

2025 UPCOMING EVENTS

SEPTEMBER

JURY FOR STATUS
REQUIREMENTS DUE
SEPT 30, 2025

Send to **Carolyn Light**

OCTOBER

The **WVWS** calendars are here for us to purchase and promote our Watercolor Society. They will make a great Christmas gift! **They are \$18 to purchase.** Contact Linda Elmer
lindaelmer58@gmail.com
or

Rita Montrosse
ritamontrosse@yahoo.com
for purchase.

NOVEMBER

JURY FOR STATUS
NOTIFICATION
November 15th
approximate notification date.

WVWS
WEST VIRGINIA WATERCOLOR SOCIETY

NEWSLETTER Third Quarter 2025

WVWS "To promote and ensure the high standards of the art of watercolor painting in the state of West Virginia."



WVWS Fundraiser Calendars Are Here

The **West Virginia Watercolor Society** calendars are here for us to purchase and promote our Watercolor Society. They will make a great Christmas gift! **They are \$18 to purchase.** Contact Linda Elmer (lindaelmer58@gmail.com) or Rita Montrosse (ritamontrosse@yahoo.com) for purchase.

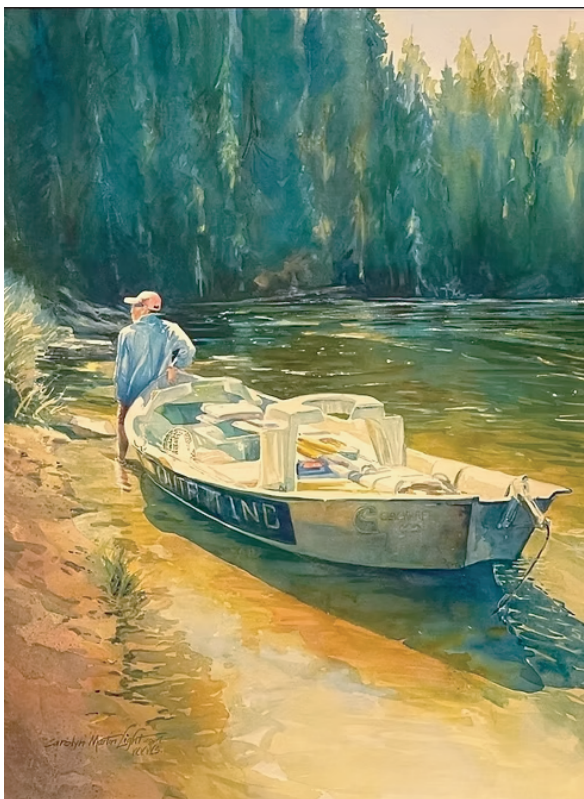
We are also looking for members who will help with

this fundraising effort by selling them in your gallery space or place of business. Please contact Linda or Rita if you are willing to help.

Make sure you get your copy today as we have a limited supply!



www.wvwatercolorsociety.org



by Carolyn Light. Best of Show,
2024 All Member Exhibit

All Member Exhibit 2025

Parkersburg Art Center, Parkersburg

ANYTHING GOES: WILD THINGS

November 14-December 31

Judge: Joel Dugan, Fairmont State University

IMAGES DUE: October 27 to Debbie Lester
deborahdlester@gmail.com

DELIVER BY: November 8

All Member is a non-juried exhibit that is
judged for awards only
Three entries per member



Congrats Debbie Sisson

Ms. Sisson had two of her entries for the **Bright City Lights exhibit at Tamarack** (Tamarack, Beckley, WV) accepted into the show. She also had one in the Best of WV also at Tamarack in the show before that.

Congratulations to you! _____



Dennis Clarke has a new painting that he would like to share. "**CRABS EAT HERE**"
14.5 x 22 watercolor on 300 cp ground.

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WVWS Jury for Status Requirements – 2025

September 30, 2025 – images and forms received by Carolyn Light for preparation for the jury committee (*if sending application by mail, send early to ensure receipt by this deadline*).

Approximately November 15, 2025 – Members are notified of results; president, membership chair, webmaster and newsletter editor are notified of results.

General Guidelines:

1. Paintings must be created by using a water-based media in an aqueous manner on paper or board.
2. Work created in a workshop or classroom or with direction from any instructor is not allowed.
3. All pieces submitted to the jury committee must be the artist's own original creation.
4. Paintings created from photo images must be of the artist's original sources (photos taken by and property of the entering artist). Sources must not be from copyrighted materials including internet sources or appropriated/copied from other art.
5. In mixed media pieces, water media must be dominant.
6. Digital images of paintings should be saved as .jpgs.
7. File names of digital images should be formatted as **PaintingTitle_widthXheight.jpg** (example *SunnyDay_15x22.jpg*).
8. Digital images should be an accurate depiction and not enhanced.
9. All images should be correctly oriented (not upside down or sideways) devoid of dead space, frames or mats. Cropping the digital image to the edge of the painting is the best presentation.

