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## Students Immersed in College-Going Atmosphere at Ryman Arts

Ryman Arts honored over 100 students at the 2012 Graduation Ceremony held on June 13th at the California African American Museum.

Encouraging our students to pursue higher education is one way Ryman Arts transforms lives. “We aim to create a college-going culture in everything we do,” says Executive Director Diane Brigham. “We hold our classes on the campus of an esteemed art school, Otis College of Art & Design. We invite colleges from across the country to meet with our students each year. It’s part of the conversation in the studio. And most importantly, we build each teen’s confidence about reaching for that dream. All of our students have the potential to succeed in college.” This has led to a successful track record: 98% of our students do go on to higher education—and many are the first in their families.

Says Yvette Sobky Shaffer, Dean of Admissions at Otis College of Art & Design, “Ryman is one of the finest high school art programs in the country. The work that the students produce is exceptional. It is excellent preparation for gaining entrance into the top art institutions.”

The annual College Day includes one-on-one portfolio reviews with college representatives, a panel discus-

sion, scholarship information, and additional resources to make the intimidating college application process a bit easier. Ryman Arts student Jasmin Vergara (‘13) affirms, “Ryman Arts taught me that there are a lot of opportunities around the world for artists. They strengthened my college plans by exposing me to different colleges. It gave me an opportunity to figure out what is the best fit for me.”

In addition to our host, Otis College, Cooper Union School of Art, CalArts, Pacific Northwest College of the Arts, Savannah College of Art & Design, Pennsylvania Academy of Fine Art are just a few of the top-notch colleges that will partner with us for the 2012 College Day on November 11th. All current students, their families, and alumni are welcome to participate.



Ryman Arts alumnus Andrew Guiyangco speaks with a college representative at a past College Day. Andrew went on to attend California College of the Arts.



Caroline Millicent with teaching artist Robin Palanker.

*“Creativity ventures to the unknown, but brings joy and life to its own. The Ryman Arts program opened new horizons for my daughter. It definitely brought joy to her being and thoughtfulness to her future and goals.”*

**-Colin Marcelle (Ryman Arts parent)**

## 2012 Ryman Arts Graduation and Student Exhibition

**Approximately 500 people attended our 2012 culminating Graduation Ceremony and opening reception at the California African American Museum this past June.**

Attendees included not only students and their families, but high school art teachers, administrators from other arts programs, museum professionals, and special guests. The evening was filled with proud family and friends celebrating our graduates' hard work and achievement. It was motivational to hear the enthusiasm and sincerity of our students' testimonials, and see their stunning work, which was viewed by an estimated 4,000 people visiting the museum throughout the summer.

This year's graduates are headed to an array of distinguished institutions across the country including USC, Cal Poly San Luis Obispo, Dartmouth College, five of the California State Universities and five of the University of California schools, Art Center College of Design, California College of the Arts, and Otis College of Art & Design.



Opening night for the Student Exhibition at CAAM.



Vaneda Vireak, Lucy Zhao, Dado Cabaravdic, and Josephine Rivera

To see more photos, visit the Ryman Arts Fan Page on Facebook.

### 2012 Graduation Awardees:

#### Herbert D. Ryman Mentor Award:

Amarpal Khanna

#### Lucille Ryman Carroll Student Scholarship:

Mohammad Chowdhury

#### Ryman Arts Sklar Internships at the Walt Disney Company:

Ashley Perez at Walt Disney Animation studios; Amanda Rountree at Walt Disney Imagineering

#### Ryman Arts Internship at BRC Imagination Arts:

Crystal Jow and David Enriquez

#### Ryman Arts Scholarship to Idyllwild Arts:

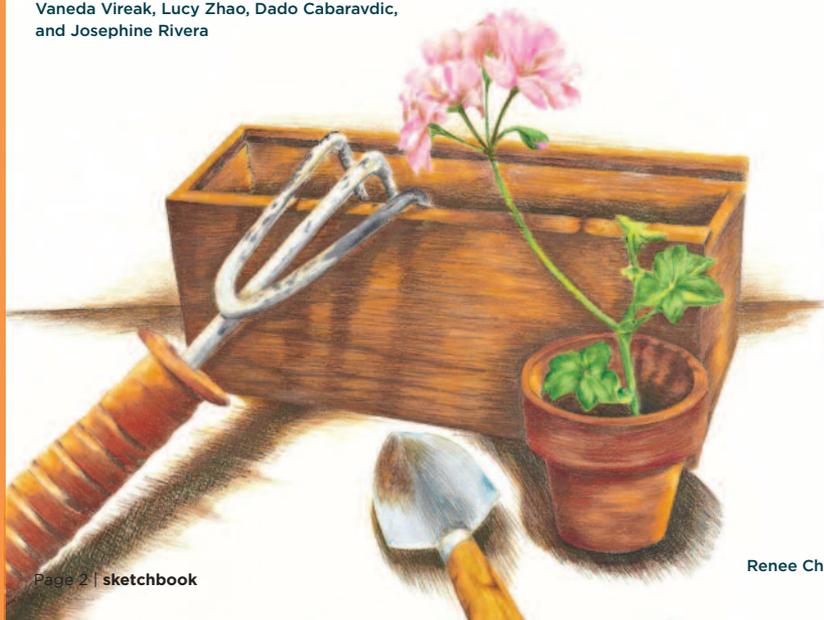
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#### Ryman Arts Scholarships to Otis Summer of Art:

