

## January's Meeting

Wednesday, Jan 13th  
@ 7:00 pm  
Spanish Oaks Clubhouse  
2201 Spanish Oaks Drive  
Las Vegas, Nevada

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## Board Meeting

Wednesday, Jan 13th @ 5:30 pm  
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## January's Program

### Golden Acrylics Demo by Amy Shawley

Please join us for a creative and educational evening of acrylic techniques presented by **Amy Shawley** from Golden Acrylics. Members are encouraged to bring their own paper and brushes to practice the techniques. Paints and mediums will be provided. See page 2 for more details.

### Collecting Donations for Silent Auction to benefit Western Fed

### Signature Member Show Sign-up sheet



## President's Message

### Happy New Year!

I wish everyone a most prosperous 2010. If the busy holidays have kept you from painting, now is the time for a fresh start. Get out your brushes and paints and see how many good paintings you can do in 2010.

Remember to bring your paper and brushes to our January 13 meeting. **Amy Shawley** from Golden Acrylics is going to teach us how to use some of Golden's interesting products.

There are a few spaces left for the **Betsy Dillard Stroud** Workshop. This lady will really bring out the best in your creativity. So, if you can fit her workshop, February 8 thru 12, into your schedule it will be worthwhile.

**Dottie Burton** has generously donated one of her paintings to the Nevada Watercolor Society's permanent collection. It is a painting that she feels expresses what her work is about. Thank you, Dottie, for your gift to NVWS.

I hope that you will all participate in making our Silent Auction Fund Raiser a success. **Anne Nahser** is collecting items for the auction and needs them by the March meeting. For detailed information on how you can help please call Anne at 256-1581.

I look forward to seeing everyone in January,

Vina Curtis,

President

## Acrylic Demonstration by Amy Shawley

We are fortunate to have a demonstration by **Amy Shawley** from **Golden Acrylics**. Amy's presentation will include information and a demonstration and members are encouraged to bring their own paper and brushes to practice the techniques. Paints and mediums will be provided. She will provide an advanced technical explanation of acrylics, gel, and mediums and their inherent possibilities. This will include different types of pigments, different viscosities and types of paints, grounds, and color mixing. You will learn how to extend paint to save money and how to mix paints with gels to create unique textural surfaces. You will also learn to use different products to make surfaces for watercolors, graphite, charcoal, colored pencil, oil, and soft pastels. Techniques for the use of iridescent and interference paints will be shown. New products that work with Ink Jet printers make it possible to truly mix media.

Discover the new OPEN Acrylics with longer drying times and increase blend ability. Lecture also covers light fastness for pigments, proper acrylic painting techniques, and health and safety concerns.



### About Amy

**Amy Shawley** received a BA in Art History from Boston University and is primarily self-taught as an artist. She has exhibited in New York, Minneapolis, Berlin, and Los Angeles and was published in a magazine put out by the Yale University School of Forestry and Environmental Studies. Her work is in private collections in New York, Boston, ST. Paul, Perth, Kansas City, Seattle and Paris. She currently resides in Los Angeles with her clumsy studio assistant/domestic short-hair cat, Erebus Leonardo. You can see her work at [www.amyshawley.com](http://www.amyshawley.com) and on the Golden Acrylics web site at [www.goldenpaints.com](http://www.goldenpaints.com) under the "Working Artists" column.



## Workshops

For those members who might be interested.....

Amy is also holding a three hour workshop on

### Acrylic and the Digital Image

at Desert Art Supply

2750 N. Green Valley Pkwy, Henderson, NV  
on January 15th from 1:00-4:00 pm.

This presentation will expand on the products used with Ink Jet printers including acrylic skins, which are actual layers of acrylic paint that can be printed on directly from an inkjet printer. Supplies will be provided, including Digital Grounds, gels, paints and an on-site printer.

The cost is \$35.00 dollars.

If members are interested they should contact

Desert Art Supply at **702-451-8040**, or visit the web site at <http://www.desertartsupplies.com>.

Space is limited, so if your interested please reserve your spot as soon as possible.



December's Meeting - Holiday Party and Painting Exchange



Accolades to our Members

**Vince Zocco** will be the Featured Artist at the Boulder City Art Guild Gallery from January 3rd to Feb 28th. BC Art Guild Gallery is located at 1305 Arizona Street in Boulder City.



Reception will be held on Saturday, January 16th from 10am to 5pm

*Congratulations Vince*

**Elena Wherry** illustrated the book of poems "My Child Miracle Beyond Words" written by Jennifer Leigh Mujica.



"Watercolor has become my favorite medium, primarily for its immediacy and because watercolor can achieve the most beautiful skin tones" says Elena.

