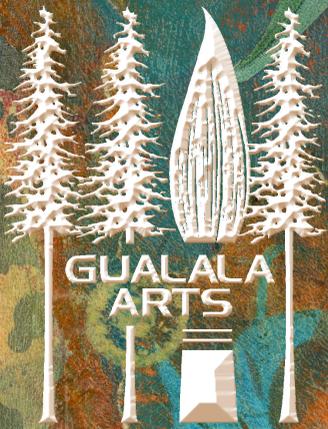
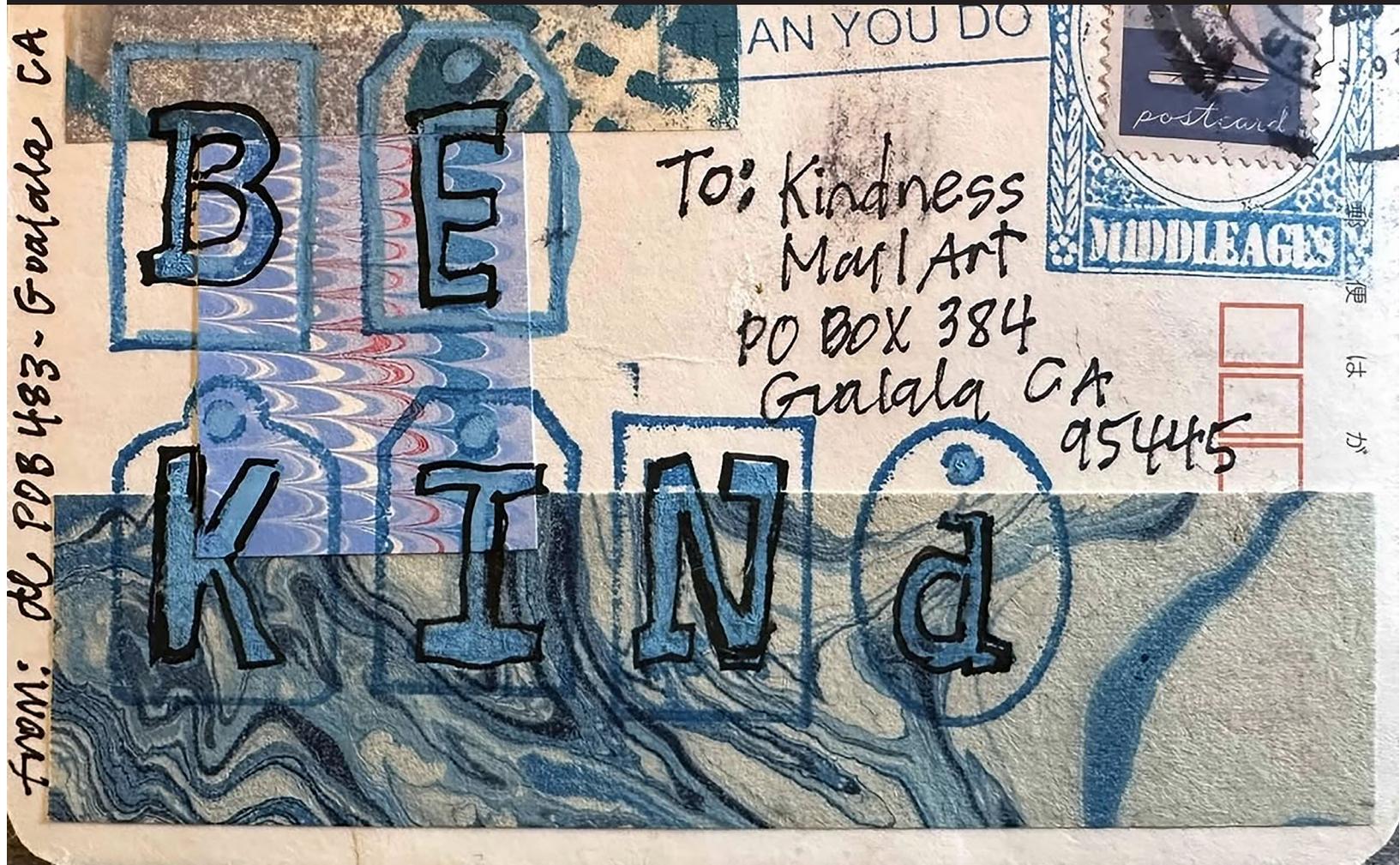


