

WVWS NEWSLETTER

October 2015



Dear WVWS Members,

WITH FALL comes new inspiration for the watercolor painter. A multilayered Grey palette comes alive with pops of RED, ORANGE, GAMBOGE, and that wonderful CERULEAN Sky that is difficult to get into a tube.

We have several opportunities for exhibiting our work coming up: The All-Member Show in Fairmont at Joe-n-Throw promises to be a unique venue with lots of foot traffic.

We also have the possibility of a space at the old "Friendly Furniture" building that would permit an ongoing exhibit with potential for sales. Watch the Website for details as they develop.

With the change of seasons, family obligations, work, and social commitments can often bog us down and get us away from the creative side of our brains. I've often found that a few quiet moments in "FLOW" with watercolor can keep me centered and refresh my outlook on life, enabling me to be more mentally available to those who depend on me.

Use the fall colors as inspiration to renew your commitment to be a daily painter, and "FALL" in love with watercolor again!

Jeannine Romano

PRESIDENT
West Virginia
Watercolor Society



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All-Member Show 2015

The 2015 WVWS All-Member exhibition will be Nov. 4 - Jan. 4 in Fairmont at the Joe n Throw Co-op.

The show prospectus is available for download from the WVWS website, www.wvwatercolorociety.org.

Entry deadline is Oct. 23 with hand delivery on Oct. 31 at our next meeting at Linda Elmer's house near Fairmont (see below for more on the meeting).

Space is limited at the show venue (only 40 paintings will be displayed) so don't delay sending in your entry. First to enter, first to show. Also, due to the space constraints, only one painting per member may be entered.

Next WVWS meeting!

The annual meeting (last meeting of the year) will be on Saturday, Oct. 31 at Linda Elmer's house near Fairmont. Contact Linda for directions to her house.

Paintings for All-Member may be dropped off at the meeting.

Covered dish lunch at 11 a.m. and meeting at 12 noon.

President's Message

Laurie Goldstein-Warren of Buckhannon has been busy shipping paintings to exhibitions around the world. She writes, "My painting, Garlic and Lace, was named a finalist in the Art Olympia international exhibition in Tokyo Japan. It is currently on route to its destination. There were thousands of entries from all over the world and it was chosen as one of the final 240 paintings to make the trip to Japan.

"I received awards at the Missouri Watercolor Society's International Exhibition for my painting, The Kiss redux and at the Texas Watercolor Society's Annual Exhibition for my painting, NYC Reflections.

"My painting, L'Arc De Nuit was accepted into the Adirondacks National Exhibition of American Watercolors in New York. Mardi Gras Purple was accepted into the Southern Watercolor Society's Exhibition. I also have a piece I will be shipping to the North West Watercolor Society's International, Girls Just Want to Have Fun.

"I will be teaching a workshop again this year in Cloudcroft, New Mexico in July and have a sold out workshop scheduled for October for the Baltimore Watercolor Society.

"I will also have an article in the next Watercolor West newsletter, where I won third place last year in their exhibition for my painting, Mardi Gras Mask. Mardi Gras Mask was also accepted into the Transparent Watercolor Society's Exhibition this year and will be on display until August."

Monica Wilkins of Shepherdstown won the Joy Shaffer Bachman Best in Show award at the 57th annual Exhibit 60, hosted by the Morgantown Art Association. Juror for the show was Frank Webb, AWS. Also winning honorable mention awards at Exhibit 60 were WVWS members Jane Cardi of Morgantown and Debbie Lester of Shady Spring.

April Waltz of Wheeling had solo exhibition - "The April Show: New Works by April Waltz" - at The Art Emporium in downtown Charleston during April and May.

LATE BREAKING NEWS: Charter member **Linda J.C. Turner** of Jane Lew was honored on March 14 by the DAR for her contributions in the area of women in the arts. The event took place at the Museum of Glass in Weston. Congratulations Linda!

Linda Elmer of Fairmont had a solo exhibition of her work in the Maxwell Gallery at the Randolph County Community Arts Center which opened in May. The show, "City Sweep," featured Elmer's urban-themed works.

On April 29, 2015, **Linda Charles Stone** was one of three artists honored by "Artist Among Us" of the University of Charleston. The luncheon was held at UC in the Erma Byrd Gallery where the Permanent Collection of West Virginia Women Artists is located. There were approximately 150 in attendance including Drs. Edwin and Janet Welch. The three artist were recognized for their accomplishments in fine art.

News from Region V:

by Christine Rhodes

I had one painting "Off The Deep End" juried into Tamarack's Best of West Virginia Exhibition which ran from June 21 to August 9, 2015.

