



"At Home in the Vineyard" by Peggy Sebera



"Stella" by Henry White



"View From Inverness" by Mary Fassbinder



"Butterflies, Moths and Caterpillars" by Lucy Arnold

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Art at the Library Returns

Art at the Library will happen again February 15 through 26 at the Rohnert Park-Cotati Library, 6250 Lynne Conde Way in Rohnert Park. Meet some of the best artists of Sonoma County when they display their work

at a reception from 6 to 7:30 PM on Tuesday, February 15, in the Armando Flores Meeting Room. The public is invited, and there is no admission charge. Hours for the show will be noon to 6 PM daily except Sunday and Monday, February 20-21,

the two days the library will be closed. Doors will close at 3 PM on the last day of the show. For information call 707.584.9121. Artists included in the show will be Peggy Sebera, Henry White, and Mary Fassbinder.

Lucy Arnold at Gallery One Petaluma

Lucy Arnold's unique miniature shoes of polymer clay and acrylic ink are intricately modeled and painted by hand. The very first one she made struck her as footwear for an imaginary character from the Land of Oz. That provided inspiration for many more fantasy shoes, but some were also inspired by suggestions from her daughter. (Can you make one that looks like the moon? How about a mermaid?) Naming each creation was half the fun. In 2004, HGTV filmed Lucy creating one of her shoes for the "Crafters Coast to Coast" series.

Miniature shoes, beaded jewelry, and other small crafts are sidelines to Lucy's main artwork – watercolor painting. Her latest body of work, titled "Beasts and Beauties," will be exhibited at Gallery One in Petaluma

from February 28 through April 3. There will be an Artist Reception on Saturday, March 12, from 5 to 8 PM.

Creative endeavors have been important to Lucy her entire life, and she studied art both in and out of school. After earning a B.A. in biology, she had her own needlepoint design business for many years. Both the science and design background provided skills she puts to good use in her artwork.

"My watercolor and pastel paintings combine drawing, design, color and science, with just a touch of whimsy. I am fascinated by vivid color and pattern in nature, so insects, sea life, and tropical flora and fauna make wonderful subjects. Nature's creations are so remarkable that I prefer to depict actual species. Small, intimate details

of nature draw my eye. I love to reveal beauty in unobtrusive, overlooked or reviled creatures and bits of natural debris.

"When starting a natural history piece, I first decide which type of creature to feature. 'Leafy Sea Dragon,' 'Dragonets' and 'Basilisk' were inspired by some of my favorite characters at the Academy of Sciences, where I am a frequent visitor. 'Amazon Insects' was inspired by a trip to the Amazon jungle with my father and sister a few years ago. Once I know the subject matter, I spend a few weeks doing research and collecting reference images before sketching possible design compositions. The drawings are well refined before I begin sketching anew on watercolor paper. Painting the images takes weeks of patient work, but it is indescribably fun!"

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