

MONDAY MORNING PAINTERS SCHEDULE

April 21 - July 28, 2008

We are now in the summer schedule: Mondays, from 9:00 am-1:00 pm, critique at 12:30.

All media welcome. Reminder: we often are invited on private property and need to respect the requests of the owners; please be polite at all times. Thank you. Visit the website for detailed maps, websites and weather information: www.mondaymornpainters.com

From Marcy, the scheduler (thanks!):

April 21 -The Russian River Rose Company

1685 Magnolia, Healdsburg. Take central Healdsburg exit, left on Mill St., left on Kinley Dr., right on Magnolia. Many acres, vineyards, roses, new but old-looking Tuscany building etc.

April 28 -Bodega Head

North of town of Bodega Bay. Look for the sign to Marina and Bodega Head, turn left then right at the stop sign onto Bay Flat Rd. Continue a few miles, past Spud Point and Campbell Cove. Go up the hill and take the first road on left, as it's closer to irises, wildflowers, ice plant and cypress trees with vista of sea behind. There will be a few parking places on left as you turn east towards lot; most parking is in the east lot overlooking Bodega Bay. 12:30 critique in same lot.

May 5 -Private residence of Betty Ford

1383 E. Napa St, Sonoma. Carpool suggested, park on either side of front driveway; for overflow she would have to direct to the back Iris farm. Brown home on right w/address 83 numbers faded/unreadable; IT IS the 2nd house after Cherry Tree Circle.

May 12 -Private residence

Private residence north of Sebastopol, 2878 and 2880 Sullivan Road, Sebastopol. Go west on Graton Rd from 116, turn left on Sullivan, turn right at the graveyard (there is a sharp left just after the graveyard and the right is where this curve is). Go up the gravel road and look for the address sign on the right. The residents' names are also on the sign - Piers and Smith. Park around the entrance and please don't block the driveway. Bathroom available. Apple trees in bloom, Mt St Helena backdrop.

May 19 -Pedroncelli Winery

1220 Canyon Rd., Geyserville. Bocce Ball court above, can park along vines beside the road. Nice if you can purchase something while there.

May 26 -Marin Cheese Factory

7500 Red Hill Rd, Petaluma. Lake, water fowl, surrounding hills. Please park at back of lot & do not block walkways. Coming from Santa Rosa South Hwy. 101: Take the E. Washington St. Exit (2nd exit) At the light turn Right on E. Washington St. Follow E. Washington St. to the 3rd stop-light and turn Left on Lakeville Street; turn Right at the next light on "D" Street. Follow "D" Street 11 miles until you see the only Firehouse. We are just after the Firehouse on the Right side.

June 2 -The Bishop's Ranch

5297 Westside Rd., Healdsburg. A gracious retreat - gardens, eastern hill views including St. Helena, pastureland, chapel & interesting structures. Take Central Healdsburg exit, turn left at 2nd light, (Mill St turns into Westside Rd), follow Westside Rd several miles out. Parking is all the way in and right, down below buildings.

SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS: There is limited parking. If upper parking lots are filled, park in the lower parking lot and walk .5 miles up to the center. \$3 suggested donation.

June 9 -Shollenberger Park

Petaluma rolling hills, waters & rushes, birding galore; Petaluma slough & boats deeper in on west side, & 101 Bridge, etc., views. Can also go further east & park at the Pt Reyes Bird Observatory's back lot, on right just past tall glass building.

Directions to get to Shollenberger Park:

From Santa Rosa (going south on Hwy 101) or San Rafael (going north on Hwy 101), take the Highway 116 (Lakeville Highway), turnoff in Petaluma and go east for about one mile. Turn right on Cader Lane...at stop sign, going straight takes you right into park. The city park sign is very small and looks like a road identification sign).

