

# Sierra Watercolor Society

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January/February 2022

## EXHIBIT NEWS

**THE WINTER EXHIBIT** was held at the Wilbur D. May Museum from November 3 - December 5, 2021. Many thought it was one of our best shows!

### People's Choice Awards in the Winter Exhibit 2021

Former President and winter show chair Diane Sewell announced the vote count is in for the People's Choice Award from "A Celebration Of Color", held at the May Museum from November 3 - December 5, 2021:

3rd place: Kathryn Dudley for "First Light"

2nd place: Judy Welsh for "Exuberance"

1st place: Lisa Jefferson for "Hen and Chicks"



3rd place "First Light" Kathryn Dudley



2nd place "Exuberance" Judy Welsh



1st place "Hens and Chicks" Lisa Jefferson

**THE SWS HOLIDAY BRUNCH**, December 4, 2021 at the Wilbur D. May Museum. A good time was had by all with wonderful food, conversation, a card exchange, and even raffle prizes! Thank you to Chair Carole Ann Rickets, her helpful family, and all who made it happen.

### 2022 EXHIBITS IN THE WORKS:

- **Spring Show** - SWS is working on finding a venue for a spring show and is open to suggestions.
- **July during Art Town** - Wilbur D. May Museum. Use of the Museum has been confirmed.
- **Fall Show - Possible Juried Show** - October 16-November 30, Sparks Heritage Museum. Could be our juried show with Frank Eber acting as Judge after his workshop. *Details still being worked out.*
- **Winter Exhibit** - November-December, Wilbur D. May Museum. The winter show at the May Museum usually hangs during our annual holiday pot-luck, which is Dec. 3 in 2022.

*Dates and details are still being worked out and will be announced as they are confirmed.*

Note that the fall (possible juried) show and the Winter Exhibit would overlap in November 2022. If so we have 10 months to get several paintings done so we can enter both shows!

*Exhibit Chairs are needed for all of the 2022 events.*

## NEWS FROM THE BOARD

### A MESSAGE FROM OUR PRESIDENT, RONNIE RECTOR



#### Officers, 2022:

President	Ronnie Rector, 1 year
Vice President	Jennifer Amrhein and Anita Watson
Treasurer	Anette Rink, 1 year
Secretary	Vickie Behrens
Past Pres./Advisor	Diane Sewell

#### Committee Chairs:

Archivist	Vicki Behrens
Art Angels	Nancy Podewils-Baba, Linda James
Biographer	Linda Parisi
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Be sure to send any address, phone and/or email changes to Membership Chair SALLY DUPRE at: [sdupre@medicine.nevada.edu](mailto:sdupre@medicine.nevada.edu) or 775-232-8362. Send items for the MARCH/APRIL 2022 to [mariahhatjopoulos@gmail.com](mailto:mariahhatjopoulos@gmail.com) by FEBRUARY 20, 2022.

#### **Membership Renewal for 2022**

All membership renewals and new applications need to be submitted online! Just mailing a check does not automatically renew your membership!

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.

<b>Treasurer's Report - November 2021</b>			
<b>2021 November</b>	<b>Income</b>	<b>Expense</b>	
Art Angels	\$0.00	\$0.00	
Workshop	\$0.00	\$315.27	
SWS	\$1,135.00	\$235.64	
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$1,135.00</b>	<b>\$550.91</b>	584.09
Beginning Bank Balance	\$19,446.77		
Ending Bank Balance	\$20,030.86		
	\$584.09		

## MORE NEWS FROM THE BOARD

### NEXT GENERAL MEETING

January 15, 2022

Social time starts at 10:00 am followed by the General Meeting at 10:30 am. Lunch begins at 12:00 noon. The Free Demo by Lori Bishop is open to the public and starts at 1:00 pm. Meetings are held at Temple Sinai, 3405 Gulling Road, Reno, NV.

