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January art exhibits in Orinda galleries

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Linda Sutton: Barely Bothered, Size: 16 x 10, Medium: Oil on board Photo provided

The Lamorinda Arts Council is pleased to present a virtual gallery of original illustrations by featured artist and author Elaine Drew through Feb 3. Meet a bevy of colorful characters in Drew's historical fiction graphic novel, "A Knight's Bad Day."

Elaine Drew's love affair with the Middle Ages began when she worked at the New York Metropolitan Museum of Art. She enjoyed wandering the galleries looking at the luminescent color and gold of Medieval painting. "After I married, I lived in England for four years, surrounded by history. Our small village was within walking distance of Winchester, the royal seat of the early English kingdom of Wessex." Her graphic novel is set in Wessex in the year 800, her favorite time period. Find out more at elainedrew.com.

Meanwhile, in the art gallery at the Orinda Library this month, the Lamorinda Arts Council presents paintings and hard carved bird houses in an exhibit by Linda Sutton, Teresa Onoda, Lois Reynolds Mead, and Doug Crooks. The exhibit runs through Jan. 28. The gallery is open during normal library hours: Monday to Thursday, 10 a.m. - 8 p.m., Friday to Saturday, 10 a.m. - 6 p.m., closed Sunday.

An online preview of the exhibit is available at https://lamorindaarts.org/product-category/orinda-library-online-gallery/?mc_cid=8fac84186f&mc_eid=69514672a1

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Doug Crooks: Wood Spirit Bird House Photo provided

Cover illustration by Elaine Drew for her graphic novel: The back and front cover of the graphic novel, "A Knight's Bad Day," 14" x 10" gouache painting Photo provided

Illustration by Elaine Drew for her graphic novel, "A Knight's Bad Day," 7" x 10" gouache painting The door is opened by a beautiful lady. Photo provided

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