

**Cultural Arts Programs Cultural Arts & Marketing Division
Oakland Public Art Advisory Committee Review Form**

Artist's Name / Project Contact Caroline Stern

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Proposed Site of Project Kaiser Elementary School 29 South Hill Ct. 94618

Digital Cultural Arts Program Review for Artist in the Schools Grant. Lead Artist Caroline Stern.

Project will entail paintings made by children that depict native and endangered speices and habitats. The focus will be on birds and natural environments. We will be working on a series of panels that will be approximately 2x2ft which will become part of the school enviroment on the fence/playground.

Public Art

Grant Projects:

City of Oakland Redevelopment Agency
Sea Turtle Mural 23rd Ave Exit and 880 freeway
Emergent Sea 30x50 ft extension

California Quail 106th and MacArthur Oakland, CA
Worked with Youth Uprising, Oakland, CA

Restoration of Mural at Lowell Middle School Oakland, CA

2009

City of Oakland Community and Economic Development
Sea Turtle Mural 23rd Ave Exit and 880 freeway
30x70 ft painting
Mural Painting at Girls Inc. San Leandro

Young Rembrandts drawing Orinda Community Center and
Sleepy Hollow School

Materials: exterior grade plywood/mdo 4x4ft panels,
acrylic mural paint, charcoal, glue, paper and waterbase varnish.

This grant would facilitate a educational fine art program to supplement the art program at Kaiser Elementary and Castlemont. This is an educational project which would engage students in the full spectrum of art production.

Program Goals:

The goals of this residency are to use traditional methods of painting murals to achieve:

- 1. 1. Enhancement of the art education of students, art history, design, drawing and painting.**
- 2. 2. Incorporate literacy, math and science.**
- 3. 3. Use urban art and mural painting as a way to study the connection between urban environments and native species in Oakland, CA.**

4. 4. **Provide a training experience for teachers involved in the project to enhance the art curriculum.**

Participating Artists: Caroline Stern is the lead artist, Dan Fontes, muralist, Arturo Arichiga, art teacher at Youth Uprising coordinating East Oakland youth participation

Plan and timeline:

March 2013 Finalize contract and design project

April Finalize design subjects, students and staff personal

May Commence work on final production of painting

June Complete work and installation

10.	Total Grant \$9000.00	
	Artist Fees, teaching and labor	\$5500.00
	Materials	\$1500.00
	Insurance	\$1000.00
	Administrative work	\$1000.00

11, Maintenance will be dependent on artist.

Artist in the Schools Review for the Public Art Advisory
Committee : Caroline Stern

Project: Grant to support the Art Education Program at Kaiser Elementary School Collaboration with Castlemont Students focusing on Northern California Native and Endangered Species and Habitats.

The program will be to use the subject and content to illustrate fine art skills and create a series of art works, panels and mural for the students and community. A series of small classes given to the students that will provide exceptional skill levels over a residency period at the school site.

The students will be provided materials, content and lessons in order to successfully create exception art. The work will be done over a period of weeks. There will be multiple subjects to cover that will simultaneously cover fine art and natural science.

Program will be done with cooperation of the school community with oversight by the Art teacher, the principle and the teachers. In addition there will be parent volunteers with additional expertise to assist when available.

Habitats for Phase 1: Woodland Hills, wetlands/marshes, redwood forests and urban. A sample of the species are: Snowy Plovers, Red Tail Hawks, California Condor, California Poppies, Northern Tangiers, Red-winged black birds and crows among others.

METHODS AND MATERIALS:

Paintings will be developed based on these subjects over a period of weeks. The images found by research through the internet and library to have a catalogue of images. These will be enlarged and transferred to 4x4 ft panels by the children. The methods of transfer will be grids, free hand drawing and graph paper. Once the images are transferred the students will paint the in black and white to complete the composition and gray scales. After the development of the underpainting the students will learn about color mixing and over time develop the painting with full color.

Students will learn about various styles over time as the artist's will teach different historical methods: Impressionist, Expressionist, Colorist, Magical Realism and Realism and Collage.

In addition to learning responsibility to take care of materials and job site. Students will also be expected to work together and collaborate and work respectfully.

Materials provided are exterior grade Medium density overboard, exterior plywood, Nova Colors paint, Golden Medium and different size brushes. There will also be a water color station available. In addition the artist's will prepare, varnish and install all work.



