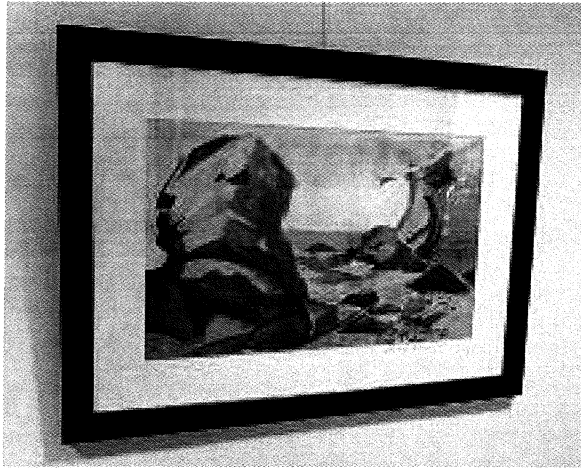


Cultural Arts Activities Report and Calendar

April 12, 2012

Elizabeth Wiltrout Longridge Exhibition at Oasis

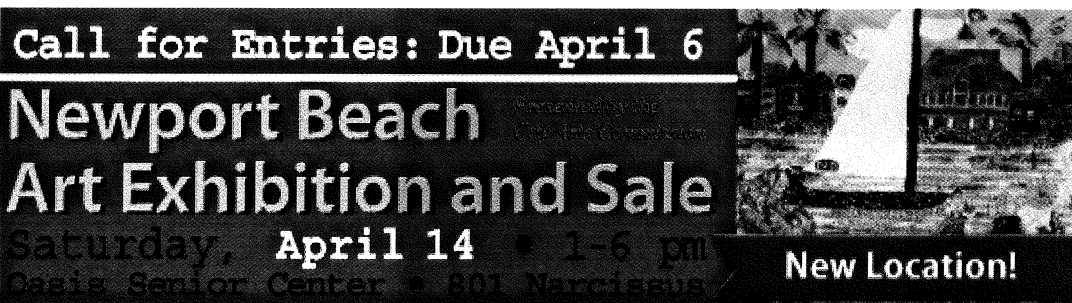


On Thursday, March 1 Mayor Nancy Gardner, City Councilperson Keith Curry, Arts Commissioners, members of the Lenahan family and their friends attended a small reception at Oasis Senior Center. The reception was for the display of a collection of paintings by long-time Newport Beach resident and artist, Elizabeth Wiltrout Longridge.

In 2011 the City accepted Elizabeth's watercolor paintings, which had been donated by her family. As part of the bequest, the City Arts Commission was able to restore and reframe ten exceptional paintings from the collection. The watercolors are on exhibit at the Oasis Senior Center until April 13, and then will be on temporary exhibit at the Central Library.

Call For Entries

The City Arts Commission is preparing to host the Newport



Call for Entries: Due April 6

Newport Beach Art Exhibition and Sale

Presented by the City Arts Commission

Saturday, April 14 • 1-6 pm

Oasis Senior Center • 801 Narcissus

New Location!

Beach Art Exhibition and Sale on Saturday, April 14 at Oasis Senior Center. This program provides opportunities for regional artists to show their work, and to have it judged by a professional artist.

Artists will drop off their work between 10 and 11 on Saturday, and then return for the awards reception at 4:30pm. All sales will be coordinated by the NB Arts Foundation, with 30% donated to the foundation for ongoing community arts programs.

Artists can obtain the registration form (hoping to have all entries by April 6) on the City's website under Departments/Cultural Arts/Newport Beach Art Exhibition and Sale.

Mash Alexander Artwork



Mash Alexander has been a resident, student and artist in Newport Beach since his high-school days. Currently Mash lives and works as an artist in Costa Rica. When in school here, he was part of student government at Newport Harbor High School and is

interested in being a part of the "Searching for Democracy" project that is underway at the library.

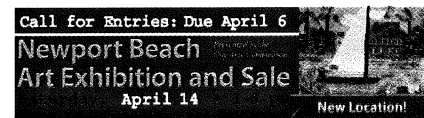
Most importantly, Mash has provided two great art exhibitions for the City of Newport Beach. The images depicted are a series on Half Dome on display at Central in the cabinets temporarily housed upstairs. Additionally, Mash's work is filling the walls at City Hall with vibrant colors. Many of his works illustrate maps of local and familiar coastlines and monoliths. Mash has dedicated this show to the memory of his mom, Charlie Alexander, a longtime volunteer at the Newport Beach Public Library.

Newport Beach Art Exhibition and Sale

Applications, calls and emails are continuing for the Newport Beach Art Exhibition and Sale on Saturday, April 14 at Oasis Senior Center. This year the award categories have been altered to include 1st, 2nd, and 3rd prizes in painting/mixed media, photography and sculpture. There will be one Judge's Choice award in 2012.



The event will be set up similarly to year's past, but in the Oasis multipurpose room. Banners will be placed at Mariners Fire Station and on the corner across from Oasis inviting the public to the reception. The reception will be open from 1-6pm for the public to browse, meet the artists and hopefully buy some art. Award announcements will take place at 4:30pm.