A Year in Review 2025



Promoting public interest and participation in the arts since 1961

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Started:

Jan 2002
Sep 2019
Jan 2008
Jan 2024
Jul 2017

Cover Image: "Raging Tulips" by Sharon Nickodem shown in the Gualala Salon & Salon des Refuses



- Annual Meeting and Volunteer Recognition
- Gualala Arts Theater presented “Fiddler on the Roof” and “WHAT THE WORLD NEEDS NOW: The Music of Burt Bacharach”, also a solo presentation of “To Be of Use” by Julie Drucker
- Fourth Annual Shred in the Redwoods event to support local businesses and Gualala Arts with their shredding needs
- The Dolphin Gallery and Gift Shop hosted 12 featured artist exhibits and supports well over a hundred local artists annually
- 65th Annual Art in the Redwoods and Hats Off in the Garden Dinner (322 art entries)
- Five Whale & Jazz Series concerts coordinated by Gualala Arts own Fred Adler including Mads Tolling’s Mads Men, Roger Glenn Latin Jazz Ensemble, Gershwin Somewhere in Time
- Two Gualala Arts Dance Parties including Funkasaurus and Glory Dayz
- 19 exhibits at the Gualala Arts Center and twelve at the Dolphin Gallery and Gift Shop (each exhibit attracting hundreds of visitors throughout the length of the exhibit)
- Ten Live Chamber Music Concerts, including Omar Sosa, the Formosa Quartet, Gut, Wind and Wire and a special benefit concert for Starcross Monastic Community featuring local favorite David McCarroll and Angela Park
- Festival of Trees: Mrs. Claus Bake Shop and Christmas Tree Decorating Competition with Silent Auction and 12 vendor booths (hundreds of visitors were able to join us for their holiday retail shopping)
- Four Global Harmony Events including Men of Worth and the St Catharine’s Girls Choir
- Local Eyes events including concerts featuring Ernest Bloch, Bell Ringers and CoastSing as well as a Poetry for Everyone open mic
- Three Gualala Arts Lectures including Restoring the Gualala River presented by the Redwood Coast Land Conservancy, Jeanne Jackson presenting Mendonoma Sightings, Eric Wilder’s “Voices of the Land: Stories and Songs of the Kashaya Pomo”
- 15 Workshops including Making a Pine Needle Basket with Bea Acosta, Roll Your Own Sushi with Laura Leigh, a continuation of the How to Use Your Iphone Camera workshops with Susan and Neil Silverman, Character Development from the Page to the Stage with Cathy Cassetta.



Images Top to bottom: The Gualala River Estuary from Restore the Gualala River presented by the Redwood Coast Land Conservancy, David McCarroll from the Starcross Benefit Concert, and Bea Acosta of the Revived Gualala Arts Fiber Arts Interest Group showing off one of her beautiful open work pine needle baskets

Philanthropy

YOU made a difference! With guidance from our Board of Directors, the staff and volunteers, generous sponsors and donors and attendees, we had a wonderful 2025.

General unrestricted donations through the year, including our year-end annual giving, raised \$285K! When compared to \$263K in 2024, \$249K in 2023, \$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 raised \$27,700, up from \$21,700 in 2024 (up close to 20% from previous year.) Memberships had been slowly declining since the pandemic but for the past 18 months we have been embarking on a membership drive and it's working! We are now offering a NARM (North American Reciprocal Museum) level which makes you a member of over 1,500 other institutions across North America.

Examples of philanthropists in action in 2025:

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, and Global Harmony Series.