Allan Cerna ('12), Sophia DiMatteo ('12), Molly Bremner (current), Lily Clark ('11), Landon Craddock ('11), Pauline Chen ('12), Martha Fernandez (current), Elizabeth Huo ('12), Diana Manriquez (current), Melissa Rodriguez ('11)

#### Sharon Disney Lund Master Teaching Artist Award:

Carolyn Castaño



## From The Ryman Arts News(feed)!



*"I've never had such an artistic little boy scream out in sheer joy as I've had today... I knew we were going to get paints, probably only the primary colors, but I never expected name-brand products like Da Vinci, and so many colors too! (it's around average of \$15 per 70mL) AND we got a whole packet of brushes too! Winsor and Newton???? ARE YOU KIDDING ME!!! :D I feel like a little boy at Christmas, even though it's not... LOL I have to personally thank Ryman Arts and all the benevolent donors for all these amazing gifts and the classes so far, and the ones I'm about to take. It's my last semester, and I'm going to leave strong! Thank you!" -Alex Luu ('13)*

*"First college Fine Arts class tomorrow... If it's anything like Ryman Arts I know I'll love it!" -Lucinda Murphy ('12), now attending Cal State Stanislaus*



*"Love all the free supplies I get with my (Ryman Arts) scholarship!"  
-Ismael Jimenez ('14)*

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## Letter from Diane



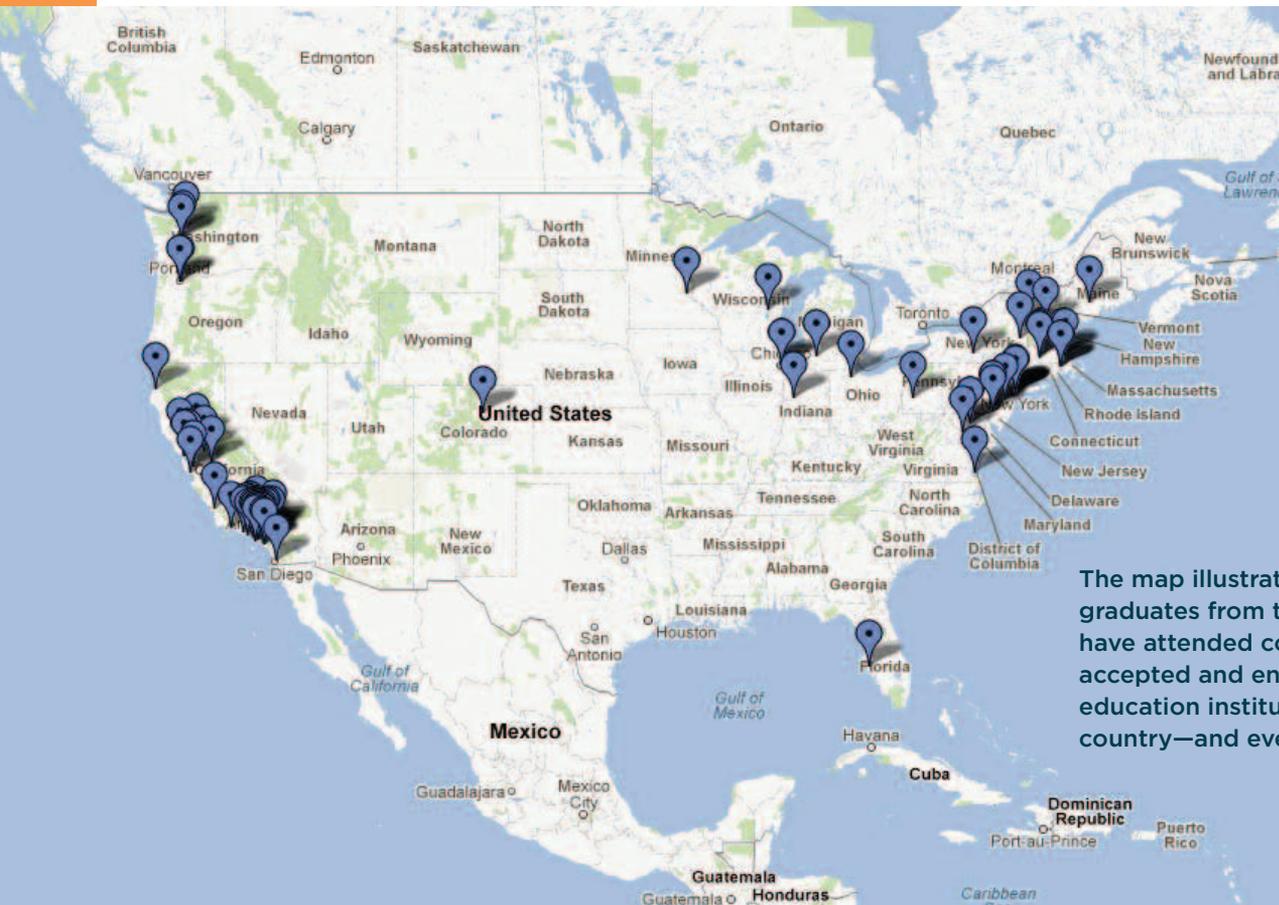
As Ryman Arts grows, the collective wisdom of our Board of Directors is critical. We are graced with an extraordinary Board. The passing of one of our founders, Anne S. Price, last month brought this home to me. Anne's insights on nurturing young artists inspired us. The example she and her husband Buzz Price set in posing important questions and then cheering us on as we explored the answers was a model of leadership. As co-founders, Anne and Buzz, Lucille Ryman Carroll, Sharon Disney Lund, and Leah and Marty Sklar (who continues as President of the Board) set the standard for Board service. What a strong foundation they built! This is what sustains Ryman Arts as we transition through the inevitable challenges every organization faces.

