

## PROJECT: Recycled Runway

October 13 — November 5

Artists' Reception: November 3, 6-8:00 pm

Pro Arts has teamed up with St. Vincent de Paul of Alameda County's Artist-in-Residence Program and Functional Found Art Project to present artists Sandy Drobny and Daphne Ruff.

For several decades, St. Vincent de Paul has accepted donations of gently used clothing, furniture and household goods. The majority of these items are resold in St. Vincent de Paul thrift stores, helping generate revenue for the agency's human services programs. However, nearly forty percent of donated items are unusable, leaving St. Vincent de Paul responsible for managing hundreds of tons of waste per year.

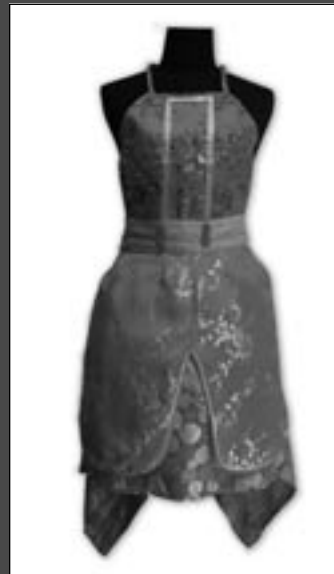
In an effort to promote alternative uses for trash and the need to find creative, earth-friendly ways to manage unusable items donated to the organization, St. Vincent de Paul started the Artist-in-Residence Program in May 2005 with support from Target Corporation. The two artists selected for the first round, Sandy Drobny and Daphne Ruff, have regularly sorted through piles of discarded clothing, plastics, metals, wood and other materials. From this supply of trash, the artists have crafted a whimsical, yet striking, collection of found art that includes aprons, purses, collages, shoulder bags and more. Together with St. Vincent de Paul, they hope to demonstrate that trash can be turned into treasure with a bit of creativity.

During their residency, Sandy and Daphne have developed several product prototypes that will be replicated by members of St. Vincent de Paul's Functional Found Art staff. The Functional Found Art Project is a unique social enterprise that employs and trains low-income adults. While developing their workforce skills, trainees assemble artsy, recycled products that also have "functional", or everyday, use. Examples include purses, notepads and gift bags made from recycled book covers. These products are sold year-round at St. Vincent de Paul's thrift stores in Alameda.

Society of St. Vincent de Paul of Alameda County  
www.svdp-alameda.org



Album Man 2 by Daphne Ruff



Chinese Apron by Sandy Drobny

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thank you, thank you, thank you

**THANKS TO VOLUNTEERS:** Harold Adler, Sarah Applebaum, Daniel Axtle, Bill Bardeen, Jais Booth, Nellie Christensen, Marion Coleman, Scott Courtenay-Smith, Iman Dove, Donna Fenstermaker, Ralfke Gonzalez, Mio Nishi Good, Gretchen Green, Harriett Hache, Mary Anne Kath, Erica Kremerak, Bill LaRue, Sue Marc, Thomas McDonnell, Mitsuyo Moore, My-Linh Nguyen, Robin Norberg, Jean Pfann, Jessica Phrogas, Julia Pombo, Sri Prabha, Ellen Seltzer, Sue Shuff, Joyce Shon, Asher Silva, Brandon Solen, Julia Stors, John Vias, Tracy West, Gayle Zanca, Elida Zelaya, Billie Zinser, Philip Klingelhofer

You are Invited to the

## 2006 Box Art Benefit Auction

A Benefit for Pro Arts' Annual Exhibitions & Programming

Saturday, November 18, 6 – 9 pm  
Free Admission

Preview Exhibition November 11 - 18, 2006.

Pro Arts invites you to the 2006 Box Art Benefit Auction hosted on Saturday, November 18. Box Art will offer an extraordinary opportunity to bid on a tantalizing collection of artworks and experiences by prominent Bay Area artists. This event will delight your senses with fine foods, classy cocktails, and awesome art!

