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September/October 2021

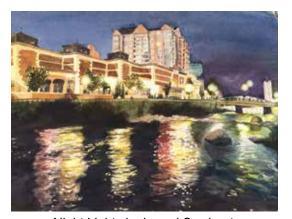
EXHIBIT NEWS

Completed Exhibits

The SWS exhibit "A Breath of Fresh Art" closed on June 6 at the Wilbur D. May Museum in Reno, NV. Twenty nine artists displayed their work with 54 pieces hung and 42 pieces of Bin Art. Nine pieces of art were sold. The Exhibit was judged by our visiting workshop artist, Paul Jackson. The Best of Show award went to Ronnie Rector for "Legacy". The People's Choice award went to Judy Welsh for "Sierra Spring".



Heaven Came Down, by Kay Tietz, won 3rd place in the Abstract category.



Night Lights by Laurel Sweigart

"The Artists Co-op Of Reno presents The Sierra Watercolor Society", July 1 - 31, Ronnie Rector Chair.

We had a great exhibit of 39 watercolor paintings which could be up to 5 years old and on supports such as Aquaboard, watercolor canvas, Yupo, etc. These paintings did not require matting or framing under glass, as long as they were protected from surface damage by layers of wax, varnish or other permanent protective sealer. Regularly framed watercolors were also accepted and there were 24 Bin Art pieces. There was an in-person reception on Sunday, July 4. Two paintings and one bin art piece sold.

Coming up...

- The Winter Exhibit at the Wilbur D. May Museum in Reno, NV. November 3 December 5, theme to be determined. Diane Sewell will chair (this will be Diane's 10th time chairing the winter show Thank you Diane!). Take-in November 2, 11 am 1 pm Take-down December 8, 11am 1 pm
- The SWS Holiday Brunch and Art Angels Silent Auction & Raffle will be held at the Wilbur D. May Museum on December 4. The Brunch is from 10:30 am to 12:00 noon. Always a fun event! A chair is needed for the Brunch.
- An **SWS Exhibit during Artown** is scheduled at the May Museum from July 6 to August 7. 2022. Take-in 7/5; Take-down 8/10. We will need an overall Exhibit Coordinator (for all the exhibits) and an Exhibit Chair specifically for this show.

NEWS FROM THE BOARD

Treasurer's Report - May 2021

2021 May	Income	Expense
Art Angels	\$ -	\$ 200.00
Workshop	\$ 2,025.00	\$ 6,682.98
SWS	\$ 105.00	\$ 378.59
TOTAL	\$ 2,130.00	\$ 7,261.57
Beginning Bank Balance	\$ 27,522.73	
Ending Bank Balance	\$ 22,391.16	

Treasurer's Report - June 2021

2021 June	Income	Expense
Art Angels	\$ 100.00	\$ =
Workshop	\$ 1,460.00	\$ 1,797.66
SWS	\$ =	\$ 200.00
TOTAL	\$ 1,560.00	\$ 1,997.66
Beginning Bank Balance	\$ 22,391.16	
Ending Bank Balance	\$ 21,953.50	

Treasurer's Report - July 2021

2021 July	Income	Expense
Art Angels	\$ 27.00	\$ 719.50
Workshop	\$ 6,500.00	\$ 2,175.14
SWS	\$ 195.00	\$ 333.96
TOTAL	\$ 6,722.00	\$ 3,228.60
Beginning Bank Balance	\$ 21,953.50	
Ending Bank Balance	\$ 25,446.90	·

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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OFFICERS	
President	Diane Sewell
Vice President	Linda Halicki
Treasurer	Anette Rink
Bookkeeper	David Isaacson
Secretary	Vickie Behrens
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COMMITTEE CHAIRS	
Archivist	Alicia Cobb
Art Angels	Nancy Podewils-Baba & Linda James
Biographer	Laurie Agnew
Challenges	Judy Berland - Chair Vicki Curwen - Assistant
Community Outreach	Nancy Podewils-Baba
DVD Library	Bess Inouye - Chair Sandy Retter - Assistant
Exhibits Coordinator	Marjee Smith
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Membership	Sally Dupre
Newsletter	Lisa Jefferson
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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 2021 newsletter to Newsletter Chair LISA JEFFERSON by OCTOBER 20, 2021 ljeffersondesign@gmail.com



Banner artwork by Carole Ann Ricketts

This painting was part of the Breath of Fresh Art Exhibit.

