



FREMONT FOCUS
Calendar of Cultural Events

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President’s Message:

You will notice some changes to the format of the Fremont Focus. It’s my hope that this change will let you find information about local groups and arts events more quickly and more accurately. Why are we making these changes? There’s so much going on in the local art world that it’s hard to capture it all, and in the internet age, it’s best to rely on the web sites of local arts organizations to provide you with the most up-to-date information for their own events. Accordingly, we are stepping away from having a day-by-day calendar of all local arts events and instead have created as comprehensive a list of local organizations as possible, complete with their web addresses and current contact information. Your comments about this change and suggestions are welcomed!

In other changes, we have been pleased to welcome some new faces to our volunteer staff, including Shilpa Patel, who has taken on the daunting task of following in the footsteps of long-time Focus editor, Doris Green. Thanks to our pleading, Doris is still doing much for the arts and the FCAC, and she asks me to mention that anyone who would like to volunteer 3 hours, once a month to staff the office, please call!

Just room for a quick mention of the recent wonderful Fremont Symphony Orchestra Children’s Concert, which was held at Ohlone’s Epler Gym March 20th. 800 students and their teachers from local schools enjoyed a free concert of Prokofiev’s Peter and the Wolf, narrated by Fremont Mayor Lily Mei, complete with costumed dancers from Yoko’s Dance and Performing Arts Academy--the wonderful young violinist (just turned 8 years old!) Miss Ava Pakiam playing Mozarts Second Violin Concerto with the full symphony, and honors went to the 8 students whose original compositions were arranged for full symphony by Mark Volkert. It’s thanks to you that the FCAC is able to support this fine arts event and others, free to the public!

President - FCAC

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FREMONT FOCUS: Deadline for the **Fall/Winter Focus is August 1, 2018.** Send news to P.O. Box 1314, Fremont, CA 94538, or call 510.794.7166.

FREMONT COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES CENTER is open weekdays between 11 a.m. and 2 p.m. (except holidays) at 3375 Country Drive, Fremont. We are looking for friends to staff the office. Please call 510-794-7166 if you can help.

THE SIXTH ANNUAL FLASH FICTION WRITING COMPETITION will be held at Half Price Books at the Hub on Saturday, September 22nd. Stories of 300 word or less that are submitted via mail or email will be posted for reading and voting that day. Details will be available on the FCAC website later this summer.

PHOTO EXHIBIT 2018, sponsored by **FCAC** and **FREMONT PHOTOGRAPHIC SOCIETY** held it's juried exhibit on March 24. People's Choice Winner: Life's a Beach by **Muvafika Mohammed**. President's Award: Kenya-Zebra Horses by **Sree Alavattam**. All accepted photos will be displayed through **April 21** on the second floor of the **Fremont Main Library**.

ARTS

FREMONT ART ASSOCIATION (FAA) – 37697 Niles Blvd, Fremont 510.792.0905
Exhibit hours: Tuesday – 11 to 3, Thursday 1 – 4, and Friday-Sunday, 11 a.m. to 5 p.m.

FAA's 1st Quarter Show runs through **Sunday, April 8, 2018.**

FAA holds general meetings on the first Wednesday of each month. The community is invited to attend the short meeting followed by a demonstration given by a local artist. The **April 4th** time and artist is TBA. Check their website at fremontartassociation.org for information.

The gallery is open **Tuesdays** from **11 to 3 p.m.** for **Tuesday Painters**. There is no formal instruction, but many experienced painters attend. The gallery is also open on **Thursdays 1 to 4 p.m.** for the **Fiber Arts Group**, attended by experienced knitters, crocheters and stitchers.

Drawing, oil painting, photo classes and more, are offered by **Nancy Benton, Tetiana Taganska and Veronica Shimanovakaya**, and include children's art classes taught by **Mrs. Jem and Tetiana Taganska**. Contact the gallery and the [website](#) for times and costs.

OLIVE HYDE ART GALLERY (OHAG), 123 Washington Blvd, 510.791.4357
Exhibit Hours: Thursday through Sunday, 12:00 to 5 p.m.

The New Horizons: Landscapes of our Present, a Watercolor Exhibit, continues through **April 28.**

May 11- June 9, OHAG presents **Hidden Treasures/Local Talent**. A public reception, hosted by the **Olive Hyde Art Guild**, will be held on **Friday, May 18 from 7 – 9 p.m.** Visitors can meet and greet the artists while enjoying wine and sweets.