Jan and Dennis Carter's 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 and the Global Harmony Series and they really stepped up to help with our general operation costs.

Kathryn and Lance Gyorfri, Ann and Mike Savageau, Virginia Rubin, and Dick Warmer have really increased their donations the past couple of years and have been helping us thrive.

Connie Schimbor made a generous contribution toward the annual fund drive.

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

John and Christine Wall who appreciate having such a wonderful

community arts organization, committed to a substantial annual donation towards operations and other needs.

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

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

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

Gualala Arts has benefited from several direct IRA donations. Those who are over 70.5 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 2025 cash donations are Diane and David Goldsmith, Frank Jackson and Susan Routledge, Paul Douglas, David and Cynthia Bogolub, Robert and Sandy Goldberg, Bently Drake, Deidre Harrison and Thomas Crane, Dianna Souverbielle and Joyce Tarr, Vanessa Ignacio, Alice and Michael Combs, Dansie and Roger Little, and Anne Irwin, (In honor of Alden Pixley, the cast and crew of Fiddler on the Roof, in loving memory of Nell Evans Susalla and Roxanne Claffin).

Moving up to medium-sized plaques are Marilyn Green and Drew McCalley, Scott and Tomi Matthews, David and Georgia Nelson, Sidney Wolinski, and Bob Claffin.

We are VERY honored to have Virginia Ruben and Dick Warmer and Alan Grossman joining the largest plaque size in our donor grove after years of sustained giving and supporting the arts in our community!

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

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

YOU make all the difference!

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 2025, most Gualala Arts activities and programs were enthusiastically supported by community members.

Surf Market sponsors the Wine Tasting and Auction, Art in the Redwoods, and Festival of Trees by giving us products and a hefty check!

Chuckie and the Gualala Super Team really stepped up and paid for ALL our supplies ordered at the Art in the Redwoods BBQ and Garden Dinner, sponsored raffles, awards and are always enthusiastic sponsors.

Woodenhead Vintners and Bed Rock have always been there for us with a "whatever you need – we are happy to help!"

Thanks to these and dozens and dozens of local businesses that support Gualala Arts, including our housing partners Breakers Inn, the Mendocino Stone Ranch, Whale Watch Inn, and several personal vacation homes and home stays.

Sky Fiber and 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 businesses 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 or at the Gualala Arts Center.

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.



The Dolphin Gallery and Gift Shop, situated in the Seacliff Center in downtown Gualala, showcases artwork and handcrafted items from over 50 talented artists.

Promoting public interest and participation in the arts

What fun it is to see artists tramping through our doors, with their newly created paintings and sculptures, kits and tools, ready to show off their latest creations.

Gualala Arts Theater has been a beacon of inspiration and entertainment, dazzling audiences with their spectacular musicals. This year, they wowed us with “Fiddler on the Roof” and “WHAT THE WORLD NEEDS NOW: The Music of Burt Bacharach” under the brilliant direction of Tony Salamone.

Gualala Arts is thrilled to have hosted an incredible array of workshops over the past year. From the iPhone Photography series of workshops brought to us by Susan and Neil Silverman detailing the techniques and tricks of the iPhone Camera, the intricate Chinese Brush Painting with Andrea Allen, Bea Acosta came back to teach “How to make a Pine Needle Basket” and the always popular “Roll Your Own Sushi” workshops with Laura Leigh.

In addition to the time honored Art in the Redwoods and the Gualala Salon and Dolphin Gallery is an excellent opportunity for artists looking to showcase their work, now in its current home at the Seacliff Center in downtown Gualala.

Volunteers

Volunteers are what make our programming happen; 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.

We are always looking for new volunteers. Please call 707.884.1138 or stop by the Gualala Arts Center to sign up. Not only will you join a great team and help a good cause, you may even make some new friends!

Message from the Executive Director

The impact of LOVE never ceases to amaze me!

The tradition of putting this annual Year in Review is inspiring to say the least. Our 15,000 sq ft arts center was buzzing with activity from morning till night, with well over 100 publicized events and close to 2,000 calendared events in 2025.

