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Dear OAC Members, Supporters & Volunteers,

January 17, 2011

Thank you for your support of The Orinda Arts Council. With your help, we continued to bring many exciting art programs and events to our schools and community in 2010!



Mission:
The purpose of the Orinda Arts Council is to stimulate, support and advocate for the visual and performing arts in the schools and the community.

- In March, we sponsored our **7th annual Visual Arts Competition** for Lamorinda high school artists. Over 200 entries in 2-D, 3-D & Photography were exhibited in the Orinda Library Art Gallery, highlighted by an Artist Reception with 200 guests recognizing 11 Winners and numerous Honorable Mentions, as well as a “Best In Show” voter’s choice award. The 2011 VAC will begin accepting entries in February to again be displayed and celebrated at the Orinda Library Art Gallery in March.
- September 12th marked our 5th annual **Orinda Idol** at the Orinda Theatre. Crowds again packed the theatre for this entertaining, free singing competition showcasing 50 Soloists and Groups K-12th Grade, as every category was open to all Lamorinda students for the first time. Celebrity judges joined us, TV news personalities hosted the event, and Mayor Tom McCormick provided official oversight. Planning is already underway for Orinda Idol 2011 on September 11th. Don’t miss it!
- Our school support in 2010 included underwriting **1st & 2nd Grade Art Books** and **3rd Grade Sketchbooks** for the Orinda elementary schools, as well as supporting the **OUSD Art Ambassadors Exhibit & Reception**. Our funding of the **OIS Bulldog Theater Co.** supported productions of *Annie* and *Snow White*, and OAC grants assisted **Miramonte** in presenting *Into the Woods* and **Sleepy Hollow’s** production of *Willy Wonka Jr.*
- In the community, our monthly exhibitions at the **Orinda Library Art Gallery** continue featuring intriguing works from local artists, and we participate in **Orinda’s Art in Public Places Committee**. Last spring, we partnered with the **CAIFF-Orinda Film Festival** to sponsor the **Iron Filmmakers Contest** and with the **Pacific Chamber Symphony** to host a joint **OAC-PCS Benefit Concert & Reception**. We even launched an updated website at **OrindaArtsCouncil.org**.

2010 was a very special year for us! **60 years ago, The Orinda Arts Council was founded** to enrich our schools and community through the arts, as we still do today with your valuable support. The year culminated in the OAC receiving **The Orinda Association’s Volunteer of the Year** award, a wonderful way to cap off our milestone year, which we honored with a lovely **60th Anniversary Celebration** at the Orinda Country Club in June. You can **help continue this six-decade legacy by becoming a Member or Supporter in our 61st year!** And, if you join or donate at the \$125 Sponsor level or above, **you’ll receive a copy of our hardbound keepsake book, OAC at 60**, a colorful retrospective created to highlight our rich history. *For more information on our programs and events, please see our website at www.OrindaArtsCouncil.org.*

Thank you very much!

Susan Garell, President

Lisa Johannessen, VP Membership

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