



Sierra Watercolor Society

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May/June 2020

EXHIBIT NEWS

Please note there are many cancellations and postponements of exhibits, workshops, and classes due to coronavirus closures.

- What was to be The Annual Judged Exhibit at The May Museum in May and June will now be two shows:
 1. The **Sierra Watercolor Society "Quarantine Creatives" Online Exhibit** is NOW UP on the SWS website until the end of May. Viewers can vote for People's Choice awards which will be announced June 1. Thank you to Ronnie Rector and Julene Hunter for all their work on this exhibition.
 2. The **Annual Judged Exhibit** will move to our winter show at the May Museum already scheduled for November.
- The exhibit **"Salute to Spring"** is still up at the North Valleys Library. The library is closed - when it reopens notice will be sent to participating artists so they can pick up their paintings.
- **"ACR Presents the Sierra Watercolor Society"** scheduled for May at The Artist's Co-op Gallery Of Reno has been postponed for now. Notice will be sent out to members when it can be rescheduled.



Ruth Carraher's "Irises" is part of the SWS Quarantine Creatives online exhibition.

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

MAY/JUNE

I wonder if May and June will be more Stay at Home, Social Distancing, and avoiding group meetings? Time will tell. We have been living a very different lifestyle. While most members are not painting with friends now, Reid and I can still paint together. Maybe its a good time to find out if you have someone who has hidden talent that has been hidden for years. We have also found that taking a ride breaks up the walls closing in. Try plein-air painting.

I hope that soon we can get back to our SWS meetings and workshops. In the meantime, do some odd job. I tried cooking a special dish I had not done in a long time. Yum. Clean out things and paint something you have thought of but never tried.

North Valley Library is still closed and we will let you know about picking up your paintings.

Stay safe and stay well.
- Diane



Susan Regert's "Sharleen's Cactus" is part of the SWS Quarantine Creatives online exhibition.

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

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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 or 775-232-8362. Send items for the JULY/AUGUST 2020 newsletter to Newsletter Chair LISA JEFFERSON by JUNE 20, 2020 at: ljeffersonsdesign@gmail.com



Banner artwork "Cherry Blossom" by Lynn Peterson.

MORE NEWS FROM THE BOARD

NEVADA FINE ARTS DISCOUNT

Since we can't hand out the usual membership cards until we meet again, I just gave NV Fine Arts a membership list that they will keep at the front counter. It has all of your names listed on it as members current as of today. To get your 10% discount, be sure to let them know you're on the list when you place an order. And please thank them for doing this when they meet you at the curb! Happy painting - Ronnie



Lynn Peterson's "Dancing Poppies" is part of the SWS Quarantine Creatives online exhibition

NEXT BOARD MEETING

JULY 11, 2020 9:30 - 11:00 AM

At The Artists Co-op Gallery of Reno
727 Mill Street, Reno, NV

NEXT GENERAL MEETING

AUGUST 15, 2020

Social Time 10:00 AM, Meeting Starts at 10:30 AM
At Temple Sinai, 3405 Gulling Road, Reno

ART ANGELS

When we received notice that Governor Sisolak was extending spring vacation/school closures through April 30, we canceled the visits to Roy Gomm Elementary School and Jerry Whitehead Elementary School, scheduled for April. We also canceled the Spring Art Angels Workshop, which had been scheduled for Saturday, May 2, at the Downtown Library. I just found out that schools will not reopen this school year, so the scheduled upcoming Art Angels classroom visits will also be canceled. Many thanks to everyone who was willing to help with those events! Hopefully, school classes and our visits will resume in the fall.

Also hopefully, the "Discover Watercolor" workshops-- which are part of Artown and are scheduled in the morning and in the afternoon of Friday, July 24 at the Wilbur D. May Museum--will be held; if so, I will need instructors and helpers for both sessions. Let me know if you are available for either or both of the workshops. Thank you!

Eric Wiegardt, our recent guest artist, generously has donated two paintings to raise money for the Art Angels program! The first, a giclee, will be part of the raffle in December. The second, an original, full-sheet painting (see picture) he donated with the stipulation that it be part of a Silent Auction, with a starting bid of \$250, as it is valued at \$750. My plan is to hold the Silent Auction at our next general meeting--hopefully, on August 15--and also to auction off some of the original paintings I bought from guest artists over the last few years. All proceeds will go to fund Art Angels, as we are not applying for a grant for FY '21.

I do want to thank those people who helped with the last Art Angels classroom visit: Victoria Behrens, Linda James, Susan Tissier, and Robbyn Tolles. You all made the experience such a positive one for Mrs. Washington and her class at Sepulveda Elementary! :)

Thanks again for all your support!

Nancy Podewils-Baba
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2020 & 2021 DEMOS & WORKSHOPS

DATES	ARTIST	OPEN DATE	DEMO DATE	WEBSITE
June 26-28	TRICIA LEONARD	Mar 1	-	www.triciastudio.com
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.