MORE NEWS FROM THE BOARD

A MESSAGE FROM OUR PRESIDENT, DIANE SEWELL

SEPTEMBER/OCTOBER 2021

It seems like we go from one disturbing event to another. First, Covid 19 and now we must deal with smoke and fire. There will be an end to this and the only thing to worry about is to enter your paintings in the winter show at the May Museum. Relief is in sight. It was wonderful to have a real SWS general meeting with real people, even with masks. Colleen Reynolds did a wonderful informative demo that we all enjoyed. As mentioned, our winter show and holiday brunch is coming and hopefully masks will be a thing of the past by then. It will be a treat to see all of your bright smiling youthful faces again. Stay safe.

- Diane

NEXT BOARD MEETING

September 11, 2021, 9:30 a.m. at Artists Co-Op Gallery 627 Mill Street, Reno, NV All are welcome

NEXT GENERAL MEETING

October 16, 2021

Social time starts at 10:00 am followed by the General Meeting at 10:30 am. Any snacks should be single wrapped and bring tongs if you have them. Lunch begins at 12:00 noon. The Free Demo by Carl Purcell will be from 1:00 - 3:00 pm. Meetings are held at Temple Sinai, 3405 Gulling Road, Reno, NV.

MEMBERSHIP

Membership Chair Sally Dupre reported that we have 111 members. New and renewing members for 2022 can register and pay online starting November 1, 2021. All members must register online even if you are already a member.

The Portrait Society of Reno

The Portrait Society of Reno will have the first portrait session on Wednesday, September 1st - 10:00 am to 1:00 pm, \$10.00 a session. We meet at Nevada Fine Arts store on Virginia Street.

We meet every Wednesday with a live model. Kay Genasci at 369-2465 for questions.

OPEN BOARD POSITIONS For 2022:

- Vice President could be a committee of 3-4 persons including the Vice President. Arrange and facilitate workshops with leading watercolor artists. According to our bylaws, SWS cannot continue without a Vice President. The Board voted to offer the Vice President one free workshop during their 2 year stint. There was some concern at the August General Meeting that as a 501 non-profit. SWS could not offer a free workshop and that it could be considered paying a member. Ronnie Rector checked with the executive director of another 501C3 charitable organization which gives away millions of dollars. He told her that SWS can provide a free seat in a workshop to a board member as part of our Operating budget under "Training", as long as SWS is paying for the workshop and not paying the Board member. This training opportunity is seen as 'enhancing' the Board's knowledge of processes important to our organization, and in no way jeopardizes our 501 status.
- <u>Scholarship Chair</u> work with local entities, possibly teachers, to award SWS scholarships.
- Newsletter Chair create and post bi-monthly newsletter on website.
- Exhibit Chair Coordinate with show chairs and venues.
- <u>Bio Books Coordinator</u> take care of the "Bio Books" we provide at exhibits.

Secretary Vickie Behrens has offered to incorporate the Archivist position into her Secretarial duties. Please contact the current chair or the SWS President for more information if you are interested in any of these positions.

LIBRARY NEWS

DVD Library - Bess Inouye

We have very cooperative members. Several reminders have been sent out to return overdue library materials. In ALL instances, members have promptly replied and complied. You are the best! Thank you.

Added to DVDs:

- Forsey, Chris: Four Seasons in Contemporary Watercolor

(donated by Linda Halicki)

Deleted from DVDs:

- Jackson Paul: The Color of Sunset (found to be defective and out of stock)

123 DVDs on file, 25 checked out 54 Books on file, 11 checked out

PAINTING CHALLENGES

Challenges created by Judy Berland

The Sierra Watercolor Society meets 5 times a year and at each meeting Challenge Chair, Judy Berland, presents a themed challenge to the members to bring to the following meeting. The paintings are displayed unsigned and members vote for their favorite based on adherence to the challenge theme and quality of work. First, second, and third place winners receive ribbons and prizes!

