



May Meeting
Wednesday, May 8th 10th
7:00 p.m.

**Year End Pot Luck
New Member Welcome Gift Painting**

Spanish Oaks Clubhouse
2201 Spanish Oaks Drive
Las Vegas, NV 89102

Board Meeting Thursday, May 9th
Sahara/Rampart IHOP at 1 p.m.

President's Message



PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE . . .

As the year comes to a close, I would like to express my gratitude to all who made this year a tremendous success. That includes our board members, those of you who pitched in to help as the need arose, and mostly to all our NVWS members.

You are highly valued, as nothing gets accomplished without your cooperation and assistance: Art in the Park; the Fall, Signature, and Spring Shows; two outstanding workshops; Downtown Summerlin Farmers Market event; anniversary logo designs and products; Spring Show catalog; and a year of great meeting programs.

A year in the planning, the 2019 Spring Show at the Metropolitan Gallery is beautiful. If you haven't had a chance to see it, the 115 original artworks will continue to be on display until May 18, Wednesdays through Saturdays from 12 noon to 5:00pm. We had a great turnout at our April 4 reception and we've received many compliments since then. And don't forget the 2019 Signature Show which will also be on display until June 1. Check it out on Thursdays and Fridays, noon - 5:00pm at the Fifth Street School.

May you have a wonderful summer, filled with joyful painting! I look forward to seeing you all again in September.

Gail Montoure, President

MAY 8 MEETING PROGRAM

New Member Package Painting: Bring a small supply of paint and brushes. We'll be painting a special gift for inclusion in a welcome package for new members.

Board Officer Elections: Our *By-Laws & Standing Rules* require Board Officer elections be held annually at the May monthly meeting. Following is a list of candidates for election of Board Officers. We will also accept candidate nominations from the floor at the May meeting. Candidates are:

Gail Montoure – President

Judi Moreo – 1st Vice President, Programs

Molly McClain – 2nd Vice President, Membership

Carmen Egolf – 3rd Vice President, Programs

Donita Murphy – Secretary

Shirley Jeane – Treasurer

Treasurer's Report

Permanent Collection Vote

Looking back...

This is the last in a series of glimpses into the past, presented in honor of our 50th Anniversary Year.

The following letter was received from Betty Twers, the last surviving NVWS Charter Member, upon receiving copies of the 2019 Spring Show catalog:

“April 15, 2019 Happy 50th!

Dear Gail, What a wonderful surprise to find the 50th Anniversary Show catalogs in the mailbox so soon! They are very special and I will treasure them.

The founding members would each have loved to been in attendance for the gala event you and the Nevada Watercolor Society displayed. I am so very proud of all that went into putting ‘it all together’! Thank each and every one who had a part in preparing it.

Some of the fondest memories of my adult life were being a part of the painting sessions in- and out-doors. We developed fine friendships thru the years and put on many fine watercolor exhibits in Nevada hotels, libraries, government buildings, and government mansions.

Day by day we have reached this remarkable time in the culture of Las Vegas. Inspired many artists, students, teacher, families and friends.

May it always be so glorious!

Fondly,

Betty Twers”

SPRING SHOW CATALOGS AND METROPOLITAN GALLERY MEMBERSHIP CARDS

If you are an exhibitor in the Spring Show and haven’t received your free catalog yet, you may pick up your copy at the May 8 meeting. Additional copies are available for \$5.00 each and will be sold at the meeting.

The Metropolitan Gallery presented us with a gift of a one-year household Gallery membership for each active NVWS member. All unclaimed membership cards can be picked up at the May 8 meeting (cards expire March 30, 2020).

Summer Painting Challenge

The topic for this year’s Summer Painting Challenge is ***“My Summer Vacation Trip”***. Not going on vacation this summer? Think of one you’ve had in the past. Bring your finished painting, sized 5” x 7” or larger and matted, to our kick-off meeting in September. Prizes will be awarded based on member votes received.



