

NEWSLETTER

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Upcoming Events

Next WVWS General Meeting will be held in conjunction with the "Festival of Color" Juried Exhibit at Gallery 842 in Huntington, WV. More details to follow.

Website Information

The trial for the MyFamily.com web service for the West Virginia Watercolor Society (WVWS) has expired and the Board has decided not to renew this web service.

The WVWS web site, wwatercolorssociety.org, has been updated and will continue to include information for the general public, along with some specific information on upcoming events.

Kristen Colebank, Webmaster, would like members to know they can be included in the online Members' Gallery. Her only request is to limit individual galleries to eight images. Or, members can simply have a link to their own Web sites (see George Harper or Joy Cooper's links as examples). If interested, members can contact Kristen directly via e-mail at kcolebank@waitesrunstudios.com

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Region Reports

REGION I

Phyllis Crickenberger received First Place for "Hill Crest," a watercolor of Huddleston Home, in the White Sulphur Springs 100th Anniversary Art Show in October.

REGION III

Denny Clarke, also a Signature member of the Baltimore Watercolor Society, had a one person exhibition of his recent abstract paintings at the Delaplaine Art Center in Frederick, MD, during the months of November and December. The exhibition took over 1 1/2 years to create and was entitled "Variations on a Theme."

REGION IV

Laurie Goldstein-Warren received a Merit Award in July for "Garlic and Lace" in WASH

2009. Also in July, "Soup to Nuts #3," was accepted in the Texas Watercolor Society Show.

In October and November, she exhibited "Collaboration" in Aqueous Kentucky 2009; "Some Assembly Required" in Viewpoint Cincinnati 2009; and "Abstract Fire" in NEWS International 2009.

REGION V

A big **THANK YOU** to new Life Member **Janet Hart** for assuming the **Region V Director** position. **THANK YOU** to **George Harper** for his many years of service to WVWS.

Janet Hart participated in Oglebay Institute Plein Air in Oglebay Park, including the One-Hour Paint-Off. Two of her works completed that weekend were shown at Wilson Lodge, Oglebay Park, and one was sold.

Judy Mattson Reed and Linda Schweitzer will be exhibiting in the David L. Dickerson Gallery of Tamarack April 11 - June 2. The name of the exhibit is "Naturalistic" and the reception is April 11, 2010.

REGION-AT-LARGE

Kathy Caudill recently exhibited in "The Far Away and Nearby," a collection of regional and European landscape paintings by six artists in Providence Gallery, Charlotte, NC. The Exhibit ran August through October, 2009.

In December Kathy also exhibited in the Providence Gallery's, "Hip to be Square: Twelve on Twelve," which included twelve selected gallery artists presenting new paintings on 12 x 12 canvases on 12th month. Visit the Gallery at www.providencegallery.net

In Memory of Juanita Akers Peyton

I am sorry to report that Juanita passed away on February 15, 2010. Juanita was a Charter, Signature and Lifetime member. She was a great help with the early organization of WVWS and will be sorely missed.

Letter from the President

Folks,

We had a Fabulous time in Charleston on January 28th! While first Lady Gayle Manchin was unable to attend, we did get word from Randall Reid Smith that "Itsa GIRL!" Congratulations to the Manchins on their new granddaughter. The reception went well, and the folks at the Culture Center said there were many positive remarks about the show.

Marilyn Hughey Phyllis' presentation was highlighted with anecdotes about her family and her creative process. I was fascinated by this lively sprite of a lady! Secretary of State Natalie Tennant presented the Lifetime Achievement Award to Marilyn, and the grand total of votes revealed that Linda J C Turner's "Come on, Grammy" won the People's Choice Award. Congratulations to ALL of our award winners! Thanks to all members who were able to attend (and brought friends and family).

Happy Painting! Jeannine

WVWS 2009 Jury Results

Selections have been made by the committee for new Juried and Signature Membership status in WVWS.

The following have earned Juried Membership status:

Libby Cagle
Rose Dobbins
Donell McCoy
Monica Wilkins

The following have earned Signature Membership status:

Pat Anderson

Congratulations to Libby, Rose, Donell, Monica, and Pat!

WVWS 2010 Jury Information

Members wanting to change their membership status can request a jurying packet for 2010. "Juried" Status is available to associate members and "Signature" status is available to "Juried" members. Packets will be sent per your request by contacting Linda Elmer, jury chairperson, between now and August 1, 2010. Images and packets will be due by September 1, 2010.

You can contact Linda by mail, email or phone at the following:

Linda Elmer
4208 Dogwood Lane
Fairmont, WV 26554
304-366-9793
Arlespai@aol.com

Members can anticipate submitting 4-6 images, depending on which type of status. Images will be juried during September/October. Members will be notified by December 2010.

