



**MONROVIA  
ASSOCIATION OF  
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## NEWSLETTER

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### Arts in Monrovia



"Abandoned Church, Paris"

MAFA artist (and Vice-president) Frank Zgonc currently has 6 pieces hanging at California Wine & Cheese at 115 W. Foothill Bl. Come join him at an artist reception on May 23, 2009 from 5PM to 8:30 PM. Ask for "Artist Red" or "Artist White" to get a value pricing for a glass of fine California wine.

#### *Our Mission*

*"Enhance the lives of those within our community through interaction with the arts. Increase the opportunities of our children through art education."*

### MAFA Honors Joan Whitenack

This year's Renaissance Award will be presented to Joan Whitenack, Executive Director, of the Foothill Unity Center at our Annual Gala event to be held from 7 to 11 PM on Saturday July 11<sup>th</sup> in the 400 Block Art Plaza and Paint 'N' Play. This annual award recognizes an individual in the community who has contributed to Monrovia's cultural betterment and enrichment. We are pleased to honor this well known community humanitarian.

### President's Message

We at MAFA continue to expand our reach to promote local artists. We are in our 6<sup>th</sup> year of revolving art displays at Focus One Community Credit Union and our 4<sup>th</sup> year at Monrovia Coffee Company. Last year MAFA with the assistance of Ron Pettie and Richard Scully (among others) opened the Route 66 Gallery at the Aztec Hotel (Aztec Art Center) as well as creating smaller galleries at the Community Center and City Hall. Thank you to the Aztec Art Center's staff for its tireless efforts!

MAFA has held a fine art show in Monrovia's Library Park since 1964. This year we are expanding the event in collaboration with another art group – Nuvein Foundation for Literature and the Arts – to create a cultural festival in Old Town. We are planning to have entertainment venues throughout Old Town on both days – October 10 & 11, 2009. More details to follow.

MAFA supports other art groups as well. Check out LACMA's ArtWalk on May 30. Four museums, thirty galleries, all free. After Party requires tickets. See: <http://www.lacma.org/support/Muse.aspx#AW+AP>

### MAFA Website Fundraiser

MAFA links Blick art materials on the bottom of its home page. Check out the banner headline: *Here's a special MAFA fundraiser for our school programs! Every time you purchase materials through the link below, MAFA will receive a 10 percent commission. Thanks!* This is a great way to purchase art supplies and help local schools' art programs.

### Upcoming Events:

➤ 6/9/09	Regular MAFA Meeting	7:00 - 8:30 PM	Paint 'N' Play
➤ 6/27/09	Old Town Monrovia Art Walk	7:00 - 10:00 PM	South Myrtle @ Colorado
➤ 7/11/09	MAFA Renaissance Gala	7:00 - 11:00 PM	400 Block Art Plaza
➤ 7/14/09	Regular MAFA Meeting	7:00 - 8:30 PM	Paint 'N' Play
➤ 7/25/09	Old Town Monrovia Art Walk	7:00 - 10:00 PM	South Myrtle @ Colorado
➤ 8/11/09	Regular MAFA Meeting	7:00 - 8:30 PM	Paint 'N' Play
➤ 8/29/09	Old Town Monrovia Art Walk	7:00 - 10:00 PM	South Myrtle @ Colorado