Current Challenge...

October 2021 Challenge: "CELEBRATIONS!"

Birthdays, Weddings, Anniversaries, Graduations, next Holidays--- Halloween, Thanksgiving, Xmas (design your 2021 Xmas card), New Years Eve (fireworks make a great painting). There are Festivals all over the world: Art, Jazz, Music, Food, State Fairs, even Sand Building, etc. Many do not know when they will open again but who can forget the Mardi Gras in New Orleans or the Rose Parade in Pasadena? Remember them or hope to go to them in the future. Paint a candleight dinner for 2--- after what we have been going through we need to celebrate something!!!!!! Contact Judy with questions.

And the WINNERS are ...

August 2021 Challenge: "LAKE TAHOE"



3rd place - Judy Berland, 2nd place - Anita Watson, 1st place - Carolyn Runnells

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.
- Entries must be new, having been painted specifically for the Challenge.
- 6. Entries cannot have been shown in an exhibit prior to the Challenge.

Contact Judy Berland if you have any questions.

ART ANGELS

Art Angels Workshops: We had two Art Angels "Discover Watercolor" workshops as part of Artown: both on Friday, July 9, at the Wilbur D. May Museum. There were 21 students in the morning session and 13 in the afternoon. Instructors were Nancy Podewils-Baba (both sessions), Alicia Cobb (morning), Marilyn Kuenzli-Howell (morning), and Anette Rink (afternoon). We were assisted by Vickie Behrens (both sessions), Kathy Martin (both sessions), Gail Kramer (both sessions), George Baba (both sessions), and Nancy LeSage (morning), who warmly greeted the participants, changed water, and blow-dried and matted paintings. For these workshops we received \$250 from Artown, to cover supplies. :) We also got very positive feedback from all the participants, and have already registered 20 children for our upcoming Art Angels Workshop on Saturday, November 27, from 9:30 (9:15 check-in)-11:30 a.m. at the Wilbur D. May Museum. Registrants include some children who called too late to be included in the July workshop. For the November 27th workshop, I will need a couple more instructors and another couple helpers, as we hope to be able to accommodate 50 children, ages 6-12. Please let me know if you are available to instruct or to help. Thank you!

Art Angels Classroom Visits: I have been in touch with some of the teachers whose classrooms we visited prior to COVID, as well as the principal of a new elementary school which a former Art Angels student is now attending. We will be scheduling three classroom visits to Spanish Springs Elementary next spring, and are waiting to hear back from the others. I doubt the schools will be ready to welcome visitors until the COVID situation has stabilized, but I will keep you posted. Thanks for your interest in helping with this program!

Art Angels Silent Auction & Raffle: This will be held at the Wilbur D. May Museum from Saturday, November 27 through noon on Saturday, December 4 (the day of the SWS Brunch). Prior to COVID, we held a Silent Auction and Raffle each December, to raise funds for Art Angels supplies. We raffled off paintings donated by our guest artists, and held a Silent Auction of original, usually small/framed (or at least matted) paintings that were donated by SWS members. When Eric Wiegardt was here in spring 2020, he also donated an original, full-size painting (unframed) that he wanted us to auction off, to help Art Angels, so his painting will also be available for bidding. I need donations of original paintings for this event, as well as people to oversee ("babysit") the Auction & Raffle: to sell raffle tickets and answer questions, during Museum hours. For the Silent Auction you can bring your one or two painting(s) to the October meeting, or by 9 a.m. on November 27, or you can contact me to arrange pick-up.

PUBLICITY

I continue to attend the monthly Reno Arts Consortium meetings whenever I am in town, to keep other arts groups informed about our activities. I also send notices about our exhibits and demos to online calendars. I am quite willing to talk with anyone about SWS or Art Angels. Please feel free to have someone contact me for information. Thank you.

Please let me know if you have questions about any of the above activities, or if you are available to help. Thank you so much for your support!

