



MAY 2021 FARM VISIT

CITRONA FARMS, Winters

21440 County Road 87 Winters, CA

THU, MAY 20 | 8am-12pm and SAT, MAY 22 | 8am-12pm

Dear Artists and Supporters,

When you drive up the road to Citrona Farms, you know you are in for something special. This 480-acre farm, named for one of the original valley train stops, has been consciously cultivated into a thriving walnut orchard for more than 30 years. Owners Daniel Hrdy and his wife Sarah B. Hrdy - both retired UC Davis professors of medicine and anthropology, respectively - purchased the land in 1986 to realize their shared dream to combine farming with habitat restoration and Yolo County seemed the perfect place. They started by bringing their three children on the weekends to the property which, at that point, was "just raptors and weeds." They moved here permanently in 1990.

They have invested a lot of time and energy over the years, and that investment is visible everywhere. All the trees you see were planted by them, from the cork oaks started from acorns that Sarah brought back from the UCD campus, the valley, blue and interior live oaks that dot the sheep pastures, the willows in the middle of the irrigation pond with a 'Monet's garden' feel, to the tall, fire-resistant cypresses that lead to their home.

Artists are welcome to roam this vast property and see the numerous orchards with green canopies of Tulare and Chandler walnuts. You can also see where they process the walnuts (they have a huller and dryer) before selling them to their handler Alpine Pacific Nut Co. Other points of interest include, the north and south branches of Perkins Canyon Slough, and the expanded riparian corridors on either side of the canals that run through the tomato and soon-to-be sunflower fields. And you might catch a glimpse of the feral peacocks that live in and around them. (You will doubtless hear them!).

One notable structure is the big redwood barn built in the 1900s. This was originally where mules used for transporting goods in WWI were raised. It now serves as headquarters for farm manager Darrell Valenzuela who, along with his father Frank



have lived on the property for decades. Artists will be interested to see the collection of farm artifacts that Mr. Valenzuela Sr. has collected, curated and displayed. Beyond this historic building and the grassy meadows is the dark ridge line of the distant Coast Range.



The hedgerows - home to saltbush, coffeeberry, coyote brush, elderberry, deer grass, and Himalayan blackberries – serve as a rich habitat for birds and insects and are important examples of the Hrdys' dedication to habitat restoration. They consider themselves to be 'stewards of the land' and continue to preserve the farm's beauty and sustainability through innovation and partnerships with UC Davis and UC Berkeley researchers.



Learn more about Citrona Farms [HERE +](#)

IMPORTANT INFORMATION AND LIABILITY WAIVER

Dan and Sarah welcome you to Citrona Farms! Maps of the property will be available upon arrival. Please drive along dirt roads ONLY. Do not drive over any grass due to fire hazard. Be aware of rattlesnakes and bees where hives are put out.

ALL artists are asked to sign a liability waiver before attending the farm visit. You can sign form ahead of time and bring with you to the farm. OR, forms will be available to sign at the farm. **Artists will not be allowed on the farm without signing the waiver.** Waiver Form [HERE +](#)

Citrona Farms Directions

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Thursday Greeter is Nancy Muller 530-304-1902

Saturday Greeter is Janice Purnell 530-908-4321

Restroom facilities will be available.

PALETTE KNIFE DEMO with Rhonda Egan Saturday, May 15 on Zoom, 1-2:30pm

Learn to infuse your paintings with light and life! Whether you work outdoors or indoors, understanding the effects of light and shadow is key to making your art lifelike and engaging.

In this FREE demo, **Rhonda Egan** will demonstrate palette knife techniques using an image from Citrona Farms in Winters. This is a live, virtual demo - you can watch or paint along from home.



More workshop details [HERE+](#)

Demo 1pm-2:30 | Q&A 2:30-3:00pm.
Zoom link will be emailed to you the day before demo.
RSVP by May 14: jpurnell@yoloarts.org



THANK YOU Jordan Fricke for hosting Art & Ag at HUNGRY HOLLOW RANCH in April!
'Olive' us artists had a great time!



Photo by Michael Dunlavey

To Our Art and Ag Artists,

To ensure everyone's safety, **YoloArts Greeters** are taking the following precautions:

- We will be wearing face coverings
- We will practice 6' social distancing
- We will check each artist off the RSVP list and ensure that no equipment (clipboard, pen and paper) is shared.

Just as importantly, we are asking **artists** to take the following precautions:

- Upon check-in, remain in your car (provide visual confirmation of possession of face covering)
- Wear face coverings while in close proximity to other artists and using restrooms.
- Use restrooms when absolutely necessary. Wash hands.
- Stay at home if you are feeling sick

If you have specific questions not addressed here or on our website please feel free to contact us. We will keep you updated on any changes.

RESTROOM AVAILABLE - HOPE TO SEE YOU SOON!

CALL FOR ART

YoloArts invites you to enter our
14th annual Art Farm Exhibition!

NEW DATES AND DEADLINES!

August 25: Art Entry and Delivery Deadline

Sept 9: Art Farm Opening Reception

Oct 16: Art Farm Gala

CALL FOR ART +



SAVE THE DATE

14th annual Art Farm Gala
SATURDAY, OCTOBER 16, 2021

YoloArts is pleased to announce we will be holding
our annual Art Farm Gala at the historic Gibson
House & Property in Woodland. This daytime

event will include an Art Harvest, silent auction and individual picnic boxes to enjoy 'alfresco' style among the old growth olive trees and native oaks.

Image: Karen Fess-Uecker, *Evening Harvest*, Oil on canvas, Art Farm 2020



ART FARM GALA
OCTOBER 16, 2021 WOODLAND, CA

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