FREMONT FESTIVAL OF THE ARTS will be held on **August 4th and 5th** from **10a.m. to 6p.m.** More information can be found here: <http://www.fremontfestival.net/>

DRAMA
BROADWAY WEST THEATRE
4000 Bay Street, Fremont,
510.683.9218
www.broadwaywest.org

ANTIGONE, the classic Greek tragedy by Jean Anouilh, continues through **April 14th**.

Broadway West Theater Company will be closing after their final show, **Love, Sex, and the Boxer's Daughter**, which will run from **May 11- June 9th**. More information about the closure from Paula and Mary can be found on the Broadway West website. They will be much missed by local theater fans.

Made-Up Theatre, an improv group, will inhabit the space and continue to promote theater and arts in Fremont. They are planning to include full-length plays in their line-up at the new-to-them Bay Street location later this summer. They perform every weekend and offer classes during the week at 3392 Seldon Court (off Osgood) in Fremont. For more information, visit their website: <https://madeuptheatre.com/>

STAGE ONE THEATRE
Newark Memorial High School
www.stage1theatre.org

HAIRSPRAY will open **July 6**, at the **Ohlone College Outdoor Amphitheatre, 43600 Mission Blvd., Fremont**. This Tony Award-winning musical will continue through **July 21**. Tickets may be purchased at the door - \$30 for adults, \$27 for seniors and college students with ID, and \$15 for youth 17 and under. Visit the [website](#) for ticketing options.

STARSTRUCK THEATRE
www.starstrucktheatre.org

Starstruck presents **The Hunchback of Notre Dame** at Ohlone College Smith Center, 43600 Mission Blvd., Fremont. The production is currently in pre-production. Anticipated performance dates are **July 27 – August 12, 2018** Contact the box office at 510.659.1319 or check [website](#) for ticket information.

Starstruck Summer Camp will feature **The Lion King Jr** and **Aladdin**. Performance dates are **July 13-15**. More information on the [website](#).

HIGH SCHOOL PERFORMANCES

American High School will present **All Shook Up** **April 18-22** and **27-28**.

Irvington High School will present **Fiddler On The Roof** **April 13-15, 19-20, and 22**. **A Play in a Day** will be held **May 18th at 3pm** and **May 19 at 10p.m.** Watch for details at <http://www.ihsdrama.com>.

HISTORY

THE ALAMEDA COUNTY HISTORY DAY annual competition was held Saturday, March 17 at Edna Brewer Middle School in Oakland. This is part of year-long nationwide project. Local students chose a specific subject within a given category for the year, do original research, develop and give a presentation on their chosen subject. Winners of the county event then go on to compete at the state and national level.

FCAC Board member Al Minard judged junior high group Documentaries at the county level this year. He was quite impressed with the quality and depth of research done, as well as with the presentations. There were 80 projects with 130 students participating in Alameda County this year. 4th and 5th grade students entered either as individuals or in groups of up to 5 students. Junior and senior high students presented projects in five categories: Individual Historical Paper, Individual or Group Museum Exhibit, Individual or group Documentary, Individual or group Performance, or individual or group Website. Per Al, out of the 41 projects that advanced to the California State Competition in Rocklin in May, 16 projects came from Fremont with two runner-ups (in case one of the winners could not make it). This is a great showing for our students in Fremont! The theme this year was Conflict and Compromise in History, next year's theme is Triumph and Tragedy in History. Regretfully there were no winners from either Newark or Union City this year. The 2018 National History Day Contest will be held June 10-14, 2018 at the University of Maryland, College Park, Maryland.

MISSION PEAK HERITAGE FOUNDATION

<http://www.missionpeakreporter.org/>

Mission Peak meets for their Board meetings on the third Sunday of each month at 11:30 AM at the Shinn House Archive room, not the third Thursday.

WASHINGTON TOWNSHIP MUSEUM AND HISTORICAL SOCIETY

<http://museumoflocalhistory.org/>

UPCOMING HISTORIC WALKING TOURS (Saturdays, 11a.m.)

