Spring Fever Comes to Cupertino Library
Premier Opening of Art Display Wall Features Fine Arts League Works

March 20, 2009—CUPERTINO, CA—In cooperation with the Fine Arts League of Cupertino (FALC), the Cupertino Library Foundation and Cupertino Library will be displaying various art works submitted under the theme Spring Fever. The display opens Friday, April 3rd and continues through June 30th, 2009 during normal Library hours.

Spring Fever is the first Art Show in the Library taking advantage of the new display wall specifically arranged for this purpose in the Library’s browsing room. Future displays will rotate quarterly. The Display wall was made possible through the generous and on-going support of the Cupertino Library Foundation.

Work for Spring Fever was solicited from current members of FALC. A nominal entry fee was charged. The works were juried, and the following artists have been chosen:
Jim Burns -- Sunset in Sanibel
Yao-Pi Hsu -- Dance with the Music and Lotus Finale
Jane Kwant-- Peach Blossoms
Mastoneh Medi -- Blueberry and Lar Memories
Zoya Scholis -- Flowers on the Sill
Slava Shabrov -- Lulled Stream
Yelena Shabrova -- New Spring I and New Spring II
Carrie Zeidman -- Silent Blessing

Additionally, individual artists whose works are being displayed will speak briefly at a private reception hosted by the Cupertino Library Foundation, to be held April 3rd.*

“FALC is pleased to participate in the Spring Fever show, in addition to our ongoing exhibit at the Quinlan Community Center,” said Laurie Creveling, 2009 president of FALC. “Having art in the Library seems like a natural partnership. Each enhances the other.”

FALC will also be participating in the Midsummer Art Show in Mountain View on June 6 and the Cupertino Fall Festival September 19-20. FALC membership draws from artists throughout the Bay Area, and anyone interested in joining or in further exploring the work of their members can check out their website at http://www.falc.org/.

“The Cupertino Library Foundation is proud to add another great project to the many we have funded in the past and those we are working on now,” said Hema Kundargi, vice president of the Foundation, and liaison for this Display Wall project. The Cupertino Library Foundation was instrumental in raising the $1.2
million dollars for the furniture and fixtures when the new Library opened in 2004, and has funded $124,000 worth of projects since that time. A Teen Room enhancement is underway.

“We are most appreciative of the support from the Cupertino Library Foundation for a new art display wall in the Library’s browsing room,” said Rosanne Macek, Acting Community Librarian, Cupertino Library. “Public art adds a special quality to a library, and library users will enjoy this new feature.”

The Cupertino Library has 2,600 visitors daily, and over 2.8 million items checked out annually. The Santa Clara County Library System, of which Cupertino Library is a recognized leader, has been ranked #1 or #2 nationally over the last decade by Hennen’s Public Library Ratings (“HAPLR”).

For more information, please see the Library Foundation’s website http://cupertinolibrary.org/foundation/art_display.html

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