



# Sierra Watercolor Society

[sierrawatercolorsociety.com](http://sierrawatercolorsociety.com)

January/February 2021

## EXHIBIT NEWS

The Annual Judged Exhibit, '**Variations on a Theme**' was a big success! The exhibit was held at the Wilbur D. May Museum in Reno, NV from November 18, 2020 - January 1, 2021. Congratulations to Reid Sewell for winning Best Of Show! Ten paintings sold. Thank you to our judge Lori Bishop, the May Museum, exhibit chair Diane Sewell, and to all the helpers. You can see the exhibit on the SWS website, the SWS Facebook page, and the Best Of Show and First Place award winners here in the newsletter on pages 4 and 5.

## JANUARY 2021 CHALLENGE

*by Judy Berland*

### "Utopia, Shangri la, Paradise"

*This is an online challenge for SWS members.* Submit your images to [presidentsierrawatercolor@gmail.com](mailto:presidentsierrawatercolor@gmail.com) by no later than midnight Thursday, January 7. Voting will open online on the website on Friday the 8th, and winners will be announced on January 16.

What does one of these conjure up for you? Paint it!!!!

Psychologists say: #1- you must face the problem (we did with "Alone or Lonely")

#2- then do something HAPPY. (I hope you all have done this).

Now look forward to the ultimate HAPPY:

A place you love, a place you have never been but know it would be" IT", an event, perfecting a sport, imagining the perfect house or city, or the ultimate painting.

*Start Painting for the March 2021 Challenge...*

### "Abstract Realism" (recognizable but not realistic)

To thank Abstract Realist Barbara Necchi for her October 2020 Zoom Critique:

Paint from your imagination, or take one of your old realistic paintings (OK to break the rules here with an exhibit or challenge entry) and abstract it, but if you choose a magazine photo or a famous painting, you may not be able to exhibit or sell it.

#### RULES FOR ALL CHALLENGES:

Entries will not be accepted unless they meet the following Challenge rules exactly - NO EXCEPTIONS

1. Do not sign your painting.
2. Entries must fit the theme.
3. Entries must be matted (they do not need to be framed).
4. Entries may only be submitted into one Challenge.  
You may not enter a challenge painting into a second Challenge, even if it fits the theme.
5. Entries must be new, having been painted specifically for the Challenge.
6. Entries cannot have been shown in an exhibit prior to the Challenge.

# NEWS FROM THE BOARD

## A MESSAGE FROM OUR PRESIDENT, DIANE SEWELL

JANUARY/FEBRUARY 2021

As we count down the days until 2020 is over, I want to tell you how much I have missed you all at our general meetings. I hope all the best for everyone in 2021 and hope we can get together as soon as possible.

Let's get inspired and paint something wonderful for the New Year.

- Diane

### SWS Membership Dues Are Due

In case you haven't renewed your \$35/year membership yet for 2021, now's the time! Please head over to our website to renew.

Yes, you do need to fill out the membership application "form" again, to keep our records "behind the curtains" correct.



Banner artwork "Sunshine And Shadow"  
by Lynn Schmidt.

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**MEMBERS** - Information for Members can be found on the MEMBERSHIP page on our website. You can join or renew your membership with SWS, view the **Bylaws and Standing Rules**, enter and get information on exhibits, learn how long elected officers serve, and so much more!

**[www.sierrawatercolorsociety.com](http://www.sierrawatercolorsociety.com)**

## MORE NEWS FROM THE BOARD

### NEXT GENERAL MEETING

January 16, 2021

The General Meeting will be a one hour online Zoom meeting starting at 12:00 noon.

The Demo by Dana Childs will also be on Zoom starting at 1:00 pm.

More information and invitations to the meeting will be sent by email.

### LIBRARY NEWS

Remember all those DVD's you checked out at least a year ago? You can return them by mailing them to:

CHERYL KEAVENEY  
7530 Gladstone Drive  
Reno NV 89506

Please don't give them to someone else to give to Cheryl. It's difficult to keep track of who even checked them out. Thank you!

### NEXT BOARD MEETING

February 13, 2021

If we are able to have in-person meetings the board meeting will be held at our usual location:

ARTISTS CO-OP GALLERY  
627 Mill Street, Reno, NV  
9:30 a.m. to 10:30 a.m.

If not we will set up a Zoom meeting

### ART ANGELS

Hopefully we will be invited back in the schools sometime this spring. We also hope to do a workshop and hold a Silent Auction of members' paintings. In the meantime, stay safe and healthy and have fun painting!

