

## MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

Since our last newsletter, the Cloverdale Arts Alliance continues to work hard bringing the arts to Cloverdale. The Gallery program is up and running and it continues to attract art lovers. We've had a variety of shows featuring the art of local artists and we'll continue to do so. Our next show will center around the anniversary of the Summer of Love, in conjunction with the upcoming First Annual Cloverdale Film Festival. See more about these events in this newsletter. We've just come off our 5<sup>th</sup> year of Friday Night Live, where we have continued to bring an eclectic mix of musical genres to the Plaza.

We have two exciting programs scheduled for the fall. We'll have another opportunity October 27<sup>th</sup> to visit the wonderful Oliver Ranch in Geyserville where we'll be able to see Steve Oliver's world class collection of installation sculpture. Sign up soon for tickets before they all go.

It's been a couple of years since we brought theatre to Cloverdale. We're still ironing out the details but mark your calendars for November 10<sup>th</sup> when we'll be bringing the Sebastopol Reps' production of "Tuesdays with Morrie" to town.

The Arts Alliance board and our volunteers have been working really hard to bring you these events. However, we need your help. We're looking for volunteers for all sorts of positions from gallery sitting to publicity, communications, occasional manual labor and helping out at events. It's a terrific way to meet people and help in the mission of bringing art to Cloverdale and improving the quality of life for all. If you think you can help out in any way, big or small, please stop by the Center For The Arts, email us at [info@cloverdaleartsalliance.org](mailto:info@cloverdaleartsalliance.org), or call us at 894-4410.

In closing, I'd like to thank you all for your support and interest in art in our community. Without the support of our members, none of our programs would be worthwhile.

Beth McEnergy, President CAA

## Cloverdale's 1st Annual Film Festival



Submitted by Bill Lambert, Program Director

The 1st Annual Cloverdale Film Festival, a tribute to the 1967 Summer of Love, is set to kick off a three day run on Friday, September 14<sup>th</sup>. The Opening Night Reception at the Veteran's Hall will include wine, beer, food grazing and lots of grooving to the top musical hits of the late Sixties. Revelers are encouraged to dig out old hip clothes and bring pictures of those good old yester years. Prizes will be awarded for best costumes and the winner of the Who's Who Photo contest.

The Saturday program will include morning and afternoon lectures/discussions in the Library Conference Room about the movies, pop music performers and the culture of the Sixties. Afternoon and evening showings of "A Hard Day's Night" at the Clover Cinema promise to delight viewers, young and old as well as providing an example of how filmmaking innovations of the period led to the creation of the MTV format of entertainment.

On Sunday, our Family Night in City Plaza will get started with a smile provoking performance of musical selections from Hair by the Young Performers Theater Group from the Cloverdale Performing Arts Center. The CPAC kids will mingle with the audience to hand out flowers and encourage all to join in singing the ever popular *Aquarius*. Shortly after dusk, Herbie, The Love Bug, will pop up on the outdoor screen, to amuse and entertain us with his lovable antics on the race track and the streets of San Francisco. This promises to be a real five star night.

Getting a start-up festival up and running in a short time this year was a major task. We had some good ideas about putting together a brief, but meaningful, program, and a whole lot of enthusiastic and professional support from our CAA Board, Festival Founding Board and Festival Planning Committee. The City of Cloverdale was extremely supportive and we thank them for their enthusiasm and sponsorship.

We also thank all of you in the community who have worked to make this festival a reality and hope that you enjoy the various events. As we look ahead to the 2nd Annual Film Festival in 2008, we encourage you to join us in planning, presenting and attending another informative and entertaining program.

# ANOTHER GREAT SEASON FOR FRIDAY NIGHT



We have just concluded another successful season of *Friday Night Live*, the series of ten Friday evening concerts in the Cloverdale Plaza. This was the fifth season for this event, and, as evidenced by the size and enthusiasm of the crowds, its popularity keeps growing. Every Friday night the Plaza becomes the gathering place for the town. It's not just music, it's an event--a chance for friends and neighbors to get together.



The Arts Alliance's objective is to bring something unique to the community--a smorgasbord of sounds and musical genres, representing the diversity of interests and tastes in our area. Stompy Jones got the series off on the right foot on June 22nd with their smoking swing music, getting many folks up and dancing. The musical journey continued with African beat, Indian fusion, brass Balkan, Latino salsa, classical and jazz, creole rock, flamenco music and dance, and the sound of Roma gypsies. Brazilian sambas and bossa novas brought the series to a lively conclusion on August 24th.