VOLUNTEER NEEDED

There will be a few changes to our Shows & Exhibits photo requirements, and we are seeking a volunteer to assist our people with taking and editing photos of their artworks. What's involved? Three times per year (once for each show), establish a time, date, and location where you will help people who need photos taken. No special photography skills are needed. A simple point and shoot camera or a cell phone photo will do. Also, need to be familiar with some basic photo editing skills (cropping, rotating, skewing, resizing, and properly naming), again to provide assistance to those who need help complying with the show photo requirements. Please see Carmen Egolf or Gail Montoure if you can volunteer.

May 2019 Program

In addition to our season-ending Potluck and election of officers, we will be painting Welcome Member kits, so bring a small selection of paints and brushes – let's do something fun together!

Current and Upcoming Shows

Signature Member Show: March 7 through June 1, 2019

**Historic Fifth Street School
501 S. Fifth Street, Las Vegas**

Opening night was a smashing success! The gallery is truly a beautiful space to admire the 51 juried creations of our Signature members. Gabbie Hirsch, our juror, selected Linda Smith for Best of Show, Barbara Stanton for First Place, Tatsiana Harbacheuskaya for Second Place and Herb Russel for Third Place. And congratulations to Margaret Sudweeks, Sue Roach and Jackie Long for receiving honorable mentions.

Gallery hours are Thursday and Friday from 12 noon to 5 p.m. Free parking is available.

Spring Show: April 4 through May 19, 2019

**Metropolitan Gallery - Neonopolis Complex
450 Fremont Street, 2nd Floor, Las Vegas**

Juror: Alvaro Castagnet

Reception: Thursday, 4/4/2019, 7:00 p.m. to 10 p.m.

Award announcements will begin at 7:40 p.m. We have printed catalogs to celebrate this momentous 50th Anniversary show. One catalog will be available free of charge to each participating artist. We have a record 116 artworks on display! NVWS members can buy copies for \$5 each, a 50% savings.

Save the Date: Fall Show: October 10 through December 7, 2019

**Sahara West Library
9600 West Sahara Avenue, Las Vegas**

Mark your calendars! Registration is now open for the 2019 Fall Show.

Entry Deadline: Friday, 8/16/19

Notification of Acceptance: Tuesday, 9/17/19

Show Drop-off: Wednesday, 10/9/19 from 12:00 noon to 1:30 p.m.

Reception: Thursday, 10/10/19 from 5:30 – 7:00 p.m.

End of Show Pick-up: Sunday, 12/8/19 from 12:00 noon to 1:30 p.m.

Please take time to review the Prospectus for the show because it has been revised. Email nvws.artshows@gmail.com with any questions.

Call for Entries for Other Shows

46th Annual Rocky Mountain National Watermedia Exhibition

Submission Deadline: May 20, 2019 (www.callforentry.org only)

Exhibition Dates: September 13 – October 26, 2019

Center for the Arts Evergreen is pleased to announce a call for art for the 46th Rocky Mountain National Watermedia (RMNW) exhibition, juried by internationally acclaimed painter, author, and teacher, Sterling Edwards. RMNW is regarded as one of the top watermedia exhibitions in the country, attracting entrants from throughout the United States. The exhibition is open to all watermedia artists residing in the U.S. For the full prospects and to apply, visit https://artist.callforentry.org/festivals_unique_info.php?ID=6175

Sterling Edwards will offer a Master Workshop, Watercolors From A to Z, at CAE July 29 – August 1, 2018 (Monday-Thursday). Registration for the workshop is now open on our website at www.evergreenarts.org/classes. For questions on the workshop, you may contact our Director of Education, Stephanie O'Malley, at education@evergreenarts.org.

