

Volunteer Team of the Year – 2007

The Staff at the Dolphin

There are many teams of volunteers who are so absolutely vital to the day-to-day operation of Gualala Arts that it is hard to point to just one. However the team that keeps the Dolphin on track and always going higher deserves the honor and prestige that this award brings this year.

Many of the people listed here have been volunteering at the Dolphin for as long as they have lived on the coast. Over the years many persons have gotten their first experiences of volunteering at Gualala Arts at the Dolphin. Most of these persons also volunteer at the Arts Center in various ways as well as manning the desk at the Dolphin.

Having the shop open seven days a week, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. means having a large enough staff trained and available so the job remains a pleasant diversion for everyone. Not only do these people need to be able to add and make out sales slips, and count out the correct change, they help visitors appreciate the artist showing in the gallery, suggest a good place for lunch, and even help the customer decide whether this piece of jewelry or that one (or both!) looks the best. Also, at the Dolphin, tickets are sold for Gualala Arts events and raffles. There is a hidden post office where packages are left off and retrieved, by a caring circle of friends.

The Dolphin volunteer also has to have the qualities of trustworthiness, a desire to help, initiative to go dust the shelf when business is slow, reliability, consideration for other staff as well as for the customers. People who like people are drawn to this job and as these volunteers will tell you, working at the Dolphin is a great way to get to know your community. Volunteering at the Dolphin is a way to give back a few hours a month as thanks for all the good things we have here. It is a joy to give this honor to such an outstanding team of dedicated volunteers. A heartfelt "Thank You" comes from everyone at Gualala Arts to the Staff at the Dolphin.



CURRENT STAFF

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