

SIERRA WATERCOLOR SOCIETY
General Meeting Minutes
January 13, 2018, 10:30 am
Temple Sinai

Call to Order: *Tricia Leonard, President. 10:30*

Installation of 2017 Officers: *Kay Tietz*

Kay Tietz gave the introduction and installed the 2018 officers: President Ronnie Rector, Vice President Linda Parisi, Treasurer Laurel Sweigart, and Secretary Carol Baker. The outgoing officers: President Tricia Leonard, and Vice President Gina Lijoi, were congratulated and thanked for their service, and presented with gifts.

Introduction of new members, guests

New members Margot Murray, Jean Hall, Marcia Walley, Fran Johnson and Sherry Jeurissen were introduced and welcomed.

Announcements:

Ronnie asked for members input on possibly including some new types of surfaces for painting which would also include broadening our framing requirements. Survey questionnaires were available at the back table for members to complete. We also have a suggestion box for members who have ideas they would like to be discussed.

Minutes of October 14, 2017 General Meeting: *Carol Baker*

There was one correction to the minutes. Ilene Foster motioned to approve the minutes, seconded by Nancy Podewils-Baba. The minutes were approved as corrected.

Treasurer's Report: *Laurel Sweigart*

Report Date: December 2017

<i>Beginning Bank Balance</i>			<i>\$27,515.07</i>
	<i>Income</i>	<i>Expense</i>	
<i>Art Angels</i>	<i>1,155.00</i>	<i>269.65</i>	
<i>Workshop</i>	<i>1,020.00</i>	<i>0.00</i>	
<i>SWS</i>	<i>700.00</i>	<i>860.96</i>	
<i>Total</i>	<u><i>2,875.00</i></u>	<u><i>1,130.61</i></u>	
<i>Ending Bank Balance</i>			<i>\$29,550.56</i>

There were no corrections to the December 2017 Treasurer's Report. Vicki Curwen motioned to approve, seconded by Nancy Podewils-Baba. The December 2017 Treasurer's Report was approved as presented.

Laurel also presented the 2017 Profit and Loss Report and Balance Sheet.

Dues are payable now

2018 Workshops and Demonstrations: *Linda Parisi
Eva Nichols, Presentation today @ 1:00*

Sign-ups are open 3 months prior to the workshops to members first, then the public.

2018: *Eva Nichols, Demo, Jan 13
Michael Reardon, March 7-9, Demo March 10
Michael Holter, May 9-11, Demo May 12
Julie Pollard, Aug 14-17, Demo Aug 18
David Lobenberg, Oct 9-12' Demo 13*

2019: *Stan Miller, March 6-8, Demo, March 9
Alvaro Castagnet, May 8-10, Demo, May 11
Tom Lynch, August
Sterling Edwards, Oct 23-25, Demo, Oct 26*

Hospitality: *Sherry Muniz*

Sherry thanked those who brought snacks this morning.

Holiday Brunch: *J R Stafford report on December 2nd brunch*

JR expressed his thanks to all who helped with the Holiday Brunch. He will not be available next year to attend the brunch, but will be happy to help with the planning.

Art Angels and Community Outreach: *Nancy Podewils-Baba*

Art Angels Classes in the Schools:

To date there are 24 classes signed up for the year. Nancy circulated a list for volunteers for the upcoming classes that she still needs help with.

Community Outreach Workshop:

The Art Angels Holiday Workshop had 50 registrants, we accommodated a total of 40 children. Nancy expressed her gratitude to the instructors: Eva Nichols, Cheryl Keaveney, Alicia Cobb, Ronnie Rector, Mary Ann Quaglieri, Linda James, and Sally Shaw, also to the helpers J.R. Stafford, Kathy Martin, Bess Inouye, Brook Cobb, Gracie Allen, and George Baba.

The May Workshop will be on Sunday, May 6, from 1-3 at the Wilbur May Museum. Nancy circulated a sign-up sheet for instructors and helpers for that event.

The Silent Auction had 20 paintings, generously donated by SWS members, and garnered \$605. for Art Angels supplies. Nancy thanked the following members who donated paintings; Judy Berland, Laurel Sweigart, Mary Ann Quaglieri, Cheryl Keaveney, Ronnie Rector, Eva Nichols, Vicki Curwen, Eileen Fuller and Linda James. We sold \$540. in raffle tickets. Bev Jozwiak's Elephant painting "Going Vegan" was won by Tina Nappe; Birgit O'Connor's painting was won by Linda Halicki; Jeanne

Vodden's giclee was won by Ruth Clark, and Sterling Edwards giclee was won by Kathy Martin.

Publicity: Nancy Podewils-Baba

Nancy continues to post notices of upcoming exhibits and demos on the online calendars of Arts4Nevada, KUNR, and Reno News and Review. She also posted notices for the Art Angels Silent Auction and Raffle held last month.

Nancy continues to go to the monthly Arts Consortium meetings, whenever possible, and let other arts organizations representatives know what SWS is doing. She continues to be a liaison with the library system, Reno Little Theater, and Renown, to explore the opportunities for exhibits in those venues.

Nancy and Trisha will be putting together a grant application for Arts Learning with the Nevada Arts Council, and will be contacting several members for information and input.

