



Community Outreach 2017

California Academy of Sciences

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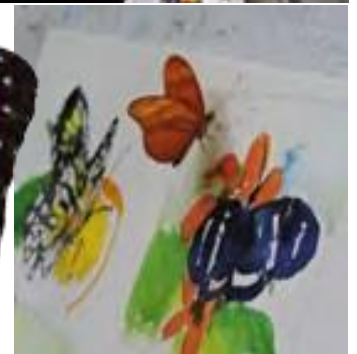
CWA partnered with California Academy of Sciences to celebrate butterflies, moths and spring, on March 18th and 19th.

A family activity table was set up on the main floor, offering hands-on watercolor experience for parents and children. Ruth Miller and Marilyn Miller ran the tables March 18th. Georganne Zaro Eddy, Sue Johnston and Sheila Cain supervised the family table Sunday. We had approximately 600 artists of all ages painting butterfly portraits. What a crowd!

We also had a table manned with volunteers Samantha McNally and Pablo Villicana-Lara on the 18th who were painting butterflies and birds. They answered questions about watercolor painting and CWA. They said it was a very worthwhile experience.

In addition to these two areas we had painters up in the top of the rainforest where the butterflies were hatching and flying. It was an amazing experience. On Saturday March 18th, Annegret van Gemeren, Leslie Wilson and I, Carol Husslein, proceeded to the third level of the rainforest exhibit. It was just before 10:00am and already the temperature was approximately 90 degrees and the humidity 100%. (That means it was really hot and moist up there!) Craig Moline and Stephen Berry painted in the rainforest Sunday.

We were amazed at the sight before us! There were butterflies everywhere. We set up our gear, took photos and started painting. Annegret assisted many of the visitors by taking photos of them With the butterflies with their own cell phones. She did not get A lot of time to paint, but did get reference photos and some Sketches. Leslie set up her easel, divided her paper into 4 and Painted butterfly portraits. I was demonstrating travel Sketching and completed several small paintings. The crowds were extremely interested in what We were doing. We talked about CWA and Shared membership brochures. I had a very wonderful lady gave me several napkins to mop my face since it was dripping on my painting. Another Academy, Melinda, took numerous photos and sent them to me. Please see our photos, "a picture is worth a thousand words."



By Carol Husslein



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Oakland Veterans Outreach needs your help!



Oakland Veterans go Abstract in March

An assistant is needed for the Oakland Outreach VA project months of June, July and August. This Outreach gathering happens one Wednesday a month. Three opportunities to meet and paint with our veteran community.

To volunteer contact Sheila:
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(Include Oak_vets in the email title)