April 21: Alvarado, led by **Tim Swenson** – **Alvarado Elementary School**, 31100 Fredi St., Union City

May 5: Niles, led by **David Kiehn** at the **Essanay Film Museum**, 37417 Niles Blvd, Fremont

June 16: Irvington, led by **Caroline Harris** at **Irvington Monument at Five Corners**, Fremont

July 14: Newark, led by **Anthony Guzman** in front of **Watkins Hall** at the corner of Thornton and Ash

July 18: Decoto Bike Tour, led by **Tim Swenson** at the parking lot of **Dry Creek/ Pioneer Regional Park**, located at the end of May Road (near Whipple and Mission Blvd), Union City

ARTS & CRAFTS IN SHINN PARK – August 19

Local artists and will display, demonstrate, and sell their artwork at this day-long (10 a.m. to 4 p.m.) event. Music, guided tours of the historic Shinn House, and an FCAC booth featuring the STEAM (Science, Technology, Engineering, Arts, and Mathematics) initiative will be present. Admission to the grounds for this event is FREE. No charge for enjoying the art, music, dancing, or view. Food and tours require a nominal charge. Contact **Al Minard** at alminard@comcast.net for more information.

MUSIC

FREMONT SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA - YOUNG ARTIST COMPETITION was held on January 6-7. The Phyllis Merrifield Award (First Prize) was awarded to Eunha Kim, 17, from Campbell, who performed the Sibelius Violin Concerto. Second Prize was awarded to both Joseph Wong, 17, of Cupertino, who performed the Tchaikovsky Violin Concerto, and Sharon Yuan, 15, from Moraga, who played Bruch's First Violin Concerto. The Nafisa Taghioff Award went to Grace Huh, 15, from San Jose, who played

Ravel's Tzigane. The 2019 Young Artist Competition will be for all orchestral instruments other than violin, viola, cello and bass - that is, woodwinds, brass, percussion, piano and harp. More information can be found at <http://fremontsymphony.org/young-artist-competitions/>

FREMONT SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA will present **The Power of Seven**. Throughout history, the number seven has been associated with mystery, perfection and alchemy. Discover the power of seven through these rarely performed gems on **April 7** at 7:30PM at the **Irvington Presbyterian Church**, 4181 Irvington Avenue. On **May 5**, the Orchestra will present **Transcendence and Transfiguration** at the **Prince of Peace Lutheran Church**, 38451 Fremont Blvd.

MUSIC AT THE MISSION is a classical chamber music series which presents performances in historic Old Mission San Jose in Fremont. Upcoming events include the **Buccaneer's Ball (4/13)**, a benefit for Music at the Mission at the Newark Double Tree Hotel, and **All Strings Attached (5/11)**, a daring program of large-scale works. **ChamberFest Live!** is a 2-week summer intensive chamber music festival for gifted young musicians, ages 9-18. For applications, email Dr. Katherine Lee at Klee@musicatmsj.org

SUMMER CONCERT SERIES – <http://www.fremont.gov/290/Summer-Concert-Series>
Fremont Recreation Services will present the following performers for their annual FREE summer concert series held at the Central Park Pavilion off Paseo Padre on Thursday evenings, between 6:00 and 8:00 pm.

July 12	Majestic Journey	Journey Tribute
July 19	Pop Fiction	80s Hits, 70s Disco & more!
July 26	Tortilla Soup	Latin Funk & More
August 2	Rock Skool	80's Rock
August 9	Kenny Metcalf	Elton John Early Years
August 16	East Bay Mudd	Big Horn Band Playin' R&B Hits

LEAGUE OF VOLUNTEERS – LOV NEWARK

LOV along with the **The Newark Arts Council** present the **Sunday Afternoon Arts Series**. Upcoming shows include **Sister Swing Vocal Trio** on **April 8** and **Gator Nation Band – Cajun, Zydeco & New Orleans R&B** on **May 20**. All shows are at **2p.m.** at the **Multipurpose Auditorium, Thornton Junior High School, Fremont**

MISSION PEAK WIND SYMPHONY – www.missionpeakwinds.org

May 27 – **Mission Peak Wind Symphony** presents a commissioned composition by **Dr. Xi Wang**. Performances will be in the Buffington Center for the Arts at Chabot College, 25555 Hesperian Blvd., Hayward. Free admission/open seating. Doors open at 7:00 p.m.