Plein Air Painting Event

A BIG thank you to all who turned out to help at the Farmer's Market on Saturday, April 27th! We had a really nice venue and perfect weather! We were able to pass out some membership forms and flyers and talk to many of the passers-by. We even managed to sell our paintings and cards, and they are encouraging us to come back and paint *en plein air* or host a table.

If you are interested in selling your work or painting *en plein air* at the market, contact Jeanie at Jeanie.haddox@howardhuges.com. Set up was very easy as they provide the tables, chairs, and skirted table coverings.

I couldn't have done this alone and want to give specific thanks for all those members who showed up to help or give their support. Special thanks to:

Hyrum Huskey, Jackie Long, Sheila Spargo, Doni Murphy, Patty Stroupe, Juan Varela, Bill Bon, Linda Stroecker, Megan Dorsey, Carmen Egolf, Gail Montoure, Cesa Ceballos, Barrie Folsom, and Shari O'Donnell!

It was wonderful to see so many members participate! Thank you! Your kindness in giving of your time was much appreciated!

Linda Smith

Save the DATE!

“FACES and PLACES” Workshop by Artist Michael Holter

OCTOBER 7, 8, 9, 2019 (Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday)

TIME: 9 a.m. - 4 p.m. each day

PLACE: Spanish Oaks Clubhouse, 2201 S. Valley View Blvd., Las Vegas

*COST: EARLY BIRD RATE: \$315.00 (Members only)

MEMBER RATE: \$340.00 (After August 1)

NON-MEMBER RATE \$365.00

Workshop description: Join award winning artist Michael Holter in a three-day workshop where he will share his exciting style of watercolor painting exploring the themes of faces and places.

You will explore the use of light and shadow to create interesting compositions and achieve dynamic results as he breaks down his process from how to use the camera to capture exciting painting subjects to adding sparkle to the finished piece!

For more information about Michael's work, check out his website at: www.michaelholter.com

For workshop information, contact: Linda Smith

email: lsmith.lv@outlook.com or call: 509-499-1156

*Full payment is due August 1, 2019 in order to give Michael ample notification if we have to cancel. It's a great opportunity to have him come to LV! Just think ... you can enjoy Michael's workshop without traveling to another city! If the workshop is canceled, all payments will be refunded. If the workshop is a go, full payments are non-refundable, but transferable. Feel free to sell your spot if you need to cancel.

Online registration is open now!

Member Notes

Welcome

Our organization is thriving! We continue to grow and are attracting artists who are diverse in age, background, and art experience. Many of our newest members have already volunteered for committees! I know our Society will benefit from this influx of new energy and ideas.

A reminder to pay your annual dues will come to your email soon. \$40 for 2019-2020 membership. Due dates are May 1st for Associate members and June 1st for Signature members. There are no dues for Lifetime members.

You can bring a check made out to Nevada Watercolor Society or \$40 cash to the May meeting, or you can mail a check to Nevada Watercolor Society, P.O. Box 27223, Las Vegas, NV 89127. **But the easiest way to pay is online at www.nevadawatercolorsociety.org**

Put a link to your website in the Member Directory

It's simple. Login to www.nevadawatercolorsociety.org and edit your member profile and insert your link.

If you teach art, and would like your information in the Member Directory, do the same thing! Login to www.nevadawatercolorsociety.org and edit your member profile.

Please make sure that your contact information is correct and complete. If you have never logged in or are unable to, please contact Molly McClain, Membership at mcclainbill@yahoo.com or call her at 702.769.4852.

New Show Award

Mary Shaw Transparent Watercolor Award

Mary Shaw is now living at Las Ventanas on West Charleston in the assisted living section. She has the same telephone number and would appreciate calls and visits!

Sue Churchill has started a fund for the Mary Shaw Transparent Watercolor Award at our shows. The first one will be awarded at our Fall 2019 Show. If you wish to contribute to this award, please contact Sue Churchill, Sheila Spargo or Shirley Jeane directly.

April Meeting Photos



50th Anniversary Show



Plein Air Event