June 16 -Riverfront Regional Park

Annual POTLUCK. 7821 Eastside Rd., towards Forestville. From 101 northbound, take Central Windsor exit, left onto Old Redwood Hwy. Stay straight go onto Windsor River Rd until it dead-ends. Turn left onto Eastside Rd for 1.9 miles. Regional park fee: \$5 or annual pass placard. Cool Redwood groves, reservoir ponds further in, porta potties. Bring something to share to eat & drink. Need volunteer(s) to organize and/or BBQ-may have to byo plates/utensils- Contact Marcy.

June 23rd -Matanzas Creek Winery

6097 Bennett Valley Road. Peak Lavender season, Bennett Valley hills. Parking below the lavender fields is requested and of course "we always encourage a visit to our Tasting Room!"

June 30 -Shone Farms

6225 Eastside Rd, Forestville. Take River Rd exit from Hwy 101, go west, turn right onto Trenton Healdsburg Rd (when you come down the hill), left at Eastside Rd intersection, right onto lane leading to farm. PRINT THIS OUT 'cuz rules are worth this Plein Air Mecca. Fabulous location/ vistas include: pastures w/horses, cattle, sheep, redwood groves & oak trees, distant hills to east by greenhouse, to so.west from behind the centers, & vineyards deeper in. Suggest: sturdy manure walking shoes, plenty of water, sunscreen, umbrellas, and coming on time, as very little shade, perhaps choosing to be under the overhang at the back of the Overlook building & the Richard Thomas Ctr looking south west, or under a few redwoods where critique will be or in front of livestock pavilion.... PARKING INSTRUCTIONS VERY IMPORTANT so that we will be welcome to return: Our Use Permit requires us to park in designated spaces only, do not block driveways nor entries to barns, etc. Do not park along the entry road, do not drive into any gate that you have to open. NO SMOKING anywhere on grounds. You may access the pastures by walking only, (there are many more animals now then during our last 2006 visit); carefully lock the gates, which take a strong hand btw, behind the Charles Becker Center, where office manager Leonard Diggs office is. There may still be a bull some 3 fields in, however, so you might not want to go so deep in where those woods are. You may park across from Probation Camp on the right as you enter, under the oak tree if you wish to paint the entry lane area. Parking otherwise: Stay straight, drive in about 1/3 mi to: behind the Charles Becker Center, Richard Thomas Center, or in front of The Warren Dutton Overlook, or over at the Greenhouse, where the views of the hills toward east-northeast are nice. Critique at 12:30 at Charles Becker picnic tables. Bathrooms at both centers.

July 7 -Valley Ford

On Hwy 1 in south-west Sonoma County. Park n' lunch at Dinucci's Restaurant at north west edge of town. Funky buildings, Victorians, old school house, hillsides w/cows, lambs. Critique at 12:30 near Dinucci's.

July 14 -Richards' Grove and Sara Lee's Vineyard

3575 Slusser Rd, Windsor. From Hwy 101 northbound, take River Rd exit, turn left to head west, turn right on Slusser Rd.

July 21 -Gundlach Bundschu Winery

2000 Denmark St, Sonoma. Heart of the wine country vistas, great winery. Hwy 12 east to the plaza, turn right onto E Napa St. Right on 8th St East. At the Gundlach Bundschu sign, turn left onto Denmark St. & follow it around to the gates of our winery.

Special Instructions: Park in first gravel lot ONLY, w/1 exception. Can park .4 mile in on left at 3 fat palm trees, entering that dirt lane only some 25 yds straight in-DO NOT turn nor enter vineyards any deeper. Painting okay around restrooms, Blocks 21 AB, 17 vineyards, shady overlook at Tasting Rooms, walking up to Towne's Hill. 3:30 Critique at shady picnic tables at restrooms.

July 28 -Historic Railroad Square

135 4th St, Santa Rosa. Old Train Depot, railroad tracks n' ole cars, brick façade; critique on west side of Visitor Center at 3:30. Can park on the dirt nearest trail tracks by taking 6th St, (a left off Wilson 2 blocks north), on the west side.