Participating Artists: Diane Abt, Harold Adler, Peter Andrea, Tim Armstrong, Jenny Balisle, Jais Booth, Susan Brooks, Jessica Cadkin, Maggie Cockrell, Bill Dallas, Lydia Nakashima, Degarrod, Susan Feltman, Demetra Gayle Fountaine, Terry Furry, Lisa Glicksman, Mirto Golino, Susie Grant, Lucy Gray, Denise Hart, Fleur Helsinger, Sue Heninemann, Janet Hiebert, Peter Howkinson, Eileen Hughes, Jenny Hurth, Celia Jackson, Rosa Kadera-Redmond, Roberta Loach, Marilyn MacGragor, Michelle Manning, Liz Maxwell, Thomas McDonald, Linda Michel-Cassidy, Jan Mignaud, Barabara Milman, Maj-Britt Moberand, Noa Mohlabane, Eric Murphy, Nora Raggio, Leslie Reagan, Fernando Reyes, Barabara Rogers, Jim Rosenau, Joe Sam, Carol Lee Shanks, Sue Shuff, Lewis Susuki, Ama Torrance, Gwyneth Tripp, Andrew Utt, John Vias, Kim Webster, Jan Wurm, Berrin Yavuzer, Martine Zadno, Elida Zelaya, Tomyé, Molly McDonald, Margo Dunlap, Phil Klingelhofer, JaeMe Bereal, Michael Grbich, Hershell West and more.



Arctic Sea Ice by Barbara Milman, 2006, mixed media

### Sponsor This Event!

Your support is needed. Each of our artists has given generously to this event, but we need your support too. With a \$100 sponsorship you can sponsor a work of art. If your sponsored piece does not sell at auction; you take it home! e-mail info@proartsgallery.org

## Visit the Gallery's Holiday Store

Stop by Pro Arts in December...

You will be pleasantly surprised by the larger shopping area full of beautiful artwork and crafts. We're expanding the store for the holidays to include many gift-worthy pieces. **Members receive 20% off gallery store purchases.**

Take home something wonderful for the holidays!

## Funding Opportunities for Artists

### Creative Work Fund Grant

Deadline: Nov. 3. 5:00 p.m.

The Creative Work Fund invites letter of inquiry for collaborative projects between Bay Area artists and nonprofit organizations. Grants range from \$10,000 - \$35,000.

For more information visit [www.creativeworkfund.org](http://www.creativeworkfund.org) or call 415-402-2793.

### The City of Oakland Cultural Grant

Deadline: Jan. 5. 5:00 p.m.

Applications are currently being accepted from Oakland-based artist groups (in collaboration with nonprofit organizations) and resident individual artists who produce art activities in Oakland that culminate in a local public outcome for the benefit of the community. Proposed project activities must occur between July 1, 2007 and June 30, 2008.

For more information visit <http://www.oaklandculturalarts.org/main/culturalfunding.htm>

## Juried Annual 2007

Opens January 26, 2007

Call for Entries Deadline: January 5, 2007; 6:00 p.m.

Juried Annual 2007, Pro Arts' annual juried exhibition is open to artists of any age in the greater Bay Area. Art of any media may be submitted. Digital submissions (online, CD or DVD) only. Prospectus available in December. Each year, we invite prestigious members of the arts community to jury the works of our talented pool of member artists.

## Project: Oakland Soul

Soul Salon 10- Oakland's Visual Voice

October 13 — November 5

Artists' Reception: October 20; 6:00-8:00 PM

Soul Salon 10 is a collective of Artists, from around the Bay Area and beyond, but all with Bay Area ties. The goal is to produce dynamic thematic exhibitions each year.

The "Magic" is the meetings and "Vibe" sessions that go into every upcoming exhibit.

The true Power of the collective is the trust and respect that each artist has for one another. Soul Salon 10 artists' exhibit individually in the Bay and around the world and come together at least once a year. Members of the Salon may change depending on the exhibition, but a core of at least 10 representing. For this show at Pro-Arts Soul Salon 10 will give Oakland a "Soul Sampler Platter" of what individual artists' are doing in their respective studios. Soul Salon 10 will also introduce a few dynamic young Bay Area Artists, including two young ladies from Oakland High Schools' Visual Art Academy.

Past exhibitions include "Trouble Man" probably Oakland's most attended show, the eclectic "Swap Meat", and the installation "We Want Fresh SH\*T! at Yerba Buena."



