Nevada Watercolor Society



Nevada Watercolor Society Newsletter

January 2022

January 12th Meeting Will Be Virtual Via Zoom Due to Coronavirus – invitation to follow Next Board Meeting Date: Wednesday, January 5th at 5 pm – Virtual Via Zoom

President's Message



Happy New Year everyone! We are all looking better times in the coming year than we had during 2021. I think though, that we can look back in our year and see some of the positive things that occurred. We have a wonderful watercolor society that has been around for more than 50 years. We have accomplished much in that time frame. We have had three great art shows this past year and many beautiful paintings that were entered, as well as those pieces that won awards. Our website shows all of last year's winners as well as the brochures for the year.

Our last meeting in December was a lot of fun. Gail Montoure created a cryptic crossword game for us to solve. This left us either laughing or groaning. We also got to see some of the pieces of art as well as crafts that some of our members created. That was pretty inspiring. We ended the meeting with toasting in the New Year and bidding farewell to the old.

Our wish for this year is for a far better year, both here and all over the world. I think we can create a better place by smiling, laughing and painting. Our paintings can add more beauty to a troubled world, so paint, paint.

Wanda Drake, President

January Program – Tatsiana Harbacheuskaya

Join us on Wednesday, January 12th at 7:00 PM on Zoom.

Our presenter will be Tatsiana Harbacheuskaya who will do a demo for us on painting techniques. You won't want to miss this evening!

Watch your email for the Zoom registration link, to be sent out in the next few days.

Tatsiana is a professional artist with over 25 years of experience in landscape, floral, human, and pet portraits.

Originally from Belarus, Tatsiana is an exhibiting and teaching artist now living in Las Vegas, Nevada.

She studied at Gomel College of Arts and Minsk University of Culture in Belarus, earning her Master's degree in Fine Arts and Cultural Studies.

Although she enjoys painting in a variety of media, Tatsiana prefers watercolor as the most unique and expressive medium. Tatsiana has shown her paintings widely for over 15 years; this includes one-woman shows in New Jersey, Kentucky and Belarus.



She has received awards from Watercolor West in 2014, 2015, and 2016. Her paintings were named Best in Show at Nevada Watercolor Society (NVWS) Fall Show 2016, Spring Show 2017, NVWS Signature Show, Spring Show 2018, and Fall Show 2020. She is a signature member with the Watercolor West, NVWS, Louisiana, and Western Colorado Watercolor Societies. In 2019 she received a Gold Medal Water Media and Art Patrons Purchase Award in Bosque Arts Center, as well as Silver Medal Water media Award in 2020.

She also has participated in multiple juried national and international exhibitions.

David Smith "Watercolor Journey" February 2022 Workshop

Sign up for this workshop to be held on February 7th, 8th, and 9th in person

TIME: 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Pacific Standard Time each day

PLACE: Spanish Oaks clubhouse, 2201 Spanish Oaks Drive, Las Vegas

COST: Early Bird rate: \$315.00 (members only until December 6, 2021, but one

member is selling hers – please contact Candy Manual at jakeman1@cox.net if you wish to purchase her spot)

A few spots are still available!

\$340 for MEMBERS

\$365 for NON-MEMBERS







The flyer for "Watercolor Journey" is on the website.

To register, go to Nevadawatercolorsociety.org for more information.

Volunteers Needed

We are still hoping someone will volunteer to be Secretary. The job consists of sending out the monthly agenda, in consultation with the president, as well as taking minutes at the monthly Board meeting, writing them up and distributing them to the Board. It's just a few hours a month, and we would really appreciate your help!

In addition, once our in-person meetings resume, we will need someone to run the camera, audio equipment and provide tech support.

If you would like to volunteer, please contact Wanda Drake.

Current and Upcoming Shows

2022 Virtual Signature Show: Virtual Show January 19th to February 9th 2022

Deadline for submissions is January 6th. The prospectus is on the website. Complete the entry form online at www.nevadawatercolorsociety.org or mail your entry form to: The Nevada Watercolor Society c/o Vina Curtis, 4677 Carmar Dr., Las Vegas, NV 89122.

Judge: Jeanne Voltura

The winners will be announced at the virtual reception during our February 9th Zoom meeting

Signature Show Awards:

BEST IN SHOW: A combination of prize money and a gift certificate from Golden for a total of \$400.00

FIRST PLACE: \$250.00 SECOND PLACE: \$225.00 THIRD PLACE: \$200.00

HONORABLE MENTIONS: three awards for \$100.00 each

Please note that you may enter paintings that have been judged within the past two years BUT WERE NOT ACCEPTED into the show. Judges selections for awards are based on their own preferences.

Courtesy Cards

Linda Smith suggested that we distribute cards to various assisted living and nursing homes in Las Vegas, and Hyrum Huskey is coordinating the effort. He is stocking cards with one of several lines of greetings and with the Nevada Watercolor Society as the identifying source.

To participate, please create some small 4" x 5" paintings for Hyrum to send. He suggested taking a half sheet to make 9 small paintings. If you want to do the same scene, he will scatter distribution so they don't all go to one facility. He has a paper cutter if you don't. You can bunch and mail them to him or make arrangements to deliver them to him in person. Hyrum can be reached at home 702-998-4620 or cell 413-237-5800. Recent distributions have gone to Desert View Assisted Living, Legacy House Centennial Hills and the Marquis on Cheyenne. We'd love to have you join us!

Summer Painting Challenge

We still don't know when we will be able to meet in person again, but just in case, here is a reminder of the theme for the Summer Painting Challenge, "**Reunion**". Reunion can be with people, places, or things. The only limit on the theme is your imagination, as we celebrate seeing each other again *in-person* after a lengthy break.

Bring your finished paintings to the next in-person monthly meeting, preferably matted, regardless of when that in-person meeting occurs. Mats are preferred, however frames are not needed, and there are no size restrictions. Winners will be selected by attendee vote.

Member Notes from Molly McClain

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 mollymc.art@icloud.com (corrected from last month) or call me at 702-769-4852.

Pictures from the December 2021 Meeting

Thanks to Myra Oberman for these pictures of Sue Roach and Wanda Drake who dressed to the our December Holiday Meeting!