Henry J. Kaiser, Jr.
Elementary School
PTA

Dear Public Art Advisory Committee,

The Henry J. Kaiser Elementary School PTA Board would like to write in support of our continued involvement in the local arts and education opportunities. As you know, our school has a longstanding tradition and ability to provide our children with different circumstances through music and arts to grow their outlooks as well as their sense of community. We truly believe that through exposure to many art mediums, we encourage our children to develop their creative expression, grow a greater sense of self worth, and create well-rounded student.

The Kaiser PTA board would not hesitate to support Caroline Stern in bringing her design to fruition. Please do not hesitate to contact us with any questions or clarification.

Sincerely,

Henry J. Kaiser PTA board

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May 22, 2012

To Whom It May Concern:

Re: Caroline Stern

I give my highest recommendation, without reservation, for Ms. Caroline Stern and her creative capabilities. She is a brilliant artist and has completed several projects both in my home and office.

Specifically, Ms. Stern has created a magnificent mural throughout the bedroom of our children which memorializes several scenes from the major motion films *Lion King* and *Lion King II*. All who step in to the room are completely amazed with the detail of each scene and the close attention paid to artistically bringing to life each of the main characters of the films. She also created several murals in the connecting bathroom depicting three water related scenes from the films that bring about a joyful experience each time our children use or refer to these facilities.

Caroline also used a faux finishing artistic technique in my business complex's high scale conference room, now known as the "Barack Room", where I intend to meet with Barack Obama, that capsulated the desired majestic like environment worthy of the elegant furnishings and decors of the room. She is able to interpret your desired expressions on a variety of mediums, efficiently, effectively and affordably. Her personality and workmanship is just as pleasant and pleasing and it has always been a joy to work with such a magnificent artist.

I give my highest recommendation, without reservation for Ms. Caroline Stern.

Respectfully,

H. Geoffrey Watson, M.D.

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Diplomat, American Board of Internal Medicine

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May 22, 2012

Re: Caroline Stern

To Whom It May Concern:

Caroline Stern created three large murals for the Oakland Redevelopment Agency in the last 3 years in partnership with another muralist, Dan Fontes. I was the project manager for 2 of the murals, and Ms. Stern was my main contact for communicating with the artists, receiving invoices and so on. For the two murals that I managed, Ms. Stern and Mr. Fontes painted an underwater scene showing three large sea turtles on an industrial building next to Interstate 880 in East Oakland. The murals are well executed and very beautiful. They are appreciated by the neighbors, the property owner and travelers on the freeway, and the incidence of graffiti and illegal dumping has decreased in this location since they were painted. As part of the mural projects the artists also worked with local youth organizations to involve youth in the creation of the murals. The collaboration with Girls Incorporated of Alameda County was particularly fruitful, including a show of artwork created by young women as a result of several classes taught by the artists. Ms. Stern was also very professional and easy to work with for the administrative side of the project, and she had a good rapport with the owner of the property. I hope to be able to work with her again, if funding becomes available for more projects.

Sincerely,

Daniel Seamans

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February 20, 2013

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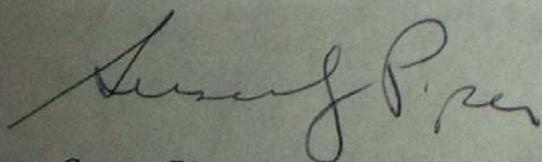
Dear Steven,

As former parent leaders at Kaiser Elementary School, and ongoing community activists in Hiller Highlands, we thoroughly support Caroline Stern's proposal for a mural at Kaiser Elementary School. Sue served as PTA president at Kaiser for two terms during and after the Oakland Hills Firestorm, and Gordon served as the PTA Beautification Chair for Kaiser in addition to his work as the chair of the Oakland Landscape Committee, which builds and maintains public gardens in the Highway 13/24 corridor and at Oakland schools.

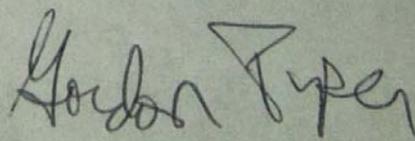
We know from experience how important it is for students to participate in a long-lasting project like this. When our daughter attended Kaiser as an 8th grader in 1996 (it was then a K-8); her class designed and painted a mural that continues to grace the south wall of the school. She and her classmates were proud to have left this gift of positive sentiments to future students.

We greatly support Caroline's efforts and encourage the City to award her this grant.

Sincerely,



Susan Piper



Gordon Piper













Snowy
Plover



CALIFORNIA REPUBLIC