



# Sierra Watercolor Society

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

September/October 2020

## EXHIBIT NEWS

The **Annual Judged Exhibit** will move to our winter show at the May Museum already scheduled for November. The exhibit can be held under current mandates and guidelines but the Holiday Brunch has had to be cancelled.

## JUDY'S CHALLENGE

*by Judy Berland*

### ALONE? OR LONELY?

This will be an online challenge. A call for entry will be sent out to members after the September 12 Board Meeting. The new Challenge comes from seeing some really nice landscapes – broad vistas with no one in them, or just one beautiful flower all by itself. You see an image of someone standing at the edge of a canyon. Are they enjoying the moment of wonder? Or are they thinking of jumping? So...the theme for the next challenge is: "Alone? Or Lonely?" They're two different things. You may enjoy being alone. Or, you could be lonely, maybe even in a crowd. Portray this in a painting. Examples might include:

*"Whistler's Mother"*

*Andrew Wyeth's "Christina's World"*

*"Nighthawks" by Edward Hopper*

### Winners of the online Geometric Challenge are:

1st place - Wendy Winkler    2nd place - Judy Berland    3rd place - Michelle Hall

*Judy would like to say "Thank You" to all the well wishers after her bad fall. She is healing up slowly but surely.*



1st Place - Wendy Winkler



2nd Place - Judy Berland



3rd Place - Michelle Hall

### 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

SEPTEMBER/OCTOBER

I hope you and your family are doing well.

This is a test. Between the Covid and now weeks of smoke we are being tested. But we are going to pass through this with flying colors. After all, isn't art the heart of good thoughts and positive thinking. How can we lose! Painting your favorite things will give you something to help get through these trying times.

As always, we will keep you up to date of SWS meetings, demos, shows and workshops.

Looking forward to seeing you all in the near future without mufflers on our faces.

- Diane

## Treasurer's Report - June 2020

2020 June	Income	Expense
Art Angels	\$0.00	\$0.00
Workshop	\$1,560.00	\$1,657.25
SWS	\$35.00	\$201.32
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$1,595.00</b>	<b>\$1,858.57</b>
Beginning Bank Balance	\$26,973.29	
Ending Bank Balance	\$26,709.72	



Banner artwork "Family Tree" by Colleen Reynolds. This painting was accepted into the WASH Go With Flow Online Exhibition. See more accepted paintings on pages 5, 7, & 8.

OFFICERS	
President	Diane Sewell
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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 NOVEMBER/DECEMBER 2020 newsletter to Newsletter Chair LISA JEFFERSON by OCTOBER 20, 2020 at: ljeffersondesign@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

### Lady Jill Mueller

It is with great sadness that I pass along news of Lady Jill's passing. I asked her some years ago where the "Lady Jill" came from. She told me it's because, back in the '70's when she first really started hanging her art in galleries, a gallery owner (male) told her she'd never sell her work if she signed her paintings "Jill Mueller." "Women's work doesn't sell." If you knew Jill, you can just imagine her feelings on THAT! To show him and everyone else, she added "Lady" to her signature, so it would be obvious to everyone that she was a woman artist, dammit.

- Ronnie Rector

Lady Jill Mueller was a professional artist since 1977, and taught watercolor in the western United States. Lady Jill traveled, painted and exhibited at the south rim of the Grand Canyon, Yosemite and many other places. She had a love for Scotland and helped refurbish a farm house on a 50,000 acre estate.

Lady Jill, her teaching, and her beautiful artwork will be missed.

### GOODBYE FROM CAROL BAKER

I just wanted to say goodbye to everyone at SWS. Roger and I are moving to Lawrenceburg, Indiana on September 2 to be near our son. I was proud to be a member of SWS and serve on your board. I will miss you all. I hope to find a new art group in Indiana.

Keep painting and best regards,

- Carol Baker

### NEXT BOARD MEETING

*Will Be A ZOOM Meeting*

SEPTEMBER 12, 2020 9:30 AM

### NEXT GENERAL MEETING

*Scheduled to be OCTOBER 17, 2020 but we will discuss if we can have an in person meeting at the September 12 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

It is uncertain if the Silent Auction and Raffle, scheduled for December 5-12 at the May Museum will be held but keep us in mind if you have a small original painting (or two) you would be willing to donate when the auction can be held. We will probably postpone the Silent Auction & Raffle to a time when the museum will have more events & visitors.