This year we welcomed several new Board members, who add new energy, expertise and perspective. Architect David Price is building on the legacy of his parents' involvement, adding his enthusiasm to Board discussions. Jeff Ganter has already immersed himself in our career services, providing invaluable advice to our students in portfolio reviews, and introducing us to new colleagues in the creative industries. Robin Kalota joined the Board in 2010 and recently was elected as Treasurer, drawing on her professional expertise. Painter Marisa Reisel (Ryman 2003) has added a new perspective, representing the experiences of Ryman alumni to the discussion.

Every Ryman Arts Board member makes a financial commitment to ensure our financial stability, participates in strategic decision making about mission and direction, holds each other and me to the highest ethical standard, and serves as ambassadors for Ryman Arts in the community. They do all this as volunteers, on top of their own personal and professional responsibilities. I am very grateful for their service, and every student who has ever participated in Ryman Arts has been the beneficiary of their vision.

*Diane*

# Ryman Arts Graduates Attend Colleges in Over 20 States



The map illustrates where Ryman Arts graduates from the past four years have attended college. Students are accepted and enrolled in higher education institutions all over the country—and even in London!

## Welcome New Ryman Arts Faculty



Painting by Kaleeka Bond

**Ryman Arts is happy to welcome our two newest faculty members, who have both joined us this Fall teaching Intermediate Drawing and Painting!**

**Kaleeka Bond** is a graduate of Laguna College of Art and Design, where she received both her BA and MFA. She currently teaches drawing at Saddleback College and Cal State Long Beach.



Painting by Marc Kompanyets

**Marc Kompanyets** earned his BFA at the University of Pennsylvania and also studied at Pennsylvania Academy of Fine Arts and Cal State Long Beach. He currently teaches drawing at Santa Monica College, and illustration at Otis College of Art & Design.

To read more about our entire faculty of outstanding artists visit [www.rymanarts.org](http://www.rymanarts.org)

Live models pose during the Student Class Demonstration at this year's event.

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# 2012 An Affair of the Art



Cathy Perrone, Platinum Sponsors Shirley and Albert Schmidt, John Sakamoto, and Kim Frost.



Artist Clifford Bailey painting a live model at the Patron Event.

Thank you to all who attended, supported and volunteered at 2012 An Affair of the Art. A special thank you to the more than 55 artists, whose art was displayed and sold that evening. This year's event had a new twist to it when it was transformed into "A Fair of The Arts"! The evening was a huge success as we welcomed over 340 guests to the home and garden of Leah & Marty Sklar.

The 23rd annual event featured stunning art, live artist demonstrations, delicious food and desserts, open bar, and even a live demonstration of a Ryman Arts student class at work. Patron guests experienced a unique exclusive presentation—inspired by the Walt Disney short film, "Four Artists Paint One Tree." Our special Patrons watched four artists—Clifford Bailey, Zofia Kostyrko, Seisaku Sato, and George Scribner—create studies of a professional model while explaining their differing approaches and styles as they worked.

Overall, the proceeds from the event will help us serve more talented high school youth from across Southern California. Thank you again to all who joined us for this memorable evening.

