



# Sierra Watercolor Society

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

November/December 2020

## EXHIBIT NEWS

The Annual Judged Exhibit, '**Variations on a Theme**' will be held at the Wilbur D. May Museum, 1595 N Sierra St., Reno NV from November 18 - December 13, 2020. **Take-In:** Tuesday, November 17, 11am to 1pm; **Take-Down:** Monday, December 14, 11am to 1pm. The exhibit will also be online on the SWS website. Online registration is now open. Diane Sewell, Chair. See the website and Diane's President's Message on page 2 for more information.

## JANUARY 2021 CHALLENGE

*by Judy Berland*

### "Utopia, Shangri la, Paradise"

This is an online challenge. A call for entry will be sent out to members after the November 14 Board Meeting. 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.

**Winners of the online Alone or Lonely Challenge are:**

1st place Joycette Dapra 2nd place Wendy Winkler 3rd place Tie between Judy Berland & Elisabeth Barile



1st Place - Joycette Dapra



2nd Place - Wendy Winkler



3rd Place Tie - Judy Berland



3rd Place Tie - Elizaeth Barile

### 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

NOVEMBER/DECEMBER

I hope you are all well, at home and painting!

Our Annual Judged Show “**Variations On A Theme**”, will be only the 2nd show this year and due to the COVID-19 restrictions still in place it will not be quite like our previous Holiday Shows!

We will accept 2 framed and 4 unframed paintings (bin art).

The judge for this show will be Lori Bishop who is a forensic artist by training and currently teaches at Western Nevada College in Fallon!

To keep us all safe and healthy, and to be compliant with current requirements there will be no Holiday Brunch this year. It was also decided to postpone the Art Angels Fundraiser until 2021. Stay tuned!

You are probably concerned about getting in line with your paintings on take-in day?!

No need, we will keep you safe! Once you get to the Wilbur D. May Center parking lot you will see a sign with my cell phone number. After you call my cell number you can wait in the car. We will call you once it is safe for you to enter. Paintings will be received in the foyer this year.

We can also send someone outside to get your paintings if you are unable to step into the building.

*Remember:* You have to be a current member of SWS for at least 30 days prior to take-in day! Please take photos of your masterpieces without glass.

Registration is now open on the website!

- Diane



Banner artwork “Play Day At Mammoth” by Judy Welsh.

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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 JANUARY/FEBRUARY 2021 newsletter to Newsletter Chair LISA JEFFERSON by DECEMBER 20, 2020 at: [ljeffersonsdesign@gmail.com](mailto:ljeffersonsdesign@gmail.com)

**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

### ART ANGELS

As you know, we are currently not going into the schools, because of COVID-19, and have decided to postpone the Art Angels Silent Auction & Raffle, as well as the Art Angels Holiday Workshop (originally scheduled for 12/12), because of the capacity restrictions at the May Museum and the limited traffic at the Museum due to events being cancelled. WE appreciate your willingness to either donate paintings for the Silent Auction or to purchase raffle tickets or to help with the workshop, and look forward to your generous participation in the (hopefully) near future! I wish you a Happy, Healthy Holiday, and I look forward to seeing you all next year. BTW, I will be living in Reno (in Rancharra, off So. McCarran & Talbot) by then, so will be closer for whatever SWS and Art Angels activities arise!

Hugs, Nancy Podewils-Baba

### NEXT BOARD MEETING

November 14

ARTISTS CO-OP GALLERY

627 Mill Street, Reno, NV

9:30 a.m. to 10:30 a.m.

***Socially distanced, no tables***

***Masks required***

We'll need to set 2021 dates!

### Treasurer's Report - August 2020

August, 2020			
Description	Income	Expense	Difference
Art Angels	\$0	\$0	
Workshops	\$240.00	\$7.26	
SWS Operating	\$25.00	\$201.02	
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$265.00</b>	<b>\$208.28</b>	<b>-\$56.72</b>
Beginning Bank	\$24,499.40		
Ending Bank	\$24,556.12		-\$56.72