Speaking of "Tradition!" how about that production of "Fiddler on the Roof"? It was so wonderful to have a cast from ages 8 to 80 on the stage again, tirelessly rehearsing towards the exciting opening night until the final bow at the closing performance's standing ovation. BAVO!

Another highlight of the year for me personally was bringing back our "Arts in the Schools Performances" this year by hosting a Kronos Quartet concert. I know our students will always carry the love that the musicians shared with them.

And of course, our wonderful sendoff concert to Fred Adler by Mads Tolling.

I am humbled by the successful year thanks to many artists, volunteers, sponsors, staff and community members who make up our wonderful 'family by choice' here at Gualala Arts. I thank you from the bottom of my heart with the sincerest love and gratitude for each of you.

Our board of directors, finance and 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 love of the arts, we have certainly met our mission 'to promote public interest and participation in the arts' in 2025.

Leading with love and compassion for ALL of the arts for ALL OF US.

Together WE make all the difference!



David "Sus" Susalla, Executive Director

Pictured: The Kronos Quartet performing for local schoolchildren during the 2025 Art in the Schools performances



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

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

For the third year in a row Gualala Arts gross revenues exceeded the \$1 million dollar mark (including investment income of over \$100K) a wonderful trend indeed!

For 2025, our arts programming earned record high revenues of \$584,122, up from \$502,404 in 2024, \$505,529 in 2023, and \$442,141 in 2022. These program revenues covered about 59% of the needed expenses to run programs. The overhead cost of “keeping the doors open” at Gualala Arts for 2025 is \$1,648, up from \$1,512 in 2024, from \$1,488 in 2023, from \$1,450 in 2022.) This daily cost increase is due to added programming along with annual increases in insurance and rising staffing costs.

Thanks to our patrons and savvy planning by finance committee, staff, and Board of Directors, we were able to cover the costs with new fundraising ideas, sponsors, and donations to finish the year without having to dip into our “rainy day funds” to pay for maintenance and capital expenses in 2025.

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

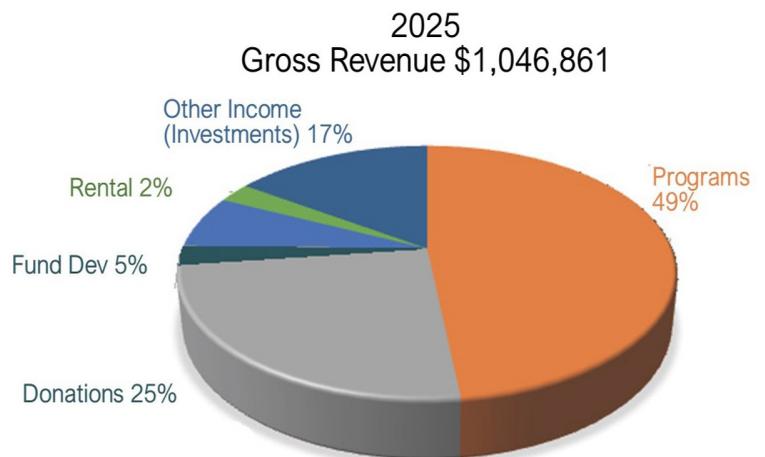
Gualala Arts continues to be a well-run and fiscally prudent organization guided by a visionary Board of Directors, long standing Finance Committee, and dedicated staff.

Pre-CPA Review

Cash (operations and program groups)	\$353,220
Other Current Assets	\$47,730
Operations Reserve Fund	\$273,571
Capital /Building Fund	\$458,523
Endowment Fund (Permanently Restricted)	\$916,266
Building, Land and Equipment	\$1,049,505
Total Assets	\$2,883,405
Liabilities	\$173,671
Restricted Net Assets	\$1,261,995
Unrestricted Net Assets	\$1,447,739
Total Net Assets and Liabilities	\$2,883,405

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 goals

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2025 Honor Roll of Arts Angels

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Art in the Redwoods



66th Annual Art in the Redwoods: Sponsorship Opportunities Thursday - Sunday, August 13-16, 2026

What began among the redwoods on Gualala Ridge in 1961 has grown into a beloved weekend festival drawing thousands of visitors. Art in the Redwoods features fine art from near and far, free entertainment, artist booths, food, music, and the joyful community spirit that defines Gualala Arts. This vibrant event is made possible through the generosity of our sponsors and donors—a heartfelt thank-you to all who support us.

