

Next Meeting:

Thursday, October 16th
at 7:00 pm
at the Scherer Center
12202 First Street, Yucaipa

For the YVAA meeting
schedule click here:
[2025-2026 Schedule](#)

October's Featured Artist is Christine White

Join us this month for
a presentation by
multi-media artist,
Christine White.



"Devour" by Christine White

Yucaipa Valley Art Association

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President's Palette



The month of October is a fun time to create art! All the rich and beautiful palette of colors to try out on a canvas to capture nature's beauty. I really enjoy fall colors and activities as inspiration to create new art or to go out and take photography of fall colored leaves, sunflowers, pumpkins and scenic landscapes.

This month we continue with our great lineup of featured artists. For the month of October, we have artist Christine White, who is a multi-media artist that creates some fascinating art using a variety of materials. We are looking forward to her presentation this month on Thursday, October 16th.

This month submit your applications for the Winter Art Exhibition. There is plenty of time to get your application in by the deadline on Oct. 8th, 2025. This is a great opportunity for our members to show case their art and photography at the Yucaipa Performing Arts Center this winter. It's easy to enter this exhibition and applications can be sent in electronically via email.

September was a great way to welcome our members back and to start the fall season. We really enjoyed our member "Show and Tell." This activity allowed members to catchup and find out about art inspirations, techniques and stories. Our art meetings are not possible without all our members and volunteers who make it happen. We would like to thank the entire YVAA team that made our September art show possible.



Zully Martinez,
YVAA President

Featured Artist for October is Christine White



Artist Christine White



Art titled "Devour"



Art titled "Priestess Flowers"

Featured Artist News



©Christine E. White
Art titled "The Krakens"

The Yucaipa Valley Art Association will host multi-media artist, Christine White, at the October 16th meeting, where she will share her art techniques and story telling to create some fascinating art!

Christine is a Redlands-based artist working in paint and mixed media. She has lived all over the United States and appreciates what makes different regions unique and special. Her interest in conveying a sense of place is imbued in her work, and supported by a professional background and Masters in Geography. Christine's art tends to portray surreal stories of places, plants, and creatures. Lately, she has been creating art using materials we normally discard: plastic, fabric scraps, old wiring. Hiding this assembled core under paper mâché and careful painting, the pieces are metaphors for standing with nature and saying "enough" to the overwhelming consumption of our day.

A year ago, Christine started a songwriting project that morphed into a story, which now lives in her head nearly 24/7. Christine is slowly creating the body of artwork to accompany it and will share the first few pieces at YVAA on Thursday, October 16th. This artwork collection features native animals, a passion for fashion, and a rattlesnake goddess; it's the beginning of a pretty wild ride for her art. Christine will also demo some of the mixed media techniques that are helping build out this world.

Join us for Christine's presentation called **"Stoked About a Story"** on Thursday, October 16th at 7:00 pm at the Scherer Community Center, 12202 1st Street, Yucaipa, CA. Free admission.

To find out more about Christine White's art, visit her website at <https://christinewhiteart.com> or on social media at Instagram: @christinewhiteart or Facebook: @christinewhiteart."

YVAA Members “Show & Tell”

For the month of September, members got a chance to share their art inspiration, techniques and photography stories that made the evening lively and interesting.



September's Monthly Show Winners

The monthly art show featured a variety of member art and photography entries on display. Congratulations to the many talented members won ribbons for their artwork at the meeting.



Oils category: Julie Evans 1st.



Acrylics: Karen Hoak, 1st and Tom Fontanes 2nd.



Watercolor: Debra Wick 1st, Robin Staton 2nd and Mona Kadah 2nd, tied.



Mixed Media: Aubrey Sanchez 1st and HM, Tom Fontanes 2nd, Robin Staton 3rd.



Photography: Mario Martinez 1st and Steve Chase 1st, tied, Carol Ann Larsen 2nd.



Enhanced Photography: Zully Martinez 1st.

Share Your Talents and Become a Demonstrator!



YVAA members that sign-up to provide a YVAA art demonstration or photography presentation will get paid for a one-hour presentation. Demonstrators will be the featured artist in our newsletter for the month scheduled.

Yes!

