



EL DORADO ARTS COUNCIL

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EDAC ART NEWS

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*Imagination will often carry us to worlds that never were.
But without it, we go nowhere.* – Carl Sagan

Want to go somewhere? EDAC's volunteer program, Art Ambassadors, is now recruiting!

Why become an Art Ambassador?

- Meet others who are passionate about the Arts
- Be involved with El Dorado County's "umbrella" arts organization – we enrich and educate the community through visual, performing & literary arts
- Learn more about the Arts
- Provide community service & develop leadership skills
- Receive our monthly e-mail newsletter and keep up on all the Art Happenings in El Dorado County
- Enjoy Art Ambassador Appreciation rewards & events
- See your name in lights ... on-line in the Art Ambassador directory (with personal bio, if desired)

You can find out all about El Dorado Arts Council on May 3rd at the **Imagination Workshop & Art Ambassador Orientation**. Join us from 10 – 11:30 am at the EDAC gallery, 451 Main St, Ste 6, Placerville. It's a step into the world of art! Call 530.295.3496 or email EDAC@eldoradoartscouncil.org to register.

NEW AT THE EDAC GALLERY
BRICOLAGE: FOUND & RECYCLED ART

*It was just there, lying in the trash, and it was so beautiful!
Art is everywhere!* - Marianne Uhl

Timed to coincide with EARTH Day, El Dorado Arts Council presents a show inspired by cast offs, roadside finds, second hand stores and nature loot. An eye for expected treasure seems to be a common trait amongst the artists in the show. These artists create bricolage, from the French verb, *bricoleur*: to make creative and resourceful use of whatever materials are to hand - regardless of their original purpose, perfectly demonstrating the spirit of EARTH day, every day.

All of the pieces are three dimensional: from the delicate antique glass beads used by jewelry artist Nita Gassen to the chunky weathered metal and driftwood pieces presented by Greg Wheale. Other striking pieces animate the EDAC Gallery with

movement and color. An artists' reception and opening happen on 3rd Saturday ArtWalk, April 19th, from 6-9 pm. EDAC Gallery, 451 Main Street, Ste 6, Placerville.

What is important is the experience of making. –Andy Goldsworthy

SAVE THE DATES!

-MAY 10 & 11 – EL DORADO HILLS ART AND WINE AFFAIRE

The Cameron Park Optimist Club, El Dorado Arts Council and the El Dorado Hills Chamber of Commerce, present the 5th Annual El Dorado Hills Art & Wine Affaire, Saturday and Sunday, May 10 & 11 from 10:00 am - 5:00 pm in Town Center, El Dorado Hills.

Over 100 artists are expected to display at the show. In addition, 15-20 El Dorado wineries will be on-site for tastings throughout the weekend and live entertainment will be featured both days at the Town Center Amphitheater and intermixed within the festival grounds.

Net proceeds from the event will benefit the Arts in Education programs of the El Dorado Arts Council, the Friends of Youth programs of the Cameron Park Optimist Club and the El Dorado Hills community outreach programs of the El Dorado Hills Chamber of Commerce.

Visit <http://www.eldoradohillsartaffaire.com/> for more info.

-MAY 22 – ANNUAL MEMBER CELEBRATION

Members are invited to enjoy a glass of wine and celebrate the arts at Boeger Winery, 1709 Carson Road, Placerville. May 22 from 5:30 to 7:30pm. RSVP to 530-295-3496.

-JUNE 7 - COLOMA BLUES LIVE!

When: June 7 from 11 AM to 6 PM - Gates open at 10 AM

Where: Henningsen-Lotus Park just off Hwy 49 in Lotus.

What: An all-day Blues Festival along the shore of the American River in the beautiful Coloma Valley (near Placerville). The 2008 show will feature: Los Lobos, The Tommy Castro Band, Roy Rogers & The Delta Rhythm Kings, Albert Cummings and Curtis Salgado.

Tickets on sale *NOW* \$40 in advance/\$45 at the gate. Parking is \$5 with free shuttle to festival site. For complete festival details visit www.colomablueslive.com or contact the El Dorado Arts Council office 530-295-3496.

-OCTOBER 25 – EVENING IN ART

An elegant evening at Mercedes Benz of El Dorado Hills, El Dorado Hills surrounded by beautiful works by some of the area's most esteemed local artists. Enjoy food, wine, music, and a special appearance by world renowned performance artist David Garibaldi. You can reserve tickets by calling 530-295-3496.