Gualala Arts invites individuals, businesses, and organizations to become sponsors and help ensure the festival's continued success.

Art in the Redwoods Sponsorship Levels

- **Friends** – \$100+
Honorable mention on the website, sponsor posters, official program, and online exhibit; name on VIP Will Call list.
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All Bronze benefits plus logo placement and four “Hats Off” Garden Dinner tickets
- **Gold** – \$2,000+
All Silver benefits plus six “Hats Off” Garden Dinner tickets
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All Gold benefits plus eight “Hats Off” Garden Dinner tickets
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38th Annual Architectural Tour, Wine Tasting & Auction

Saturday, May 9th Architectural Tour 10 am - 3pm , Wine Tasting & Auction 3-5 pm

Each Mother’s Day weekend, the Soroptimist International of Mendocino-Sonoma Coast hosts its signature self-guided Architectural Tour of notable homes in The Sea Ranch, Gualala, and Anchor Bay. While Gualala Arts presents its premier Wine Tasting and Auction featuring award-winning wineries, wine-focused silent auction lots, and a beautiful setting at the Gualala Arts Center following the Architectural Tour. Local wineries and businesses contribute premium auction items—from fine wines and wine-related gifts to lodging, golf packages, and tours—giving guests the chance to bid on exceptional offerings while supporting the arts.

Wine Tasting & Auction Sponsorship Levels

- **Grand Event Sponsor** — \$5,000+
Grand Event Sponsors will receive recognition in all press releases and publicity, a dedicated web page with your logo featured on event materials—including the website, printed program, a banner on Hwy 1, and eight event tickets
- **Platinum** — \$1,500+
Platinum level includes your logo on the Sponsors web page, your name in the printed program, six event tickets, a possible raffle feature, and free booth space if you are invited to pour.
- **Gold** — \$1,000+
Gold level includes your logo on the Sponsors web page, your name in the printed program, four event tickets, a possible raffle feature, and free booth space if you are invited to pour.
- **Silver** — \$500+
Silver level includes your logo on the Sponsors web page, your name in the printed program, two event tickets, and free booth space if you are invited to pour.
- **Bronze** — \$200+
Bronze level includes your name on the Sponsors web page and in the printed program, two event tickets, and free booth space if you are invited to pour.
- **Friends** — Up to \$75
Entry-level supporter recognition



Scan with your camera to sponsor
The Architectural Tour, Wine Tasting & Auction

To become a sponsor scan the QR Code with your camera or send a check payable to
Gualala Arts c/o Wine Tasting & Auction to PO Box 244, Gualala, CA 95445

Membership



Join Gualala Arts

Become part of the Gualala Arts family! Your membership helps keep our doors open and the arts thriving on the Mendocino-Sonoma coast. For more than 65 years, Gualala Arts has celebrated creativity and community. Our debt-free Arts Center—built through volunteer effort and community support on 11 acres generously donated by Gualala Redwoods, Inc.—stands as a testament to what this region can accomplish together.

We are powered by enthusiastic volunteers, generous patrons, innovative artists, musicians, performers, and a small but dedicated professional staff. Each year, thousands of visitors enjoy more than 500 events, exhibits, workshops, lectures, plays, concerts, parties, and gatherings—coming for the art, and staying for the fun.

