

October's Meeting

Wednesday, Oct 14th
@ 7:00 pm
Spanish Oaks Clubhouse
2201 Spanish Oaks Drive
Las Vegas, Nevada

Board Meeting

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October's Program

Holiday Greeting Cards For Our Troops Overseas



Our October meeting features a session on creating watercolor greeting cards, facilitated by Barbara Stanton. Members are invited to bring their paints, brushes and imagination to create a holiday theme card which will be sent overseas to our troops serving in Afghanistan and/or Iraq. The society will provide the makings for one card, which includes a 4x6 sheet of watercolor paper (140 or 300 lb stock), envelope, card stock & double sided adhesive tape. If you wish to create additional cards, please bring 4x6 sheets of watercolor paper of your choosing.

Please join us for an evening of fun and creativity. Look forward to seeing you there.

President's Message

What a wonderful turnout we had for our September meeting. Membership Chairman **Pat Caspary** said that the count was in the 70s. The Joan McKasson demonstration was a joy to watch. I thank **Jan Butler** for her generous donation toward that demonstration. I also thank **Betts Baepler** for her very generous donation to replace funds used to purchase the Stephen Quiller painting that will be auctioned off in 2010. Thanks to **Sara Gaiero**, General Manager of Dick Blick for bringing everyone present samples of their watercolor paints and coupons.

Tom Lynch was in town recently for a book signing and sent us a signed print, a video and some of his products via his friend **Bill Fravel**. We have added the video to our video library and will add the rest to our raffle items. Thanks, Tom and Bill.

Everyone who attended the **Ed Hoag** Workshop at **Elida Kidman's** home had a great time. Plus \$665.00 was raised for the Scholarship Fund. **Barbara Yoerg** added to the donation which brought the total to \$715.00. Thanks to everyone.

Congratulations to all who have been juried into the 2009 Fall Show. I look forward to the reception when all your beautiful paintings are on display. We have two new signature members in the show. They are **Ed Klein** and **Elena Wherry**.

Vina Curtis,
President

JUST A REMINDER

You are now able to download your
full color monthly newsletter online from

www.nvws.org

If you would still like to receive a
printed black & white newsletter through the USPS,
please call Louise Gillespie at 658-2931.

Limited Spaces available

Betsy Dillard Stroud

Dates: February 8th - 12th, 2010

Times: 9:00 am to 4:00 pm

Place: Spanish Oaks Clubhouse
2201 Spanish Oaks Drive, Las Vegas

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

Reserve your space today by sending a \$50 non-refundable deposit to the Nevada Watercolor Society
P.O. Box 27224, Las Vegas, NV 89126

See more information about Betsy Dillard Stroud at
www.worldofwatercolor.com/Artists/bdstroud/intro.htm

Coming June 2010

“Painting Experience” Workshop
Look for more details in upcoming months

Joan McKasson’s workshop, which was held September 10th-13th was highly successful. Every artist that attended was able to walk away with a couple of very creative paintings and a better knowledge of the abstract underpainting technique. The group also enjoyed experimenting with Joan’s vast array of watercolor supplies and collage materials.

A very Special Thank You to **Joan McKasson** for the fabulous workshop and to **Sharon Menary** along with **Barbara Stanton** and **Ed Hoag** for putting this wonderful workshop together.



For additional information about workshops,
contact Sharon Menary at www.thestudioforartists@yahoo.com or (702) 463-2454

Shows and Exhibits

You and your guests are cordially invited
to the opening reception of the

2009 Fall Show

of the

Nevada Watercolor Society

West Sahara Library Art Gallery

Thursday, October 8th, 2009

6 to 8 pm

**NEW
LOCATION**

Awards at 6:45 pm

9600 West Sahara Avenue, Las Vegas, NV

Congratulations to all the artists who took the challenge and submitted paintings in the Fall Show. There were 79 paintings submitted by our members to be judged by **Joan McKasson**. On Thursday evening Joan was able to spend quite a bit of time reviewing all the paintings and selecting 40 to be in the Fall Show. She stated that subject matter was not important in her decision, but the 40 accepted paintings each had qualities of a good watercolor painting.

She then pulled out approximately 10-12 paintings for another review and decided on the eight awards - Best of Show, 1st, 2nd and 3rd Place, a Creative Award and 3 Honorable Mentions.

Hope everyone will be able to come to the reception and view the exhibit at the library. It will certainly inspire you !!



**WFWS
Entries
Due
11/15/09**

By now you have received the Western Federation prospectus (in the September newsletter) and might have a few questions:

Q. *What is the Western Federation of Watercolor Societies?*

A. The Western Federation of Watercolor Societies (WFWS) was set up in 1974 and sponsors an annual juried exhibition that is hosted each year by a different regional society. Today WFWS includes over 5000 artists from 11 watercolor societies. Nevada Watercolor Society is proud to be one of the participating groups.

Q. *Why bother to enter Western Fed?*

A. Being accepted into a WFWS exhibit is a prestigious honor. If your goals as a watercolor artist include pushing yourself to a higher level of competition, then Western Fed is a great stepping stone toward entering the national competitions.

