to show the wide and varied likes of our visitors. Be sure to remind visitors to vote, the next ribbon winner could be you.

### **Gallery:**

Don't forget to sign up to be Featured Artist. You must be an exhibiting gallery member. It's a wonderful opportunity to get the window space to display extra artwork and to invite your friends and family to your Featured Artist Reception on Third Thursday. Sales are always better on those occasions.

The next change over in the gallery is expected to be March 31<sup>st</sup>. This will be our last showing in this location so let us make it a great one!

Beginning the next quarter we would like artists/crafters to sign up to do some types of interactive activity, such as painting or a craft project at both City Lights Art Gallery and Gallery Too on their day to sit. We will make up a calendar of these activities; post them on the website and in the windows of both galleries. Our clients will enjoy watching you in your creative mode!

**City Lights Web Site:** [www.citylightsart.com](http://www.citylightsart.com) is available at no charge to City Lights Co-op members. Be sure to get your work on-line or perhaps, change the work you have there now. Wendy Adams, our very capable web-master will assist you at [sales@citylightsart.com](mailto:sales@citylightsart.com). We will soon be adding a new page for all our new crafters. Check the website for other news announcements of happenings around town, as well as our Featured Artists. There are some great links to other websites for your perusal.

**Board Meetings:** all members are invited to attend the board meetings. Your input and suggestions are needed and welcomed. The next Board meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, March 21st at 5pm at the Gallery. As we are taking on some new projects, your help is even more critical.

### **Other News:**

If you have news items for the newsletter, please let Merle know before the end of each month.