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The 2014 Newport Beach Art Exhibition was held at the Newport Beach Civic Center this year on Saturday, June 14. The one-day juried exhibition, celebrating its fiftieth anniversary, featured paintings, photography, mixed media and sculpture from over 130 artists. The Fine Arts Ad Hoc Subcommittee will deliver a full report on the event at the August City Arts Commission meeting.

The first of the live musical performances in the *Concerts on the Green* series was held on June 22 and featured the Hutchins Consort who performed an eclectic repertoire of classical and popular music arranged for a string octet. On-site coordination of the event was provided by Librarian II Andrea Jason, with assistance from Facilities Maintenance Specialist Eddie Flores.

On June 19th, the City Arts Commission hosted a reception for esteemed artist James Strombotne in the Central Library Friends Room. Curator Gordon McClelland provided an overview of Mr. Strombotne's career, and the artist himself engaged the audience with an interesting question and answer session. Mr. Strombotne's art is on display in the Central Library lobby until August 1<sup>st</sup>.

Staff continues to plan a Grand Opening event for the Sculpture Exhibition in the Civic Center Park that will be held on Saturday, September 13 at 2 PM in the Civic Center Community Room. The Sculpture Garden Grand Opening is being coordinated by Janis Dinwiddie of Dinwiddie Events.

