

#### WAIMEA ARTS COUNCIL

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WAC is a nonprofit organization dedicated to promoting the arts, the encouragement of artists, and providing a forum for art-related community events.

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## Signs of Spring / Cherry Blossom Show Opens Feb 4

Firehouse Gallery presents Signs of Spring, a new show incorporating the annual Cherry Blossom art show and expanding into whatever spring represents to local artists. Although the 2022 Cherry Blossom Festival has been canceled due to Covid concerns, the cherry trees are still in bloom and the gallery is still open and ready to help you celebrate the arrival of Spring. Every year, the Waimea Arts Council chooses a cherry blossom themed artwork from one of the member artists to become the image for the official Cherry Blossom Festival Poster. For 2022, the featured original artwork is "Waimea Snow Blossoms" by Dawn Sagar. The original oil painting will be on display and available for purchase during the show, as well as signed show posters.



From left to right:

- "Standing Guard" by Suzi Lacey
- "Blossoms in the Wind" by Chris Kutler
- "Flower Vase with Boscs and Braying Donkey" by Parker Mason

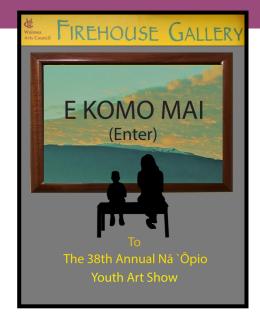




"Hope Springs" Lorie Taylor



**Call for Entries!** 



# CALL FOR YOUNG ARTISTS IN NORTH HAWAI'I FOR 38TH ANNUAL NĀ 'ŌPIO YOUTH ART SHOW

The Waimea Arts Council announces a call for young artists in North Hawai`i for its 38th Annual Nā `Ōpio Youth Art Show. This show coincides with National Youth Art Month which falls in March. Young artists in grades 6 through 12 from schools and homeschooled students in the North and South and Hāmākua districts are invited to submit their original works of art for this year's show.

This popular event has provided an opportunity for young artists' works to be shown to the public for many years, sometimes leading to their own one-person shows. Some students have gone on to professional art careers having had their start with the Nā `Ōpio. Last year because of Covid 19, the Annual Juried Nā `Ōpio usually held at the Firehouse Gallery was presented Virtually. Due to the overwhelming success of that format which reached a broader audience, it will be in a virtual format again this year.

The deadline to email submissions is Friday, February 25, 2022 at midnight. For further information contact Event Chair Wendi Roehrig at wendi.roehrig@gmail.com.

"Cherry Blossom Sprig II" Barbara Schaefer



"I paint as a way of looking for myself in the world" — Amy Sherald

## Thank you Docents!

As a community arts orginization, we'd be nowhere if it weren't for the folks who actually keep the doors open. Mahalo nui loa to the January docents:

Kim Horn Carol McMillan Parker Mason Anne Sandler Amaury St. Giles Laurel Oglesby Barry Oglesby Chris Kutler Barbara Schaefer Ann Adele Smith Daniel Koenigsburg Ilmar Reinveld Terry Bensch Lorie Taylor Debby Dernberger Kathy Sprinkle Norma Watt Dawn Sagar



**Gallery Show Calendar 2022** 

<u>January:</u> <u>Kohala Plein Air</u> until Jan 30

<u>February 4-March 27</u>: Signs of Spring/Cherry Blossom Festival

<u>March:</u> 38<sup>th</sup> Annual Na`Opio Youth Art Show (virtual)

April 1- May 29: Patterns/Textures/ Reflections

<u>June 3-June 26:</u> *Open to Proposals* 

July 1- August 28: Island Wide Juried Show Huaka' i/Journey

<u>September 2- September 25: Themed with the Aloha Festival</u>

<u>September 30- November 27:</u> 38<sup>th</sup> Annual Founders Juried Art Show

<u>December 2-January 29, 2023:</u> A Dreamy, Whimsical Holiday Celebration

UPCOMING EVENTS

A note from the editor: If you have content you'd like to see in upcoming editions, please contact me at: dawnsagarwaimea@gmail.com

Above Images, left to right: "Tropical Vireya Rhodedendron" Daniel Konigsberg "Hawaiian Gardenia" Debby Dernberger "Cherry Blossoms in Waimea" Ilmar Reinveld



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#### **Meet our New Members!**

By Chris Kutler  $$4\ {\rm of}\ 4$$  more information on our Facebook Page: Firehouse Gallery and Waimea Arts Council

Piergiorgio (Peter) Barbarich

When you are in the gallery, you will certainly notice the beautiful hardwood sculptures by our new member Peter Barbarich. Peter is a multi-medium artist who draws and paints with graphite, charcoal, watercolors, and pastels as well as creates metal, stone, and wood sculptures. He also enjoys photography. Peter is currently working on an abstract piece in

milo wood in a space that he found to work in at a coffee-macadamia farm in Captain Cook.

A citizen of Italy (from Verona), Peter moved to the Big Island in 2019, preferring it over Oahu because it is less crowded and large enough to hopefully not develop island fever. He also likes how Hawaii feels more international than the mainland.





Carol McMillan: "I have been drawing and painting all my life. I received a certificate in commercial art and worked for a while as the graphics technician for the anthropology department at the State University of New York at Buffalo, where I also received my Ph.D. in that subject. After teaching at a

small college in eastern Washington for thirty years, I took up art again when I retired, choosing mainly watercolor as my medium to 'loosen up' after my training as an illustrator. I enjoy plein air, where I can complete paintings relatively quickly. If there is water in the scene, I always use it in my painting. Salt water gives interesting textures to watercolor paintings.

"A Good artist has less time than ideas."

Martin Kippenberger



Debby Dernberger Ryan, a recent Hawaiian resident, is an accomplished and professional artist with

over 30 years of fine art gallery showings. She also has a mural and sign painting business and teaches art to seniors and developmentally disabled adults.

Debby has completed most of her paintings in the last 12 years. She strives to present art at its finest with vibrant images that capture the essence of life itself.

Joalene Young is a Fine Art Photographer and Conceptual Artist, digitally turning her photos into



paintings (Photo Giclee), and specializing in flowers, landscapes, seascapes - all reflecting the magic and wonder of Hawaii Nei. She resides in Pahoa, on the Big Island of Hawaii, the Land of Fire and Ice (from Madam Pele's Fire to Mauna Kea's Ice), surrounded and inspired by the beautiful rainforest of Puna, waterfalls, rainbows, and Flowers Of Aloha!

Embraced by the Aloha, Joalene wanted to share this magical place with everyone through her photo/paintings. It became a joy and a passion. Hence, Flowers of Aloha.