Nevada Watercolor Society



Nevada Watercolor Society Newsletter

May 2021

May 12th Meeting: 7:00 p.m. Virtual Via Zoom Invitation Next Board Meeting Date: May 6th at 5:00 p.m. Virtual Via Zoom Invitation

President's Message



As I write my final President's Message, emotions are a mixture of relief, pride, regret and sadness: Relief that there may now be time to start painting again, pride in all that the board has accomplished over the past few years, regret in what did not get done, and sadness because I will miss the incredible opportunities that I have experienced through meeting and working with so many in our society. I've served as a board officer for the past five years, first as Shows & Exhibits chair, and the last three years as NVWS President. So it's time to turn over the reins!

Thank you to everyone I've met and worked with along the way. What a fantastic group of people you are! I do plan to remain in my role keeping the NVWS website up to date, and will of course remain an NVWS member.

Gail Montoure, President

May Program

Join us on **Wednesday, May 12 at 7:00 PM** for our last meeting until September, 2021. On the agenda:

- Election of Officers: Candidates are Wanda Drake, President; Cesar Ceballos, 1st Vice President Programs; Molly McClain, 2nd Vice President Membership; Vina Curtis, 3rd Vice President Shows & Exhibits; Sue Roach, Treasurer; and Isabel Huskey, Secretary.
- Annual Financial Report.
- Meet and greet new members who have joined NVWS over the past year, and
 who we've asked to bring a copy of their artwork to show on the screen. We will
 also introduce you to the new board officer candidates. The May 12 Zoom session
 will be in meeting format, meaning everyone will appear on screen.
- Watch your email for the Zoom link, which will be sent out a few days before the May 12th meeting. No need to reserve your seat just click on the link prior to the 7:00 p.m. starting time.

Carl Purcell

Last month's workshop and nighttime demo by Utah artist **Carl Purcell** was a smashing success. We had a long list of people wait-listed for the workshop. And we had the largest group ever join us for the monthly virtual meeting.

Carl is a wonderful artist and masterful teacher, well known to many of our members and a former NVWS member as well. Many thanks, Carl, to you and your son, who was so helpful with the workshop technology.





Volunteers Needed

Our 2021 Nominating Committee has completed its work and found four volunteers for the four open positions on the NVWS board for the 2021-2022 year. We are also looking for people who would like to "shadow" these positions to learn what is required with the goal of moving into them in following years.

We also have had interest from people willing to work on Shows, which we would like to divide into vice-chairs to spread the work among a few people instead of burdening one person with all of the responsibility. Vice-Chairs would assist in several areas: securing donations, aiding the non-tech savvy members with sizing their photos for virtual presentation, dealing with venues, and taking pictures of members' work if needed. Without your help, it is nearly impossible to bring you the quality programming and exhibits that you have come to rely on.

If you are interested in one of these positions, please contact Gail Montoure or Nancy Buford.

The board positions that will be open for the September 2021 through May 2022 year are:

President: Responsible for conducting monthly board meetings and emceeing monthly member meetings; lead spokesperson for the Nevada Watercolor Society; provides leadership to establish priorities for the NVWS year.

Volunteer: Wanda Drake

1st Vice President – Programs: Responsible for lining up a presenter for each of approximately 5 monthly meetings (usually September, November, January, March, and April).

Volunteer: Cesar Ceballos

3rd Vice President – Shows & Exhibits: Responsible for organizing up to 3 exhibits each year, soliciting entries, and lining up jurors and venues. Multiple people are encouraged to serve on the Shows & Exhibits committee, however only one person shall be designated as a board officer.

Volunteer: Vina Curtis

Secretary: Attends the monthly board meetings, transcribes and publishes the meeting minutes, and publishes the monthly board agenda.

Volunteer: Isabel Huskey

There will be an online vote in May to formally select officers for the 2021-2022 year.

Questionnaire

Within a few weeks after we complete the election of officers and the May meeting, we will be sending out a questionnaire that will address a variety of topics, the most important of which will be to determine your interest in continuing at least some of next year's monthly meetings in virtual format.

Watch your email for the questionnaire and take a few minutes to complete. We value your opinion!

Current Shows

SPRING SHOW

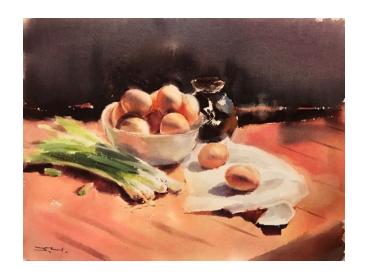
2021 Spring Show: April 8 to June 20, 2021

Virtual Show Juror: Carl Purcell

Congratulations to the 2021 Spring Show Winners

Following is a list of the **2021 Spring Show winners**. The entire exhibit is displayed on the **Springs Preserve** website, now through June 6. A link taking you to the slide show can be found on the home page of the NVWS website, listed under "**News Updates**".

Best in Show - Tatsiana Harbacheuskaya



First Place - Sheila Spargo



Second Place - Jackie Long



Third Place - Doni Murphy



Honorable Mention – Mary Herink



Honorable Mention – Margaret Sudweeks



Honorable Mention – Diana Walthers



Mary Shaw Transparency Award - Patty Stroupe



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 $4" \times 5"$ 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 whether we will be able to meet in person in September, 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.