

A Year in Review 2023



Promoting public interest and participation in the arts since 1961

2023 Artist Opportunities



"The Top and the Bottom of It" watercolor by S.E. Routledge

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2023 Gualala Arts Staff

David "Sus" Susalla	Executive Director	Started: Jan 2002
Andrea Allen	Sales Associate	Sep 2019
Leslie Bates	Events Associate	May 2023
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Karen Russell	Sales Associate	Jul 2023
Kendra Stillman	Office & Publicity Manager	Jul 2017



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2023 Events and Fundraisers

- Annual Meeting (by zoom and in Person)
- 12th Annual Auto Show & Pinewood Derby
- Third Annual Shred in the Redwoods event to support local businesses and Gualala Arts with their shredding needs
- The new Dolphin Gallery and Gift Shop is now located in the Seacliff Center in Gualala (supporting well over a hundred local artists annually)
- Fine Arts Fair & Hidden Treasures Antiques Appraisal & Community Swap Meet
- 62nd Annual Art in the Redwoods and Hats Off in the Garden Dinner (319 entries submitted, thousands of online visitors and 141 guests joined us for dinner)
- Live Global Harmony Series concerts including Two Baritones of Soul, The Music of Miles Davis & Erik Jekabson, the KRONOS Quartet - 5 Decades Tour
- 36th Annual Architectural Tour, Wine Tasting & Auction
- 2nd Annual Plein Air Affair featuring over 20 artists and \$4750 total prize money
- 23 exhibits at the Gualala Arts Center and eleven at the Dolphin Gallery & Gift Shop (each exhibit attracting hundreds of visitors online and in person throughout the length of the exhibit)
- Eight Live Chamber Music Concerts, including Peter Wyrick and Friends, Michele Kennedy and Kevin Kenner
- Festival of Trees: Mrs. Claus Bake Shop and Christmas Tree Decorating Competition with Silent Auction and 10 vendor booths (hundreds of visitors both in person and online were able to join us for their holiday retail shopping)
- 9 Lessons and Carols
- Local Eyes Concerts Featuring Ernest Bloch, Bell Ringers & CoastSing
- NY New Years Eve & Decades Birthday

Images Top to bottom: Bobcat by Vivien Lin from the Salon Des Refuses exhibit in June, Michele Kennedy performed Lift Every Voice and Sing as a part of our Gualala Arts Chamber Music Series, Larry Vuckovich, Kai Lyons and Owen Clapp performed The True Side of Vince Guaraldi Including Snoopy as a part of our Whale & Jazz Series



Philanthropy

YOU made a difference! We made it through our recent challenges. With guidance from our Board of Directors, the staff and volunteers coming back, generous sponsors and donors and attendees returning, we had a wonderful 2023.

General unrestricted donations through the years, including our year-end annual giving raised \$249K. When compared to \$259K. in 2022, \$210K in 2021, \$268K in 2020, \$188K in 2019, \$183K in 2018, \$158K in 2017, it is a very nice trend. Membership, which currently numbers around 672 households (first dip below 700 in 20 years) raised \$21,700. Memberships have been slowly declining for past 5 years. We are embarking on a membership drive for 2024-5 and we can use your help! Please renew if you have not done so lately and invite a friend to join and help us spread the word!

Examples of philanthropists in action in 2023:

Andrea A. Lunsford is a true Arts Angel. She continued to make generous gifts throughout the year including donations to the year-end campaign, Chamber Music, Global Harmony Series and this year helped bring KRONOS Five Decades concert here at no cost to arts center to make it a true fundraising concert as a part of "Together for the Arts."

Jan & Dennis Carter, whose generous donations continue their devotion to and support of our general operations and theater programming.

Bob Rutemoeller and Mary Sue Ittner make a substantial donation to the operations fund in the name of Gualala Arts' hard-working volunteers and dedicated staff every year. They also sponsor Art in the Redwoods, the Global Harmony Series and really stepped up to help with our insurance fund and REALLY helped us at our year-end giving drive!!!

Connie Schimbor made a generous contribution toward the annual fund drive, and Rich & Connie are our inaugural "50 Year Members."

Jane & Wayne Novak, Susan Clark, and Harriet Wright, made generous contributions of appreciated securities throughout the year in times of need.

John & Christine Wall appreciate having such a wonderful community arts organization and committed to a substantial annual donation towards operations and towards our timely needs.

For further information about what becoming a sponsor entails, please contact the Fund Development Committee through the Gualala Arts office at 707-884-1138. The Executive Director David "Sus" Susalla or a board member will be happy to discuss the wide variety of opportunities available at costs to fit any budget.