- Nancy Podewils-Baba

## 2021 & 2022 DEMOS & WORKSHOPS

DATES	ARTIST	OPEN DATE	DEMO DATE	WEBSITE
Jan 16, 2021	DANA CHILDS, demo only	-	Jan 16	<a href="http://www.dlauren.net">www.dlauren.net</a>
Mar 17-19, 2021	BETTY CARR ***	TBD	Mar 20	<a href="http://www.bettycarrfineart.com">www.bettycarrfineart.com</a>
May 5-7, 2021	PAUL JACKSON	Feb 1	May 8	<a href="http://www.pauljackson.com">www.pauljackson.com</a>
June 25-27, '21	RONNIE RECTOR	Mar 1	-	<a href="http://www.ronnie.rectorsonline.com">www.ronnie.rectorsonline.com</a>
Aug 17-20, 2021	LAURIN MCCRACKEN	May 1	Aug 21	<a href="http://www.lauringallery.com">www.lauringallery.com</a>
Oct 13-15, 2021	CARL PURCELL	July 1	Oct 16	<a href="http://www.carlpurcell.com">www.carlpurcell.com</a>
Jan 15, 2022	Demo TBD	-	Jan 15	
Mar 9-11, 2022	DON ANDREWS	Dec 1	Mar 12	<a href="http://www.donandrewsstudio.com">www.donandrewsstudio.com</a>
May 10-13, 2022	SOON WARREN	Feb 1	May 14	<a href="http://www.soonwarren.com">www.soonwarren.com</a>
Jun 24-26, 2022	TBD	Mar 1	-	
Aug 17-19, 2022	KEIKO TANABE	May 1	Aug 20	<a href="http://www.ktanabefineart.com">www.ktanabefineart.com</a>
Oct 18-21, 2022	FRANK EBER	July 1	Oct 22	<a href="http://www.frankeber.com">www.frankeber.com</a>

\*\*\* For the Betty Carr Workshop in March: we will have some discussion on whether to try for an in person workshop or hold an online workshop at our General Meeting on Zoom at 12 noon on January 16, 2021.

Workshops are held at Temple Sinai, 3405 Gulling Road, Reno, NV

QUESTIONS? Please feel free to email Linda - [halickilinda@gmail.com](mailto:halickilinda@gmail.com)



## MEMBER NEWS & ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Demo by Dana Childs will be at 1:00 pm following the General Meeting on Zoom on January 16



### Dana Childs, aka d'Lauren presents **Dynamic Forced Blooms**

You will be transported to our High Alpine surroundings as Dana portrays the rich blues and greens found in our lakes, framed by the natural surroundings of our Alpine wonderland. Dana will demonstrate her process of creating dynamic forced blooms that expose and retain the whitest whites of the paper while driving rivulets of water through heavier loads of watercolor for high key contrast effect.

## The Annual Judged Exhibit 2020, 'Variations on a Theme' SHOW AWARDS

Congratulations to all of the award winners and artists who entered the show!

You can see the full exhibit on the SWS website.

### **BEST IN SHOW**

"Cab Forward - Sparks" by Reid Sewell

### **Figures and Portraits**

1st Place "Down and Out" by Kathryn Dudley

2nd Place "Notre Dame II - St. Genevieve" by Ronnie Rector

3rd Place "Montmartre Art Market" by Eileen Fuller

### **Abstracts**

1st Place "Shipwrecked" by Mary Ann Quaglieri

2nd Place "Sitting Pretty" by Tricia Poulos Leonard

3rd place "Harlequin Rose" by Anette Rink

### **Fur Fins and Feathers**

1st Place "Deep In Thought" by Maria Hatjopoulos

2nd Place "Cold Drink" by Diane Sewel

3rd Place "Reflecting On Her Reflection" by Linda James

### **Floral and Still Life**

1st Place "Gourds Galore" by Kay Tietz

2nd Place "Floral in Silver Vase" by Sharon Boyajian

3rd Place "Bleuettes" by Anette Rink

Judges Merit "Flowering Dogwood" by Wendy Winkler

### **Landscapes and Architecture**

1st Place "Up The Hill" by Judy Welsh

2nd Place "Beginning to Melt" by Sharon Boyajian

3rd Place "Nevada" by Larry Jacox

Judges Merit "Volcanic Death Valley" by Valerie P Cohen

### **People's Choice**

1st Place "Notre Dame II - St. Genevieve" by Ronnie Rector

2nd Place "Still Standing" by Karen Sullivan

3rd Place "Peaceful Moment" by Maria Hatjopoulos



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### **Congratulations to these artists who sold paintings in the show**

Victoria Behrens - Peavine Peak  
Victoria Behrens - Tulip  
Eileen Fuller - Mendocino Coast  
Larry Jacox - North Coast Reflections  
Larry Jacox - Nevada

Ronnie Rector - Notre Dame II - St. Genevieve  
Anette Rink - Morning Glories  
Reid Sewell - Cab Forward-Sparks  
Cheryl Kay Tietz - Mountain Snow Day  
Judy Welsh - Sand Harbor



# MEMBER NEWS & ANNOUNCEMENTS

## TEACHING MEMBERS

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*Please contact teaching members for updates on class rescheduling and cancellations.*