Application procedure using **paper forms**:

1. Fill out the appropriate printable forms (depending on whether you are applying for Juried or Signature status), and send by mail addressed to Carolyn Light 282 Morning Dove Drive Clarksburg, WV 26301, or by email to Carolyn.light@gmail.com.
Please allow appropriate mailing time so applications arrive by 9/25/2025
2. Once Carolyn has received your application, she will contact you by email to coordinate image submission. **Do not send Carolyn emails with images attached unless she asks you to do so.** Check that your image file names match up with the painting titles you submit on the image list. You should keep a copy of the image list for your reference.



Application procedure using **online forms**:

1. Fill out the appropriate online forms (depending on whether you are applying for Juried or Signature status) and submit. The online application forms can be accessed from the WVWS website at <https://www.wvwatercolorsociety.org/jury-for-status>.
2. Once Carolyn has received your application, she will contact you by email to coordinate image submission. **Do not send Carolyn emails with images attached unless she asks you to do so.** Check that your image file names match up with the painting titles you submit on the image list. You should keep a copy of the image list for your reference.

Juried Status Applicants:

1. Submit 6 digital images of work. The six images may have been exhibited in a previous WVWS exhibit.
2. Fill out the application form and image list for the committee.

Signature Status Applicants:

1. Only Juried status members may apply for Signature status.
2. Submit 4 digital images of work that have NOT been accepted into a juried WVWS exhibit.
3. Fill out the application form and image list sheet for the committee.
4. Include documentation of acceptance into at least two WVWS juried exhibits within a period of 6 years. You can refer to the WVWS website at <https://www.wvwatercolorsociety.org/aqueous-exhibitors-archive>



2025 WVWS Application for Juried Membership Status

Associate members seeking Juried Member status are to submit six (6) digital images of paintings for review by the Jury Committee. (Do not send more than 6.)

Name_Phone

Address _____ Email _____

Juried Checklist

Six (6) images labeled with titles and dimensions (*will be submitted per Carolyn's instructions after application form is submitted*)

Application form for Juried Membership Status.

Jury status image list (make sure painting titles match file names)

Email to: carolyn.light@gmail.com

Mail to: Carolyn Light

282 Morning Dove Drive

Clarksburg, WV 26301

(Must be received by September 30, 2025)

I hereby certify that the images I have submitted to the Jury Committee are my own original artwork, created independently without assistance from any instructor and that any photos used for reference purposes in creating the artwork were taken by me.

Signature Date



West Virginia Watercolor Society

“Juried” Status Review – Image List

Applicant Name Date

Submit six (6) images for review:

1. Title:

Dimensions (w x h) in inches: _____

2. Title:

Dimensions (w x h) in inches: _____

3. Title:

Dimensions (w x h) in inches: _____

4. Title:

Dimensions (w x h) in inches: _____

5. Title:

Dimensions (w x h) in inches: _____

6. Title:

Dimensions (w x h) in inches: _____



2025 WVWS Application for Signature Membership Status

Juried members seeking Signature Member status are to submit four (4) digital images **of paintings that have NOT been juried into past WVWS Aqueous exhibits** for review by the Jury Committee.

Name Phone

Address

Email

Signature Checklist for emailing/mailling:

Four (4) images labeled with titles and dimensions *(will be submitted per Carolyn's instructions after application form is submitted)*

Application form for Signature Membership Status

Signature status image list (make sure painting titles match file names)

Information regarding WVWS Aqueous exhibit participation
(2 shows within last six years)

Email to: carolyn.light@gmail.com

Mail to: Carolyn Light

282 Morning Dove Drive
Clarksburg, WV 26301

(Must be received by September 30,
2025)

I hereby certify that the images I have submitted to the Jury Committee are my own original artwork, created independently without assistance from any instructor and that any photos used for reference purposes in creating the artwork were taken by me.

Signature Date



West Virginia Watercolor Society
"Signature" Status Review – Image List

Applicant Name Date

Submit four (4) images for review:

1. Title:

Dimensions (w x h) in inches: _____

2. Title:

Dimensions (w x h) in inches: _____

3. Title:

Dimensions (w x h) in inches: _____

4. Title:

Dimensions (w x h) in inches: _____

List two (2) Acceptances into Juried WVWS Aqueous Exhibitions within the past six (6) years. You can refer to

<https://www.vvwatercolorssociety.org/aqueous-exhibitors-archive>

List show year, location (city), and your painting title:

1. _____

2. _____