What's Wrong Widdem!! by Keith "k-dub" Williams

## East Bay Open Studios 2007

Artist Registration Deadline Saturday, February 10

Preview Exhibition at Pro Arts

May 3 - June 9, 2007

East Bay Open Studios will take place

Saturdays and Sundays

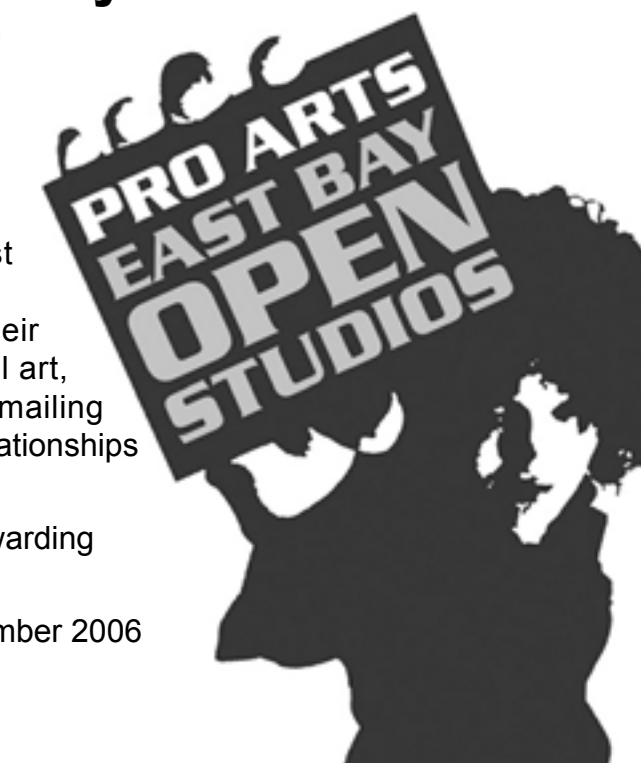
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Since 1979, Pro Arts has promoted East Bay artists by hosting the annual East Bay Open Studios. During the first two weekends in June artists invite the public to share in their creative dwellings. Artists sell art, network with peers, develop mailing lists, exhibit work and build relationships in the community.

Register early for the most rewarding two weekends of the summer!

Artist registration opens November 2006

[www.proartsgallery.org](http://www.proartsgallery.org)



## Call for Proposals

Semi-Annual Deadline: Friday, January 26, 2007

Pro Arts is NOW accepting proposals for Exhibitions. Participation is open to all artists and curators, of any age. Membership is not required.

Proposals should uphold Pro Arts' mission to support diverse cultural communities, to encourage and exhibit artists' work, and to provide a venue for furthering communication in the arts. Entries will be reviewed by the Curatorial Advisory Committee.

For submission guidelines contact Alesha Colberg, Exhibitions & Programs Coordinator, e-mail: [alesha@proartsgallery.org](mailto:alesha@proartsgallery.org), phone: 510-763-9425.

## Intern at Pro Arts!

Volunteers are the backbone of this membership based nonprofit organization. Interns contribute to all phases of programs, exhibits, installation, art administration, and publicity. Non-paid internships are available in Curating, Design, Gallery Management, Development, and Information Systems Design. E-mail [info@proartsgallery.org](mailto:info@proartsgallery.org).

## Letter from the Executive Director

Pro Arts heads into the Fall and Winter months with an over-active gallery calendar! ProArts is launching a new music series on Last Fridays with Bay Area Classical Harmonies (BACH), with a Halloween Party: Sounds of Horror, featuring a string ensemble and performance works on Friday, October 27, 7:30pm (tickets at the door). The new chamber series will pick up again in January. See the Calendar for other new events.

2006 Box Art Benefit Auction is Saturday, November 18, 6-9pm. Be sure to grab a sponsorship before the event. All artworks and auction items are matched with Sponsors; if the item does not sell at auction, then the Sponsor takes it home! The fifth annual Box Art Auction is shaping up to be the most successful auction to date. Join us for this annual highlight, sip cocktails and bid on awesome art, vacation getaways, event tickets, art classes and more! Preview Exhibition runs November 11 – 18.

Another opportunity to delight in supporting your local artist community lies in the Gallery Store at Pro Arts. The store is ramped up with jewelry, glass, ceramics, cards and textiles for holiday gift buying. Members receive 20% off purchases in November and December!

Call for entries and proposals this quarter include artist submissions for Juried Annual 2007, East Bay Open Studios 2007, Exhibition Proposals for '07-08, and grants for artists through the City of Oakland Cultural Funding Program and Creative Workfund. Pro Arts encourages artist-led grant solicitation to support art-making. Please contact Pro Arts for collaborative opportunities, exhibition proposals and fiscal sponsorship guidelines.