### NEXT BOARD MEETING

February 12, 2022

Starts at 9:30 am  
Artists Co-Op Gallery of Reno  
627 Mill Street, Reno, NV  
All are welcome

## PAINTING CHALLENGES

*Challenges created by Judy Berland*

The Sierra Watercolor Society meets 5 times a year and at each meeting the Challenge Chair, Judy Berland, presents a themed challenge to the members to bring to the following meeting. The paintings are displayed unsigned and members vote for their favorite based on adherence to the challenge theme and quality of work. First, second, and third place winners receive ribbons and prizes!

*Current Challenge....*

### January 2022 Challenge: "USE IT OR LOSE IT"

Take an old painting and paint a new subject directly over it.

USE IT= the old subject is a new background for a new painting. EX. a neon sign using your old night challenge as a background. OR...

LOSE IT= disregard what the background is and start from scratch. It can be an outline drawing, figures where the background goes right through the new figures making it more abstract.

There are many examples of both by known artists. You may tweek a color or a shape in the background if it will make a better painting.

### March 2022 Challenge: "BLACK AND WHITE"

Paint anything you want (keeping future exhibits in mind) but only use black and white, (or Indigo or Sepia instead of black) white being the paper, Chinese white watercolor or white gouache (any white non water-based paint or collage must only be 10%).

This can be an exhibit ENTRY (see Nicolas Lopez from Peru who only does black and white 1st prize landscapes) or a VALUE STUDY for your exhibit entry.

#### 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.
- Contact Judy Berland if you have any questions.

## Artists Co-op Annual Artists' Supply Sale

January 2-31. (Bring in items Dec. 30-31 or Jan. 2-3)

We are reserving our feature room for you and our members to SELL ART SUPPLIES and art books that you are no longer using! Perhaps you tried a medium and don't plan on going back to it, or you have won some materials that you don't want.

For these resale items, we do not collect sales tax, although we will collect a commission (35%) for gallery operations. We ask you to complete an inventory form and to label your merchandise with first initial and last name. Price tags will be available for you. Donations to ACR are also welcome.

At the gallery, we are in the process of setting up a point-of-sale system (to finally get away from hand-written tickets and offsite posting) and January is our test month.

February we will feature a fundraiser for our building fund with donated and heritage art. More information will follow on this! Have a Happy and Prosperous New Year 2022!

**Eileen Fuller**, ACR President, 775-322-8896

**Cheryl Bennett**, Gallery Manager, 775-852-5090

## ART ANGELS

**The Art Angels Holiday Community Workshop** was held at the Wilbur D. Museum on Saturday, November 27. Forty-two children had signed up, and twenty-four showed up. We had six tables of instruction, and all the participants (ages 6-12) came away with smiles and a painting that was matted, ready to put in a frame. The feedback was all positive, and all said they would come again and/or recommend the workshop to a friend. Many thanks to instructors Vickie Behrens, Joan Garrett, Marilyn Kuenzli-Howell, Mary Ann Quaglieri, and Anette Rink and to helpers Jennifer AmRhein, George Baba, Mason Cobb, Irene McEachern, Chris Kjaer and friend Connie, and Sherry Klingensmith for making the experience so positive and seamless! We also received \$20 in tips! :)

We hope to do another community workshop in the Spring, but the May Museum is not available, so we are looking for another venue. If you know of a space suitable for a painting workshop, please let me know. Thanks.

Art Angels Classroom Visits will resume in January at Spanish Springs Elementary School, 100 Marilyn Mae Drive, Sparks. The following are the dates and times for the classroom visits; since all classes have about 32 children, I will need at least four helpers for each class. Please let me know if you can help.

Thursday, January 13, 12:15-3:15 p.m. (Mrs. Gant's 4th grade): need one-two helper(s)

Thursday, January 20, 12:15-3:15 p.m. (Mrs. Comstock's 4th grade): need one more helper

Thursday, January 27, 12:15-3:15 p.m. (Mrs. Leeper's 4th grade): need one-two helper(s)

