



UPCOMING EVENTS:

Next Board & General Meeting: May 13th
 Next free public demo: May 13th
 Next Exhibit: May 10th
 Next Workshop: June 22-24

May/June 2023



BANNER artist:
 Claudia Hutchings "Coral Rose"
 "Transitions" exhibit Best of Show

NEW meeting location reminder:

SWS workshops and general/board meetings are now held in the Reno Public Market classroom. Main access borders Casazza Drive, behind IHOP. Pass through the artistic pipe fenced courtyard to reach the entrance.

EXHIBIT NEWS

"Spring Into Art", May 11th through June 18th

Wilbur May Museum

Museum hours: 10am-4pm Wednesday thru Saturday, noon-4pm Sunday

Judge: Lisa Jefferson

Registration Closes: Midnight, Sunday, May 6th, 2023

Take-in May 10th, 11-1; Take-down June 21st, 11-1

Artist's reception May 20th 1-4pm

Co-Chairs: Sharon Reed, Judy Welsh, Marjee Smith, Cheryl Keaveney, Julie Sulahria, Chris Kjaer, Laurel Sweigart and James Gayles

"Community Perspectives" July Artown Exhibit, July 1st through July 29th

Reno Public Market

Exhibit hall hours: 1-7pm Wednesday thru Sunday (6pm Sun.)

Take-in June 30th, 11-1pm; Take-down July 30th, 11-1pm

Artist's reception July 22nd 2-5pm

Co-Chairs: Nancy Podewils-Baba and Kathryn Dudley

In-depth exhibit details on page 3

Winter Exhibit

Wilbur May Museum

Chairperson needed

At the March general meeting, member Reid Sewell discussed the fine points of framing for exhibits.



COMMITTEE CHAIR NEWS

MEMBERSHIP - Sally Dupre, sdupre728@gmail.com or (775) 232-8362

To renew or signup, please go to **SWS website registration:**
sierrawatercolorsociety.com/membership-info.html

☀️ **Welcome** ☀️ New members: Nancy Williams, Hilda Hinsberg, Andrea Laue, Holly Hunter and Seda McClurg.

EXHIBITS - Sharon Reed smreedaz@gmail.com

DVD/BOOK LIBRARY - Bess Inouye, binouye8@gmail.com
 Our **Library Book Sale** will be held before and after the **May 13th** General Meeting, with donations going towards Art Angels. To view both DVD and book lists, please visit the online library, sierrawatercolorsociety.com/library.html To place DVDs and/or books on HOLD please send an online website request or email Bess directly.

NEWSLETTER - Linda Halicki, halickilinda@gmail.com
 Do you have an upcoming show? Won a recent award? Please send any “*toot your horn*” items for the July/August 2023 issue to Linda by **June 20th**.

PUBLICITY - Nancy Podewils-Baba, njpodewils@gmail.com or (775) 343-8100
 Covering the same outlets: Reno Arts Consortium, Double Scoop, KUNR online calendar, RN&R online calendar, Reno Arts News, Facebook, etc. But feel free to let others know about all the awesome things SWS is doing!

ART ANGELS - Nancy Podewils-Baba

Since the last report we have gone to three elementary classrooms: one at Spanish Springs Elementary and two at Poulakidas Elementary, with 29 students, 31 students, and 34 students, respectively.

Many thanks to our awesome helpers, who made everything go smoothly: Linda James (2x), Chris Kjaer (2x), Connie French (2x), Vickie Behrens, Bess Inouye, Graciela Mancini, Nancy KeSage, Laurel Sweigart, and Anita Watson. The teachers and students were so pleased and grateful, and they sent heart-warming thank-you notes! ❤️

Coming up we have two classroom visits to Peavine Elementary, four visits to Lois Allen Elementary, and one added visit: to Poulakidas Elementary. The only one where I need helpers is at Poulakidas Elementary, 9600 Mojave Sky Dr. on **Friday, June 9: I need two helpers; please contact me if you can help that day from 12:15-3:30 p.m.** Thank you.

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COMMITTEE CHAIR NEWS, continued

ART ANGELS, workshops

The Spring/Mother's Day Art Angels Workshop, on Sunday, May 7, 11 a.m.-1 p.m., at the Downtown Reno Library, has gotten enthusiastic response in the classroom but very few sign-ups. However, the Library does not believe in cancelling events because of low registration, so we will have a reduced-size workshop. I could use **one more helper**, so let me know if you are available; thanks.

The "Discover Watercolor" workshops for Artown will be on Friday, July 21 at 9:30 a.m. and 1 p.m. at the Wilbur D. May Museum. **I need several instructors and several helpers for each session.** Please let me know if you are available. I will again buy lunch for anyone who works both sessions. Thanks!