As always, *Friday Night Live* depends upon countless hours of service by a dedicated group of volunteers. Thanks for all of those hours! It won't be too long before we start the work for season #6, and volunteers with all talents are invited to lend a hand. Call 894-4410.

## FIRST STREET GALLERY UPDATE

A lot of great things are happening at the First Street Gallery! The current exhibit is called "Summer of Love" in celebration of the 40th Anniversary of the Summer of Love in San Francisco, and the First Annual Cloverdale Film Festival on September 14th - 16th. Come in and check out many of the artists' new works, including several period specific pieces from 1967. This exhibit will run through the end of September.

It will be followed by a new exhibit on October 3rd titled "Crush", with an opening reception on October 6th.

The final exhibit of this year will open in mid-November just in time to welcome in the Holidays. You can start thinking about the excellent gift possibilities, from ceramics to sculptures, from paintings & pastels to prints, and so much more. But don't feel you have to wait. Come in every month and see what our local artisans have created for you. You may just find a special gift for you or for someone special to you. And bring a friend or the family, because Art is for everyone!

Those who participated in "Buy the Running Foot" last October will be glad to hear it's coming around again, but will be held this coming February. This event is a month-long fundraiser which is open to anyone who wishes to purchase wall space 'by the linear foot' in the First Street Gallery to display and sell their own artwork or crafts. More information will be provided at a later date.

Finally, when the Gallery Artists aren't working on their own artwork, some have been working with our kids at the local Boys & Girls Club. The children have been very responsive, as we once again work to make Art the Heart of the Community!

## OLIVER RANCH TOUR

*If you missed it last time, you have another chance to tour the much acclaimed Oliver Ranch in Geyserville on Saturday, October 27. Nestled in the heart of the Alexander Valley, this 100 acre ranch is one of the country's premiere private reserves for site-specific art. Over the past 20 years, Steve and Nancy Oliver have commissioned 18 works that rise up over the rolling hills of the ranch's landscape. The tour is like a hike in the woods, covering approximately 2.5 miles, and is not wheelchair accessible.*

*Departure time for the tour is 9:00 am from the Cloverdale Center for the Arts, with a return time of approximately 2:00 pm. The Oliver Ranch is not open to the public, which makes this an exclusive tour. The cost is \$75 per person for members, which includes lunch and transportation. It is recommended that you reserve your spot as soon as possible. Reservations are accepted by phone at 894-4410 or by email: [info@cloverdaleartsalliance.org](mailto:info@cloverdaleartsalliance.org) or at the First Street Gallery at the Cloverdale Center for the Arts located at 105 E. First Street. This was a very popular event last time and space is limited.*

# DISCOVERING ART

## CAA announces second series of Art Appreciation Classes

Submitted by Ron Siegmund

The Cloverdale Arts Alliance proudly announces the upcoming **DISCOVERING ART** series, titled "Museum Masterpieces: "The Louvre". This three month program of art appreciation classes will explore and examine the artistic treasures housed in the famed Parisian museum.

Classes will be held at 8 pm on the first and third Wednesday of every month at the Cloverdale Arts Alliance's First Street Gallery (105 E. First St., Cloverdale, CA). The first class will be September 19th, and the lectures are titled, "Palace to Museum-The Story of the Louvre" and "Leonardo and the Origins of the Collection".

Each evening will feature two DVDs presented by Professor Richard Brettell, a prominent art historian, with a short informal discussion following each. The class will conclude at 9:30 pm, and refreshments will be served.

In order to reimburse the Arts Alliance for the expenses of administration and refreshments, a donation (\$3 per class for CAA members, \$5 for non-members) will be requested. Seating is limited to the first 40 participants.

This is the second series of **DISCOVERING ART** classes offered by the Cloverdale Arts Alliance. The first, "The History of Impressionism" was a great success. **DISCOVERING ART** is meant for a wide audience, both for those who are first discovering art, as well as those who have experienced art their entire lives, and realize that it is a journey of constant discovery.



