



THE ART DIRECTORS GUILD GALLERY 800 ANNOUNCES The “Great Outdoors” Art Exhibit



Café Vagenende by Jay Johnson

***With Special Guest Artist John Leverence
Opens Saturday, June 18, 2016 with a Hosted Reception***

LOS ANGELES, June , 2016 –The [Art Directors Guild](#) (IATSE Local 800) [Gallery 800](#) announces its third art exhibition of 2016, “**The Great Outdoors**,” opening **Saturday, June 18, 2016** with a hosted reception from 5 p.m. to 8 p.m. Located in the heart of the famed NoHo Arts District, Gallery 800 showcases guild members’ personal art in a series of shows throughout the year. In addition, special guest artist **John Leverence**, Television Academy’s Senior Vice President, Awards, will exhibit his personal artwork. The public will have the opportunity to meet the artists and preview their art. “The Great Outdoors” reception will feature more than 60 original art pieces, a hosted bar, live music featuring the “Do Drop In” jazz trio and refreshments. The Exhibit will run through July 30, 2016.

The ADG is also pleased to announce the appointment of **Abra Brayman** as new Curator of Gallery 800, beginning with this exhibit. She will be responsible for the Gallery’s annual exhibition programs and development. Brayman has a rich background in the fine arts, with an MFA from CalArts and a B.A. in Printmaking and Painting from UC Santa Cruz, where she received the President's Award for Outstanding Achievement in Fine Art. Brayman also studied fine art & art history abroad at the Il Bisonte International School of Graphic Arts in Florence, Italy and has worked with several renowned galleries and museums, including the Peggy Guggenheim Museum in Venice, Italy and the American Pavilion, Venice Biennale. As a Designer, she has worked in film, theater and opera, notably for the LA Opera Company, and is the winner of the competitive SyFy design challenge show, *Hot Set*.

Artists participating in the exhibition include **Bridget Duffy, Tom Frohling, Jay Johnson, and Keith Mitchell**, among others. These artists are leading Art Department professionals, who, through a combination of observation, passion and imagination, bring the writer's words and the director's vision to life in television and film. When not working as integral creative members of the entertainment community, they contribute to the fine art scene with their personal artwork. Since Gallery 800 opened

its doors in March 2009, more than 420 ADG members have shown their artwork in the ongoing exhibitions.

Representing **Gallery 800** are Curator Abra Brayman and ADG Awards and Events Manager Debbie Patton. Gallery 800 (located at 5108 Lankershim Blvd. at the Historic Lankershim Arts Center in the heart of North Hollywood) is open Thursday through Saturday from 2pm to 8pm and Sunday from 2pm to 6pm. For questions about the gallery or artwork, contact (818) 763-8052 or gallery800@gmail.com.

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ABOUT THE ART DIRECTORS GUILD:

The Art Directors Guild (IATSE Local 800) represents 2,400 members who work throughout the United States, Canada and the rest of the world in film, television and theater as Production Designers, Art Directors, Assistant Art Directors; Scenic, Title and Graphic Artists; Illustrators and Matte Artists; Set Designers and Model Makers; and Previs Artists. Established in 1937, the ADG's ongoing activities include a Film Society, an annual Awards Banquet, a creative/technology community (5D: The Future of Immersive Design), a bimonthly craft magazine ([Perspective](#)); and extensive technology-training programs, figure drawing and other creative workshops and year-round Gallery 800 art exhibitions. The Guild's Online Directory/Website Resource is at www.adg.org. Connect with the Art Directors Guild and #Gallery800 on [Facebook](#), [Twitter](#) and [Instagram](#).

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