Art Angels **Silent Auction** opened on Saturday, November 27 and ended on Saturday, December 4. We had five paintings donated by guest artists Eric Wiegardt, Betty Carr, Paul Jackson, Ronnie Rector, and Carl Purcell for the Raffle, and 17 paintings donated by SWS members (Vickie Behrens, Eileen Fuller, Linda James, Lisa Jefferson, Gail Kramer, Nancy Podewils-Baba, Mary Ann Quaglieri, Ronnie Rector, Anette Rink, and Laurel Sweigart) for the Silent Auction. Eric Wiegardt's original full-size painting "Calella, Spain" was also donated to the Silent Auction, to raise additional funds for Art Angels. In total we raised \$640 from raffle tickets and sold all but three Silent Auction paintings, with a total of \$1060 from the Silent Auction. All proceeds (\$1700) will go to Art Angels for supplies for the workshops and classroom visits. A big "Thank You" to all who donated paintings, bid on the paintings, or bought raffle tickets! Winners of the raffled paintings were as follows: Paul Jackson's painting was won by Jessica Burkett; Ronnie Rector's painting was won by Sherry Klingensmith; Carl Purcell's painting was won by Bess Inouye; Eric Wiegardt's painting was won by Judy Heath; and Betty Carr's painting was won by Connie Hanley. Special thanks go to Mary Ann Quaglieri, who took charge of calling winners and wrapping up the Silent Auction & Raffle, and to her helpers, Bess Inouye and Vickie Behrens. :)

Thank you all for your support of Art Angels! Call me if you have questions or want to help. :)

**Nancy Podewils-Baba**, Art Angels Coordinator (775-343-8100)





## 2022 and 2023 WORKSHOPS & DEMOS

DATES	ARTIST	OPEN DATE	DEMO DATE	WEBSITE
Jan 15, 2022	LORI BISHOP, Demo only	-	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	LORI BISHOP	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>
January 2023	Demo only, TBD			
Mar 21-24, 2023	Eric Wiegardt		Mar 25	<a href="http://www.ericwiegardt.com">www.ericwiegardt.com</a>
May 10-12, 2023	Betty Carr		May 13	<a href="http://www.bettycarrfineart.com">www.bettycarrfineart.com</a>
June 2023	Member Artist workshop		TBD	
Aug 16-18, 2023	Julie Cohn		Aug 19	<a href="http://www.juliecohnfineart.com">www.juliecohnfineart.com</a>
Oct 3-6, 2023	Sterling Edwards		Oct 7	<a href="http://www.sterlingedwards.com">www.sterlingedwards.com</a>

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

*Register for workshops online on the Sierra Watercolor Society website at [www.sierrawatercolorsociety.com](http://www.sierrawatercolorsociety.com)*



**January 15, 2022 free public demo at 1:00 pm**

**LORI BISHOP Free Demo "Drawing and Painting the Human Eye"**

No Registration Required. Open To The Public!

Lori Bishop is an award winning artist who teaches at Western Nevada College in Fallon, NV.

**March 9-11, 9am-4pm (free public demo March 12, 1pm)**

**DON ANDREWS "Landscape Workshop"**

Registration is now open - **Member \$245 Non-Member \$305**

Learning to paint with watercolor should be fun! Don's landscape workshop is geared specifically for artists eager to paint and study in a no-stress studio environment. Artists of all levels will benefit from a more personal understanding of the painting possibilities. Each day Don will address a major visual concern; light, color, granulation, organizing nature and utilizing negative space are just a few subjects to be covered. This workshop will be packed with demos, discussions, individual help, as well as personal and group critiques.

[www.donandrewsstudio.com](http://www.donandrewsstudio.com)



**May 10-13, 9am-4pm (free public demo May 14, 1pm)**

**SOON WARREN "Painting Vibrant Watercolors"**

Registration opens February 1 - price to be determined

Learn easy techniques to tackle more challenging subjects and capture exciting color effects. Soon will show you simple steps to develop your watercolor painting layer by layer with controlled glazes and direct painting to capture realistic detail. Workshop participants will learn: - Glazing and washing techniques to create a luminous underpainting - How to utilize light and dark values in order to capture the sparkle of crystal, smooth background wash, or pouring background - How to approach a painting - How to incorporate the concept of color theory and color relationships into a painting Discussion and critiques will follow the workshop session.