Facebook: Kathryn Dudley (not present)

Lisa Jefferson said to keep sending your pictures and announcements to SWSarts@gmail.com so they can be posted on the SWS Facebook page.

Exhibits: Anette Rink

Report: Winter Exhibit, May Museum, Diane Sewell

There were 60 paintings entered in the exhibit.

Congratulations to Reid Sewell who was the People's Choice Winner

One painting sold and four bin-art paintings sold.

Upcoming:

"Celebrating Reno's 150th Birthday and 2018 Everywhere", North Valleys Library, chairs: Ken Heitzenrader and Cheryl Keaveney

The take-in date will be March 1 and the show will be up until April 14. Due to limited space there be no full-sheet paintings accepted. There is space for 23 to 30 paintings. If you have more than one painting you would like to exhibit bring it and if there is room it will be hung. The library will not deal with sales, so make sure you have your contact information, bio-cards, business cards. Alicia Cobb handles the bio-cards. Her email is afcobb@att.net.

"Bouquets to Reno's 150th", May Museum, chair: Marjee Smith.

The take-in date is May 1, and the take down on June 3.

Scholarship: Scholarship spring/ 2017. Kathryn Dudley

The 2017 Scholarship was awarded to Gwaylon Leaf, a first year MFA at UNR. He works in painting, drawing and water based media.

Video Library: Linda Halicki

We now have 37 books in our library in addition to the videos. Linda has created an index binder for the books.

Membership: Sally DuPre & Lynn Schmidt

Membership count: 150 Attendance today: 54 (including 4 new members)
Members were asked to check their information on the roster for accuracy.
Note: You must be a member 30 days prior to entering any SWS exhibits.

Newsletter: Lisa Jefferson

Lisa's first newsletter is on the website. If you have news you would like to have included in the newsletter please send your information to Lisa by the 20th of the month at ljeffersondesign.com.

Website: Hope Thompson (no report)

Challenge: Judy Berland

The Challenge for March is "Tribute to Your Talent" A statue or sculpture painting that pays tribute to your talent.

Reminder: You can't use a painting from a previous exhibit in a challenge, but you can use a challenge painting in an exhibit.

Board Meeting Calendar: Renown Board Room, Mill Street, 10:00 a.m. – Noon,
2018: April 29, August 5, September 23

General Meeting Calendar: Temple Sinai, 10:30 a.m.

2018: March 10, May 12, August 18, October 13

Announcements

Nancy Podewils-Baba said Ron Gunderson forwarded a \$100. donation to her that as given to him for Art Angels.

Eva Nichols has a workshop coming up in China, on March 23-28, "Painting in Paradise". Flyers are on the back table.

Tricia Leonard will be teaching a class at TMCC on Feb 9. Tricia also welcomed Ronnie as our new President and presented her with a hardhat.

Eileen Fuller-This month the Artists Co-op is having an art materials sale, and you can still participate as a seller if you price your gently used materials well. Right now you will find frames, watercolor mats, how-to-books, easels, canvasses, some paints, and paintings. Reception is on Feb 2, from 12-4.

Latimer Art Club: Guests are welcome to attend the next meeting. Membership information can be found on their website www.latimerartclub.com. The meeting is Saturday, Feb. 17th at 1100 W. Moana Ln., at the Design Center on the west end of the parking lot. Time is 1-3. If you paint in other mediums than watercolor, LAC is where you can show those. As a guest at this meeting, you would be aware that the meeting will end with the annual exchange among the members of miniature paintings. You can hear about the club's activities, like the upcoming show coordinated by Sharon Peters: Equinox: Spring Haiku. This will be at the Sparks Heritage Museum from March 8th (entry 3-5) to April 29, reception on Mar. 17, from 3-5. You will have to be voted in as a member at this February meeting (or renew your dues to participate).

ACR will host the next statewide miniature show in October for the Latimer Art Club.

The subject matter will be anything & everything, including portraits, still life, and abstract. The name hasn't been voted on yet, but Eileen chairs the show and will ask

for a vote on "Biggest Little Miniature Show" so local subjects will be popular too. This show is open to all Nevada Artists 18 & over. Last years framing requirements and media categories are on the website now. The prospectus will not be revised until the judge is selected. Last year sales were over \$3500. for this show, and over \$4000.in cash and prizes were given out. When the entry form is available it will be announced in the SWS newsletter as well as LAC and ARC.

Eileen extends her thank you to our retiring President Tricia Poulos-Leonard.

Ronnie announced that in honor of Reno's 150th birthday Graphic Arts donated samples of Dura-Lar media film. They can be found on the back table.

Ronnie Rector along with Monika Piper Johnson are hosting a "Spring in the Sierra Painting Weekend" at St. Mary's Art and Retreat Center in Virginia City, NV. The retreat will be on May 3-6, 2018. Cost: \$395. 2.5 days of painting, wild horses, 1000-mile views. All mediums welcome.

Please help put up chairs/tables at end of the Demo. Thank you!

All Announcements--30 Seconds or Less!!!

Demonstration by Eva Nichols @ 1:00 pm

Door Prizes Bill Bundrock, Marsha Walley and Lisa Jefferson

Motion to Adjourn:Leslie Kuhn Second: Joan Garrett 11:37