

News Letter

H O N O L U L U A C A D E M Y O F A R T S

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Dear Member:

For quite some time the Academy has felt the need to be in closer communication with its growing membership. The calendar, which you receive every three months, keeps you informed about individual events. But much occurs behind the scenes that is of vital interest to friends of the Academy. We hope you will enjoy keeping posted on our visitors from the world's museums, our acquisitions, our plans and hopes for the future. When the news warrants, we'll send you a letter.

A. L. Y. Ward New Trustee. The Academy is honored to announce the election of Mr. A. L. Y. Ward to the Board of Trustees. Mr. Ward brings to the Academy his deep interest in the welfare of Hawaii and many years experience in public service.

Our Oriental Art Lures Visitors. The Academy continues to attract visitors from all parts of the world, especially scholars of Oriental art. Within recent months we have played host to Mr. Jean Delacour, Director of the Los Angeles County Museum; Mr. Tseng Hsien-chi, assistant in the Department of Asiatic Art of the Boston Museum; Prince Subhadradis Diskul, staff member of the National Museum in Bangkok; Mr. and Mrs. Henry Trubner (Mr. Trubner is Curator of Oriental Art in the Los Angeles County Museum); Professor Max Loehr of the University of Michigan; Mr. Chen Chi-lu of the staff of the National University of Taiwan; Miss Ma Nyunt Han, Curator of the National Museum and Art Gallery in Rangoon, Burma; Dr. Kim Chewon, Director of the National Museum of Korea in Seoul, and Mr. Fujio Koyama, world renowned expert in Oriental ceramics on the staff of the Tokyo National Museum.

Again—An Academy Ball. Many members have requested a repeat of "the most beautiful ball since the monarchy," to quote William W. Davenport's review of the brilliant Coral Ball last June. We are happy to report that the second ball is tentatively scheduled for May 24. Committees are working on the decorative theme and will welcome suggestions. Proceeds from the Coral Ball, totalling almost \$5,000, were an enormous help to the Exhibition and Educational Funds. We hope to top that figure this year.

Jade Sales in Manhattan. The Trustees have authorized the sale of a group of Chinese jades at the Parke-Bernet Galleries in February and a number of paintings and sculptures in the Plaza Art Galleries in March. Most of the objects have been offered to our membership at previous Academy sales which will be repeated when the quantity of material warrants. These sales increase our funds for new major acquisitions and also relieve storage pressure.

Would You Like to be a Docent? Next Fall the Educational Department is planning to offer a training program for volunteer docents. At Christmas eight members helped guide 6,000 school children on the interpretive tour of the exhibits. They were enthusiastic about their experience and the knowledge they gained about our collections. Please call the Educational Department if you are interested. Help is also needed in typing and filing throughout the Academy.

Loans to Other Museums. Honoluluans visiting San Francisco last fall were proud to recognize many major objects of art from the Academy at the San Francisco Museum of Art in the brilliant exhibition, "Art in Asia and the West." Included were paintings, sculptures and graphic and decorative arts representing the art of India, China, Japan, Korea, Southeast Asia and contemporary Hawaii.

The Academy is now represented in the Stanford University showing of Chinese Art of the Chou Dynasty, to which we sent twenty examples of Chinese sculpture, bronze and pottery. We have also been requested to lend several Chinese paintings for an exhibition of Chinese Paintings of the Ming and Ch'ing Dynasties to tour Europe in 1959.

Language Tutors Available. The Academy now has an excellent list of language tutors to prepare you for your trip abroad. Call the membership office.

Gifts of Japanese Art. In January the Academy received three more superb examples of Japanese art as a gift from Mr. Robert Allerton of Kauai. These consist of a fan painting with a design of flowers and vegetables by the famous 18th-19th century artist Hokusai and a superb hanging scroll of "Three Drunken Women" by another great Ukiyo-e artist, Torii Kiyonaga, of the 18th century. The third is a magnificent horizontal scroll painting of a mountain and river landscape by Shugetsu, one of the leading followers of Sesshu. Probably painted about 1500 or before, the hand scroll is an extremely important addition to our collection. It is one of the few horizontal landscape scrolls of the Muromachi period outside Japan. All three are now on exhibit in galleries 14 and 15. Frequently exhibited in Japan, this is their first showing in the United States.

Art School Openings. You may still enroll in the regular day school and in special classes in mosaics, Chinese brush painting and sculpture.

Members' Discount at Book Shop. For that special gift don't forget members receive a 10% discount on most books costing more than one dollar each.

Welcome to New Members

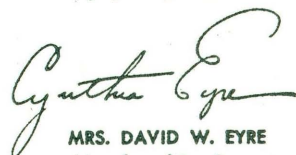
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Sincerely yours,


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