

West Virginia Watercolor Society Aqueous National Exhibit
Wheeling Artisan Center, Wheeling, WV
1400 Main St. Wheeling, WV 26003
304-232-1810

Juror: Jes Reger Davis is watercolorist and teacher based in Wheeling. Jes has been exhibiting her work since 2015 in numerous juried exhibits throughout West Virginia.

● **Criteria for Submitting Your Images...** Images need to be in a digital format. A sharp, accurate (in color) image is necessary. Image must be cropped to the edge of the painting (do not include mat or frame in image). File type must be a jpg in RGB format, no smaller than 300 dpi, but not to exceed 5MB in file size.. **Digital images must be submitted by May 20** and the file labeled as: LastNameFirstinitial_Title (**Example:** SmithJ_Bicycle)

Mail entry form and submit images by email to: Deborah Lester, 426 Country Rd. Estates I, Shady Spring, WV 25918. 304-276-4795 deborahdlester@gmail.com

● **Calendar:**

Entries Due: May 20, 2024. Email images. Printed entry with payment to: Deborah Lester 426 Country Roads Estates I, Shady Spring, WV 25918 (*make checks payable to: West Virginia Watercolor Society*)

Artistst notified by email about jury results: by May 30, 2024

Deliver work: Hand-deliver work by June 21 during regular gallery hours. Deadline for receiving shipped work is June 21. Eastern panhandle and central regions can contact Linda Elmer (**304 216 8498 lindaelmer58@gmail.com**) for transport. Southern region can contact Deborah Lester (**304-276-4795 deborahdlester@gmail.com**) for arrangements. Deliver to Wheeling Artisan Center, 1400 Main Street, Ground Floor, Wheeling, WV.

Exhibit Opens: June 28-July 31

Exhibit hours: Monday thru Friday, 11 am -5 pm

Reception Award Presentation: Friday June 28, 1-3 pm

Pick Up: August 2-thru August 9. Shipped works will be mailed shortly afterward; pick up for eastern, southern and central regions will be arranged individually.

Gallery Hours/days: M-F—9-5; Saturday—Noon-5 p.m.

Gallery contact: Alex Panas, apanas@wheelingheritage.org.

● **Entry qualifications.....** Up to 2 painting entries may be made per applicant. All WVWS members are qualified to enter, paying **\$15 per painting**. Non- members may enter by paying **\$20 per painting**. Paintings must be created using a water-based media in an aqueous manner on paper or board (no canvas or masonite board) and must have been created since January of 2021. Artwork must not have been exhibited in any previous WVWS exhibits. Paintings created from photo images must be of original sources (property of the entering artist). Sources must not be from copyrighted materials, including Internet sources or appropriated/copied from other art. Work created in a workshop is not allowed. In mixed-media pieces, water-media must be dominant. Subject matter must be family friendly. Accepted entries must be framed in **2-inch minimum width white or light neutral color and use sturdy frames with plexi-glass. Entries that are 12"x16" and under in size (framed) may use regular glass. No cardboard backings.** Accepted work must stay for the duration of the exhibit. Identification labels (found on the entry form) must be taped to the back of the work.

Floated pieces are acceptable if they do not touch the plexi-glass. **No** saw-tooth hangers or poster frames will be accepted. Wire hangers only. The exhibit committee reserves the right to not hang paintings that do not follow the above-mentioned guidelines or are found unsuitable due to framing or content (subject matter). **Fees must be included with the entry form.** *Checks should be made out to the West Virginia Watercolor Society.* A 20% commission will be retained by the Wheeling Artisan Center; 5% will be retained by WVWS. The West Virginia Watercolor Society is not liable for any damages or loss of paintings during the duration of the exhibit. You can also arrange a delivery time by contacting: Alex Panas, apanas@wheelingheritage.org.

● **Receiving/Shipping Work.....**Hand deliveries due by Friday, June 21. **Shipped items must arrive by Friday, June 21** Work can be shipped to: Wheeling Artisan Center 1400 Main Street, Ground Floor, Wheeling WV 26003 . Packages must have pre-paid return label included. Proper packaging is imperative to protect your work. Improper packaging may result in damage. All packaging must be in sturdy containers that can be re-mailed. **No wooden containers or popcorn packing.** Air-Float boxes are strongly recommended. Pieces that do not following any of the packing instructions will not be unpacked nor hung. *The gallery will retain any packaging used to ship your work and use it for the return if unsold.* Questions about receiving/shipping work can be directed to Alex Panas, apanas@wheelingheritage.org. or to Debbie Lester 304-276-4795