Community Support

Being a sponsor means easing the constant burden of finding monies to offset costs and helping to reduce the number of fundraisers that tax volunteers and the community.

In 2023, most Gualala Arts activities and programs were reintroduced with enthusiasm by supportive community members.

Surf Market sponsored Garden Tour-Wine Tasting & Auction, Art in the Redwoods & Festival of Trees by giving us products and a hefty check!

Chuckie and Gualala Super Team really stepped up and gave us 10 \$100 gift certificates for Festival of trees this year, supplied a wonderful deli lunch at no cost to our festivals, sponsored raffles, awards and are always enthusiastic sponsors.

Woodenhead Vintners & Bedrock has always been there for us in a "whatever you need – we are happy to help!" supports!

Thanks to these and dozens and dozens of local businesses that support Gualala Arts.

Sky Fiber & Further Reach have been donating our Internet access at the new Dolphin and the Gualala Arts Center.

Thanks to all the community and all the business that have supported the Arts center in these past challenging years! We NEED your support! Please contact Sus if you would like to sponsor or volunteer at our wonderful Dolphin Members Gallery.

David Belk not only chairs the Chamber Music Committee, but he makes substantial annual donation towards operations and chamber music.

Tina Kelly & Mark Quattrocchi are our Art in the Redwoods Grand Festival Sponsors the past few years. They also gave a nice year-end donation and insurance help.

Sharon Hiles and Janet Pierrucci & Adrian Adams rise to every occasion and help us tremendously.

Gualala Arts has benefited from several direct IRA donations. Those who are over 71.5 may find they can benefit from direct IRA donations in their tax planning.

The Donor Grove is a place to recognize cumulative donations. New to the grove this year by adding 2023 cash donations are: Alice Wingwall & Donlyn Lyndon, Caryl Carr & David Presotto, Chuck & Cynthia Petersen, Frederic Ilfeld Jr. & Barbara Ilfeld, George & Kathryn Anderson, Harold Mann & Kathy Kretchmer, In Loving Memory of Cecilia & John Moelter, Open Door Insurance Services, and Randy & Bev Hawks.

Caryl Carr & David Presotto heard the call and really stepped up with the chamber music series, Art in the Redwoods and other needs this year.

Moving up to a medium-sized plaques are Jim & Susan Grenwelge, Len & Sharon Hiles, Nancy Padgett & Michael Middleton and Karel Metcalf & Jim Littlejohn

We are VERY honored to have David Belk, Lance & Katherine Gyorfi and Ruth Short joining the largest plaque size in our donor grove after years of sustained giving and supporting the arts in our community!

Mirka Knaster & Larry Jacobs rose to the occasion and created a "matching fund" to help us fund our new furnaces this summer. Together we raised over \$25K so we did not have to dip into our capital fund to pay for our new furnaces for the Coleman Hall.

Many naming gifts "in honor of" and "in loving memory of" came in this year. Please see pages 7 & 8 for a full list of our generous donors. We are grateful for every dollar raised!!!

Gualala Arts is very grateful to all of our donors from a few dollars to tens of thousands.

YOU make a difference!

Volunteers & Artist Opportunities



CoastSing our local choral group directed by Sue Bohlin

Promoting public interest and participation in the arts

We have welcomed back our Interest Groups and most of our programming. It is thrilling to once again see artists trooping through our doors with their kits and supplies ready to hone their skills and create once again.

Gualala Arts is pleased to have hosted a wide variety of workshops in the past year including *Awaken the Artist Within* with Erin Lee Gafill, *Oh, I wish I had my camera: HEY YOU DO!!* an exciting workshop series with instructors Susan and Neil Silverman, along with our *Write Up the Coast* workshop series with Mark Gross. The PPQG, our local quilt guild has hosted several quilting workshops over the past year.

In addition to Art in the Redwoods and the Gualala Salon, the Gualala Arts Clay Studio is open to potters and sculptors, and Life Drawing meets on Wednesdays.

The Dolphin Gallery, featuring many local artists, has moved once again to a new location in the Seacliff Center in downtown Gualala.

Volunteers

Volunteers are what make our programming happen even in these difficult times. Your efforts are what make Gualala Arts shine.

One of the key factors providing for the ongoing vibrancy and health of Gualala Arts, the Arts Center, and the Dolphin Gallery is our volunteer cadre who choose to spend their valuable time at our behest. These generous individuals ensure that Gualala Arts continues to serve both the local community and its membership around the country. The countless things our volunteers do for Gualala Arts are both obvious and subtle, but each and every valued contribution allows Gualala Arts to promote public interest and participation in the arts. The living-out of this mission results directly from every minute our volunteers donate to Gualala Arts, and, for that, we are eternally grateful.