MUSIC AT THE MISSION – www.musicatmsj.org

April 13 -- 2018 Mission Masquerade Buccaneers Ball will be held on **Friday, April 13th 6PM** at the **DoubleTree Hotel in Newark, CA**. This year's special honoree and champion of the arts and culture in the Tri-City Area is the Niles Rotary Club of Fremont and Volunteer of the Year, Katherine Lee. The Buccaneers Ball helps to support Music at the Missions performances, music education, community outreach and summer music festival for aspiring young musicians, ChamberFest.

Dress is formal or Buccaneer-inspired costume.
Tickets are \$125 or \$1000 for a Table for 10.

May 11 – All Strings Attached

Symphonic in scale, Music at the Mission will shake the roof off of Old Mission San Jose as the Chamber Players perform this bold program of large-scale works.

COMMUNITY

The Art Community brings us beauty and peace, but so does Mother Nature. The East Bay Regional Park District invites you to observe natural beauties like butterflies, birds, and lady bugs through guided and self-guided tours. Full schedule can be found here: <http://www.ebparks.org/>. Call 1-888-327-2757 for information.

MEETINGS

AAUW (Fremont Branch American Association of University Women) advances equity for women and girls through advocacy, philanthropy, education and research. AAUW is one of the world's largest sources of funding for graduate women (Masters and PhDs). Membership is open to anyone holding an associate's (or equivalent, e.g. RN), a bachelor's or higher degree from a regionally accredited college or university. Men are welcome to join. Visit Fremont.ca.aauw.net.

ALL ART SUMMIT - Representatives of local arts organizations will meet at the FCAC offices, 3375 Country Drive, on Monday, April 30th, starting at 5pm. This is your chance to meet, mingle and find out what's happening in the Fremont art scene! Light refreshments will be served.

CASTRO VALLEY MINERAL & GEM SOCIETY, located at 20948 A Corsair Blvd., Hayward, CA 94545-1002. Phone 510.887.9007 or e-mail norm2@earthlink.net

FREMONT AREA WRITERS – Do you have “the write stuff”? Then join Fremont Area Writers, the centennial branch of the California Writers Club The branch embraces a community of writers from the Fremont, Hayward, Newark, Union City, and Milpitas areas. The writers' group meets on the **4th Saturday** of the month, 2–4 p.m. at DeVry University, 6600 Dumbarton Circle in Fremont. Guests are welcome. Information: <http://www.cwc-fremontareawriters.org/> or contact **Shirley Ferrante** at **510.791.8639**.

FREMONT ART ASSOCIATION, 37697 Niles Blvd., Fremont, meets at the Gallery at 7:00 p.m. on the first Wednesday of each month. After a brief meeting, guest artists present a 1 1/2 hour program. The gallery is open Tuesday 11 a.m. to 3 p.m., Thursday 1 to 4 p.m.; and Friday through Sunday, 11:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. There are many classes in oil and watercolor painting offered. For information, **call 510.792.0905** or visit www.FremontArtAssociation.org.

FREMONT CULTURAL ARTS COUNCIL BOARD meets at 7:00 p.m. on the fourth Thursday of each month at **Fremont Community Activities Center**, 3375 Country Drive, Fremont. For info, call 510.794.7166.

FREMONT FRIENDS OF THE LIBRARY BOOK SALES will be held July 21-23 at the Old Main Library on Paseo Padre.

FREMONT FROSTERS CAKE DECORATORS CLUB, www.fremontfrosters.com, has promoted enjoyment of cake decorating art for 45 years. Membership is open to all levels. The club meets the 2nd Monday each month at Christ the King Lutheran Church, 1301 Mowry Ave., Fremont.. **Call 510.794.7002**.

FREMONT GARDEN CLUB meets the third Wednesday each month, February through October, in members' homes and gardens, 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. Visit the Fremont Garden Clubs' web site at www.fremontgardenclub.org or email: fremontgardenclub@hotmail.com.

FREMONT KIWANIS meets on the 1st and 3rd Tuesday mornings at 7:00 a.m., and on the 2nd and 4th Tuesdays at 6:30 p.m., in the Doubletree by Hilton. Guests are always welcome. For information, call **510.693.4524**, **Elise Bagley**, or visit www.kiwanisfremont.org.

