

FIVE POINT ARENA OIL PAINTERS:

DAVID LEWIS, LESTER DA GRADI, MINDY EISMAN,
BILL ELMORE AND JON HANDEL



Gualala Arts presents an exhibit in the Front Gallery at The Sea Ranch Lodge featuring the work of five oil painters inspired by the Peter Dobbins' new book, *Point Arena Oil, Six Local Painters*. Five of the six painters in the book will be exhibiting: **David Lewis, Lester Da Gradi, Mindy Eisman, Bill Elmore and Jon Handel.**



The exhibit at the Lodge is a rich variety of local

themes. *Iris* by Bill Elmore, *Point Arena Pier Moments* by David Lewis, Manchester Beach scenes by Lester Da Gradi, a whimsical touch from Jon Handel includes a painting titled *Floating Between Point Arena and Gualala*. Mindy Eisman has done two portraits of Franny (above) of Franny's Cup and Saucer Bakery in Point Arena, as well as two coastal themes including one called *Nine to Five* which tracks the sun over the ocean, a view from



her studio high up on the ridge above Schooner Gulch.



The book, *Point Arena Oil, Six Local Painters*, is the first in a series of self-published books Peter Dobbins plans to do of local artists. The next one, already in the works, will be on pastel and pencil artists from The Sea Ranch to Point Arena.

Stimulated by his interest in history and local history, Peter, an award-winning Point Arena photographer, has an eye for capturing the artists at work in their studios or outdoors painting. The book is available for \$40 from Peter directly or can be purchased through **Four-Eyed Frog Books** in Gualala. Contact Peter at pdobbins@mcn.org or (707) 882-2159.