To become a member and help keep this vibrant creative community growing scan the QR Code with your phone camera or send a check payable to Gualala Arts Membership to PO Box 244, Gualala CA 95445

Membership benefits include:

- Subscription to Sketches newsletter
- Discounts on workshops and classes
- Access to the Arts Center Library and priority facility bookings
- Discount on Ferrellgas propane
- Eligibility for members-only exhibits
- Consignment opportunities at the Dolphin Gallery
- Performance and programming opportunities
- Voting privileges for the Board of Directors
- 10% off all Gualala Arts-branded merchandise
- Optional NARM upgrade for access to 1,500+ museums nationwide



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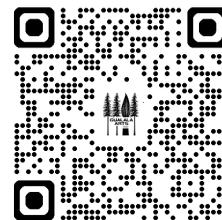
Gualala Arts Chamber Music Series

The Chamber Music Series continues to be a cherished part of Gualala Arts' programming, with regularly sold-out audiences who bring warmth, enthusiasm, and a true love of live classical performance. Hearing internationally acclaimed artists in the intimate setting of Coleman Hall is a rare experience—one that creates a powerful connection between performers and listeners. Artists frequently tell us how much they enjoy playing in our beautiful Coleman Hall, and many eagerly look forward to returning.

Gualala Arts is able to bring you these wonderful artists because of the generosity of donors to the Gualala Arts Chamber Music Series. Ticket sales cover only a portion of artists' fees, and we remain committed to keeping prices affordable so that exceptional music is accessible to the entire Mendocino and Sonoma coastal community. Please consider making a donation to help sustain world-class music programming here on our beautiful stretch of the Northern California coast.

Categories of Giving

- **Contributors** – Gifts up to \$100
- **Friends** – \$100–249
- **Supporters** – \$250–499
- **Patrons** – \$500–999
- **Benefactors** – \$1000–2499
- **Angels** – \$2500 and above



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Gualala Arts Chamber Music Series

Gualala Arts extends heartfelt thanks to our sponsors, whose generosity makes the Chamber Music Series possible and helps sustain both our programming.

Pictured above: Trio Céleste returned to Gualala Arts on April 27, 2025, dazzling audiences with a sweeping program of Barvinsky's A-minor Piano Trio, Martin's Trio sur des mélodies populaires irlandaises, and Smetana's dramatic G-minor Piano Trio

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Message from the President

Dear Members and Friends of Gualala Arts

At the start of 2026, I want to take a moment to reflect on the year that's past and to say what a rare privilege it has been to serve as President of the Gualala Arts Board. In spite of stressful divisions and national and international turmoil, this has been a year of steady growth for our Arts Center, along with ongoing progress regarding maintenance and upkeep of our building and property, not withstanding our still-inflated insurance costs. With the leadership of our Executive Director Sus, whose spirit, energy and astuteness know no bounds, our amazingly productive and hard-working staff, our absolutely astonishing group of volunteers, our active, engaged Board members, and distinguished artists throughout the community, we have not only maintained but advanced our mission to promote public interest and participation in the arts.

To do so, we worked hard on attracting new members to Gualala Arts—and as a result, our membership is up nearly 20% in 2025. Most recently, Gualala Arts has joined the North American Reciprocal Museum Association, which can now give members access to over 1500 museums across all of North America. And as always, we have worked hard on welcoming everyone to the Center through a record-breaking number of events. You may be surprised to learn that this last year your Arts Center mounted 31 art exhibitions, hosted 28 live concerts including Friday night dance parties, offered 16 workshops, and held six special presentations—not to mention Art in the Redwoods, Festival of Trees, musicals *Fiddler on the Roof* and *What the World Needs Now: the Music of Burt Bacharach*, and lots more! But it's you and all our community members who truly bring the Gualala Arts Center to life. Thank you for your keen interest and support, which help make Gualala Arts a vibrant hub for this community and its many visitors.

Our presence, and our success, are deeply indebted to the talented local artists who generously share their creativity with us. Gualala Arts is committed to supporting artists of all levels, ages, and genres: we invite all local artists to present their work at the Center or at our Dolphin Gallery. If you are a local artist have yet to exhibit your work publicly, please consider making Gualala Arts your first choice of venues.