Nancy Podewils-Baba, Art Angels Coordinator  
njpodewils@gmail.com  
775-343-8100)

## 2020 & 2021 DEMOS & WORKSHOPS

DATES	ARTIST	OPEN DATE	DEMO DATE	WEBSITE
Oct 13-16, 2020	BARBARA NECHIS	July 1	Oct 17	www.barbaranechis.com
Jan 16, 2021	DANA CHILDS, demo only	-	Jan 16	www.dlauren.net
Mar 17-19, 2021	BETTY CARR	Dec 1	Mar 20	
May 5-7, 2021	PAUL JACKSON	Feb 1	May 8	
June 25-27, '21	RONNIE RECTOR	Mar 1	-	
Aug 17-20, 2021	LAURIN MCCracken	May 1	Aug 21	
Oct 13-15, 2021	CARL PURCELL	July 1	Oct 16	

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



## 2020 & 2021 DEMOS & WORKSHOPS

*As of this writing the Barbara Nechis Workshop is still on and registration is open.*



### Barbara Nechis Workshop “WATERCOLOR FROM WITHIN”

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

*Registration is now open*

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](http://www.barbaranechis.com). Online registration is required. For more information and to register go to [www.sierrawatercolorsociety.com](http://www.sierrawatercolorsociety.com).

Contact Linda Halicki at [halickilinda@gmail.com](mailto:halickilinda@gmail.com) with questions.

## MEMBER NEWS & ANNOUNCEMENTS



### Reid Sewell “Interpretation”

Reid Sewell will be the  
September Guest Artist  
at the Artists Co-op  
Gallery of Reno  
Sept 1 -30, 2020

Please visit the  
Artists Co-op of Reno  
627 Mill St., Reno, NV  
775 322-8896

*Open 11 am to 4 pm  
7 days a week*



“Hen And Chicks” by Lisa Jefferson  
was accepted into the 51st San Diego  
Watercolor Society International Exhibition.  
The online exhibition will be up from  
October 1 - 31 at [www.sdws.org](http://www.sdws.org).

# MEMBER NEWS & ANNOUNCEMENTS

## WASH Go With The Flow Open Exhibit

This online exhibit has been juried, and we have four SWS members with paintings accepted into the exhibit! The juror was Dale Laitinen.

### Accepted Artists:

Kathryn Dudley  
Gina Lijoi  
Ronnie Rector  
Colleen Reynolds

In addition to acceptance into the exhibit, Ronnie Rector's "Notre Dame II" painting won the 2nd Award of Excellence (page 8), and Colleen Reynolds' "Tribal Branch" won the Olive I. Schmid Award.

Congratulations to these fine watercolorists!

The exhibit is online from August 25 - October 25. at [www.sacramentowatercolor.org](http://www.sacramentowatercolor.org)



Colleen Reynolds' Tribal Branch won the Olive I. Schmid award.



"Down And Out" by Kathryn Dudley



"Catch" by Ronnie Rector



"Spectators" by Gina Lijoi

See more paintings accepted into WASH Go With The Flow on pages 2, 7, and 8.



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## TEACHING MEMBERS

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

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*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)

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Visit Eva's YouTube channel: Eva Nichols Art

Phone: 530-414-1289

**Eva Stramer Nichols** - Truckee, CA

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

## PARADISE LUNCH

### "Loving Nevada - Hidden Treasures" At Artist Co-op Of Reno

Last year, before scheduling the annual Loving Nevada retreat, I drove out to the Winnemucca and Paradise Valley. I knew of no one in the area. While there, in Paradise Valley, I stopped in the Paradise Valley Bar & Grille to see if they sold t-shirts with local graphics. Unfortunately they didn't so, while there, I looked around. The place was colorful, with photos and dollar bills tacked to the walls. While walking and enjoying the decor, a couple sitting nearby asked if I was from Hawaii. I replied, 'yes'. As we chatted I told them of my planned art retreat and the lady of the pair, Chickie Gastanaga, said she knew some good local artists and she proceeded to call them. One of them, Annebet Muceus joined us and showed photos of her work.

A month later on a Friday, Reno artists, Marilyn Newton, Terrye Kocher, Karen & Will Sullivan, and myself, Ann Weiss had dinner at the Martin Basque Restaurant in Winnemucca. There we met Brenda, an artist, and her husband Rex Naegle, their daughter, Sammy, and son-in-law, Steve Kepler. Steve cracked us up. It was a fun night!

I feel fortunate to have had the chance meeting with Chickie. Through her I met Maryanna Enochson on Saturday who opened her home in Paradise Valley to us, Reno artists, and local artists, Annebet Muceus, Sheila Bunch, Jim and Camille Christenson. Maryanna surprised us with lunch, beverages, and a tour of her home. On her walls were many beautiful paintings. After lunch we were taken on a tour of 2 historic ranches.