Concerts in the Parks and Shakespeare by the Sea on the Horizon

At their March 12 meeting, City Arts Commissioners made their choices for talent and bands in this summer's Concerts in the Parks series. On June 10 The Jerry Mandel Jazz Band will be performing at Grant Howald Park; on July 22 The Bracken Band will perform at Bob Henry Park; and, on August 5th, the U.K. Beat will return for another concert at Bonita Canyon Sports Park. In July (7th and 8th) Shakespeare by the Sea theatrical company will perform at Bonita Canyon Sports park with *Romeo and Juliet* and *Two Gentlemen of Verona*.

Newport Beach Art Exhibition and Sale Next Weekend



Call for Entries: Due April 6
Newport Beach Art Exhibition and Sale
 Presented by the City Arts Commission
 Saturday, April 14 1-6 pm
 Oasis Senior Center 401 N. Pacific Ave.
New Location!

Nearly 70 artists (with 2 artworks apiece) have registered for the Newport Beach Art Exhibition and Sale next Saturday, the 14th at Oasis Senior Center and we are at capacity.

Two banners have been exhibited (Mariners F.S. and Oasis Corner), and invitations are available for community members to attend the Reception and Sale from 1-6pm. Awards will be announced at 4:30pm by Mayor Nancy Gardner and members of the City Arts Commission. Carole Boller and Arlene Greer are the Arts Commissioners chairing this long-standing event. Award winners' work will be displayed at Oasis Senior Center for a couple of months.

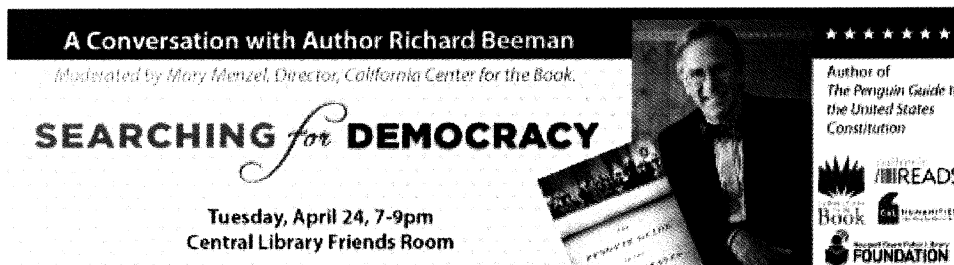
Ceora Winds Performing Sunday, April 15

Flutist Michelle Matsumune, Clarinetist Heather Millette, and bassoonist Christin Webb will take center stage on Sunday April 15 at Central Library (Friends Meeting Room) for a Sunday Musicales from 3 until 4:00pm.



Free Concert
Sunday Musicales
Ceora Winds
 Sunday, April 15, 3 pm
 Central Library Friends Room
[Learn more >](#)

The ensemble will be playing all wind instruments for this show including selections from Antonio Vivaldi, Jacques Ibert, J.S. Bach and more. These Sunday Musicales are enjoyed immensely by the community in an intimate, library (free) setting.



A Conversation with Author Richard Beeman
Illustrated by Mary Menzel, Director, California Center for the Book.
SEARCHING for DEMOCRACY
 Tuesday, April 24, 7-9pm
 Central Library Friends Room

★★★★★
 Author of *The Penguin Guide to the United States Constitution*
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Searching for Democracy Launch

Beginning on Monday, April 9 staff will be assembling a display on the origins of democracy

at Central Library. A postcard listing the events associated with the "Searching for Democracy" community read is now available at Central and branch libraries. Most exciting is the opportunity to hear Dr. Richard Beeman (of John Stewart fame) discuss democracy and his book "The Penguin Guide to the United States Constitution" with Mary Menzel (Director of the California Center for the Book) on Tuesday, April 24 from 7-9pm at Central Library. This is a once-in-a-lifetime chance to hear about the origins and people who defined democracy from one of the nation's leading authorities.

Cultural Arts and Arts Commission Meetings & Events Calendar, 2012

2012 Arts Commission Meetings:

~~January 12, February 9, March 8,~~ April 12, May 10, June 14, July 12, August 9, September 13,
October 11, November 8, December 13.

Events:

Central Library Exhibitions	Through 2012/civic center
Lenahan collection to Central Library	April 16
NB Art Exhibition and Sale	April 14, Saturday, OASIS
Award Winners display at Oasis Lobby	April 16 – June 30
<i>Sunday Musicale (Ceora Winds)</i>	<i>April 15, 3pm, Friends Room</i>
<i>Author-in-Conversation with Dr. Richard Beeman And Mary Menzel, Director, California Center for the Book</i>	<i>April 24, 7-9pm</i>
<i>NBPL Youth Concert (Craig Newton)</i>	<i>April 28, 11am, Friends Room</i>
<i>April – January, 2012 Art Exhibit on SFD at Central</i>	<i>“Searching for Democracy” September – January, 2013</i>
<i>NBFF Film Related to SFD “Stories from an Undeclared War” by Erin Gruwell</i>	<i>May 22, 7-9pm Central Library</i>
Imagination Celebration	May 19, Mariners Library, Jorgensen Room 1-3pm
Shakespeare by the Sea	July 7 and 8 (plays: Romeo and Juliet (Sat.) and Two Gentlemen of Verona (Sun.))
Concerts in the Parks	June 10 – Big Band, Grant How. July 22 - Celtic, Bob Henry Park August 5 – U.K. Beat, BCSP
<u>Cultural Arts Grants</u>	
Cultural Arts Grant Completion Report due	09/28/12
Grant funds must have been spent or encumbered	09/28/12