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**THE GALLERY'S CURRENT SHOW  
THROUGH JANUARY 6**

**ART WALK & HOLIDAY ARTISANS' FESTIVAL RECEPTION  
Saturday, December 8, 4:00 - 8:00 PM**

**OVERVIEW OF THE CURRENT FEATURED ARTIST SHOWS**

Jim Coda and Lance Kuehne, in their Featured Artist Shows running through January 6, give us an intimate look at nature's grace and beauty. Both shows have drawn numerous appreciative comments.

Lance's photographs emphasize the emotional and visual impact of the California landscape from iconic locations to lesser-known nooks, all of them being places he takes people who join his California Photo Adventures workshops and tours.

With images taken in Alaska, Yellowstone, and Point Reyes, Jim offers animal portraits reflecting natural behavior, such as the play of a pair of young foxes or the bickering of eagles over their positions on a branch.



Left: Red Fox Kits by Jim Coda  
Below: *Launch for Hire* by Lance Kuehne



**HOLIDAY ARTISANS' FESTIVAL**

**December 8 is the day!  
4:00 to 9:00 is the time!**

**Featuring the works of  
3 three-dimensional artists  
3 jewelry makers  
1 scarf maker**

**(Details on page 3.)**

**NEW TO THE GALLERY:  
PAINTER POLLY PODOLSKY**

Painter Polly Podolsky has recently moved to Petaluma from Florida. That's lucky for all of us who appreciate exceptional painting. Polly's paintings have the charm of a by-gone era and with good reason. "Much of my work is inspired by photos from the 1910s through 1940. These old photos excite my love of social history." Polly uses discarded photographs, as in *Egbert Was All About the Sizzle* below, so her work has period authenticity. She also does commissioned portraits from photographs or live sittings.



Polly's other love is the traditional still life. Using the rich colors of the Old Masters, as in *Now You See It, Now You Don't* below, she makes light play upon and around objects in a manner that renders the scene as real as the sideboard in your own dining room.



Polly will be a Featured Artist at Riverfront during the Winter Show, beginning January 9.

**RETURNING TO THE GALLERY:  
MARY MACEY BUTLER**

Mary Macey Butler, with 30 years of experience behind her images, returns to Riverfront to grace the walls again with her outstanding images. Although Mary often documents a location with simple, elegant straight photographs, she says the theme of her return show could simply be titled *Multiple Exposures*.

A number of images will be in-camera multiple exposures of up to ten shots with camera movement, which the camera then resolves into a single image, as with *Tree Impression #1* below.



Mary skillfully employs the "Orton effect." This technique combines two separate images of the same thing, one taken sharp with good depth of field, while the other is deliberately blurry with minimal depth of field. It yields the dreamy, atmospheric result you see in *The Path* below.



Mary has interesting trips planned and will be working on new images for a Fall Featured Artist show.

**HOLIDAY ARTISANS' FESTIVAL DURING ART WALK, DECEMBER 8TH, 4:00 to 8:00  
OFFERS A VARIETY OF GIFT OPTIONS**

At this time of year, everyone looks for gift items they know will suit those choosy recipients. There is little question that being able to say you bought the gift from an artist makes a unique impression. The item becomes very personal and distinctive, rather than mass-produced and generic. The recipient is not likely to see anyone else with the same thing.

The three jewelers who will be on hand December 8 have had trunk shows at Riverfront previously. Janet McBeen will bring her fabric earrings and necklaces, small enough for stocking stuffers.



By Janet McBeen

By Katie Sachem



Janet's fabric creations appeal to all ages, as does the wire jewelry of teen jewelry designer Katie Sachem. Everyone loves the chain necklaces from Andrée Langlois, who will also have semi-precious stone pieces available.

Jewelry isn't the only "neckwear." Painter Karen Spratt is also a weaver of fabrics, which she turns into scarves. She knits and crochets as well. Look for a variety of her scarves, which certainly make good gifts for those who love a warm neck when chilly breezes blow.

By Karen Spratt

By Andrée Langlois



By Greg Zirbel



By Dan Melville

Greg Zirbel will continue to show his rustic, eye-catching birdhouses. Greg has constructed each in the likeness of a historic house or winery in Sonoma County. Each contains a nesting box and feeding stations. A hit of a gift for any bird lover, for sure.

Dan Melville is new to Riverfront and is showing for the first time his metal sculptures created from found bits and pieces, those often being car parts. Picking up an odd piece of metal and visualizing what it might become is a talent of Dan's, yielding numerous interesting creations.

Woodcrafter Wayne Telford has worked steadily to create a selection of handmade wooden boxes and containers from fine woods. He produces a variety of sizes, some useable as small tables. His new trinket-box-sized creations will be on hand for the Holiday Artisans' Festival.

Remember that art for the walls can make a wonderful gift. Many of our members produce works in small sizes, some even small enough for Santa to stick in a stocking!

We wish you an ARTful holiday season!

By Wayne Telford



By Sharon Feissel



## Call for Entries:

### “Showin’ On The River!”

#### Riverfront Art Gallery’s Third Annual Juried Photography Show

Heads up, photographers! It’s time to prepare for Riverfront’s third annual juried photography show. The entry deadline is February 2nd. Accepted entries will be on view at the gallery during its regular Early Spring Show, March 6 through May 5. Traditional and creative works are considered. Show us your best!

The entry fee is only \$35 for up to three entries--quite a bargain for having work in the gallery for roughly two months! For complete guidelines and the entry form, please go to the gallery’s website: [www.riverfrontartgallery.com](http://www.riverfrontartgallery.com). Click on Call for Entries under Contact Us. Then click on the photography show link for downloadable forms and information.

HAPPY HOLIDAYS TO ALL!

OUR BEST WISHES  
FOR AN EXCEPTIONALLY  
HAPPY NEW YEAR!



Thank you for your  
ongoing support during  
our first five years.  
It means a great deal to all  
of our artists!

## MEMBER NEWS

### POLLY PODOLSKY Petaluma Arts Center Members’ Show Through December 23



*Tickle Tickle*

Polly Podolsky

### LANCE KUEHNE’S 2013 CALENDAR

Lance Kuehne's 2013 Wine Country calendar showcases the Napa-Sonoma wine country in all four seasons. In fact, each photograph was taken during the month where it is featured in the calendar. It is printed in the United States on very thick, high quality paper.

The calendar will be available at most local bookstores, as well as places like Barnes & Noble and Costco. And of course, it is available for sale at Riverfront Art Gallery now.

