



## Featured Artist Larry Bell

Larry was an art instructor for the Salinas Adult School for 25 years. He taught many students from all over Monterey County. He has a bachelor's degree in fine arts from Fresno State University and post graduate degrees in teaching and fine arts.

Having lived in the Soledad Mission area for over 40 years, most of the paintings he did were of the Salinas Valley. He is now currently semi-retired and living in the beautiful Prunedale countryside.

He still paints but does mostly commission work now.

You can find Larry at the wharf in Monterey, mostly on weekends, drawing caricatures of the many tourists from all over the country and the world.

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**June 2023 Newsletter**



### Presidents Corner

Hello everyone,

Spring is here and oh so cold today! Just venture east 20 miles and you will become enveloped in the warmth of San Juan Bautista. I enjoy going to Jardines for lunch and watching the Roosters stroll around. As most of you know I am an animal artist and love to snap photos and bring them home, file them and later have fun painting in the quiet of my home with no bees, flies or wind. How about you? 😊

Moving right along I want to suggest to you to take your wall calendar and mark all the important dates coming up for SVAA... In approximately two weeks, Saturday June 10th Larry Bell will be spellbinding us with his tremendous talent! I am so looking forward to his demonstration. I got a sneak peek of his work and he is amazing. Don't miss it!

Moving down the calendar to Tuesday June 20th is our board meeting at 10:30 AM in the Bunk House at Harden Foundation where all are welcome.

Looking to July instead of our regular meeting on Saturday 7/8 we are each taking our artwork to Avery Gallery inside Seaside City Hall from 10 -1.

Our reception is two weeks later on Friday July 21st from 7-8:30 PM. It worries me to hear so many members aren't planning to attend. This reception is a good way to meet the public interested in our art (and maybe the treats) 😊. If you need a ride, let's think about carpooling.

My last thought today is to make sure you have a tag on the back of your art listing your name, phone, title and price (even if it's not for sale!).

Hope to see you Saturday June 10 at 1 PM at Refuge Bible Church.

P.S. Wasn't our May Luncheon fun! 😊



## Featured Artist Angelica Aceves

I have loved art since childhood, and I started by drawing with pencils. Later in my life I tried other mediums.

At this moment I specialize in Portraits using oil on canvas.

I also like to try other subjects and learning new techniques.



## Featured Artist in Newsletter

Each month we try to show the work of our members. It's not hard. Just take a picture of a few of your paintings and share them with me (Linda), either by text message 831 809-0629 or e-mail [griffik@sbcglobal.net](mailto:griffik@sbcglobal.net). If you can, move close when taking the picture which will crop out all but the wonderful art. Also send a brief note telling a little about yourself



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## Helma's Musings

There is the Spanish painter Diego Rodriguez de Silva y Velazquez, actually the most important Spanish painter of the 17th century. He was baptized on June 6, 1599, in the city of Sevilla, Spain, but the day of his actual birth is unknown. He died on August 6, 1660, in Madrid. His best known picture is "Las Meninas," which shows the "infanta" and her entourage of meninas, or maids of honor. In the background, we see her parents - in a mirror - and the painter himself. In the front lies the family dog. It's a tender and touching scene, don't you think?



**June Birthdays -** Mary Garza (1<sup>st</sup> day of summer)

I attached a page of labels to use on back of paintings. You can make copies if you need more

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