



Friends of Taka Sumi-e

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## February 2021 Newsletter

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Hello my fellow Takasumi-e members,

We started out the New Year with a wonderful workshop for the Year of the Ox. Thanks to Stella for her stellar calligraphy, and thanks Gaye for your wonderful sumi-e painting demonstration on the ox. On February 6, we are lucky to have the expertise of Stella. She will be demo-ing Hummingbirds. I am looking forward to painting with you and seeing everyone.

As usual in any organization, there are a few people who have been doing a majority of the work. We appreciated them. However, it is time for others to step up. We do not have a VP>Show chair. Luckily, Stella, Deborah and Ron Lingley have stepped up to organize and prepare our show for us. We also do not have a workshop coordinator. Tricia was kind enough to stay on until now, but we can no longer take advantage of that kindness. Someone needs to step up and take over - and along with that, other people need to volunteer to do workshops. Please – it is crucial to the survival of our society that we fill these positions. Other officers have agreed to stay on for a third year, however, we all need to be fair and carry our own weight as part of the group. Gaye, Cliff, Stella and others will happily walk you through the technology of doing a demonstration. We are a wonderful group of capable artists.

Show time! I hope you are all preparing your paintings for our show and have your membership up-to-date. I can't wait to see this year's virtual show!

Respectfully,  
Your President,  
Alice

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### FEBRUARY WORKSHOP

Saturday, February 6, 2021, is the date for our next Friends of Taka Sumi-e Workshop – Via ZOOM – from 9AM to noon. An email will arrive in your inbox during the week prior to the Workshop with a ZOOM link. Again, Stella is our fearless host!

Hi friends,

The Workshop subject is **the hummingbird**. I will start with the sumi-e painting and hopefully have time to demonstrate the color one as well. The handouts are attached for you to review and practice ahead of time. It would be helpful to have printouts of them.

Enjoy...  
Stella



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## **FRIENDS OF TAKA SUMI-E 18<sup>TH</sup> ANNUAL EXHIBITION (1<sup>ST</sup> VIRTUAL EXHIBITION)**

You all should have received an email from Stella and Deborah regarding the upcoming Exhibition which will be virtual this year. If you have NOT received your email, you might check your SPAM box or contact me ([ralsgal@gmail.com](mailto:ralsgal@gmail.com)) so I can resend the email to you. Alternatively, you can find the information on the FOT website --- [www.takasumi-e.com](http://www.takasumi-e.com). Stella and Deborah appreciate your cooperation in this new adventure. **MARCH 1, 2021 IS THE DEADLINE.**

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### **OFFICER VACANCIES WORKSHOP DEMONSTRATORS**

As Alice discussed in her President's message, Friends of TakaSumi-e depends exclusively on volunteers. As of this publication, the membership in Friends is 50, with about 35 folks on the inactive list. As you can see, there are plenty of folks available to help with some of these volunteer "jobs".

The subject of participating as an officer for Friends of TakaSumi-e, this matter has been discussed here so many times, I'm wondering if anyone reads this portion of the Newsletter. It is imperative, in any volunteer organization, that everyone step up to the plate and take on a position of responsibility at some point in their membership. Again, in Friends of TakaSumi-e, the current open positions are Vice President and Workshop Coordinator. The heavy lifting of the Vice President's position has been relieved this year (2021) as Stella, Deborah and Ron have assumed the responsibility of the 2021 Virtual Exhibition.

The pressing open position is that of Workshop Coordinator. Please, please, please consider stepping up to the plate and helping the overworked few who have been holding down the fort for the last couple of years.

As far as workshop demonstrating goes, Cliff, Tricia, Stella and I have some ZOOM demonstration time under our belts as well as a cool tool we've discovered to make demonstrating much simpler. Any of us would be willing to spend time getting you up to speed and we'll even give you practice time in a personal ZOOM workshop. Just pick a subject that interests you, practice and get in touch with me so we can set up a time for your "moment in the limelight"!

Gaye (your editor)



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### **ART CLUB Virtual Art Exhibition**

Our sister organization, Art Club, presents their annual art exhibition beginning January 30, 2021 at 10:00 am on YouTube. These wonderful painters have many years of cumulative experience under their obis/belts. Please stop by and spend some time enjoying their beautiful works. Here is the link: <https://youtu.be/12bB9WoimfQ>