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

From the "A Breath Of Fresh Art" exhibit.
From left to right:

"Monarch Landing" by Vickie Behrens

"Up Up And Away" by Nancy Podewills-Baba

"French Street" by Tricia Leonard







2021, 2022, & 2023 DEMOS & WORKSHOPS

DATES	ARTIST	OPEN DATE	DEMO DATE	WEBSITE
Oct 13-15, 2021	CARL PURCELL - FULL	July 1	Oct 16	www.carlpurcell.com
Jan 15, 2022	LORI BISHOP, Demo only	-	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	LORI BISHOP	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
January 2023	Demo only, TBD			
Mar 21-24, 2023	Eric Wiegardt		Mar 25	www.ericwiegardt.com
May 10-12, 2023	Betty Carr		May 13	www.bettycarrfineart.com
June 2023	Member Artist workshop		TBD	
Aug 16-18, 2023	Julie Cohn		Aug 19	www.juliecohnfineart.com
Oct 3-6, 2023	Sterling Edwards		Oct 7	www.sterlingedwards.com

The Carl Purcell Workshop is FULL.
Please contact Linda Halicki for waiting list information

Workshop October 13 – 15, 2021, 9am-4pm (free public demo October 16, 1pm) CARL PURCELL'S "Simplify Complex Subjects"

Registration opens July 1. Member rate: \$325, Non-member rate: \$385



Carl Purcell returns to Reno by popular demand! His relaxed way of teaching puts students at ease. Learn how to shift your focus from the items in your subject to the simple patterns that will make stronger paintings: "The secret to realism in painting is not to be found in more details. Have you ever felt frustrated because no matter how much detail you add, the painting does not match your inner vision? My approach can help you understand what you are seeing, and how to respond to the visual patterns that are the basic structure of all good painting." Carl is the author of the popular watercolor book "Painting With Your Artist's Brain" and "Drawing With Your Artist's Brain". His work hangs in numerous private and corporate collections, as well as museums. In addition, Carl's work has been featured in many publications and magazines. He has achieved signature membership status in the National Watercolor Society and honor member status in the Utah Watercolor Society. www.carlpurcell.com

DEMOS & WORKSHOPS, continued



RONNIE RECTOR's 3 Day In-Person Workshop, "All Things Watercolor", from June 25-27 got stellar evaluations from the 21 participants!

◆ To the left are three paintings by Maria Hatjopoulos from the workshop.

COLLEEN REYNOLDS gave a wonderful demonstration after the General Meeting on August 14th. The demo was taped and can be found on Colleen's YouTube channel. Go to Colleen's website for the link and more information. www.colleenreynolds.com



Colleen Reynolds demonstrates her wet-to-dry technique.



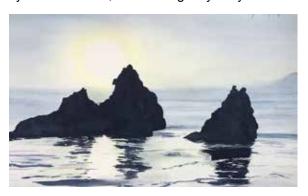
The finished demo painting "Jeremiah" © 2021 Colleen Reynolds All copyrights reserved.

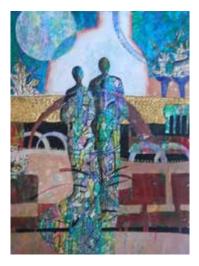
MEMBER NEWS & ANNOUNCEMENTS

SWS Represented at WASH Open Exhibition

SWS Members Anette Rink, Colleen Reynolds, and Ronnie Rector were all juried into the WASH Open Exhibition now hanging at the Sacramento Fine Arts Center in Carmichael, CA. Anette received Honorable Mention for "Forest Fragments," and Ronnie received the Noel Flynn Gallery Award for "Legacy." The exhibit will hang through September 24. Congratulations to these artists!

Paintings from the "Artists Co-op Presents The Sierra Watercolor Society" show, July 1-31. *From left to right:* Peace At Sea by Laurel Sweigart, Sailor by Tricia Leonard, After Midnight by Judy Berland.







MEMBER NEWS & ANNOUNCEMENTS

TEACHING MEMBERS

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Please contact teaching members for class and workshop schedules.