## Discovering Art

**When:** 8pm, 1st & 3rd  
Wednesdays

**Starting:** Sept 19

**Where:** First St. Gallery

**Cost:** \$3 CAA members  
\$5 Non members

## NIGHT WRITERS TELL THE TALE

By Connie Sue Deason

*But words are things, and a small drop of ink,  
Falling, like dew, upon a thought, produces  
That which makes thousands, perhaps millions, think.*

-Lord Byron

[www.wisdomquotes.com/002337.html](http://www.wisdomquotes.com/002337.html)

Who would have guessed that in the small town of Cloverdale exists a group of talented, dynamic artists who are united by their passion in the craft of writing? In less than a year the newly formed **Night Writers** literary group has created a safe, open space for writers to share their works in progress. Aspiring novelists, reporters, essayists, poets, and *closet* writers meet once a month to read their work and give and receive feedback on a variety of pieces.

During May's *Boulevard of the Arts* festival, the **Night Writers** gave their first public reading at the Cloverdale Center for the Arts. The event was an inspirational success! Before a standing room only audience, the writers shared insightful, humorous, and intensely provocative pieces of their work. A warm, appreciative audience of listeners added to the thoughtful ambiance of Cloverdale's first *local* writers' reading.

Since that time, the group has added two new members and continues to meet the first Monday of every month at 7:00 p.m. at the Cloverdale Center for the Arts. Presently the group is full, but there is a waiting list available for anyone who is seriously interested in becoming a part of the **Night Writers**. You may Contact Christi Coursey at 894-4395 to receive more information.

## "REAL FLICKS" TO ENTER FOURTH YEAR

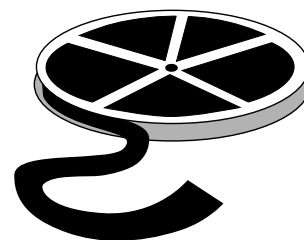
By Jim Nameny

It seems like just yesterday that we were getting the "Real Flicks" independent film series off the ground. We will soon be entering the fourth year of this series, which brings Cloverdale alternatives to the standard Hollywood blockbuster films.

"The Last King of Scotland", "Miss Potter" and "Away From Her" are just some of the titles recently shown. We encourage you to check the CAA web-site for future bookings, and we always welcome any suggestions from our movie-goers.

"Real Flicks" is held at Clover Cinemas on the second Monday and Tuesday of every month, and another movie is shown the fourth Monday and Tuesday, (always at 7 pm). At the conclusion of the Tuesday showing, we form an informal discussion group that now gathers at the Center for the Arts, just a few doors down from the theater. Local movie buff, Bill Lambert, facilitates the discussions, and wine is available at a very reasonable price.

Come join in the fun,  
and let us hear your  
opinions about each film.



## Upcoming Events:

***"Summer of Love" Film Festival***

September 14 – 16

***Oliver Ranch Tour*** – October 27

***Theater "Tuesdays with Morrie"***

November 10

***Discovering Art Series*** - Starts 9/19

1st & 3rd Wednesdays 8-9:30pm

***Real Flicks***

2nd & 4th Monday and Tuesday 7pm

***Night Writers*** – 1st Monday

***First Street Gallery***

September - ***"Summer of Love"***

October – ***"Crush"***

November – ***Holiday Show***

***\*\*Coming in February\*\****

***Buy the Running Foot***

## MEMBERSHIP NEWS

The Cloverdale Arts Alliance would like to thank all of you who have renewed your membership this last quarter and we welcome the following new members:

Bob Leonard  
Larry Reynolds and Joan Ewart  
Sandy Erickson  
Julia Terr  
Catherine Stewart-Chapman  
Elizabeth Tregoning  
Geoffrey Reily and Dawn Bruckner  
B.J. Martin  
Ann Thrupp  
Bill Adams and Louise Young  
Karen Cox  
Francesca Giacalone  
Michael Mazzanti  
Mary Ardell  
Alice Romain

If your membership has expired in the last few months, please take a minute and send a check in the addressed envelope that accompanied your renewal letter and continue supporting the Arts in Cloverdale. Your membership and interest really makes a difference!

## BECOME A MEMBER!



Single Senior or Student  
\$20

Individual/Family  
\$35

Business  
\$100

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Please contact me about volunteering

I am an artist

Please contact me about joining the Artist Registry

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