## 2020, 2021, & 2022 DEMOS & WORKSHOPS

DATES	ARTIST	OPEN DATE	DEMO DATE	WEBSITE
Nov 7, 2020	BARBARA NECHIS, online			SWS members only
Jan 16, 2021	DANA CHILDS, demo only	-	Jan 16	www.dlauren.net
Mar 17-19, 2021	BETTY CARR	Dec 1	Mar 20	www.bettycarrfineart.com
May 5-7, 2021	PAUL JACKSON	Feb 1	May 8	www.pauljackson.com
June 25-27, '21	RONNIE RECTOR	Mar 1	-	www.ronnie.rectorsonline.com
Aug 17-20, 2021	LAURIN MCCRACKEN	May 1	Aug 21	www.lauringallery.com
Oct 13-15, 2021	CARL PURCELL	July 1	Oct 16	www.carlpurcell.com
Jan 15, 2022	Demo TBD	-	Jan 15	
Mar 9-11, 2022	DON ANDREWS	Dec 1	Mar 12	www.donandrewsstudio.com
May 10-13, 2022	SOON WARREN	Feb 1	May 14	www. soonwarren.com
Jun 24-26, 2022	TBD	Mar 1	-	
Aug 17-19, 2022	KEIKO TANABE	May 1	Aug 20	www.ktanabefineart.com
Oct 18-21, 2022	FRANK EBER	July 1	Oct 22	www.frankeber.com

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

## 2020, 2021, & 2022 DEMOS & WORKSHOPS, cont.

Barbara Nechis' In Person Workshop

"WATERCOLOR FROM WITHIN"

Has Been Cancelled

*But we have exciting news for SWS Members!*

...our FIRST online event:

### A SATURDAY MORNING ZOOM with BARBARA NECHIS

Barbara will conduct a complete critique of up to 20 member paintings, followed with a brief critique of any additional work. She plans to show some of her own paintings that may relate to those in the critique. Also, she will give us a brief tour of her studio and storage setup.

- This FREE, MEMBERS ONLY Zoom event will be held SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 7th from 10:00 to 11:30am (Zoom link will be forwarded a few days before the event).

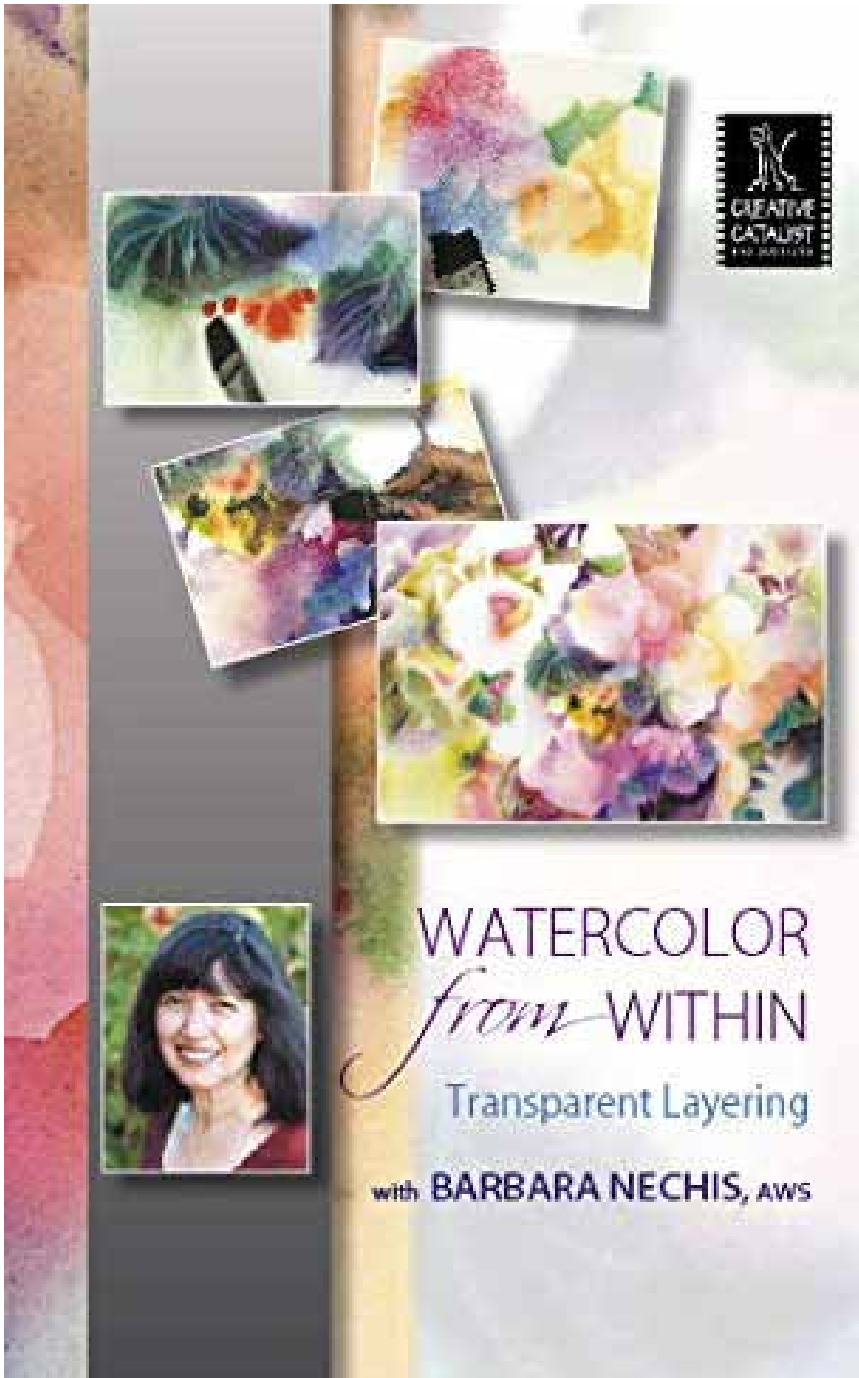
- Submit a painting, or just enjoy being part of the audience.