[www.soonwarren.com](http://www.soonwarren.com)



## MEMBER NEWS & ANNOUNCEMENTS

We have been notified that member Donna Chouteau passed away recently, after a lengthy battle with COVID-19. Her family and friends would like to donate her art supplies to SWS and President Ronnie Rector is looking for a member to work with them. They feel that is something Donna would have wanted.

### Donna Linnie Chouteau, 68

Donna Chouteau passed away on October 26, 2021 after contracting Covid-19 and fighting it for over 40 days. Donna was born on February 21, 1953 to the parents of Dale and Joyce Chouteau and spent most of her childhood in Henderson, Nevada, graduating from Basic High School in 1971. Donna moved to Sparks in 1974 and started her early working career in various Administrative Office positions for the State of Nevada. Donna's first three assignments put her in the Nevada Purchasing Department, the University of Nevada, Reno, Agriculture and Resource Economics Department and at DRI learning everything from filing and general ledgers to writing and editing grants, proposals and research reports. With this background and skill set as a foundation, Donna turned to working in the private sector.

While her early working years were rewarding and memorable they didn't provide the passion Donna was looking for in life. In 1996, while still working for Pyramid Engineering Donna started a new career in massage therapy where she would in very short order become a Licensed Massage Therapist and establish her own business for the next 25 years. It was through helping others manage and eliminate pain through therapeutic massage that made Donna proud and fulfilled. She was passionate about her work and studied everything from nutrition to alternative massage methods to better her and help her array of clients. But as much as massage therapy defined Donna's career, she was even more passionate about gardening, cooking and art. Donna's house was a botanical garden, an oasis of sorts, in a typical Truckee Meadows neighborhood. A celebration of Donna's life will be held later in 2022.



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## TEACHING MEMBERS

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## MARK YOUR CALENDAR!

DATE	TIME	EVENT	CONTACT
1/15/22	10 a.m.; Demo at 1 p.m	General Meeting & Demo by Lori Bishop	Ronnie Rector, President
2/12/22	9:30 a.m. to 10:30 a.m	Board Meeting, Artists Co-op Gallery, Reno	Ronnie Rector, President
3/9-11, 2022	9 a.m. to 4 p.m	Workshop by Don Andrews	Jennifer Amrhein & Anita Watson Co-Vice Presidents
3/12/22	10 a.m.; Demo at 1 p.m	General Meeting & Demo by Don Andrews	Ronnie Rector, President
4/9/22	9:30 a.m. to 10:30 a.m	Board Meeting, Artists Co-op Gallery, Reno	Ronnie Rector, President
5/10-13, 2022	9 a.m. to 4 p.m	Workshop by Soon Warren	Jennifer Amrhein and Anita Watson Co-Vice Presidents
5/14/22	10 a.m.; Demo at 1 p.m	General Meeting & Demo by Soon Warren	Ronnie Rector, President
6/24-26, 2022	9 a.m. to 4 p.m	Member Artist Workshop by Lori Bishop	Jennifer Amrhein & Anita Watson Co-Vice Presidents
7/9/22	9:30 a.m. to 10:30 a.m	Board Meeting, Artists Co-op Gallery, Reno	Ronnie Rector, President
8/17-19, 2022	9 a.m. to 4 p.m	Workshop by Keiko Tanabe	Jennifer Amrhein & Anita Watson Co-Vice Presidents
8/20/22	10 a.m.; Demo at 1 p.m	General Meeting & Demo by Keiko Tanabe	Ronnie Rector, President
9/10/22	9:30 a.m. to 10:30 a.m	Board Meeting, Artists Co-op Gallery, Reno	Ronnie Rector, President
10/18-21, 2022	9 a.m. to 4 p.m	Workshop by Frank Eber	Jennifer Amrhein & Anita Watson Co-Vice Presidents
10/22/22	10 a.m.; Demo at 1 p.m	General Meeting & Demo by Frank Eber	Ronnie Rector, President
11/12/22	9:30 a.m. to 10:30 a.m	Board Meeting, Artists Co-op Gallery, Reno	Ronnie Rector, President
Dec 2022	10:30 a.m. to 12 noon	Holiday Brunch	Chair