



## A GREAT YEAR ON THE RANCH!

It's a testament to how much the Ranch means to you that 2021 was a year of impressive accomplishment. Thanks to your donations and labor, Friends of the Fiscalini Ranch Preserve has provided more than 2,800 hours of volunteering and \$80,000 in direct financial support for Ranch projects. Thank you!

Highlights of the year:

- **Recovery from January deluge:** 11 acres and dozens of fallen trees cleaned up, trails restored, and the Bluff Trail fence repaired



July 8, 2021



October 27, 2021

- **Access:** 8 miles of trails groomed and repaired, Wallbridge Trail access restored, COVID restriction enforced (then lifted), and bike bell program launched
- **Education:** a free self-guided school program launched, and 14 docent walks led
- **Restoration:** 300 Monterey pines grown, survey of forest understory plants conducted, funding for restoration nursery secured, and 216 cubic yards of ice plant removed (about two semi truck loads!)
- **Forest health:** 4 acres of gall rust removed
- **Species recovery:** 1,700 monarch butterflies returned to the Ranch this fall (and

were counted by volunteers)!

None of this would have been possible without your commitment to Fiscalini Ranch Preserve.

Thank you!



Kitty Connolly, Executive Director

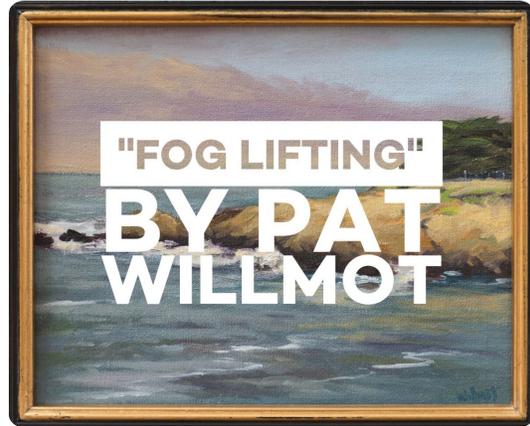
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## LIVE ONLINE AUCTION: *Give the Ranch a Hand*



Please continue your support – and score some very nice gifts – by bidding in our online auction. Since we were unable to hold our annual Songs for the Season event this year, we decided to make donated items available online. More than 25 different items are listed, and with every bid (winning or not), you will be entered to win a [\\$250 gift certificate to Williams Sonoma](#).

Here are a few of the items in the auction:



Bidding begins on **Giving Tuesday, November 30**, and runs through December 11 at 5PM, the day we had planned to hold Songs for the Season. Items will be on view in the store at 604D Main Street on December 2-4 and December 9-11 from 11AM to 2PM.

Thank you to the generous sponsors who provided auction items: Amphora Gallery, Dianne & Scott Anderson, Artifacts Gallery, Jan & Jim Bahringer, Rusty Burns, Cambria Chamber of Commerce, Cambria Coffee Roasting Company, Karen Chrisman, Bob & Susan Detweiler, Sheryll & Brian Ebbs, Ellie Etter & Henry Showell, Becky Kincaid, Mark & Cathy Larsen, Tom & Susan Loganbill, Mary Maher & Madelynn Rigopoulos, Monarch Gallery, Carlos Mendoza, Steve & Marsha Nathanson, John & Mary Nixon, Ocean Heir, Loree Parral & Walt Andrus, Ann Picker, re-Create Thrift Store, Ted & Suzy Siegler, Michael & Gail Thomas, Pat Willmott, and Ann & Evan Wride.

### Online Auction

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## WAYS TO SUPPORT THE RANCH



## **IRA Roll Over**

If you are at least 70½ (pre-2020) or 72 (2020 and later), you can direct your IRA administrator to distribute a gift from your IRA to Friends of the Fiscalini Ranch Preserve. Any amount you transfer may count against your required minimum distribution (RMD). You can direct up to \$100,000 to your favorite causes this year.

## **Appreciated Assets**

Appreciated non-cash assets — such as publicly traded securities, real estate, or private business interests — held more than one year and donated directly to a charity can eliminate your capital gains tax and you can still claim a fair market value charitable deduction in the year you donate.

## **Sustaining Donations**

Consider making a longer-term commitment to Fiscalini Ranch Preserve with a monthly or annual **gift** or **membership**. Auto renewal gives you one less thing to remember and helps FFRP plan for the future.

## **Volunteer**

Volunteer to help care for the Ranch. From monthly work days to weekly weeding, from trails to events, Friends of the Fiscalini Ranch Preserve relies on volunteers.

## Non-Profit Status

Friends of the Fiscalini Ranch Preserve is a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization: EIN 91-2161009. Donations are tax deductible to the full extent of the law. Address: P.O. Box 1664 Cambria, CA 93428

**Learn More About IRA Rollovers**

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# HOSPITALITY DAY IN CAMBRIA: DECEMBER 6

Come visit the shop (604D Main Street) on Monday, December 6, between 1PM and 7PM during Cambria's village-wide Hospitality Day. We have those special Cambria gifts you'll love to give, including limited edition Ranch puzzles, tea towels, and new tee shirts. From stocking stuffers to tree dedications, we have just what you need. Stop by for refreshments and a **10% Members' discount!**

Thanks to the [Cambria Chamber of Commerce](#) for organizing this annual event!



[Shop Online](#)

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POSTPONED TO 2022:  
SONGS FOR THE SEASON



For the second year in a row, we have had to cancel all our live fundraising events. With San Luis Obispo County still under an indoor mask mandate and the future uncertain, we decided it was too risky to hold any indoor events. Although we all would love to see you, your health and safety are our highest priority.

So plan ahead: Friends of the Fiscalini Ranch Preserve's annual holiday gathering will return on **Saturday, December 10, 2022**, from 2:00 to 4:30 pm.

Wishing you a healthy 2022!

**Please support Friends of the Fiscalini Ranch today!**

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