Saturday evening, we all went to the Paradise Valley Bar & Grille for the barbecue dinner. It was another enjoyable night! I am very thankful for the hospitality shown by everyone we met there.

I hope you all will stop in the Artists Co-op Gallery to see works of these fine artists, some of whom have never shown their work. Another Winnemucca artist, Teddy Swecker, wasn't able to join us on the retreat, but will be in the show.

Ann Weiss,  
Retreat Planner

**Loving Nevada - Hidden Treasures** is up through the month of September, 2020, Artists Co-op of Reno, 627 Mill St., 11 am - 4 pm everyday. Receptions are suspended due to the Covid restrictions.



## MEMBER NEWS & ANNOUNCEMENTS

### The 13th Annual "Miniature" Juried and Judged Art Exhibition

*Presented by*  
**The Latimer Art Club**

**Oct. 1 - Nov. 3, 2020**

### ★ ★ ★ *Small Impressions* ★

**Artists Co-op Gallery of Reno**  
627 Mill Street Reno, Nevada  
775-322-8896 Admission is always Free  
Hours: 11 am to 4:00 pm DAILY

★ Ribbons/Cash/Merchandise/Gift Certificates ★

**ONLINE ENTRY & PAYMENT DUE BY:**  
**SEPTEMBER 20, 2020**

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

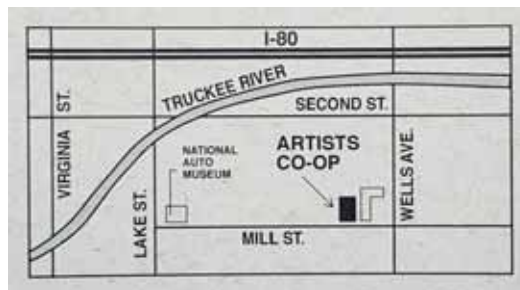
**DELIVER ENTRIES TO:**

Artists Co-op Gallery of Reno  
Entries may be dropped off  
Sept. 20th thru Sept. 29 11am - 4pm  
Or on  
Wednesday, September 30, 2020 11am - 2pm  
~ OR ~

**SHIP ENTRIES TO:**

Latimer Art Club Entries  
c/o Eileen Fuller  
233 Liberty Springs Ct.  
Sparks, NV 89436  
Must be received by: September 23, 2020  
Must include registration form,  
and postage for return shipping.  
LAC will not be responsible for any  
damage/loss incurred during shipping.

**Exhibit can be viewed Oct 1st - Nov 3rd  
11:00 am - 4:00 pm Daily**



◀ "Lacy Carrots"  
by Colleen Reynolds

"Summer Rein" ▶  
by Ronnie Rector

Both paintings are in the  
WASH Go With The Flow  
online exhibit.



# MEMBER NEWS & ANNOUNCEMENTS

## A Few Upcoming Exhibitions You Can Enter...

### 54th National Mother Lode Exhibition

Open juried multi media art exhibit.

Placerville Arts Association

Nov. 3 - 29, 2020

Entry Deadline: September 23, 2020

Sacramento Fine Arts Center

5330-B Gibbons Drive, Carmichael, CA

Our judge will be Andrew Connelly.

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

### Magnum Opus

Enter your Magnum Opus into our our premier annual exhibit. This reflects the most recent and outstanding art achievements of participating artists.

January 26 - February 21, 2021

Entry Deadline: December 22, 2020

Sacramento Fine Arts Center

5330-B Gibbons Drive, Carmichael, CA

[www.sacfinearts.org](http://www.sacfinearts.org)

### California Watercolor Association 51st National Exhibition

January 9 - February 27, 2021

Entry Deadline: October 15, 2020

This year's exhibition will be presented on the CWA Online Gallery.

Frank Webb, Juror of Selection

David Savellano, Juror of Awards

[www.californiawatercolor.org](http://www.californiawatercolor.org)

*Some more paintings accepted into the WASH Go With The Flow Exhibition*



Ronnie Rector's "Notre Dame II - St. Genevieve" painting won the 2nd Award of Excellence



"Knock Knock" by Gina Lijoi



"My Trekkies" by Colleen Reynolds



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## MARK YOUR CALENDAR!

DATE	TIME	EVENT	CONTACT
9/12/20	9:30 a.m. to 10:30 a.m	Board Meeting on Zoom	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	-	The Holiday Brunch is cancelled	Cancelled

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.