FREMONT PHOTOGRAPHIC SOCIETY meets the second and fourth Wednesdays of each month (November and December meetings may be changed) – 7:30 p.m. at **Fremont Community Activities Center**, 3375 Country Drive, Fremont.

FREMONT STAMP CLUB meets the second Thursday of each month, 7:00 p.m., at the **Fremont Community Activities Center**, 3375 Country Drive, Fremont. Info: www.fremontstampclub.org or Dave – 510.487.5288. All are welcome.

FREMONT SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA GUILD meets the first Tuesday of each month, 7:30 p.m. at the **Fremont Community Activities Center**, 3375 Country Drive, Fremont. Contact Barbara – blgorsuch@att.net or call 510.673.0085.

FREMONT YOUTH SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA, an avenue for young, grade 6 to 12, string, brass, woodwind or percussion musicians. Rehearsals are held in Cole Hall on the campus of the First United Methodist Church. Contact info: youth@fremontsymphony.org. or call 510-936-0570.

FRIENDS OF HEIRLOOM FLOWERS, FREMONT GARDEN CLUB, is a nonprofit organization dedicated to the preservation and maintenance of Fremont Historical Park and to the art of gardening. Monthly meetings are at 10:00 a.m. on the third Wednesday, 1251 Peralta Blvd., Fremont, and may include speakers, demonstrations and tours. Interested gardeners are welcome and Club membership is not required. Garden Parties are from 10 a.m. to noon on **Tuesdays at the Shinn Historical Park and Arboretum**, 1251 Peralta Blvd., Fremont.. Community service credit is available for students. **Call Joyce – 510.659.9396, for information.** .

LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS is a non-partisan political organization that encourages the informed and active participation of citizens in government. We work to increase understanding of major policy issues and to influence public policy through education and advocacy. The League sponsors monthly meetings and maintains an office in the Fremont Community Activities Center, 3375 Country Drive, Fremont. For more info about meetings or how to join the League, visit on the web <http://www.lwvfnc.org>., e-mail webmaster@wvfnuc.org., call **510.794.5783**, or write to **LWVFNUC, P.O. Box 3218, Fremont, CA 94539**.

LIONS CLUB – DAWN BREAKERS meets from 6:45 a.m. 1st and 3rd Thursday – El Patio Restaurant, 37311 Fremont Blvd., Fremont, Baturay Yaman, President. Guests are always welcome as well as former Lions Club members and those who have recently moved to our area and would like to transfer. For information, call **510.371.4065** or e-mail DawnBreakersLionsClub@Gmail.com

MISSION PEAK FLY ANGLERS, a Fly Fishing Club founded in 1976, meets monthly to “**Promote, Protect, Teach and Practice the Art of Fly Fishing**”. Meetings are held on the fourth Wednesday of each month, 6:30-9:00 p.m., at the Silliman Center, Silliman Community Room, 6800 Mowry Avenue, Newark, C For more information, call **510.792.8291** or visit <http://www.missionpeakflyanglers.org>.

MISSION PEAK FLY ANGLERS (continued) Fly tying sessions are held on the 3rd Wednesday of each month at the Fremont Community Activities Center, 3375 Country Drive, Fremont, CA.-7:00 – 9:00 p.m. For more information visit <http://www.missionpeakflyanglers.org>. Call **510.792.8291**.

MISSION PEAK HERITAGE FOUNDATION holds their monthly Board meeting on the third Sunday of each month at 11:30 a.m. in the Shinn House Archive room at Shinn Park, 1251 Peralta Blvd., Fremont. Tours of the James C. Shinn Estate follow from 1:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m, and also on the first Wednesday of each month from 1 to 3 p.m. The Hummingbird and Butterfly Garden, sponsored by Friends of Heirloom Flowers and the Audubon Society, and the George M. Kato Gardens are located on the estate.

MUSEUM OF LOCAL HISTORY, located at 190 Anza Street, Fremont, (in the Mission San Jose District) is open every Wednesday and Friday, and the second weekend (Saturday and Sunday) of each month, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Phone: 623-7907 (510). For more information, Email: info@museumoflocalhistory.org. **Volunteers are needed.**

MUSIC FOR MINORS II is a nonprofit music enrichment program, since 1988 keeping music in pre-school through elementary classrooms. Community volunteers are trained by MFMII to become music docents who share singing/signing songs, rhythmic movement/dance, instrumentation, and listening appreciation to over 5000 children weekly. Classroom teachers are in-serviced as docents and integrate music into the core curriculum. Become a MFMII music docent, board member, or sponsor of our community concerts or training. Call 510.733.1189, zillic45@gmail.com or visit www.musicforminors2.org.