A note from Linda James: Please save new art supplies or items that look new which you aren't using for the Art Angels basket raffle. Items we have included in the past are pads of watercolor paper, watercolor paint sets, brushes, watercolor pencils, how to books, regular colored pencils, drawing pads, pencils and erasers. Bring them to a SWS meeting and Linda James will store them until Artown in July. Thank you!

ARTOWN EXHIBIT: "COMMUNITY PERSPECTIVES" in RENO PUBLIC MARKET EXHIBIT HALL

By Exhibit Co-Chair, Nancy Podewills-Baba

Paintings can be of any age, as long as they are in good condition and fit the theme (Community Issues/Challenges, Community Responses, Community Resources). Size: 11"x 14" or larger. Two paintings if half-sheet or larger (only one full-size); three paintings if smaller. No bin art.

For those who are submitting a painting or paintings for this Exhibit, please keep track of your hours and expenses involved in completing your artwork-- as the grant requires a 1:1 match of dollars and in-kind hours. Also, please plan to write a short statement about each piece--no more than 200 words--about your subject and why you painted it.

Artists' Reception: Saturday, July 22, 2-5 p.m. We can bring wine, other beverages, snacks, other goodies.

I am writing a grant to have funds to commission a piece of original music to highlight/"describe" several of the paintings. The music will be played twice during the Reception and at one other time and place during FY '24. We will also invite Community Groups who provide resources to address the challenges, to have a table at the Reception. James Gayles has offered to do a painting demo during the Reception.

Information about the Exhibit and the Reception will be in the Artown Little Book and on their website. I will also be using some donor messages on KUNR to promote the event.

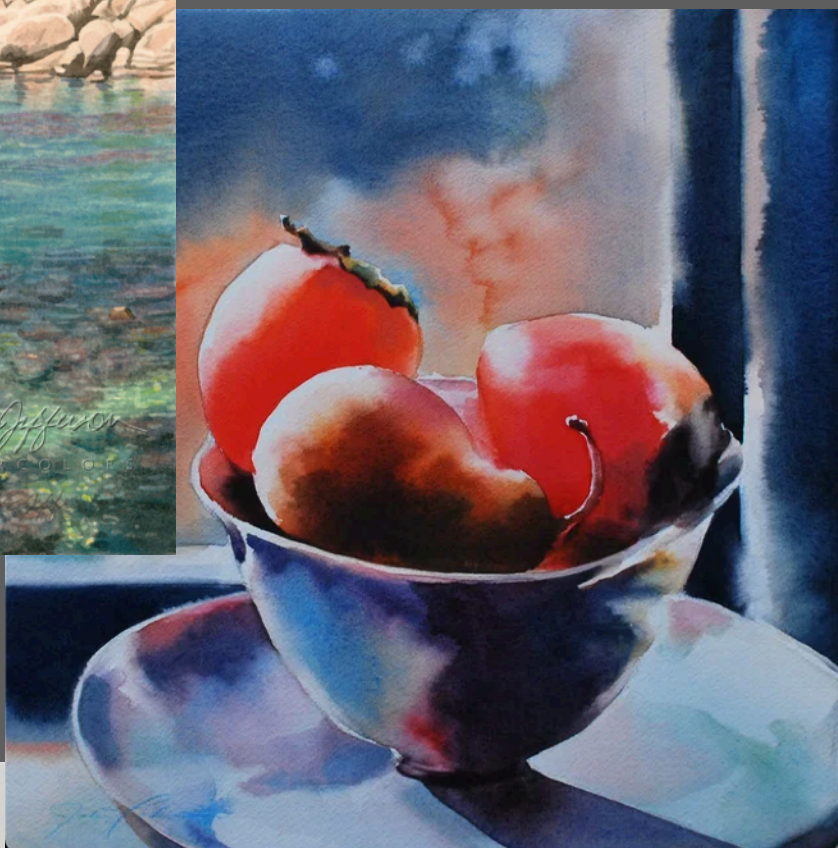
I will have a sign-up sheet at the May meeting for helpers to hang the Exhibit, etc. If you will not be at the meeting but want to help, let me know.

Call or email me if you have questions. I hope this will be an outstanding Exhibit and that you will be inspired to paint something special for it!

UPCOMING 2023 WORKSHOP/DEMO ARTISTS



May demo - Lisa Jefferson,
[facebook.com/lisajeffersonart](https://www.facebook.com/lisajeffersonart)



August - Julie Cohn,
www.juliecohnfineart.com

October - Sterling Edwards,
sterlingedwards.com

2023 WORKSHOP & DEMO SCHEDULE

WORKS HOP DATES	FREE DEMO	FEATURED ARTIST	SUBJECT
	May 13	Lisa Jefferson	Realism in the Watercolor Landscape
June 22-24		Lisa Jefferson	Realism in the Watercolor Landscape
August 16-18	August 19	Julie Cohn	The Flow of Watercolor: Representation & Abstraction of the Landscape
October 4-6	October 7	Sterling Edwards	To be determined