## CLASSES BY EVA NICHOLS

*For updated information on Eva's complete workshop & show schedule please go to:*

www.beautyonlocation.com

Email: evanichols@me.com

Visit Eva's YouTube channel: Eva Nichols Art

Phone: 530-414-1289

**Eva Stramer Nichols** - Truckee, CA

http://whereintheworldiseva.blogspot.com/

## New Video Lessons by Tricia Leonard

I have great news! I have finished the first two sections of my video series, "Watermedia and Mixed Media Painting". The first four lessons are basic and cover color theory and values. The second four are intermediate and explore different painting surfaces as well as many techniques to take your painting to the next level. If you have a foundation in color and values, you may want to start with this section. The third section is in production right now and should be available by the end of the month. These sessions help you produce unique, individual work. All lessons tell you what materials are needed. The costs for these lessons are:

**First four basic lessons** - \$69

**Second four intermediate lessons** - \$89

**Third four advanced lessons** - \$119

But, if you order the **whole series** it is \$197

The basic lessons would be great for a child who you want to introduce to painting. These lessons would be appropriate for someone as young as 9 years old, or someone just starting out up to 99 years old. Think about this as a gift during this COVID confinement.

To order, go to [www.triciastudio.thinkific.com](http://www.triciastudio.thinkific.com)

**The Portrait Society** of Reno waits patiently, well almost, for COVID restrictions to ease and we can return to painting. We still are painting but miss working with live models and especially the companionships.

- Kay Tietz

## Artists Co-op Supply Sale & Show

January 2 to January 31

Stock up on art supplies at great prices! We also have a "\$20 WALL" of donated art being sold as a fundraiser for the ACR Building fund. You are encouraged to find a small piece to donate to this cause also! There will be other members' art for sale also on the walls of the feature room. The Co-op is in the process of purchasing and improving the building via our 501(c)3, and donations of art (and dollars) are much appreciated!

Please remember to wear your mask, stay socially distanced, and stay well! We have hope that 2021 will be a much safer year for us all, but we cannot let our guard down now.

- Eileen Fuller, ACR President

ARTISTS CO-OP GALLERY OF RENO

627 Mill Street

Reno, NV 89502

775-322-8896

Open 11am to 4pm, 7 days a week

**Kathy Colgrove** passed away Sunday, surrounded by her family. She was a very close friend of Reid and I, and a member of SWS for many many years, dropped out, and then re-joined about four years ago. A native Nevadan from Yerington, who grew up in Reno, Kathy was 84 years old and will be very much missed by her family and friends, including Reid and I.

- Diane Sewell

## ...AND NOW A WORD FROM OUR SPONSORS!

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## MARK YOUR CALENDAR!

DATE	TIME	EVENT	CONTACT
1/16/2021	12 noon; Demo at 1 pm	Zoom Gen'l Meeting & Demo by Dana Childs	Diane Sewell, President
2/13/2021	9:30 a.m. to 10:30 a.m	Board Meeting, Artists Co-op Gallery, Reno	Diane Sewell, President
3/17-19, 2021	9 a.m. to 4 p.m	Betty Carr Workshop	Linda Halicki, V. President
3/20/2021	10 a.m.; Demo at 1 p.m.	General Meeting & Demo by Betty Carr	Diane Sewell, President
4/10/2021	9:30 a.m. to 10:30 a.m	Board Meeting, Artists Co-op Gallery, Reno	Diane Sewell, President
5/5-5/7, 2021	9 a.m. to 4 p.m	Paul Jackson Workshop	Linda Halicki, V. President
5/8/2021	10 a.m.; Demo at 1 p.m.	General Meeting & Demo by Paul Jackson	Diane Sewell, President
6/25-6/27, 2021	9 a.m. to 4 p.m	Ronnie Rector Workshop	Linda Halicki, V. President
8/14/2021	9:30 a.m. to 10:30 a.m	Board Meeting, Artists Co-op Gallery, Reno	Diane Sewell, President
8/17-20, 2021	9 a.m. to 4 p.m	Laurin McCracken Workshop	Linda Halicki, V. President
8/21/2021	10 a.m.; Demo at 1 p.m	General Meeting, Demo by Laurin McCracken	Diane Sewell, President
9/11/2021	9:30 a.m. to 10:30 a.m	Board Meeting, Artists Co-op Gallery, Reno	Diane Sewell, President
10/13-15, 2021	9 a.m. to 4 p.m	Carl Purcell Workshop	Linda Halicki, V. President
10/13/2021	9:30 a.m. to 10:30 a.m	Board Meeting, Artists Co-op Gallery, Reno	Diane Sewell, President
10/16/2021	10 a.m.; Demo at 1 p.m	General Meeting & Demo by Carl Purcell	Diane Sewell, President
Dec 2021	10:30 a.m. to 12:00	Holiday Brunch	Chair

General meetings, demonstrations and workshops are held at Temple Sinai, 3405 Gulling Road, Reno, NV.  
Board meetings are held at The Artists Co-op Gallery of Reno, 627 Mill Street, Reno, NV.