NILES DEPOT MUSEUM, 37592 Niles Blvd., in Niles Plaza, Fremont, is open to public 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. first and third Sunday of each month. Admission is free, 510-797-4449.

NILES ESSANAY SILENT FILM MUSEUM board meets monthly at 37395 Niles Blvd., Fremont. Call (510) 796-1940 for additional information. The Museum Store is open Saturday noon to 4 p.m. and Sundays 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. or at the 7:30 p.m. Saturday Evening shows. The Museum has silent films every Saturday night from 7:30 to about 10 p.m. The cost is usually \$7.00 per person.

ROTARY CLUBS

FREMONT Wed. 12:15 p.m. Spin-a-Yarn Restaurant, Fremont
WARM SPRINGS SUNRISE: Wed. 7:15 a.m. Fremont Senior Center, 40086 Paseo Padre Pkwy. Fre.
F.U.N.: Thurs. 7:00 p.m. La Quinta Hotel, 46200 Landing Pkwy. Fremont
MISSION SAN JOSE: Fri. 12:15 p.m. Papillon Restaurant, 37296 Mission Blvd., Fremont
NEWARK: Tues. 12:15 p.m., Beck's Farmhouse, 36665 Cedar Blvd., Newark
NILES: Thurs. 12:15 p.m. Washington Hospital West, 2500 Mowry Ave. Fremont

TOASTMASTERS INTERNATIONAL CLUBS:

F.U.N. Club Monday, 7-9 p.m. Kaiser complex, Niles Bldg. Paseo Padre Pkwy Fremont
Call 510.498.1163
STARSEARCH Wed. 7 p.m. Centerville Library, 3801 Nicolet Ave. Fremont – 408.473.4628
CBC TOASTMASTERS: Sat. 10 – 11:30 a.m., Fremont Adult School, Rm. 28, 4700 Calaveras Ave.

TEAM FREMONT / FSBC powered by **Chipotle**, meets on the second Monday of each month at the Fremont Community Activities Center, 3375 Country Drive, Fremont, at 7:30 p.m. Team Fremont is the racing section of the Fremont Freewheelers Bicycle Club (FFBC). The members range in age from 12 to 62 and are the only bicycle racing team in the Tri-City area. They help introduce new athletes into the sport of bicycle racing.

TRI-CITY ECOLOGY meets at 7:45 p.m. on the first Thursday of each month at Fremont Community Activities Center, 3375 Country Drive, Fremont. **Call 510-793-6222** or visit the website: www.tricityecology.org. The office, 3375 Country Drive, Fremont, is open Thursdays 11 a.m. to 2 p.m.

WASHINGTON TOWNSHIP HISTORICAL SOCIETY- meetings are held the fourth Monday of every other month (January, March, May, July, September, and November) 7 p.m. at the Museum of Local History, 190 Anza Street, Fremont.

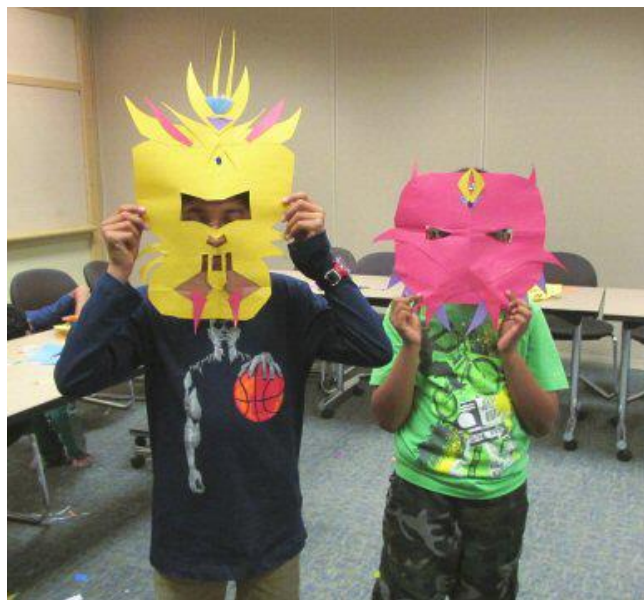
The FCAC in 2018

2018 has already been busy, with several arts events going on in the Tri-City area! Here's some high spots of what the FCAC has planned for the rest of the year, and how you may help make this year even more special...

