



Sierra Watercolor Society

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July/August 2020

EXHIBIT NEWS

- 1. The **Sierra Watercolor Society "Quarantine Creatives" Online Exhibit** was up on the website for the month of May. Viewers could vote for People's Choice awards which were announced on June 1.
1st Place: Lisa Jefferson for "Over the Hill"
2nd Place: Lynn Peterson for "Dancing Poppies"
3rd Place (tie): Kathy Colgrove for "Late Fall" and Connie Hanley for "Marilyn"
Thank you to Ronnie Rector and Julene Hunter for all their work on this exhibition.
- The exhibit "**Salute to Spring**" at the North Valleys Library was closed due to Covid19 for some time. Twenty eight paintings were entered in the spring show, all of excellent subject and quality. It is unfortunate that the viewing time was so limited due to virus and quarantine restrictions, but those who saw it said it was excellent. Thanks to everyone who painted and entered, and thanks to all those who helped with hanging and preparation for the show. Our thanks also to the staff at North Valleys for making the show possible and especially for taking the paintings down so they could be picked up by artists. - Joan Garrett, Chair
- The **Annual Judged Exhibit** will move to our winter show at the May Museum already scheduled for November.
- ARTown activities and shows are moved to online. Check their website for schedules.

JUDY'S CHALLENGE

by Judy Berland

GEOMETRIC ABSTRACT

Since the March and May meetings have been cancelled due to the coronavirus, please bring your Challenge paintings to the August 15 meeting. "Geometric Abstract" is inspired by Tricia Leonard's January demo to have members apply what they learned. You must use 3 out of these 4 geometrics: SQUARE, RECTANGLE, TRIANGLE, CIRCLE. You may add anything else you want, but one must be able to spot at least 3 different geometrics. And remember 80% must be WATERCOLOR. (Challenge rules are the same as Exhibit rules except for size).

RULES FOR ALL CHALLENGES:

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

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| 1. Do not sign your painting. | 5. Entries must be new, having been painted specifically for the Challenge. |
| 2. Entries must fit the theme. | 6. Entries cannot have been shown in an exhibit prior to the Challenge. |
| 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. | |

NEWS FROM THE BOARD

A MESSAGE FROM OUR PRESIDENT, DIANE SEWELL

JULY/AUGUST

This is a troubling time in our world.

It's far nicer to read or paint than to turn on the news of what's going on in our country.

Reid and I take a daily ride around our little town just to get out of the confinement of the house.

It's fun to see all the newborn calves and foals in our area. Even the green growth of early summer is a treat to the eyes.

I hope we can meet soon and will keep you updated as we go. Someday all those beautiful paintings that you are doing will be seen by all.

Thinking of every one of you.

- Diane



"Hollyhocks" by Lynn Perterson

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!
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Banner artwork by Kay Tietz

MORE NEWS FROM THE BOARD



Watercolor of Emigrant Gap by Kay Tietz

NEXT BOARD MEETING

*Will Be A **ZOOM** Meeting*

JULY 11, 2020 9:30 AM

NEXT GENERAL MEETING

Scheduled to be AUGUST 15, 2020 but we will discuss if we can have an in person meeting at the July 11 Board Meeting. Notice will be sent out of the Board's findings.

Social Time Starts at 10 AM

Meeting Starts at 10:30 AM

At Temple Sinai, 3405 Gulling Road, Reno

ART ANGELS

As you probably know, we were unable to visit elementary classrooms after March, when the COVID-19 restrictions went into effect and in-person classes were cancelled for the remainder of the school year. We are scheduled to go to Spanish Springs Elementary School in May 2021, but whether classes will resume in-person this fall and whether we will be invited into the classrooms is unknown at this time. I will let you know if/when we get requests for Art Angels classroom visits and if helpers are needed. As always, I appreciate your interest in and support for this program!

As you probably also know, most in-person Artown events were cancelled for this year, including the two "Discover Watercolor" children's workshops we had scheduled for July 24 at the Wilbur D. May Museum. (We would have had to limit the number of participants and to practice social distancing.) In lieu of in-person instruction, Artown decided to tape segments of the various "Discover the Arts" programs: Ronnie Rector and I did a watercolor mini-workshop, which will be on the Artown website in July and anyone can participate via YouTube. We are still hoping the Holiday Workshop scheduled for December 12 at the May Museum will go forward, but only if everyone can participate safely.

I also believe the Silent Auction and Raffle, scheduled for December 5-12 at the May Museum will be held; so keep us in mind if you have a small original painting (or two) you would be willing to donate. Thank you!

As for the grant we received from the Nevada Arts Council for FY 2020, we had targeted the Art Angels program, but did not need the full grant allotment for supplies for the abbreviated classes and workshops. The Nevada Arts Council graciously acknowledged that the coronavirus had financially impacted many of their grantees, so gave us permission to use some of the money for operations. I submitted my Final Report for the grant in May, and we have received the remaining allotment.