We are scheduling art demonstrators for fall 2026. Are you Interested in sharing your art or photography knowledge and expertise with fellow members? If yes, contact YVAA at email:

yvaamail92@gmail.com

Upcoming Art Exhibitions



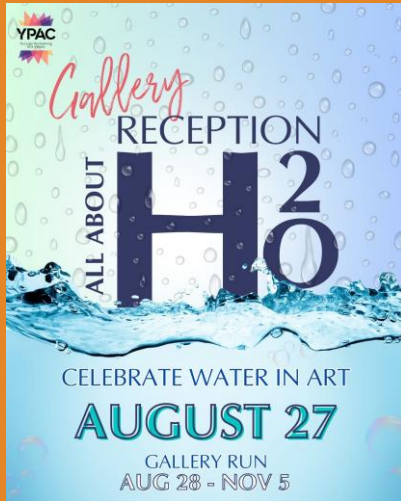
An Exclusive Art Exhibition for YVAA Members!

Once again, YVAA is holding a special winter art exhibition in partnership with the Yucaipa Performing Arts Center (YPAC). This YPAC winter gallery show has been exclusively organized for YVAA members that are interested in exhibiting their artwork or photography in a public space. Up to three art pieces can be submitted for the exhibition. There are no fees to enter to participate.

- **Application deadline is Wednesday, October 8, 2025.**
- Must be a current YVAA member to be eligible to participate.
- Exhibition dates from Nov., 12, 2025 to Feb., 25, 2026.
- YPAC reception on Nov., 13, 2025 from 6:00 to 7:00 pm.
- Up to three (3) original pieces can be submitted.
- Maximum size is 26" H x 26" W including frame.
- Complete the application for each artwork submitted.
- Submit application(s) with digital photos or print photos of artwork to both YVAA and the YPAC.
- For the application click here to [DOWNLOAD FILE](#).

Enter the winter art exhibition by filling out the application and send it in with the digital photos of your artwork or photography to the YPAC's art gallery staff at ypacartgallery@gmail.com and Enrique Lima at email at: yvacontact2@gmail.com before or by the deadline date.

YPAC H₂O Gallery Exhibition



There is still time to visit the water themed art exhibition at the YPAC art gallery featuring some of YVAA members' artwork. This exhibition runs through November 5th, 2025 and is free to members and the public. Gallery visiting hours are Monday through Friday from 4 pm to 7:45 pm. Admission to the H₂O exhibition is free.

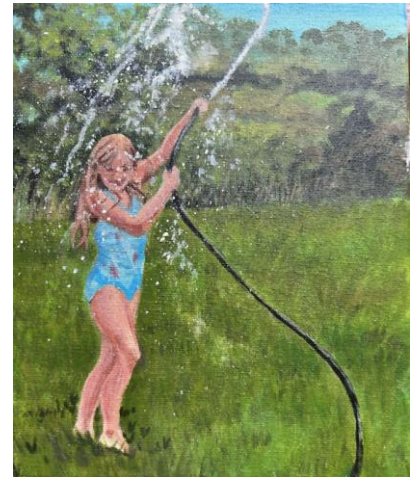
The YPAC



The YPAC art exhibitions are inside the YPAC gallery located at 12062 California Street, Yucaipa, CA.

Current YPAC Gallery Exhibition

This summer several YVAA members entered artwork for the H₂O Gallery Exhibition at the YPAC. YVAA wanted to share some of the artwork that was submitted. There is still time to checkout this exhibition that showcases water themed artwork and photography. Gallery visiting hours are open through November 5th from Monday through Friday from 4 pm to 7:45 pm. Admission to the H₂O exhibition is free.



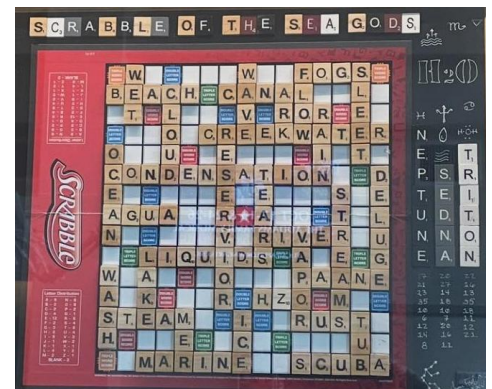
Horse and summer splash water themed art entries by Karen Hoak



Two scenic water themed landscape by Mona Kadah.



