

# **Friends of East County Arts, Inc.**

## **3<sup>RD</sup> ANNUAL ALLEY CAT JURIED ART SHOW July 17 – August 14, 2009**

### JURORS

**Vicky DeLong, Executive Director Bonita Museum & Cultural Center,** wears many hats in the world of art in San Diego. She is a clay artist with a gallery/studio in the Spanish Village Art Center, artist and Board Member with the San Diego Museum of Art Artists' Guild, and with the Allied Artists Association of San Diego (AAASD). Ms. DeLong earned her BFA from Drake University (Iowa). She has studied ceramics from Italian masters of the Instituto della Procellanae della Ceramica, and later received a certificate in the Museum Studies from Mesa College of San Diego. She has taken the Bonita Museum from a volunteer organization that opened its doors only one day a week to a professionally managed venue open four days per week. In addition to creating educational displays about the Sweetwater Valley history, she has added cultural features including art and music. Working as a clay artist since the mid 1980's, Ms. DeLong has organized many fine art exhibits in the Museum galleries in order to give the artists in San Diego County an additional professional venue to expose their work.

**Richard Todd, Coordinator of Arts and Culture for the City of Chula Vista, and Executive Director of the Chula Vista Arts Commission,** has a M.A. and B.S. of Fine Arts from Western Michigan University; and AA in Visual Arts from Mott Community College; Grad Work in Creative Arts Studies from San Francisco State University, and Fellowship in Arts Management and Leadership with the Coro Foundation and The California Arts Council. He was a Board Member of the Kalamazoo Institute of Art for 6 years; Past President of African American Museum of Fine Arts/San Diego; a member of San Diego Arts Coalition, and has served on the Arts and Education Committee of Downtown Partners, San Diego. Mr. Todd has planned and developed programs and policies in public art; designed and installed a variety of museum and gallery shows and activities, and has taught Visual, Architectural Design and History, Art and Art History at all grade levels, K through Community & Private College.