In closing, I wish to bid my deepest sympathy for the loss of Stephen Pinata, son of Anne Austin; and Ram Gokul, husband of Julia Storrs, both long-time arts supporters. The loss of loved ones in the arts community is felt by all of us.

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Margo Dunlap

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# WINTER EVENTS CALENDAR

## october

**FRIDAY, OCTOBER 6, 6–8 PM**  
PROJECT: WeRiders Artists' Reception

**FRIDAY, OCTOBER 13**  
*PROJECT: Oakland Soul* opens to the public

**FRIDAY, OCTOBER 13**  
*PROJECT: Recycle Runway* opens to the public

**FRIDAY, OCTOBER 13**  
Asian Pacific Environmental Network Fund-raiser featuring Special Guest Speaker, Father Vien The Nguyen, Musical Guest Magnetic North, MC Pratap Chatterjee, DJ Luna Yasui. Silent auction of arts & crafts. Tickets available [www.apen4ej.org](http://www.apen4ej.org)

**WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 18 7–10 PM**

**Taste**  
for ART

Indulge all your senses at the East Bay Express' first Taste for Art event at Pro Arts! Sample signature savories and sweets from some of the East Bay's best restaurants, sample fine wines and ales, groove to the areas best local DJ, and soak in art by Bay Area talent.

Taste for art is a benefit for Pro Arts and the Alameda County Community Food Bank.

**FRIDAY, OCTOBER 20, 6–8 PM**  
PROJECT: Oakland Soul Artists' Reception

**OCTOBER 27, 7:30 PM**  
Bay Area Classical Harmonies present: LASTFRIDAYBACHCONCERT: Halloween Party - Sounds of Horror!

A concert featuring an original work by composer Stephen Whitehead, "Dracula," a chamber string ensemble with narration; the finale scene from the Opera Don

Giovanni by W.A. Mozart, and a performance of songs related to "Death" from the World of Greece by Catherine Clambaneva.

Tickets available at the door or in advance at ProArts (\$15/\$12/\$10 General/Seniors/Students and Members).

## november

**FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 3, 6–8 PM**  
PROJECT: Recycle Runway Artist Reception

**FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 3- NOVEMBER 5**  
Box Art Artwork Drop-off

**SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 5**  
*PROJECT: Recycle Runway* closes to the public

**SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 5**  
*PROJECT: Oakland Soul* closes to the public

**THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 9, 7:30 PM**  
Bay Area Classical Harmonies presents 250th Mozart Birth Year Celebration Preview Dinner. Tickets available at [www.bayareabach.org](http://www.bayareabach.org)

**SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 11**  
*Box Art* Preview Exhibition opens

**SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 18, 6–9 PM**  
*Box Art* Benefit Auction

**TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 21**  
Extended Holiday Gallery Store opens. Members receive 20% discount off Gallery Store purchases.

## december

**FRIDAY, DECEMBER 1**  
*PROJECT* exhibition opens

## january

**FRIDAY, JANUARY 5; 6:00 PM**  
Juried Annual entry deadline

**FRIDAY, JANUARY 5, 5 PM**  
City of Oakland Cultural Fundraising Program Deadline for Individual Artist Project Support and Organization Project Support

**THURSDAY, JANUARY 11**  
Workshop: Sharing Space for East Bay Open Studios

**SUNDAY, JANUARY 14**  
*PROJECT* exhibition closes

**FRIDAY, JANUARY 26**  
Juried Annual opens to the public

**FRIDAY, JANUARY 26, 6:00 PM**  
Exhibitions: Call for Proposals Semi-Annual Deadline

**FRIDAY, JANUARY 28, 7:30 PM**  
Bay Area Classical Harmonies present: LAST FRIDAY BACH CONCERT at Pro Arts. Tickets available at [www.bayareabach.org](http://www.bayareabach.org)

### Rent Pro Arts!

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 YES! Please contact me about volunteering at Pro Arts. Circle your area of interest:  
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**Pro Arts Member Benefits INCLUDE:**

- Eligibility for annual East Bay Open Studios, Juried Annual, and New Visions
- Exhibition opportunities for off-site exhibitions and in the Gallery Store
- Inclusion in Pro Arts Artist Directory
- A Work in Progress newsletter
- Advance notice of calls for entry, announcements of events
- Discounts for workshops & events
- 10% discount on all purchases at the Pro Arts Gallery Store, Blick Art Materials, and Galleria Scotia (Valid membership card required for discounts)

