



April Meeting  
Wednesday, April 10th  
7:00 p.m.

**Program: Gina Gelbach-Hall**  
**"Empower Yourself and Ignite your Art"**

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

Board Meeting Wednesday, April 10th  
At Spanish Oaks at 5 p.m.

## President's Message



### PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE . . .

Thank you to everyone who participated in the 2019 Signature Show. We had a large turnout for the reception and unveiling of 51 beautiful works of art. You still have a chance to view the show, now through June 1, 2019.

We are looking forward to seeing many of you at the 2019 Spring Show reception on Thursday, April 4 at the Metropolitan Gallery, where 116 works will be on display.

Thank you also to **Greg Palacio** and his band for providing the lively entertainment at our March meeting. So much fun to rock-out to the music, then enjoy Greg's beautiful paintings and hear about his growing up in Belize. We're pleased to tell you that Greg has decided to join our group as our latest Associate Member.

I am always amazed at the diverse backgrounds, nationalities, ages, and interests of our members. In spite of our uniqueness, we are connected by one common bond, and that is the uncontrollable urge to create. We are all makers, and I'm guessing that just about all of us extend our creative energy to endeavors other than painting. There is little more nourishing to the soul than producing something with your hands. It springs forth from the head and the heart, to a tangible result, and leaves a permanent mark on the world in our own small way. Yes, we are all makers, and I couldn't be more pleased than to declare I am one with you.

*Gail Montoure, President*

## MAY ELECTIONS

Following is the list of candidates for election of Board Officers. Our By-Laws & Standing Rules require annual publication of candidates in the April newsletter, with elections to be held at the May monthly meeting. 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**

May 8, 1969

Second Attendance of the Nevada Watercolor Society.

Myra Da Costa

Suzanne Gesman

Betty Twers

Alice Atkinson 737-5095

Lucille S. Bunker

new members admitted:

Carol Blake 382-4982.

Shirley Oaks 734-7941.

Dorothy Paulson 870-0306.

The Group met at Fong's Garden and there were five of us present (See signatures) Laura Belle Kelch flew to Mexico for a fishing holiday so could not be there. Cliff Segerbloom has other commitments so can be there in spirit only.

We enjoyed lunch + discussed the following:

- 1- Reader's Digest article on the life of an artist's daughter brought by Myra read by Lucille
- 2- If anyone needs ideas on framing, Myra can suggest ways to mat + frame that will show up your painting to the very best advantage.
- 3- Myra announced that Muriel Stevens of KLAS will be happy to have write-ups about the Watercolor Society that she can use on the air.
- 4- Betty Twers brought the last edition of the Art Guild paper. There was an article about our group in it written by Jessie Metcalf - it received considerable discussion.
- 5- Lucille had two announcements:  
a. ... is going to have a fine new studio to work in.

## April 2019 Program



Gina Geldbach-Hall didn't start out as an artist; she started out as a firefighter with a fire hose and axe! After completing her marketing degree she pursued a career in the fire service but never lost sight of her passion for designing and creating.

When she retired she went back to her roots and started using photography, coupled with her graphic design talent, to create works of art. Her artwork inspires the imagination—empowering the viewer to see the world through a different lens.

Not only is Gina an artist, but she is the author of *Firegal... Rising from the Ashes*, an autobiography chronicling her experience with the fire service.

Gina will share with us her art journey and how her experiences influenced her unique style and passion using only a camera and computer. Visit [FiregalDesigns.com](http://FiregalDesigns.com) today to learn more about her book, graphic designing services, and incredible portfolio of artwork.

She's igniting!

For purchases or services please contact Gina at: [FiregalDesigns@gmail.com](mailto:FiregalDesigns@gmail.com) or [FiregalDesigns.com](http://FiregalDesigns.com)

## 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**

## Call for Entries for Other Shows



**Entry Deadline is April 24th**

Click on link below for entry form and information

<https://files.lasvegasnevada.gov/cultural-affairs/Celebrating-Life-2019-brochure.pdf>

## **46th Annual Rocky Mountain National Watermedia Exhibition**

Submission Deadline: May 20, 2019 ([www.callforentry.org](http://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](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](http://www.evergreenarts.org/classes). For questions on the workshop, you may contact our Director of Education, Stephanie O'Malley, at [education@evergreenarts.org](mailto:education@evergreenarts.org).



# *San Diego Watercolor Society*

## **39th International Exhibition**

**ENTRIES**

CALL for

THE SAN DIEGO WATERCOLOR SOCIETY

**gallery**  
SDWS  
2825 Denney Road #103  
San Diego, CA 92108  
619.876.4550

Juror Jeannie McGuire, AWS

**39<sup>th</sup> International Exhibition September 29 - October 30 2019**

**ONLINE ENTRY ONLY**  
February 8 - May 6, 2019

- Visit [www.sdws.org](http://www.sdws.org)
- Register or log in to your profile to enter
- Follow instructions to complete entry

**\$19,000 IN AWARDS ANTICIPATED**

Financial support is provided in part by City of San Diego SD Commission for Arts and Culture

Attention all Watermedia Art Enthusiasts!!

The San Diego Watercolor Society announces its Call for Entries for the 39th International Exhibition to be held in San Diego during October, 2019. The exhibition is open to all watermedia artists.