Lisa Jefferson "Three Trees"

Soon Warren's enjoyable and informative March demonstration



PAINTING CHALLENGES

May 13th General Meeting “Chiaroscuro” Challenge

Challenge Chair Graciela Mancini’s description:

Chiaroscuro is an Italian term and technique used in the past to refer to what we know today as ‘shading’. This technique was used when the artist wanted to bring particular attention to a part of the painting, by emphasizing the contrast between dark and light. Several masters of the Renaissance used it with great success, including Caravaggio, Leonardo da Vinci, Artemisia Gentileschi, Rafael, Gerrit Dou, among them. I suggest to check their work and discover how Chiaroscuro was used. You could practice this technique by using a subject and illuminate it with a strong light on a dark background (black paper, cardboard, etc.) It is well suited for still life and portraits. Have fun!



Chiaroscuro example - Rembrandt van Rijn, artist's mother reading

New Challenge format:

At each General Meeting, instead of a 1st, 2nd and 3rd place winner, every member who ENTERS the challenge will receive a raffle ticket. At the end of the meeting, one name will be drawn, and the winner will receive a prize worth \$50.



March challenge “Paint a White Object” paintings

RULES FOR ALL CHALLENGES (Entries must meet the following Challenge rules exactly - NO EXCEPTIONS):

- Do **not** sign your painting.
- Entries must fit the **theme**.
- Entries must be **new**, having been painted specifically for the Challenge.
- Unless your painting will be a sealed painting, entries must be **matted** (no need to be framed).
- You may not enter a challenge painting into a **second** Challenge, even if it fits the theme.

MEMBER NEWS & ANNOUNCEMENTS

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FESTA ITALIANA
Benefit for The Sons of Italy

Join us at the Artists Co-op



Guest Artist
Cheryl Biggs

May 1 - 31, 2023
Opening Reception
Sunday, May 7
12:00-4:00 pm

The theme of this show is open, but with special emphasis on the flavor and feel of the beauty in Italy! The FLAVOR will be featured with special food and drink at the reception on May 7th.

Artists Co-op of Reno • 627 Mill Street, Reno, Nevada 89502 • 775-322-8896
Open 11am to 4pm, 7 days a week • www.artistsco-opgalleryreno.com

Valerie P. Cohen's ink piece, "White Mountain, Geologic Chaos" is juried into the annual Yosemite Renaissance exhibition, which will show in Oakhurst CA, then travel to museums and galleries until next December 31st.



James Gayles
Watercolors

ANNEX GALLERY
May 3 - 24, 2023
Reception: Thursday, May 11 from 6-8PM


Upcoming Sierra Arts Gallery exhibit for James Gayles

Wes 3rd Annual
Watercolor Carson City

August 3-6, 2023
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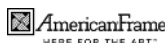


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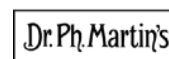
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MARK YOUR CALENDAR

DATE	TIME	EVENT	LOCATION
5/13/23	10:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m. 11:00 a.m. - Noon	Board Meeting General Meeting	Reno Public Market, Makers Paradise classroom, 299 Plumb Lane, Suite 155 Reno
5/13/23	1:00 p.m. - 3:00 p.m.	Lisa Jefferson demo	Reno Public Market, Makers Paradise classroom, 299 Plumb Lane, Suite 155 Reno
6/22 - 6/24/23	9:00 a.m. - 4:00 a.m.	Lisa Jefferson workshop	Reno Public Market, Makers Paradise classroom, 299 Plumb Lane, Suite 155 Reno
8/16 - 8/18/23	9:00 a.m. - 4:00 a.m.	Julie Cohn workshop	Reno Public Market, Makers Paradise classroom, 299 Plumb Lane, Suite 155 Reno
8/19/23	10:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m. 11:00 a.m. - Noon	Board Meeting General Meeting	Reno Public Market, Makers Paradise classroom, 299 Plumb Lane, Suite 155 Reno
8/19/23	1:00 p.m. - 3:00 p.m.	Julie Cohn demo	Reno Public Market, Makers Paradise classroom, 299 Plumb Lane, Suite 155 Reno
10/4 - 10/6/23	9:00 a.m. - 4:00 a.m.	Sterling Edwards workshop	Reno Public Market, Makers Paradise classroom, 299 Plumb Lane, Suite 155 Reno
10/7/23	10:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m. 11:00 a.m. - Noon	Board Meeting General Meeting	Reno Public Market, Makers Paradise classroom, 299 Plumb Lane, Suite 155 Reno
10/7/23	1:00 p.m. - 3:00 p.m.	Sterling Edwards demo	Reno Public Market, Makers Paradise classroom, 299 Plumb Lane, Suite 155 Reno
12/2/23		 Christmas party 	May Museum, Rancho San Rafael