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 3rd will be the cutoff for painting submissions, which should be emailed to [halickilinda@gmail.com](mailto:halickilinda@gmail.com). This will give Barbara a chance to look them over.

Did we mention that this amazing online event is FREE to SWS Members?

"OH, BUT I'M NOT A CURRENT MEMBER!" you say?

Join/renew by Tuesday, November 3rd and you'll receive an event link (member registration is located on the Sierra Watercolor Society website).



For more information on Barbara Nechis and future classes and workshops go to [www.barbaranechis.com](http://www.barbaranechis.com)

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



## MEMBER NEWS & ANNOUNCEMENTS

### Reno Open Studios Holiday Pop-Up Show

The Splatter Girls are at it again with Reno Open Studios Holiday Pop-Up Show. Come visit **Vicki Curwen, Eileen Fuller, and Kay Tietz.**

November 13th, 14th, and 15th  
10:00 am to 5:00 pm  
At the Summit Mall  
13925 S Virginia St., Suite #122  
(The old Dress Barn)

They would love to see everyone. You can even start your Christmas shopping! Covid requirements in practice.



THE SPLATTER GIRLS: Kay Tietz, Eileen Fuller, & Vicki Curwen

The bearer of this coupon is entitled to a one-time 10% discount on any purchase at the Artists Co-op Gallery during the Christmas Holiday Show. This coupon is to be surrendered at time of purchase.  
Expires 12/28/2020

**10%  
Discount  
Coupon**

November 8 - December 28

# Deck the Walls

With Artists Co-op Art

**No Formal Reception due to Covid Restrictions  
Social distancing (small groups) and  
MASKS REQUIRED**

*Don't Miss This  
Wonderful  
Holiday Event!*

### DECK THE WALLS

ARTISTS CO-OP  
GALLERY OF RENO  
627 Mill Street  
Reno, NV 89502  
775-322-8896  
Open 11am to 4pm  
7 days a week

One of a kind unique gift and decorating items, created by local artists, including paintings, drawings, photography, and a large assortment of hand made ornaments, jewelry, pottery, gourds, hats, scarves, original holiday cards, and more!

## MEMBER NEWS & ANNOUNCEMENTS

### TEACHING MEMBERS

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eva@mbay.net; beautyonlocation.com

**Colleen Reynolds** (775) 461-0846

colleenreynoldsartist@gmail.com

*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](http://www.beautyonlocation.com)

Email: [evanichols@me.com](mailto:evanichols@me.com)

Visit Eva's YouTube channel: Eva Nichols Art

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**Eva Stramer Nichols** - Truckee, CA

<http://whereintheworldiseva.blogspot.com/>

## VALERIE COHEN AND RONNIE RECTOR ACCEPTED INTO CALIFORNIA WATERCOLOR'S 51ST NATIONAL EXHIBITION

Online only, January 9 - March 2, 2021



This is Valerie Cohen's 5th acceptance into this annual national show, and Cohen is a Signature Member of CWA and of SDWS.

"Escarpment"

Watercolor, 20" x 26"

Ronnie Rector is excited that her name appears right between Michael Reardon and John Salminen on the accepted artist's list.

"Notre Dame II St. Genevieve"

Watercolor





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## MARK YOUR CALENDAR!

DATE	TIME	EVENT	CONTACT
11/7/2020	10 to 11:30 a.m.	Barbara Nechis Zoom Workshop, members only	Linda Halicki, V. President
11/14/2020	9:30 a.m. to 10:30 a.m.	Board Meeting, Artists Co-op Gallery, Reno	Diane Sewell, President
1/16/2021	10 a.m.; Demo at 1 p.m.	General Meeting & Demo by Dana Childs	Diane Sewell, President
Feb 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
April 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
July 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
Sept. 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
10/16/2021	10 a.m.; Demo at 1 p.m.	General Meeting & Demo by Carl Purcell	Diane Sewell, President
Nov 2021	9:30 a.m. to 10:30 a.m.	Board Meeting, Artists Co-op Gallery, Reno	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.