



Society of Watercolor Artists

August Notes 2016

ASEL ART AWARDS Artist of the Month Competition!



Summertime is the time to get painting for the fall, winter and spring meetings! SWA members are invited to bring a completed piece to our monthly meeting. The artwork is shown anonymously with each member in attendance voting once for their favorite. After winning 1st place, that artist retires from the competition for the remainder of the calendar year. Those who win 2nd place may continue to compete with other pieces of work. Art work previously shown in a SWA juried exhibit is not allowed. The first place winner goes home with a \$25 Asel gift certificate and 2nd place earns one for \$15. In November all first place pieces during 2016 will return for selection of "Artist of the Year." Many thanks to Mary T House who chairs this fun event for us each month! Be sure and thank Asel Art Supply when you shop at 825 Foch Street.

Treasury Report



July bank balances: Checking: \$14,252.52 Building Fund: \$15,365.57

Soon Warren Workshop!

The Society of Watercolor Artists is proud to announce a workshop in October with Soon Warren. She is a long-time member of SWA and is known for her remarkable still life paintings (and more!). Most recently she was included as a juror for the National Watercolor Society and was the juror for the Texas and Neighbors Exhibition.

The dates for the workshop are Monday, October 17th through Wednesday October 19th in Fort Worth.

For details of the workshop and to sign up go to the SWA website:

www.swawatercolor.com



Cost is \$250 for members and \$300 for non-members. A \$75 non-refundable deposit secures your place. Sign up and payment should be made on the SWA website. A supply list will be added to the website soon.

If you have questions, please contact Janet Southern at swaworkshop@gmail.com.

Come join us for what looks to be a great workshop!

Members in the News



Artspace111 had their Third Annual Regional Juried Exhibition, and our very own **Bob Cook** won the Jurors Pick in 2D for his painting *Rooftops of Barcelona*. The show ran from June 24th to August 6th.

Darla Bostick has a piece at the Southern Branch Library of Denton with the Merging Visions show running through



Rooftops of Barcelona
by Bob Cook

August 20th. Visual work is paired with written work by Denton Poets Assembly. She is also included in the Patterson Center of Visual Arts is hosting the 27th Membership Show for Visual Arts Society of Texas in Denton. She will be exhibiting in the 53rd Southwestern Watercolor Society Membership National at the Eisemann Center in Richardson the month of September. Who else is included? Let us know!

Show Information!

The Patterson Center of Visual Arts is hosting the 27th Membership Show for Visual Arts Society of Texas in Denton.

At UNTHSC Atrium Gallery in October those who volunteer time to our organization will be honored with an Invitational Exhibition. Our President, John Nickell, will be sending more information later. Please place the dates of Saturday, October 1st for installation and Saturday Oct 29th for a brief reception and take-down. This exemplary exhibition is in its 4th year! It is never too late to volunteer your time for SWA. Look on the last page of the newsletter for openings! This show is not juried and there are no prizes.

Also be sure to add December for the SWA Juried Membership Show. It will be held at the Fort Worth Community Arts Center and juried by Nancy Lamb.

Fort Worth Library Card Design Contest!

Whether you're an award-winning artist or just an everyday doodler, you are invited to enter the Fort Worth Library Card Design Contest! Winning designs will be turned into official library cards and made available to the public. The contest will run from **August 31 – September 24, 2016**. Anyone can enter in either the Youth, Teen or Adult categories. Semi-finalists will be chosen by a panel of judges and put to a public vote on the Fort Worth Library's website. The winner in each age division will then be printed on Fort Worth Library cards available for distribution during the Library Card Sign-up Month, which will run from October 26 – November 25, 2016. Participants can download the entry form [here](#) and return their entries to any library location or electronically beginning August 31. If you have any questions, please [email](#) the library or call 817-392-7323.

SWA membership runs on a calendar year January through December.

You can join SWA anytime during the year. Our official membership campaign is in October as our regular year runs with the calendar: January through December. Those who join mid-year do not receive a discounted membership fee, but they are eligible for the membership juried show in December which is for the 2016 members only. We will not be meeting during the summer months and will resume again in September.

We like new members...invite your friends! The first visit is free.