Online entries only. Juror is renowned artist, Jeannie McGuire. The deadline for entries is May 6, 2019. \$19,000 in cash and merchandise awards anticipated. Accepted paintings will also be for sale in the SDWS Online Gallery, increasing your exposure! For more information go to [www.sdws.org](http://www.sdws.org) and view prospectus. Or contact Mary Sharon Anderson, [ishowinformation@sdws.org](mailto:ishowinformation@sdws.org)

### **Upcoming Art Exhibitions**

The Sun City Summerlin Art Club presents its Fine Art Juried Show, "Brush into Spring" on Saturday, April 6th and Sunday, April 7th, 2019 at the Desert Vista Community Center from 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. Purchase a work of art, 5 x 7 hand-painted note cards, or visit the Art Bin of matted, unframed works.

Over 100 artists will come together to display their artwork. The awards ceremony will be held Saturday, April 6th at 11:00 a.m. Nationally recognized artist and educator Jeff Fulmer is the judge.

Refreshments will be served and **ADMISSION IS FREE!**

## Upcoming NVWS Plein Air Painting and Sales Opportunity

In celebration of our 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary we will be hosting a booth at the Downtown Summerlin Farmer's Market on Saturday, April 27<sup>th</sup> from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. We are looking for several volunteers who might be interested in plein air painting around the venue, manning the tables to pass out brochures, and assisting guests who might want to try their hand at watercolor. Materials will be provided.

This is a great opportunity to get the word out about our society and to have the public see what we are about. Our space will be undercover, in the shade, across from the GAP. For those who are able to volunteer, you will be able to sell your matted artwork or cards if you like. More details will follow.

The Farmer's Market is held weekly, and for those that have never attended, it sure is a happening place! A few of us checked it out and were impressed with the amount of people in attendance.

Linda Smith will be providing more information and will be sending around a sign-up for volunteers at our April meeting. Let's work together to make this a success!

Time: 9 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Date: Saturday, April 27th

Place: Downtown Summerlin Farmer's Market

## Upcoming NVWS Workshops

**COMING... May 2-4, 2019!!**

### ***ALVARO CASTAGNET WORKSHOP***

**NOTE: Days are Thursday, Friday and Saturday**

**TIME: 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. daily**

**PLACE: 2201 Spanish Oaks Drive, Las Vegas, NV**

**Member Rate After February 1, 2019: \$400 for members**

**Non-Member rate: \$450**

**This workshop is presently filled, but you can still register for our wait list. We often have open spots as the workshop dates near, so please don't hesitate to register if you are interested!**

**Sign up for wait list now on [www.nevadawatercolorsociety.org](http://www.nevadawatercolorsociety.org)**

**Description:** Alvaro Castagnet is a highly sought after gifted, internationally world-renowned watercolor artist from Uruguay. A member of several prestigious watercolor societies around the globe, his works grace the walls of many private and corporate collections. NVWS is thrilled to be able to have Alvaro come to Las Vegas to share the secrets of his energetic, expressive, and engaging works in this three-day workshop! Alvaro's watercolor demonstrations are quite breathtaking and it's a delight to watch his speed of execution and the simplicity of his statements as he captures atmosphere and mood and creates rhythm of movement to produce well-balanced paintings. Come join us for this incredible opportunity to learn from a master artist!

***Examples of Alvaro's works can be found at: [alvarocastagnet.net](http://alvarocastagnet.net)***

Full payment is due March 1, 2019 in order to give Alvaro ample notification if we have to cancel. It's a great opportunity to have him come to LV! Just think...you can enjoy learning some new techniques from a master artist without traveling to another city! Payments will be held until the minimum number of participants is reached. If the workshop is canceled, all payments will be returned. If the workshop is a go, full payments are non-refundable, but transferable. Feel free to sell your spot if you need to cancel.



## Upcoming NVWS Workshops

**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](http://www.michaelholter.com)

For workshop information, contact: Linda Smith

email: [lsmith.lv@outlook.com](mailto: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 will be open soon!**

## 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.

Welcome to our most recent members, Megan Dorsey (who read about NVWS in the newspaper), Paul Logan, and Greg Palacio (our presenter in March!).

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 April or May meetings, 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](http://www.nevadawatercolorsociety.org)**

### **Put a link to your website in the Member Directory!**

It's simple. Login to [www.nevadawatercolorsociety.org](http://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](http://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](mailto:mcclainbill@yahoo.com) or call her at 702.769.4852.

### **Volunteers Needed**

We need volunteers to drive Members to the NVWS Spring Show and Reception. This special event will honor our members, their art, and the 50th Anniversary of the Nevada Watercolor Society.

Some of our members are uncomfortable driving at night, and we want them to be part of our festivities! If you need a ride or would like to be a driver, please contact Molly McClain at 702.769.4852 or email [mcclainbill@yahoo.com](mailto:mcclainbill@yahoo.com). Reception hours are noted in the Upcoming Shows section.

## 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.

## March Meeting Photos



Band playing



Greg and more band members



Greg Palatio demonstrating



Jim Champlin, past Pres



Judi Moreo, programs



Larue and Linda



Mary and Molly



Members watching band performance



## Signature Show Photos

Linda Smith, Best of Show, and Herb Russel, Third Place, were not able to attend in person to accept their prizes. We congratulate all the winners!



First Place – Barbara Stanton



Second Place – Tatsiana Habacheuskaya



Honorable Mention – Jackie Long



Honorable Mention – Sue Roach



Honorable Mention – Margaret Sudweeks