"Snorklin" an underwater seascape by Debra Wick.



A water themed scrabble board mosaic by Tom Fontanes.

TAKE YOUR BEST SHOT: Fabulous Photography in Nature



Take Your Best Shot: Fabulous Photography in Nature presented by Bruce Herwig, nature photographer. Happening this Saturday, October 4 from 6:00pm to 7:00pm. Join Bruce for FREE on Saturday for a fun and relaxed smartphone photography workshop. Enjoy the golden hour light while picking up a few tips to improve your photos while exploring the scenic Gateway Ranch. Open to all ages and free to the public.

Please RSVP at

<https://redlandsconservancy.org/outdoor-experience-workshops/>

Community Events & News



Art, for Heaven's Sake! is a three-day annual art festival held in historic Redlands, California on the grounds and gardens of the Redlands United Church of Christ.

This premiere art festival of the Inland Empire features 60-70 artists and crafters representing a wide variety of media, including acrylics, photography, watercolor, oils,

stained glass, jewelry, pottery, and metal sculpture. Several of YVAA's members are part of this art festival including Aubrey Sanchez, Elizabeth Rydall, Julie Evans and Mona Kadah.

In addition to original art, the festival offers a craft boutique, a food truck experience, fabulous music, and artist demonstrations. A gala "Meet the Artists" reception open to the public is held on Friday to open the show. For the show schedule and list of artists visit the website by clicking here: <https://artforheavenssake.org/>



We wanted to let our talented and creative artists know that the Yucaipa Calimesa Veterans Committee is searching for an artist rendering of a respectful, patriotic themed logo that will be used as the official logo for YCVV. YCVV is the committee that puts on Memorial Day Ceremony Veterans Day ceremonies each year.

- The YCVV logo contest is ongoing through Dec. 1, 2025.
- Artist rendering must be original artwork and will be submitted to and voted on by YCVV members.
- Artist rendering remains property of YCVV and artist must sign a release of liability, if artwork is chosen for the logo.
- \$100 first prize for the chosen artwork. Entries must be submitted by Dec. 1, 2025.
- Email your submission and attach the JPEG logo to YCVV@gmail.com.

This contest is independently sponsored by the Yucaipa Calimesa Veterans Committee and not by YVAA. Source information in the Yucaipa Calimesa News Mirror Sept, 19, 2025, page 5.

BECOME A MEMBER!



Find out how to join YVAA and what membership benefits are included by clicking here:

[Join YVAA](#)

Members can now pay their annual memberships in person at our monthly meetings or via our transaction secure online website by clicking the link:
www.yucaipavalleyartassoc.org

Need the membership application?

[Membership Application](#)

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Become A Volunteer!



We wish to thank the current board members for their ongoing help as we start up our fall activities!

This summer we had four board members exit YVAA board positions. While we have filled some board member positions, we have others that are still vacant this fall. Below is a list of some of the open positions. Volunteer help is always needed and appreciated. If you have time and the skills, consider volunteering for a post and working with our team. Send an email to Zully Martinez at yvaamail92@gmail.com if you are interested in volunteering as a board member.

Summary Job Descriptions

Vice President: Responsibilities include networking with artists, scheduling monthly show artist demonstrators for a nine-month schedule. This requires searching for potential artists and photographers. Sends out email communications and guidelines to demonstrators. Provides demonstrator schedules, bios and images for monthly newsletter and marketing. For Spring Art show, schedules, two show judges.

Secretary: Responsibilities include note taking or audio recording the monthly board meetings from September through May. Transcribing the notes or audio into a written record of meeting minutes. Emailing meeting minutes to the board members after the meeting. This position would start in the fall.

Membership: Responsibilities include managing membership subscriptions and renewals. This includes collecting new membership applications, renewals, and payments. Maintaining a roster list of active members for use in communications, membership, and marketing. Updating addresses and emails on roster periodically as needed. Sending out welcome emails to new members using automated templates.

Newsletter: Responsibilities include gathering monthly announcements and information for newsletter publication. Requires newsletter journalistic style writing and editing. Knowledge of MS Word or Google newsletter template use. Conversion to Adobe PDF file and upload to Google drive. Ability to download and resize photos. The completed newsletter is emailed to all members and non-members who are interested in receiving it. Management of email database lists for members and non-members.