Information concerning images, format and calendar will be in the jurying packet.

Artist Opportunities

Plein air painting at The Greenbrier

Jeanne Brenneman received a request from The Greenbrier to make the announcement that they want to have artists painting plein air on the grounds during the summer months. The information is still sketchy since the plan is evolving, but this is our understanding of The Greenbrier's request:

They would like to have at least one artist painting on the grounds every afternoon, painting indoors or outdoors, depending upon the weather. The idea is to paint and talk to the guests and be part of the Greenbrier ambience.

The artist could have other work to sell, but space would probably be limited, and could be something like a portfolio or folding bin that you could put near your work space. The artist would sell their own work and pay a commission on sales to The Greenbrier. Art should be nicely packaged, such as matted with plastic covering. You will probably also need some brochures and/or business cards.

Now here is the catch - this will be a jury process, and they want to see artists' work as soon as possible (within the next several weeks). They want 1 - 3 originals, not framed (watercolors can be matted). This will probably involve taking or shipping paintings to The Greenbrier, and you have to act quickly. If you are interested, e-mail Betsy Conte at betsy_cont@greenbrier.com (Note email is betsy_cont).

Call for Artists at a new Art Gallery in Princeton, West Virginia

A new Art Gallery in Princeton in a 100 year old restored building has requested artwork for exhibition.

From Randolph: The upper gallery is primarily art glass by Fenton, Blenko, Ron Hinkle and Kelsey Murphy cameos. We do have reproductions by various art publishers on the upper gallery mixed with originals. I am interested in WV Watercolor Society and your mission mirrors my mission in promoting artwork. I will be promoting the original watercolor and other artwork by Appalachian artists by scheduling monthly shows of members' works in 2010. I currently have shows and artist appearances planned for the first three months of this year. I am planning for the later half of 2010 right now and am planning our catalog and newsletter for 2010. We have multiple options for March through June. So I am looking for 4 different artists for the remainder of 2010.

If interested please contact Randolph via email: bronzestore@frontiernet.net

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Workshops
WVWS Workshop

Everyone should have received a flyer with the details of this year's Workshop to be held at Canaan Valley Resort on August 6, 7, and 8. If not, contact Linda Elmer at 304-366-9793 or Arlespai@aol.com

Linda J.C. Turner Workshop
Tygart Lake State Park
Thursday, May 13 - Sunday, May 16
For additional information or reservations,
call 304 265-6144

WVWS Scholarhsip

At the March 6, 2010, General Member meeting, a committee was formed to draft a Scholarship form and rules

The committee includes:

Linda Elmer
Jerri Ellis Platt
Carolyn Light

Welcome New Members!

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West Virginia Watercolor Society
Membership Application

This application may be photocopied, or go to our website
www.watercolorssociety.org for a copy

Please type or Print Legibly

Name _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____

County _____ ZIP _____

Home Phone _____

Business Phone _____

Cell Phone _____

E-mail _____

Website _____

Signature _____

Date of Application _____

Please include a check for \$30.00 / one year dues made out to West Virginia Watercolor Society (WVWS).

WVWS Exhibition Schedule

June 4 - July 30, 2010

"Festival of Colors" Juried Exhibition
Gallery 842, Huntington, WV

May (Date To Be Announced - TBA)

- Entry Deadline

May (Date & Time TBA)

- Drop off artwork
- WVWS Meeting

June 4, 6:00 pm - 9:00 pm

- Reception

July (Date & Time TBA)

- Pickup artwork

September 25 - October 30

All Member Exhibition

Cynthia Bickey Gallery, Beckley

September 18

- Drop off artwork
- WVWS Meeting ? (Date & Time TBA)

September 25

Reception ? (Date & Time TBA)

October 30 (Saturday)

Pickup artwork



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Bylaw Update/Changes

The West Virginia Watercolor Society (WVWS) Board has proposed two (2) Bylaw changes. A copy of the changes are included in this Newsletter.

Per WVWS Bylaws, an amendment requires “a two-thirds vote of members at the Annual Meeting provided the proposed amendments have been sent by mail to each eligible voting member at least thirty days prior to the Annual Meeting.”

The Annual Meeting is normally the last meeting of the year, held in December. Sometime in November, probably at the same time as Dues Notices go out, you will receive a ballot or proxy for voting by mail.

Again according to the WVWS Bylaws, “Signed ballots or proxies shall be included in the vote count. Members present and voting at the meeting shall make the final decision in the event of a tie vote.”

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