Message from the Executive Director

BRAVO!

It was great to have so many programs come back this year. Our calendar was jam-packed with lots of our favorite actives and some brand-new ones.

Gualala Arts galleries, including our wonderful Dolphin Gallery, were stacked from floor to ceiling with fine art exhibits to inspire. We wrote more commission and awards checks in 2023 than any other year to date.

Workshops, classes, and interest groups were well-attended by enthusiastic community members wanting to share their passion with each other. Our local artists (Quilters in particular) realize by bringing in instructors from around the county they don't have to leave our Shangri-la to take workshops.

Our FUNdraising activities were very creative and successful this year. We brought back many favorites and tried some new ideas. Very generous performers, artists, community businesses, volunteers, staff, and directors all worked together to help us meet our lofty fundraising targets to cover our new property (fire) insurance bill, furnace replacements, and front gate construction.

Board of Directors, finance & investment committees, and staff have worked tirelessly to keep this community institution, Gualala Arts, not only surviving but THRIVING over the last few years. With their steadfast leadership, decades of institutional knowledge, and passion for community arts, we have certainly met our mission in 2023.

Together WE make a difference, and, together, we have reached a new record high in 2023 for our gross revenues!

I say BRAVO to everyone involved in Gualala Arts in 2023- YOU deserve a standing ovation!

Take a bow...YOU made a difference!



David Sus Susalla
Executive Director



Image: Kronos Quartet Five Decades Concert – Standing ovation with composer Aleksandra Vrebalov / Gold Came From Space *
preview at Gualala Arts September 24, 2023

2023 Finances

Gualala Arts has a diverse mix of revenue streams including programs, donations, sponsorships, membership dues, facility rentals, grants, fund development events, and arts festivals.

For the past few years, Gualala Arts Board of Directors, Finance Committee and staff have certainly had many financial challenges to rise to. Given the last 3 years of challenges YOUR Gualala Arts organization is proud to present the following financial information.

For the first time in Gualala Arts History Gross Revenues exceeded the \$1 million dollar mark (includes unrealized gains of over \$50K) a record breaking year!

For 2023, our arts programing brought revenues of \$505,529 up from \$442,141 in 2022 (Up about 14% from pre-pandemic 2019 of \$444,000.) These program revenues covered about 62% of the expenses to run programs. The overhead costs of "keeping the doors open" at Gualala Arts for 2023 is \$1,488 up from \$1,450 in 2022 and \$1,139 in 2021 and 2019 when it was \$1,214.) This daily cost increase is due to increased programming but up significantly with and annual increase of \$85K in property insurance in 2023.

Thanks to our patrons and savvy planning by finance committee, staff, and Board of Directors, we were able to make up that difference with new fundraising ideas, sponsors and donations to finish the year off without having to dip into our "rainy day funds" to pay for maintenance and capital expenses in 2023.

Together we have re-imagined our arts offering to the community and are looking forward to another challenging year ahead with cautious optimism thanks to many, MANY people working together!

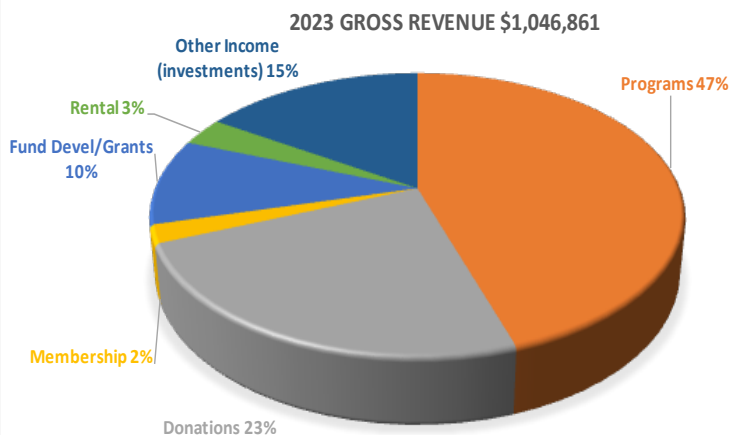
Gualala Arts continues to be a well-run and fiscally prudent organization guided by a visionary Board of Directors, long standing Finance Committee, and dedicated staff.

Pre-CPA review

Cash (operations & program groups)	\$292,479
Other Current Assets	\$47,794
Operations Reserve Fund	\$257,194
Capital /Building Fund	\$373,691
Endowment Fund (Permanently Restricted)	\$671,720
Building, Land & Equipment	\$1,082,213
Total Assets	<u>\$2,725,091</u>
Liabilities	\$133,190
Restricted Net Assets	\$744,678
Unrestricted Net Assets	<u>\$1,847,223</u>
Total Net Assets & Liabilities	<u>\$2,725,091</u>

Thanks to our generous donors, volunteers and prudent board, Gualala Arts has never had to carry a mortgage or borrow funds to accomplish our building and program needs.