Membership includes these benefits:

- ✚ Fellowship with like-minded creative folks
- ✚ Post your art work on our Facebook page
- ✚ Free monthly SWA newsletter
[Http://www.facebook.com/SWAWatercolor](http://www.facebook.com/SWAWatercolor)
- ✚ Entry discount for any SWA show
- ✚ Free image on the SWA Members Gallery
- ✚ Annual Juried Membership Exhibition
- ✚ Buy space on the SWA Premium Gallery for \$20
- ✚ Annual Juried International Exhibition
- ✚ While maintaining SWA membership earn SWA Signature Membership after selection to 5 juried exhibitions our juried exhibitions (without disqualification)
- ✚ Jo William's free critique session
- ✚ Asel Art Supply 20% discount
- ✚ Fun competitions
- ✚ December Holiday Party and painting swap
- ✚ ASEL Art of the Month Contest

Our Monthly meetings are held at the UNTHSC, Everett Building. After you turn from Camp Bowie to Clinton St turn left into a sloping parking lot beyond the vacant kiosk. We are on the bottom floor of the building to the right corner. Watch for a banner on the parking lot with directions to our room (or check the map on the website)

5:45pm Board Meeting

6:00pm Critique with Jo Williams (bring in 1 or 2 works for some friendly advice)

7:00pm Brief business notices

7:15-9pm Art demo, snack and art of the month

Upcoming meetings will feature the following demo artists:

June, July and August: no monthly meetings

September 19th: Jo Moncrief

October 17th: Jim Stewart

November 21st:

December:

Sharon Serrago

Holiday party TBA

Ongoing SWA Fundraisers (They help you to help us!)



Kroger makes quarterly donations to SWA through your shopping!

Go to www.krogercommunityrewards.com. If you already have a Kroger's Plus card, create your account and input your card number. In 7 to 10 days after shopping you will notice at the bottom of your receipt a donation was recorded for SWA.



Colors of Nature offers SWA members a 20% discount on their watercolors and customized brushes that are 100% vegan and cruelty-free. The savings given members are matched and donated back to SWA. The company will post member's art work created with their paints on their website, blog and direct people to a site of the artist's choice. SWA discount code: Members-20-SWA <http://shop.colorsofnature.com>.



Amazon Smile donates .05% of your online purchase back to SWA. Choose Society of Watercolor Artists as your nonprofit organization. It is listed as Denton, TX for its location...we are working to clear that up.



2016 SWA Officers and Members Extraordinaire

2016 BOARD OF DIRECTORS

President:	John Nickell	Exhibits:	James Stewart	Membership:	Paula Johnson
President-Elect:	Darla Bostick	Education/Workshop:	Nancy Maas/ Janet Southern	Communications:	Darla Bostick
Secretary:	Heidi Russell				
Treasurer:	Hugh Heaton				

STANDING COMMITTEES

EDUCATION COMMITTEE

CO-CHAIRS: Nancy Maas/Janet Southern

Members are:

ASEL Painting of the Month/Year: Mary T House

House & Properties: **AVAILABLE**

Monthly Critique: Jo Williams

Programs: Nancy Maas

Social Chairman (Refreshments/Receptions): **AVAILABLE**

Workshop Chair: Janet Southern

EXHIBITION COMMITTEE

CHAIR: Jim Stewart

Members are:

Hanging Volunteers: **AVAILABLE**

Membership for Exhibitions: Paula Johnson

Monetary Entries for Exhibitions: Hugh Heaton

SWA Signatures: Debbie Downing

Website Entries & Submissions: **AVAILABLE**

Prize Sponsors: Debbie Ford

MEETING VOLUNTEERS

(Not a committee):

House & Properties: **AVAILABLE**

Hospitality: **AVAILABLE**

Painting of the Month: Mary T House

Programs/Assistant to Demo Artist: Nancy Maas

PUBLICITY & COMMUNICATION COMMITTEE

CHAIR: Darla Bostick

Members are:

Newsletter: Valeri Cranston

Photography: Veronica Ritchey

Print Editor for Catalogs: Skeeter Murley

Publicity: **AVAILABLE**

Website Manager: **AVAILABLE**

Website Consultant: Sharon Giles

Facebook & Twitter: Skeeter Murley

FINANCE AND MARKETING COMMITTEE

CHAIR: Hugh Heaton

Members are:

Director of Finance & Budget: Hugh Heaton

Fantastic Fans: Shirley Nichols

Grants: Watson Arnold

Japanese Gardens Festival: **AVAILABLE**

Professional Standards (yearly audit): Brenda Morgan

MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE

CHAIR: Paula Johnson

Members are:

Director of Membership: Paula Johnson

Greeters: Shirley Nichols, Linda Taylor, Suzy Ware and

Mary Bell