Q. *I don't have a computer. Where can I get a digital photo to enter?*

A. In years past, we have had someone available to take digital photos at the meeting. This year, it will be even simpler. You may submit a good quality slide or photo of your painting along with the appropriate paperwork. We will scan the photo and turn it into the required digital image. **Kathy Christensen**, our WF delegate along with **Ed Hoag** (alternate delegate) are here to help you. Just make sure it is a good 4x6 professionally developed photo - no prints from a copier, please.

Q. *When do we host the annual exhibit?*

A. The Nevada Watercolor Society will be hosting Western Fed in 2012. The juror will be **Gerald Brommer**. If you would like to help with the planning of this event, please contact Kathy at 897-8874 or sd8339@stlv.net.

Paintouts and Critique Group

**Critique Group
Meets Monday mornings
10 am to 12 noon
at Desert Art Supply**

2750 N Green Valley Pkwy Henderson, NV 89014

You can bring a painting or 2 that you are working on and have the benefit of receiving a critique to help improve that painting. You can also take part in the group without bringing a painting and benefit by someone else's critique.

For additional information about the Critique Group, contact Bill Fravel at (702) 468-6041 or billfravel@aol.com or www.billfravel.com

Thanks to **Bill Fravel** who met with **Tom Lynch** at Desert Art Supply one day last month and received one of Tom Lynch's video for our video library, one signed print and some samples of Frederick Watercolor Canvas (which will be raffled off sometime later this year).

Paint Outs

Details pending

For additional information about Paintouts, contact Bill Busch at (702) 878-3602

"Because watercolor actually moves on the paper, it is the most active of all mediums, almost a performance art."

Nita Engle



Joan McKasson's demonstration at September's meeting and her workshop Sept 10-13



Accolades to our Members

Dottie Burton has acceptance into the following National and International Exhibitions presently on exhibit or will be on exhibit this fall and winter:

The Adirondack National Exhibition
Arts Center Old Forge - Old Forge, NY
Jurors: Jean Dobie and Dean Mitchell - Aug 22 - Oct 4.

San Diego International 29th International Exhibition
San Diego Watercolor Society Art Gallery
Juror: John Salamien - Oct 1-31.

Rocky Mountain National Watermedia 2009
Foothills Arts Center, Golden, CO.
Juror: Stephen Quiller - Aug 15 - Oct 18.

Pennsylvania Watercolor Society 30th Juried Exhibition
Lancaster, PA.
Juror: Carol Pickle - Aug 2 - Sept 10. AWARD

Mississippi Grand National Exhibition
Mississippi Museum of Art. Jackson, MS.
Juror: Don Andrews - Oct 4 - Jan 3.

Kentucky 32nd Annual National Aqueous USA 2009
Actors Theatre of Louisville. Louisville, KY.
Juror: Ratindra Das - Sept 22 - Oct 24.

Montana Watermedia 2009
Hockaday Art Museum Kalispell, Montana
Juror: Don Andrews - Sept 22 - Oct 16.

Kansas Watercolor Society National Exhibition 2009
The Wichita Center for the Arts. Wichita, KS.
Juror: Eric Wiegardt Nov 20 - Jan 3.

Congratulations Dottie

Two paintings by **Barbara Yoerg** were accepted into the Kansas National Watercolor Exhibit in Wichita, KS. The exhibition will be held at the Wichita Center of the Arts from November 20, 2009 to January 3, 2010. Juror: **Eric Wiegardt**.

Congratulations Barbara

Ed Hoag had his bison painting "When Winters are Long and Cold" juried in to the 24th Bosque Art Classic held in Clifton, TX. His work was among 144 pieces selected from among 975 submissions of all media including oils, watercolors drawing and sculpture. In addition, he was invited to submit two pieces in the "Winners Circle" which is reserved for artists who have had works purchased for inclusion in the Bosque Art Center permanent collection. Ed sold two pieces (the Bison and a small oil painting) during the opening reception. The entire show can be viewed via www.bosqueartclassic.org and opening the "Preview 2009". The show which features traditional and contemporary western themed art, was juried by **Mr. Joshua Rose** who is the editor of Western Art Collector.

Congratulations Ed

"Watercolor is like golf, every stroke counts"

Katie Wood McCloy

A very **Special Thank You** to **Sara Gaiero**, the General Manager of the **Blick Store** here in Las Vegas. She was present at our September meeting with free samples of **Blick Artists' Watercolors** for everyone and a great 30% off coupon.

The **Blick Store** is located at 290 S. Decatur Blvd. (South of I-95) phone 702-368-0209

Anne Nahser is still gathering donations and looking volunteers for the **Silent Auction** planned for next spring. If you would like to help Anne, give her a call at 256-1581. The proceeds will go toward hosting Western Fed in 2012.

Calendar Project is in the works !

Members are invited to submit one or more original 8 x 10 watercolor paintings, each representing or depicting any one month of the year. The final selections will be kept permanently, along with an Artist's statement, in the Historian's Scrapbook of the NVWS. For more information, Please contact **Myra Oberman** at robert.oberman@gmail.com or call 341-5667

If you'd like to join the NVWS yahoo group site please go to:

<http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nevadawatercolor>

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The Nevada Watercolor Society
is now using nvws.org
(instead of www.watercolorociety.com)

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DEADLINE for November is **October 22nd**

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Membership forms available at

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