Workshop News

Eric Wiegardt gave a wonderful workshop in March. Everyone had such a great time that he has now agreed to come back in May of 2023. Eric kindly donated a giclee print and a painting to benefit Art Angels (see ART ANGELS, page 3).

Soon Warren's workshop which was to take place this May has been rescheduled for May 10th through 13th, 2022.

Keiko Tanabe, who was to do the 2021 May 5-7th workshop and May 8th demo, will need to reschedule. Vice President Linda Halicki will provide updates when available.

Tricia Poulos Leonard's workshop *Exploring Abstracts In Watercolor* June 26-28 is still on! See below.

Paul Jackson workshop, August 12-14. *Registration now open*. See page 5.

TRICIA POULOS LEONARD "Exploring Abstracts In Watercolor" Workshop

Registration is now open



Friday, June 26 to Sunday, June 28

9:00 AM - 4:00 PM

In Tricia's workshop, you will discover various professional abstract artist techniques, creating 4 to 6 different abstract paintings. Use of mixed media, including watercolor, acrylic and collage, will be demonstrated. Come ready to explore, stepping into the wonderful world of abstracts.

Members: \$120

Non-Members: \$180

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.



Paul Jackson Workshop

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

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. Online registration is required. For more information and to register go to www.sierrawatercolorssociety.com.

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

MEMBER NEWS & ANNOUNCEMENTS

LINDA PARISI will have her art on display at the Spanish Springs Library from Wednesday, August 5th through Tuesday, September 29, 2020. The library is located at 7100 Pyramid Way, Sparks.



Vicki Curwen's "Harbinger Of Spring" is part of the SWS Quarantine Creatives online exhibition.



Judy Berland's "Shady Lady" is part of the SWS Quarantine Creatives online exhibition.



Reta Hanks' "Village By The Lake" is part of the SWS Quarantine Creatives online exhibition.



"Brugmansia" by Ronnie Rector

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CLASSES BY EVA NICHOLS

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

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What To Do With Time On Your Hands

You can still be creative, learn, visit art exhibitions and museums, and even enter art competitions during the covid19 stay-at-home order. There are many resources available online to keep our brains from turning to mush! *Here's just a few:*

View a watercolor exhibition

- Sierra Watercolor Society's Quarantine Creatives online exhibition is now up on the website.
- American Watercolor Society 2020 Exhibition, YouTube slideshow of the exhibition.
- Georgia Watercolor Society's 2020 Exhibition is displaying all the paintings on their website.
- National Watercolor Society displays past exhibitions on their website. The 2020 exhibition will be online next fall.

Enter a watercolor society online competition - no framing, no shipping!

- National Watercolor Society 100th International Exhibition, entry deadline May 22.
- San Diego Watercolor Society International Exhibition, entry deadline May 27.
- Women In Watercolor (sorry boys) 1st Annual International Online Juried Competition, deadline June 8.

Follow an Artist blog or Facebook page

- American Watercolor Weekly - short articles by internationally known watercolorists
- RedDotBlog - Art Business and Marketing News from Xanadu Gallery, Santa Fe
- Matthew Bird artist blog - hyperrealistic still lifes. His latest blog discusses how to mount watercolor paper on aluminum panels and how to seal and frame them.
- Robin Purcell paints blogspot - plein air watercolors

- Many artists, galleries, and watercolor societies have Facebook & Instagram pages you can follow.

Learn Something New

- Tom Lynch 'FREE' online watercolor demonstration on May 2nd at 11:00 a.m. (central time).
- Many artists, including our own Eva Nichols, have YouTube channels full of free demos, lessons, and tips. Search online for an artist or technique you want to learn about.

Virtual Museum Tours

Many museums have closed their doors but they are open for business online. Here's a list of museums that have put their collections online for you to enjoy.

- British Museum in London
- Guggenheim Museum, New York
- National Gallery of Art, Washington D.C.
- Musée d'Orsay, Paris
- National Museum of Modern and Contemporary Art, Seoul
- Pergamon Museum, Berlin
- Rijksmuseum, Amsterdam
- Van Gogh Museum, Amsterdam
- J. Paul Getty Museum, Los Angeles
- Uffizi Gallery, Italy
- Museu de Arte, São Paulo
- The Louvre, Paris
- The Metropolitan Museum of Art, New York

Most of these resources can be found with an online search but you can contact me if you need help finding anything.

And of course you can always draw and paint right in the comfort of your own home or backyard!

Happy creating.

- Lisa Jefferson

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DATE	TIME	EVENT	CONTACT
5/5 - 5/8/20	<i>MOVED TO May 2022</i>	Soon Warren Workshop - Moved to May 2022	Linda Halicki, V. President
5/9/20	<i>CANCELLED</i>	General Meeting & Demo - Cancelled	Diane Sewell, President
6/26 - 6/28/20	9 a.m. to 4 p.m.	Tricia Leonard Workshop	Linda Halicki, V. President
7/11/20	9:30 a.m. to 10:30 a.m.	Board Meeting, Artists Co-op Gallery Reno	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

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