This book can be purchased [jimmycatawbapublishing.com/bookstore](http://jimmycatawbapublishing.com/bookstore)

*Congratulations Elena*

**Barbara Yoerg** received the second-highest award for "Orchid Redux" at the 63rd Annual Aqueous Open sponsored by the Pittsburgh Watercolor Society.

Juror: Frederick C. Graff, AWS,NWS, TWSA

An exhibition of Barbara's work will be held beginning in January at the A.R.T. evolution at Odyssey Lifestyle, 8379 W. Sunset Road, Suite 215, Las Vegas. Call 702-257-2345 for the date and time for the artist's reception.

*Congratulations Barbara*

Many of you know **Dottie Burton** has been a large part of NVWS for many years. She has recently been diagnosed with cancer and is now receiving treatment. As we move forward in the new year, let's keep her in our thoughts and prayers.

## January 2010

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
					1 <b>New Years Day</b>	2
3	4 <b>Critique Group</b> 10 am to 12 noon <b>Desert Art Supply</b> <small>2750 N Green Valley Pkwy Henderson</small>	5	6	7	8	9
10	11 <b>Critique Group</b> 10 am to 12 noon <b>Desert Art Supply</b> <small>2750 N Green Valley Pkwy Henderson</small>	12	13 <b>NVWS Meeting</b> <b>Golden Acrylics</b> <b>Demonstration</b> <small>7 pm @ Spanish Oaks Clubhouse</small>	14	15 <b>Acrylic/Digital</b> <b>Workshop</b> <b>Desert Art Supply</b> <small>2750 N Green Valley Pkwy</small>	16
17	18 <b>NO</b> <b>Critique Group</b> <b>today</b> <b>Martin Luther King Day</b>	19	20	21	22	23
24	25 <b>Critique Group</b> 10 am to 12 noon <b>Desert Art Supply</b> <small>2750 N Green Valley Pkwy Henderson</small>	26 <b>Submit news</b> <b>for February's</b> <b>Desert Wash</b> <small>to Louise Gillespie 658-2931 or gillespie4@earthlink.net</small>	27	28 <b>Acceptance</b> <b>Notices for</b> <b>Western Fed</b> <b>mailed today</b>	29	30
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**February 2010**

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7	8	9	10	11	12	13
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### Upcoming Events in February:

**February meeting is on 2/10 - Betsy Dillard Stroud Demo**

**February 8th-12th - Betsy Dillard Stroud workshop**

**February 19th - Western Fed **accepted** paintings due to Kathy**

## Teachers Directory

### Las Vegas/ Henderson Area

Sylvia Bachiochi	(702) 463-0857	sbachiochi@cox.net
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Mary Shaw	(702) 363-9920	mshawcolor@earthlink.net

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Rosamond Moranville (775) 265-6748  
rpmoranvill@aol.com

### Lafayette, California

Charlotte Huntley (925) 283-5127  
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*Limited Spaces still available,*

## Betsy Dillard Stroud

**Dates:** February 8th - 12th, 2010

**Times:** 9:00 am to 4:00 pm

**Place:** Spanish Oaks Clubhouse  
2100 Spanish Oaks Drive

**Cost:** NVWS Members..... \$275  
Non-members..... \$300

*contact Sharon Menary at  
www.thestudioforartists@yahoo.com  
or (702) 463-2454*



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### *Welcome.....New Members*

#### **Katrina Kirkpatrick**

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#### **Carol Peck**

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Las Vegas, Nevada 89120  
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#### **Jeff Wilson**

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*(change of address / directory updates)*

#### **Charlie Coulon**

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Las Vegas, Nevada 89134  
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Please submit news for February's newsletter by January 22nd to Louise Gillespie - 658-2931 or gillespie4@earthlink.net

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### *Free Inspiration 2010 Calendar*

Get inspiration from artists' quotes the whole year with this free, printable Painting Calendar for 2010.

The calendar features quotes by, among others, Van Gogh and Rothko. It also features a handy tick-box for keeping track of which days in a month you paint (or not).

[www.painting.about.com/od/inspiration/tp/Painting-Calendar.htm](http://www.painting.about.com/od/inspiration/tp/Painting-Calendar.htm)

**"Painting has taught me on numerous occasions that not everything in life can be planned and that my expectations are often quite different from what actually happens."  
- Cathy A Malchiodi.**

## **JOIN**

**The Nevada Watercolor Society  
Only \$35 per year or \$15 for students  
Membership forms available at**

**nvws.org**