Spring – Summer

The FCAC is an umbrella for local arts, so rather than holding arts events ourselves, we generally partner with others to make their arts projects possible, and to publicize them to the community...that said, we do have some display space at our offices, which is open every weekday between 11 a.m. and 2 p.m. (except holidays) at 3375 Country Drive, Fremont. If you would like to work one 3 hour shift a month, answering phones and greeting the rare walk-in visitor, and/or if you'd like to put up a small art display, call us at 510.794.7166!

INDUZ - During the summer school break we hold a series of two hour hands-on creative sessions for children at the Fremont Main Library through the Passport for the Arts program. This FREE program is very popular, and tickets are first-come, first-served at the library the day of each session. We do hate to turn the kids away! If we had more volunteers we could train them on the INDUZ program and add more sessions, so please consider becoming a volunteer! If you are interested, contact the FCAC at 510.794.7166 and leave your contact information for Connie Chew.



Induz (cont) - This outstanding program teaches students a bit about a country or culture, then goes on to describe the most interesting and visible art produced in that country or by that culture, and provides all the materials for the young students to create their own version! My personal favorite is the Mexican Oaxacan alebrijes, which are fantasy hybrid creatures..the children's creations from clay are so imaginative! My favorite so far? An elephant whose ears were giant butterfly wings! All materials are supplied, and like nearly all of the events the FCAC co-sponsors, they are free to the public. Stop by a session for a couple of hours to enjoy the children and help pass out paints and glitter to the young artists. The program resumes on **Fridays in August at 3:30 p.m.** in the **Main Library, Fukaya Room B.**

Art in the Park – August 19, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

The FCAC and the Mission Peak Heritage Foundation welcome you to the lovely summer gardens of the historic Shinn House, where you can see and purchase handwork and art from local artists, be entertained with music and dance. We have started a new and very popular tradition, having STEAM (Science/Technology/Engineering/Art/Math) activity booths with hands-on crafts—intended for youngsters, and enjoyed by all! Activities such as creating polymers (making slime), studying wind propulsion (pinwheels and cork boats) or making electronic greeting cards (designing, drawing and painting cards, then putting in LED and battery operated circuitry that lights up when the card is opened). Admission to the gardens, grounds and booth area are all free of charge. There's a nominal charge for tours of the Shinn House, and light snacks will be available for purchase.

Fall – Winter

Flash Fiction – The FCAC and Half Price Books host the annual Flash Fiction Contest, where original stories of 300 words or less (including title) are posted around the store and visitors vote on their favorites..with small cash prizes for the winners, as well as bragging rights for having their stories published in the Tri-City Voice! Past winning stories can be read on the FCAC website, which will also have information on the date, submission rules, and for a change this year, there will be no theme! So, spread the word and sharpen your pencils!

Las Posadas – Co-sponsored by the FCAC and the Old Mission San Jose (that's here in Fremont) annually since 1982. The general public is invited (free, of course!) to join us as we meet on the portico of the Mission San Jose Museum at Mission Blvd. and Washington, then proceed to a different local business each of the 9 nights before Christmas, starting with December 15th, caroling as we go in this commemoration of Mary and Joseph's journey to Bethlehem. The 'innkeeper' will turn us away, then welcome us in with refreshments and entertainment...a wonderful way to celebrate the holiday!

All Year Round

We host FCAC member groups who are non-profits in our Country Way facility, which is leased from the City of Fremont. What we pay the City for our lease provides City of Fremont Park and Recreation arts-related Reg-E-Rec classes to students of limited means. We manage the building, renting office space to the Fremont Symphony Orchestra, Tri-City Ecology and the League of Women Voters, and make meeting space available at reasonable cost to FCAC member groups, such as the Stamp Club, the Fremont Photographic Society, and others. We have some gridwire display panels and folding chairs for rent to member groups, again at reasonable cost. It's people like you who join, volunteer and donate who make all this possible!

Thank you for you!



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Fremont, CA 94538**

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