

Joan McMurray



Joan is an iconic figure with the Sacramento Fine Arts Center. She has volunteered as a Board member since its inception and is currently the Treasurer (for the 3rd time) of the Northern California Arts club. She was also President of Northern California Arts in 1986 and 1987. Joan is a natural leader and sets high standards of accountability and competence in whatever task she takes on. When volunteers are sought for various activities within the Center, Joan often volunteers and then makes sure the work is done efficiently. In

2007, Joan held a workshop on the tasks needed to chair NCA's International Open Juried competition, Bold Expressions. She provided a procedural checklist she had prepared. She invariably takes on several tasks each year wherever needed. When Board positions for both SFAC and NCA are unfulfilled, Joan often performs those tasks, as well. Several years ago, Joan reached out to the American Watercolor Society (a traveling Exhibit), and invited them to exhibit their work at SFAC. They now come to SFAC every other year and this is a lucrative addition to the Center's exhibits. Joan not only paints with watercolors and oils and pastels but teaches silk screening in her home studio as well. She exhibits frequently and has earned awards for her work.