Promoting Public Interest and Participation in the Arts Since 1961



2023 Honor Roll of Art Angels

Gualala Arts ongoing success is a direct result of the generosity of its "Art Angels" - donors who support its programs and fundraising events. We extend our deepest thanks to the many people who sustained our mission to promote public interest and participation in the arts over the past year. We sincerely thank you for your continued support in building an arts organization that promises to improve and enhance the future of the arts in our community. (Honor Roll of Art Angels recognizes amounts donated over the annual membership fee)

Angels (\$25,000 plus)

Jan & Dennis Carter
Andrea Lunsford

Leaders (\$10,000 - \$24,999)

Katherine & Lance Gyorfi
Mary Sue Ittner & Bob
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Tina Kelly & Mark Quattrocchi
Mirka Knaster & Larry Jacobs
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in honor of
Harmony and Sus
Harmony Susalla

Benefactors (\$5,000 - \$9,999)

Anonymous
David Belk
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Susan Clark
Karel Metcalf & Jim Littlejohn
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John Moelter

Champions (\$1,000 - \$4,999)

Susan Bernardo
Laura Blair
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2023 Honor Roll of Art Angels (continued)

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Message from the President

Dear Members,

I express my heartfelt gratitude for granting me the privilege of serving as the President of the Board for Gualala Arts once again. As I end my final term in this role, I reflect proudly on the collaborative efforts of our team and the incredible community volunteers who have contributed to the revival of various programs and performance art shows for the community's enjoyment.

We are eager to collaborate with Staff, and local artists to rejuvenate these festivals and welcome your valuable feedback.

Last year, our focus was on reintroducing the Gualala Arts Center to the community, and this effort persists. As new individuals join our community and long-time residents may still be unaware of our offerings, we strive to make the center more accessible. While we maintain a strong presence in print media, social media, and the internet, it is the community's support that truly brings the Gualala Arts Center to life. We will continually explore new avenues to transform the center into a vibrant hub for community and visitors.

Our existence is indebted to the talented local artists who generously share their creations. Gualala Arts is committed to supporting artists of all levels and genres, encouraging local artists to showcase their work at the center or at the Dolphin Gallery location in town. If you are a local artist yet to publicly display your work, we hope you'll consider making Gualala Arts your inaugural venue.

Working alongside the dedicated members of our Board, staff, and volunteers has been an honor and a privilege. The thriving success of Gualala Arts Center is a testament to the collective efforts of our community. As I step down from my final term, I extend my sincere appreciation for your unwavering support. We could not have come this far without you.