I hope you all are staying safe and healthy and are using this challenging time creatively: painting more or finding new ways to express yourself and experience life. Take care, and let me know if you have questions about Art Angels. Thanks! :)

Nancy Podewils-Baba, Art Angels Coordinator

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2020 & 2021 DEMOS & WORKSHOPS

DATES	ARTIST	OPEN DATE	DEMO DATE	WEBSITE
Aug 12-14	PAUL JACKSON	May 1	Aug 15	www.pauljackson.com
Oct 13-16	BARBARA NECHIS	July 1	Oct 17	www.barbaranechis.com
Jan 16, '21	DANA CHILDS, demo only	-	Jan 16	www.dlauren.net
Mar 17-19	BETTY CARR	Dec 1	Mar 20	
May 5-7	KEIKO TANABE	Feb 1	May 8	
June 25-27	RONNIE RECTOR	Mar 1	-	
Aug 17-20	LAURIN MCCracken	May 1	Aug 21	
Oct 13-15	CARL PURCELL	July 1	Oct 16	

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

TRICIA POULOS LEONARD WORKSHOP

As the instructor, I was so impressed with the level of work by the attendees. They worked diligently. I was especially happy with the variety of the paintings they turned out. No two were at all alike. I received several e-mails telling me how much they enjoyed the experience. I enjoyed it too. I would do this again in a heartbeat!

- Tricia



Still a few spots left!



Paul Jackson Workshop "ILLUSIONS OF GLASS IN WATERCOLOR"

August 12-14, 9:00 am - 4:00 pm

Members \$360, Non-Members \$420

Registration is now open

Ready to expand your watercolor vision to include glass illusions? Want to participate in a fun, information-packed workshop, receiving full, interactive attention? Through informal lectures, discussions, demonstrations and critiques, absorb sound and decisive instruction when you participate in Paul Jackson's August workshop! Beginners welcome. See more examples of Paul's work and background at www.pauljackson.com. Covid19 safety protocols will be in place. Online registration is required. For more information and to register go to www.sierrawatercolorsociety.com.

For more information and to register go to www.sierrawatercolorsociety.com. Online registration is required to reserve a seat in any workshop. Contact Linda Halicki at halickilinda@gmail.com with questions.

2020 & 2021 DEMOS & WORKSHOPS, cont.



Barbara Nechis Workshop “WATERCOLOR FROM WITHIN”

October 13-16, 9:00 am - 4:00 pm

Registration Opens July 1

Members \$240, Non-members \$300

Free Public Demo at 1 pm, Saturday October 17

My objective in teaching a workshop is to share my thought process in constructing a painting. By learning how I think as I demonstrate various watercolor techniques, students receive tools to stimulate their creative imagination to produce original design in their own personal statements. www.barbaranechis.com. Online registration is required. For more information and to register go to www.sierrawatercolorsociety.com.

Contact Linda Halicki at halickilinda@gmail.com with questions.

MEMBER NEWS & ANNOUNCEMENTS



Ronnie Rector has been a busy artist!

- Had her painting “Notre Dame II - St. Genevieve”, left, accepted into Splash 22 “Creative Spark”, out next year.
- Helped paint a mural in downtown Reno. The City commissioned artists to do these along the train corridor and in other places downtown.
- Has 4 paintings in the Governor’s Mansion as part of the “The First Lady Presents...” exhibition program, up for the rest of 2020. They’re hoping to have a reception sometime between now and Thanksgiving.
- Had two paintings accepted into the 1st Annual Women in Watercolor International Juried Online Competition. Aaand... “Summer Rein”, below, won a Merchandise Award.

Congratulations Ronnie!



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CLASSES BY EVA NICHOLS

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Artists Co-op Gallery Of Reno

We are OPEN and we welcome you to come in and see our featured exhibit.

"Building for the Future!"

June 1 - July 31

A special two-month show starting June 1st will benefit the gallery's "Building Fund". Proceeds will aid in upgrading our historic building's heating and cooling system.

Plus - A special wall with each piece of art priced at just \$20.

The Latimer Art Club

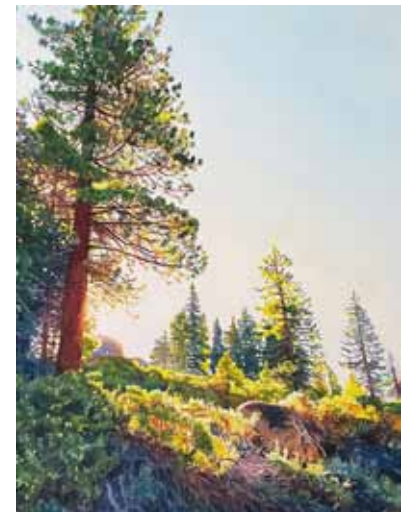
Will hold their first show at the May Museum which is reopening July 1. "America The Beautiful" will be up from July 1-31.



Above: "Ready For Takeoff"

Below: "Whirling Dervish"

Bristlecone Pine paintings by Valerie Cohen



Lisa Jefferson has had two paintings accepted into the 1st Annual Women in Watercolor International Juried Online Competition. You can view all the paintings at www.DailyBrushwork.com.

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DATE	TIME	EVENT	CONTACT
7/11/20	9:30 a.m.	Board Meeting on Zoom	Diane Sewell, President
8/12 - 8/14/20	9 a.m. to 4 p.m.	Paul Jackson Workshop	Linda Halicki, V. President
8/15/20	10 a.m.; Demo at 1 p.m.	General Meeting & Demo by Paul Jackson	Diane Sewell, President
9/12/20	9:30 a.m. to 10:30 a.m.	Board Meeting, Artists Co-op Gallery Reno	Diane Sewell, President
10/13 - 10/16/20	9 a.m. to 4 p.m.	Barbara Nechis Workshop	Linda Halicki, V. President
10/17/20	10 a.m.; Demo at 1 p.m.	General Meeting & Demo by Barbara Nechis	Diane Sewell, President
11/14/20	9:30 a.m. to 10:30 a.m.	Board Meeting, Artists Co-op Gallery Reno	Diane Sewell, President
12/5/20	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.