Whether you have been on the Mendonoma Coast for decades or have recently arrived, we hope you will make Gualala Arts a homebase—and we especially welcome your ideas for how we might conceive new programming and events that will reach out to all members of this community. Gualala Arts would not have celebrated its 65th anniversary as a non-profit organization in 2025 without your interest and ongoing support. Thank you!

As I begin this new year, I am looking forward to another twelve months of innovative, thought-stimulating, and just plain FUN programming provided by our Arts Center. And I look forward to seeing you there!

With appreciation, and in solidarity for the arts.



Andrea A Lunsford

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

Programs and Fundraisers planned for 2026:

- 66th Annual Art in the Redwoods & Hats Off in the Garden Dinner
- 38th Annual Architectural Tour, Wine Tasting & Auction
- 22nd Whale & Jazz Series will include Roger Glenn Latin Jazz Ensemble, Benny Amon's New Orleans Pearls and the African Rhythm Quintet
- 20 Art Exhibits in the Burnett Gallery, Jacob Foyer and Coleman Hall
- 12 Dolphin Gallery exhibits
- 6 Chamber Music Series concerts including local favorites Eric Kritz and Friends as well as Helen Kim, Violin; Elizabeth Dorman, Piano
- Workshops and Ongoing Classes including PPQG Quilting Workshops, Gualala Arts Clay Studio, Roll Your Own Sushi with Laura Leigh, Journey Into Drawing For Young Artists with Garbriel Coke, Chinese Brush Painting with Gualala Arts own Andrea Allen
- 34th Annual Studio Discovery Tour
- Festival of Trees Crafts Fair
- Global Harmony Events: Men of Worth, Vox Aurea, African Rhythm Quartet, Windborne
- Gualala Arts Lecture Series
- 2026 Gualala Arts Young Artist Scholarship
- Gualala Arts Theater will present a fall production of The Shadow Box, Michael Cristofer's 1977 Pulitzer Prize- and Tony Award-winning drama
- The Fifth Annual Poetry for Everyone open mic event
- Plus much more



Vox Aurea Renowned Girls Choir from Jyväskylä, Finland is set to perform July 23, 2026



Hearts for the Arts and Volunteer Recognition



Gualala Arts' purpose is "to promote public interest and participation in the arts." Established by our founders many years ago, this mission continues to thrive thanks to a dedicated community of volunteers whose commitment and energy keep our doors open 363 days a year. Volunteers are the heart of Gualala Arts, providing the essential structure, support, and relationships that make every program and event possible. Their ongoing dedication is not only foundational—it is indispensable.



Volunteer of the Year
Frances Coleman



Volunteer of the Century
Bruce Jones

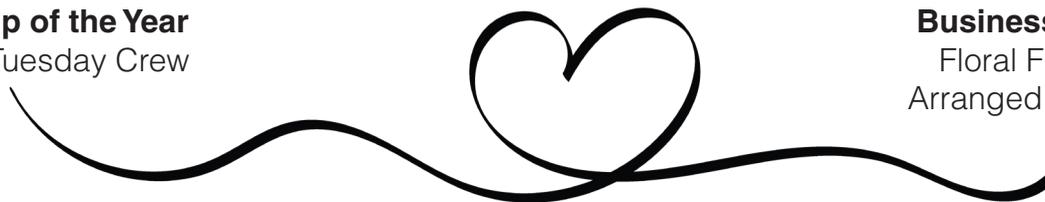


Volunteer of the Decade
Don Krieger

**This year, we are pleased to celebrate these valued volunteers
for their outstanding service to Gualala Arts**

Group of the Year
The Tuesday Crew

Business of the Year
Floral Frenzy Farm
Arranged by Mary Cao



Heartbeat Awards!



Tempra Board, Bill Buechner, Jane Head, Andrea A Lunsford,
Peggy Lavenson, Jane Casner Mothersill, Shawn Tumpney and Tony Salamone,
George Tsaconas, Doug Smith and Perry Hoffman and Mark Quattrocchi



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