With great appreciation,



Eric Wilder,
Board President, Gualala Arts



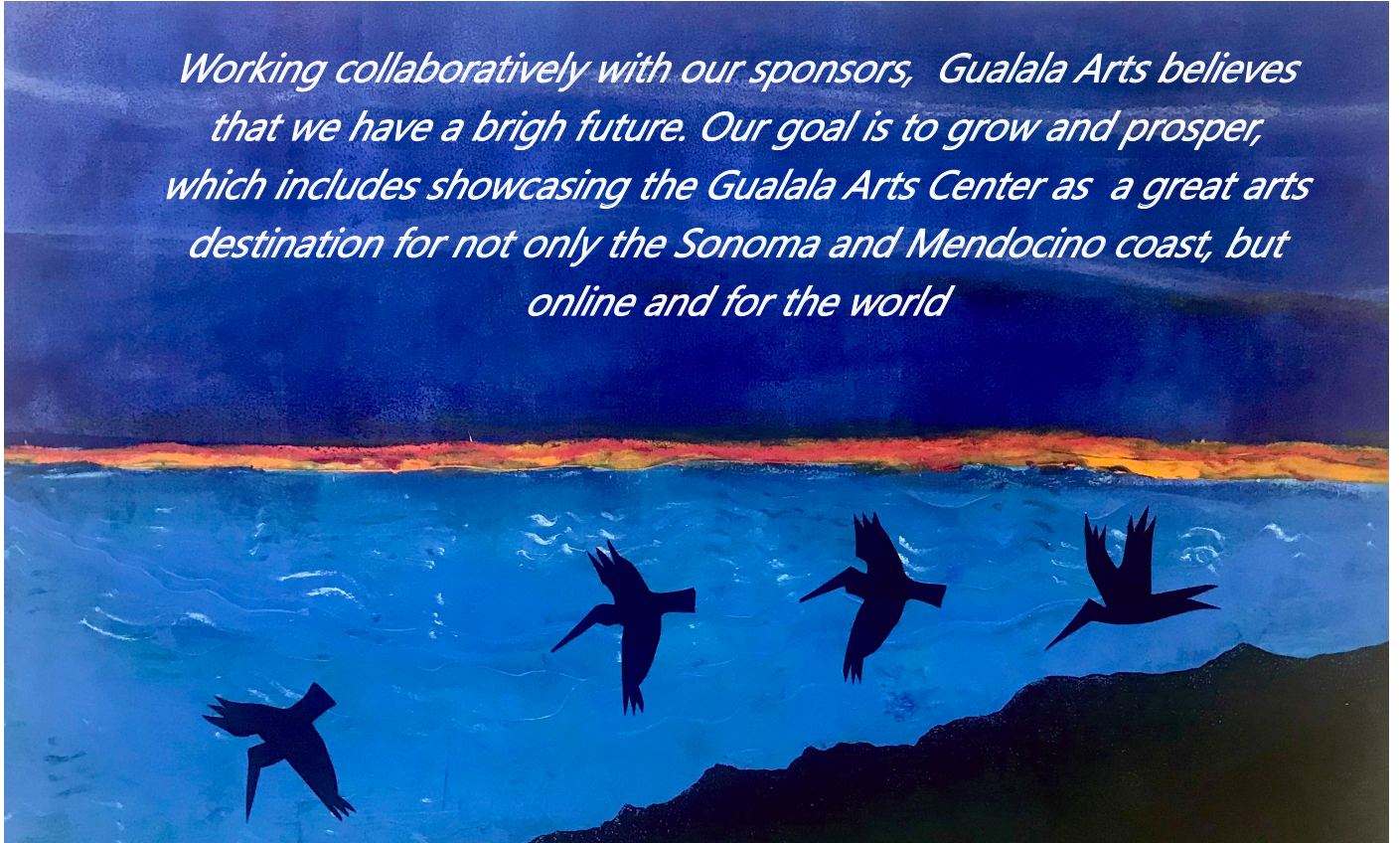
2024 Events and Fundraisers

Gualala Arts is actively seeking financial sponsors
and underwriters for our programming

Programs and Fundraisers planned for 2024:

- 63rd Annual Art in the Redwoods & Hats Off in the Garden Dinner
- Gualala Arts Theater Presents: "The Greatest Show" Musical Revue
- 37th Annual Architectural Tour, Wine Tasting & Auction
- 20th Whale & Jazz Festival - Including Cole Porter's Birthday Celebration & George Gershwin 100th Anniversary of Rhapsody in Blue
- 19 Art Exhibits in the Burnett Gallery, Jacob Foyer, Coleman Hall & Gardens
- 11 Dolphin Gallery exhibits
- 8 or 9 Chamber Music Series concerts
- Workshops and Ongoing Classes including PPQG Quilting Workshops, Gualala Arts Clay Studio, Into Blue: Indigo workshop and lecture
- 32nd Annual Studio Discovery Tour
- Fine Arts Fair - Winter Wonderland Arts & Crafts Fairs
- 3rd Annual Plein Air Affair- Gualala Arts Plein Air Open
- Global Harmony Events: Kitka Celebrating Women's Day
- Gualala Arts Lecture Series is Back: Black Bears in Mendonoma, Into Blue: Origins of Indigo and many more to come!
- 2024 Young Artist Scholarship Award
- Gualala Arts Dance Parties with DJs and live rock & roll music from "Glory Daze"

Working collaboratively with our sponsors, Gualala Arts believes that we have a bright future. Our goal is to grow and prosper, which includes showcasing the Gualala Arts Center as a great arts destination for not only the Sonoma and Mendocino coast, but online and for the world



Monoprint by Miriam Owen

Hearts for the Arts

Gualala Arts' purpose is "to promote public interest and participation in the arts." This purpose, identified so many years ago by our founders, is authored and maintained by a company of dedicated volunteers. This cadre of involved and energetic individuals is the reason our doors are open 363 days per year. At the heart of Gualala Arts are the volunteers providing the foundational structures and relationships on which all of the Art Center's programs and events are built. Without such attributes being continually lived out, Gualala Arts could not function.

Group of the Year
Gualala Arts Board of Directors

Businesses of the Year
Surf Market,
Gualala Supermarket,
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Volunteer of the Year Bob Rutemoeller

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Sheri Kirby

Heartbeats

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Jim Corbett, Pat Chaban, Jon Handel & Ling-Yen Jones,
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