In July, my entry in the Parkersburg Art Center's Regional Exhibit, "Kandinsky and Thiebaud Arrange Breakfast At McHappy's" won Best In Show. The piece was purchased by the parent company of McHappy's Bake Shoppe for display in their corporate offices in Parkersburg.

My painting, "Vespers" has been invited to Huntington Museum of Art's Exhibition 280 which will run from October 10, 2015 to February 14, 2016.

Two pieces, "A Balancing Act" and "All Fall Down" have been accepted into the 2015 West Virginia Juried Exhibition which will run November 8, 2015 to February 21, 2016 at Tamarack. "A Balancing Act" has earned an Award of Excellence - a purchase award - and will become part of the West Virginia State Museum's permanent collection.

On September 17, 2015 I juried into the gallery at Tamarack.

I will have a solo exhibit of water media works in the Market Street lobby of Wesbanco in Parkersburg during the month of November, 2015.

Want an online gallery?

Don't forget, your membership in WVWS includes an opportunity to either link your existing website to the Members' Gallery on www.wvwatercolorociety.org, or, if you don't have a website, to have us build you a small gallery (no more than nine images).

Interested? Contact WVWS webmaster Kristen Colebank at kcolebank@waitesrunstudios.com.

Autumn Opportunities

Stay tuned for upcoming opportunities

The Opportunities page on the WVWS website is your source for information about upcoming exhibitions (inside and outside of West Virginia), as well as art events, and watermedia workshops hosted by West Virginia-based nonprofit art organizations. If you are a member of an organization that is hosting an event, share the information with WVWS. Contact the WVWS webmaster at wvwatercolor@gmail.com.

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Welcome to all new members!



AQUEOUS 2015

The opening of the exhibit was held at the beautiful Stifel Art Center in Wheeling on June 23. Congratulations to all the artists who had paintings selected by juror Peggi Habets of Pittsburgh. See winning pieces beginning on page 4.

AQUEOUS 2015

The WVWS Annual Aqueous Exhibition has been on display at the Stifel Arts Center in Wheeling from July 2 until it closes on August 29, 2015. The opening and awards ceremony for this open show occurred on June 23.

Peggi Habbets of Pittsburgh was the juror, and stated that she wished she could have included all of the artwork submitted but could not. The winners are listed below.

Congratulations to all of the winners, and to all of those of you who were accepted. Keep vigilant for the next exhibition, Aqueous 2016!



**BEST OF
SHOW**
Menemsha Dock
Dennis Clarke



AWARD OF EXCELLENCE
Aurora Motel II
Michael R. Jacques



AWARD OF EXCELLENCE
Morning Conversation
Sandra Pealer



AWARD OF EXCELLENCE
All Fall Down
Christine Rhodes



AWARD OF Merit
Right Sweep
Linda Elmer



AWARD OF Merit
White Blooms
Janet Rodriguez



AWARD OF Merit
Itsa Your Move
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Turn of Fortune
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After the Rain
William Perry



Honorable Mention
Scribbling Rivalries
Patrick Varriano



What's new?

Individual Member News for the West Virginia Watercolor Society Newsletter

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Please list any news items for the upcoming WVWS Newsletter. Return directly to the News Editor via snail mail. If you have news, fill this form out now! We love hearing about your accomplishments! Please type or print clearly and provide dates.

Current or Recent Exhibitions _____

Recent Workshops _____

Recent Trips _____

Other _____

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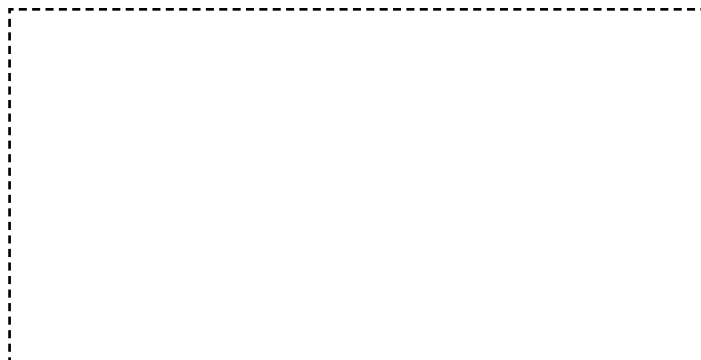
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The West Virginia Watercolor Society actively seeks new associate members. Applicants must be a West Virginia resident at the time of application. Dues are \$30 per year (January to December). Membership applications can be downloaded from the WVWS website, www.wvwatercolorssociety.org, or contact Membership Chair Diane Mitchell at dianedmww@hotmail.com.

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