As many of you know, our wonderful Administrative Director, Alex Nordquist, has moved to SoCal. We wish her well in all her adventures and miss her. The Queen is gone.

Long live the Queen! That is Kinetic Queen Monica Topping, our new Administrative Director. Many of you may know her from coordinating the North Coast Open Studios and the North Coast Otter Project. Stop by and say Hi!

I missed the deadline last month, so Kati Texas, Artistic Director and Newsletter Designer, posted my Ink Spawn on social media. Check it out, if you didn’t catch it.

Notably, in October we've welcomed two new DreamMakers: Redwood Origami Community, and Kids Art Mission Project.

All the California Arts Council grants are due this month! We will be calmer after November 15. Looking ahead, we will be closed on Thanksgiving Day and open Friday and Saturday. Come by and see our annual exhibition of Native American artwork, From the Source. This year it has been curated by Julian Lang (Karuk/Wiyot).

Last, but certainly not least, if you didn’t make it to the Adorni Center on October 21, you missed history being made. The City of Eureka returned Tuluwat Island to the Wiyot people. No money exchanged hands and no conditions were imposed on the transfer of title. It was a recognition of atonement, a gift of love and respect. I am so proud of our City government and the hundreds of people who turned out to witness and celebrate. Let’s hope this will start a movement.
Ink People Members are challenged to create 15 original works of art in just 30 days for one big art sale!

All 15 pieces of art must be NEW and created between 11-6-19 and 12-5-19.

An Ink People Members Only show, entry fee to the Challenge is $10.

Choose one of four sizes for all 15 works. Sale prices are set by size: [3”x5” = $25 each] [5”x7” = $35 each] [8”x10” = $45 each] [11”x14” = $55 each]

All art will be displayed and available for sale at the Brenda Tuxford Gallery from Saturday, Arts Alive!, December 7th through Saturday, December 14th, at 6:00 p.m.

Complete Rules and Entry Form at inkpeople.org/tuxfordgallery
Native American Artists Showcase From the Source at the Ink People’s Tuxford Gallery Opens Arts Alive November 2nd.

The Ink People Center for the Arts will be featuring an exhibition of artwork produced by local Native artists during this weekend’s Eureka Arts Alive. From the Source, brings together both traditional arts like basketry and beadwork, and contemporary forms of expression like sculpture, painting, ceramics, photographs and drawings. Participating artists descend from many of our local tribal peoples including Yurok, Hupa, Karuk, Tolowa and Wiyot. Native artists from throughout California and beyond will also be included. Visitors to the Ink People's Brenda Tuxford Gallery will have an opportunity to see both emerging and more well-known artists of our local region including Brian Tripp, Lyn Risling, Julian Lang, and Frank Tuttle.

From the Source recalls a long-standing series of very popular exhibitions that were held through the 1990s and into the 2000s as a collaboration between the United Indian Health Services, the Seventh Generation Fund and the Ink People Center for the Arts. The goal of this collaboration was to feature the creative spirit of Native people, and the healing spirit of art itself. The current iteration of these exhibits strives to help rekindle that healing energy for us all.

There will be an artists’ reception during Eureka Arts Alive on November 2, 2019, from 6:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m., with the show continuing during regular Tuxford Gallery hours until Saturday, November 30th at 6:00 p.m..

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You've probably seen Rachel Schlueter’s art around town, perhaps in Opera Alley where she participated in the 2018 Eureka Street Art Festival. Or, if you're a fan of the felines, you might have enjoyed our local Cat Art Show, or follow CatCon LA. Ink News spoke with Rachel recently, when she was in our office to work on her DreamMaker Project KAMP.

What is your favorite art medium to work in, and why?
Oil. Intuitively and practically it’s the vehicle I need learn from. I love its versatility, the fact that you can use it in so many ways makes it irresistible and fun.

When did you first figure out that art was important to you?
At the beginning of consciousness... actually when I was very young my dad encouraged me to draw in his old magazines, and introduced me to his art books. He was also a painter. Public school played a big roll in my art education and appreciation as well. Chicago public schools took art education seriously. We did amazing projects, took field trips to museums and city craft houses and watched films on art history. Art connects us, I saw the truth of that when I was four years old, attending Head Start. I got to paint for the first time and it was good.

Who is your art mentor?
Stock, my husband. He imparts the wisdom of a solid work ethic combined with living the dream life, meaning absorbing nature and following you inner guidance. We draw our inspiration from everyday life and the nature we live in.

Finish this sentence: My art is my...
Teacher.

What advice would you offer someone just beginning their exploration of their own artistic self?
Look into what turns you on for clues about your own artistic nature. Study and play. Read Betty Edwards: Drawing on the Right Side of the Brain. Sit with art, it will speak to you. Be in nature. Art is Zen.

You can find Rachel's art blog, prints, cards, and more on her website.  

rachelkschlueter.com
Black Humboldt is interested in networking and building relationships and community with the black population residing in and visiting Humboldt County, CA. As the 2% Black population and 28% People of Color (PoC) population in Humboldt is growing through employment, education and even vacation, their goal is to represent and support one another by focusing on positive stories from the community, investing in black business, arts and culture, and building community awareness of issues affecting Humboldt County residents.

"People of Color (PoC): Historically oppressed and marginalized people as a direct result of American Colonialism."

Black Humboldt represents and supports the POC population by focusing on positive stories already present in the community, investing in Black/POC businesses, providing resources and educational opportunities, displaying and bringing arts and culture, and building community awareness of the racial issues affecting Humboldt County residents.

A few of their methods of achieving these goals have been through community partnerships, POC mixers, culturally significant space and teachings, gathering POC community members in safe spaces, educating non-POC populations, and providing support and resources to the POC population and POC business owners.

For more information please check out www.blackhumboldt.com and to stay up to date on events and all things BH follow them across all socials @Black Humboldt
English Express Fall 2019
English Language Classes for Adults
Clases de Inglés para adultos

9/3/19—12/20/19
Jefferson Community Center
1000 B Street, Room 2, Eureka
T/TH MA/JU 6:00-7:30 p.m.

9/4/19—12/20/19
Multi-Generational Center
2280 Newburg Road, Fortuna
W/F MI/VI 12:30 p.m.-2:30 p.m.

Free childcare. Join anytime!
Cuidado de niños gratis
Únase en cualquier momento
For more information/Para más información
englishexpresshumboldt.org
English Express Humboldt
707-443-5021

Karuk Language Classes
with Julian Lang
Thursdays, 5:30 p.m. to 6:30 p.m.
United Indian Health Services
1600 Wiyot Way, Arcata

Writers’ Critique Group
Tuesdays, 7:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.
Ink People Offices
525 7th Street, Eureka

Life Drawing Group
with Clinton Alley
Thursdays, 7:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.
Cheri Blackerby Gallery, 3rd & C Streets, Eureka. Call 707-442-0309 to join.
$5 fee. Models needed.

Humboldt Ukulele Group
Learn to play in a relaxed group setting:
The first Monday,
The second Tuesday,
The third Thursday,
PLUS the 4th Thursday from 11:30 a.m. -1:30 p.m. (The Nooner HUG)

All at 5:30 p.m. (Except the Nooner HUG) in the Arts and Crafts room of the Arcata Community Center
Contact: Deanna Sanders, dsander1@arcatanet.com

Looking for Artist Calls?
You’ll find them at Inkpeople.org/tuxfordgallery
Or subscribe to Ink News online, and receive the Ink Blotter, our weekly wrap up of arts opportunities in Humboldt and beyond.
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