CLASSES BY RONNIE RECTOR

Ronnie will have classes each month through December at the Nevada Museum of Art in Reno. Subjects include: Watercolor: Batik on Rice Paper and Watercolor: Tips, Tricks and Techniques Go to the E.L. Cord Museum School Class Schedule page on the Nevada Museum of Art website for more information and to register. www.nevadaart.org

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1st Annual Watercolor Plein Air in Carson City Nevada Watercolor Exhibit & Competition September 7 - 10, 2021

Artists will be painting in Carson City, Nevada for three days: September 7th, 8th, and 9th. The public is invited to come out and enjoying watching the artists. The finale of the watercolor competition will be the Auction and Awards Reception at the Nevada Governor's Mansion on September 10th, 4-7pm.

Three plein air painting days, September 7, 8, 9 Artists may register for plein air only competition until September 1, 2021. *Public invited to watch!*

Free Watercolor Demonstration

Evening of September 8 at Third Street Plaza, Carson City

Auction and Awards Reception, *Ticketed Event*Nevada Governor's Mansion
Friday, September 10, 4 - 7 pm
Awards ceremony, painting auction, cash har live

Awards ceremony, painting auction, cash bar, live music

Nevada's First Lady will present Awards at 5 pm Early Bird \$45 each (until Sept 3)

Regular \$55

Limited tickets available

Visit: www.colleenreynolds.com for more information

CLASSES BY EVA NICHOLS

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

www.beautyonlocation.com Email: evanichols@me.com

Visit Eva's YouTube channel: Eva Nichols Art

Phone: 530-414-1289

Eva Stramer Nichols - Truckee, CA

http://whereintheworldiseva.blogspot.com/

"Loving Nevada" Romancing The West

This special exhibit and sale features artists from all parts of Nevada. Using many mediums, their work captures Western life that is quickly disappearing.

September 1 – 30, 2021 Reception Sunday, September 5th 12 pm – 4 pm

Artists Co-op Gallery of Reno 627 Mill Street, NV 89502

775-322-8896Open 11 am – 4 pm everyday



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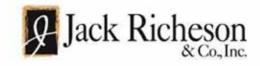






















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MARK YOUR CALENDAR!

DATE	TIME	EVENT	CONTACT
9/11/2021	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 FULL	Linda Halicki, V. President
10/16/2021	10 a.m.; Demo at 1 p.m	General Meeting & Demo by Carl Purcell	Diane Sewell, President
11/13/2021	9:30 a.m. to 10:30 a.m	Board Meeting, Artists Co-op Gallery, Reno	Diane Sewell, President
12/4/2021	10:30 a.m. to 12:00	Holiday Brunch, May Museum, Reno	Chair
1/15/22	10 a.m.; Demo at 1 p.m	General Meeting & Demo by Lori Bishop	Ronnie Rector, President
2/12/22	9:30 a.m. to 10:30 a.m	Board Meeting, Artists Co-op Gallery, Reno	Ronnie Rector, President
3/9-11, 2022	9 a.m. to 4 p.m	Workshop by Don Andrews	Vice President
3/12/22	10 a.m.; Demo at 1 p.m	General Meeting & Demo by Don Andrews	Ronnie Rector, President
4/9/22	9:30 a.m. to 10:30 a.m	Board Meeting, Artists Co-op Gallery, Reno	Ronnie Rector, President
5/10-13, 2022	9 a.m. to 4 p.m	Workshop by Soon Warren	Vice President
5/14/22	10 a.m.; Demo at 1 p.m	General Meeting & Demo by Soon Warren	Ronnie Rector, President
6/24-26, 2022	9 a.m. to 4 p.m	Member Artist Workshop by Lori Bishop	Vice President
7/9/22	9:30 a.m. to 10:30 a.m	Board Meeting, Artists Co-op Gallery, Reno	Ronnie Rector, President
8/17-19, 2022	9 a.m. to 4 p.m	Workshop by Keiko Tanabe	Vice President
8/20/22	10 a.m.; Demo at 1 p.m	General Meeting & Demo by Keiko Tanabe	Ronnie Rector, President

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.