A very special thanks to our exceptional sponsors:

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# Anne Shaw Price, Ryman Arts Co-Founder, Passes Away at Age 89



Anne Shaw Price, who with her husband Harrison became education leaders and patrons of some of Southern California's

major arts organizations, died on Thursday, September 6, 2012 in Pomona, California.

A Trustee Emeritus at her alma mater, Pomona College, Anne Shaw Price married Cal Tech student Harrison "Buzz" Price in 1944. Together, during their 66 year marriage, before Buzz's passing in 2010, they became leaders of important

Southern California arts organizations: The Los Angeles Master Chorale, where both served on the Board of Directors and Anne was President 1981-83; CalArts, where Buzz became the first Chairman of the Board; and Ryman Arts.

Born in Stockton, California, the fourth of five children of minister Shirley R. Shaw and his wife Nell, Anne sang professionally as a soloist with symphony orchestras in Los Angeles, San Diego and New York City, the Roger Wagner Chorale, the Collegiate Chorale in New York, and Fred Waring's Pennsylvanians. Anne was also a lecturer in vocal repertoire at UCLA and a music teacher in the Buckley School.

In recent years, Anne and Buzz Price focused their creative energies on Ryman Arts, which they co-founded in 1990 with

Lucille Carroll Ryman, Sharon Disney Lund and Leah and Marty Sklar. "Anne was the quintessential Board member," President Marty Sklar noted. "She was usually quiet until the moment of decision, when she invariably pointed the Board to the most effective and ethical path. She was completely focused on what was best for our high school student artists."

Anne is survived by their four children and their spouses, nine grandchildren and two great grandchildren. All of us at Ryman Arts are so grateful for Anne's kindness, wisdom, and generosity in launching the lives of young artists.

To honor Anne Shaw Price, memorial contributions may be made to Ryman Arts.

## Ryman Arts Promotes Internships In Creative Industries

**Ryman Arts offers internship opportunities to encourage our students to explore the broad range of careers in the creative industries and gain first-hand work experience.**

Amanda Rountree was one of this year's Ryman Arts Sklar Interns at Walt Disney Imagineering:

*"This summer I was privileged to intern for the Digital Media Presentations department of WDI. Because of my background in digital media production, audio/video support, the visual arts, and theater, this department was a natural fit for my background. On a daily basis*



*I got to see the ways in which technical and creative fields intersect in an environment that fosters innovative thinking. Our department was always hard at work preparing and managing a broad range of multi-media in-house presentations, events, and projects. My interdisciplinary skills were put to the test as I was asked to perform a variety of different tasks—everything from video editing, live audio mixing, running video equipment, to theatrical lighting. By the end of the summer, I had edited several videos for WDI's ImagiNations website, coordinated studio recording sessions, and worked with my*

*amazing team to hang and operate stage lights for performances, run video shoots, and mix live music for musical concerts.*

*I am so grateful to Ryman Arts for the amazing opportunity I have had to work with people whose talent and vision I admire so much, and to the wonderful people I worked with at Walt Disney Imagineering for encouraging me..."*

See internship opportunities and read Amanda's full account at [www.rymanarts.org](http://www.rymanarts.org)



## The Edison Downtown Introduces “The Happy Herbie”

Ryman Arts has been graced by the involvement of our generous friends at The Edison. In addition to being a sponsor at our *An Affair of the Art* benefit event and hosting a Ryman Arts exhibit at Clifton’s Cafeteria last year to raise funds, they have now added a new cocktail creation to their menu: “The Happy Herbie.”

Like Ryman Arts, the rye based drink is named after Herbert D. Ryman. Invented by The Edison’s John Maraffi, it has already received great reviews and helped raise awareness of Ryman Arts. Since its launch, “The Happy Herbie” is already making itself known throughout the press, as a refreshing and ‘socially-conscious’ drink.

Try a “Happy Herbie” at The Edison with friends and support Ryman Arts.



New Ryman Arts Board Member Jeff Ganter with Affair sponsor Barbara Jacobs from The Edison.

The Edison is located in the heart of The Higgins Building, on the corner of 2nd & Main off Harlem Place Alley, at 108 W. 2nd Street, #101, Los Angeles, CA 90012.



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Ryman Arts honors the memory of legendary Disney artist Herbert Ryman, and the vision of Lucille Ryman Carroll, by providing high school artists with college-level training in essential skills for art and life.

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## Dates to Remember...

**October 14: Make Your Mark in the Park at Grand Park. Ryman Arts Big Draw LA Event.** All are welcome. Check out [www.thebigdrawla.org](http://www.thebigdrawla.org) for details and more events throughout October

**November 4: Ryman on View.** Come see our classes in action. Call 213-629-2787 to RSVP.

**November 11: 2012 College Day**

**November 18: Otis College Admissions Counseling Day**

**December 2: Last Day of Fall Classes**

**December 7: Application Deadline for Spring 2013**

Jelica Hipolito



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