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550 Second Street, Oakland, CA 94607 Gallery Hours: Tues-Sat 12-6pm, Sun 12-5pm



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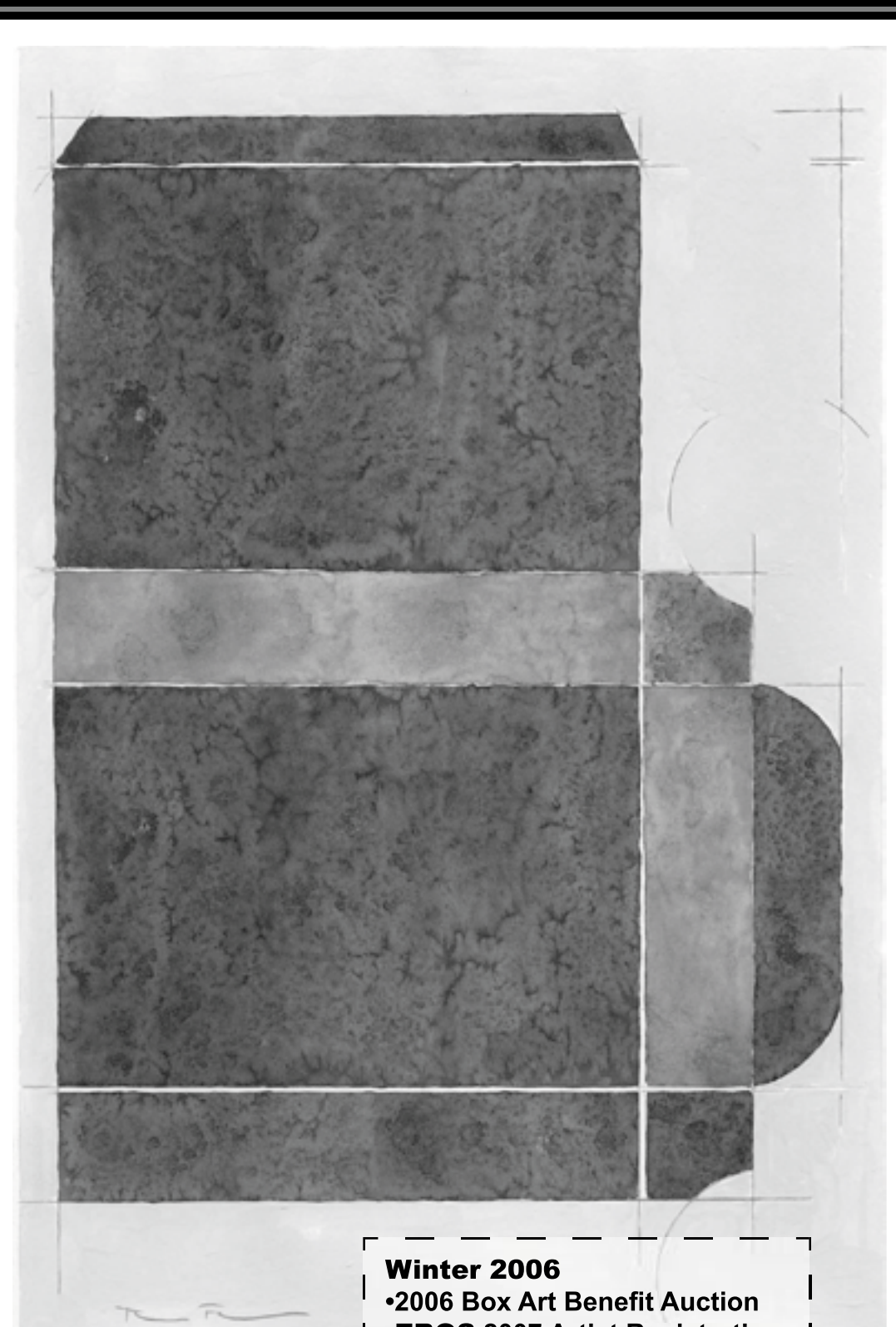
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Plans for a Box  
by Terry Furry

**Winter 2006**  
 •2006 Box Art Benefit Auction  
 •EBOS 2007 Artist Registration  
 •PROJECT: *Oakland Soul*  
 •PROJECT: *Re-cycle Runway*