



Society of Watercolor Artists

July 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



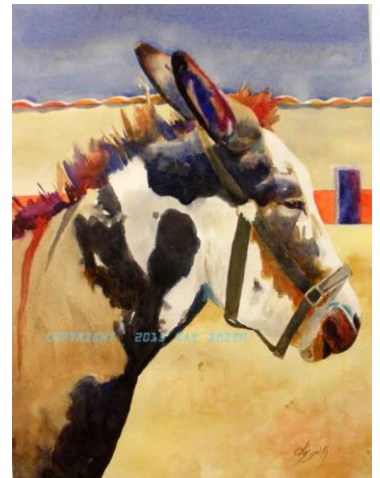
May bank balances: Checking: \$19,050.85 Building Fund: \$15,365.06

Members in the News



Kay Smith not only won an award for her watercolor *Drowsy Donkey* at the current Texas Watercolor Society show held in New Braunfels but she sold it as well!

Artspace111 is having their Third Annual Regional Juried Exhibition, and our very own **Soon Y. Warren** and **Bob Cook** are among the artists accepted. The show is juried by distinguished Director of the Kimbell Art Museum, Eric M. Lee and the exhibition on display June 24th through August 6th.



Frank Eber gave the SWA a shout out in his summer newsletter saying, "In April I was juror for the **2016 International Exhibition for the Society of Watercolor Artists** in Fort Worth, Texas. This exhibition was hung in the Central Library Atrium Gallery, 500 3rd Street, Fort Worth TX, and ran through the end of May. It's truly an amazing gallery space that reaches across the entire library! I'd like to thank Janet Southern and James Stewart for their help and making my job easy for me!"

Special Workshop!

Judy Mason and Colleen Erickson One day painting event on August 6, 2016

Artists will create foam stamps from their drawings. They will work with these foam stamps using powder charcoal to create under paintings on canvas or canvas boards. Then, the artist will use pencils, acrylic paints and/or other mediums to complete their artwork. The maximum is 15 artists.

Judy will be demonstrating several ideas for your figures/shapes. Critiques are always helpful and we will have them.

Send your check of \$50 to Judy at the following address:

***Judy Mason
113 Oriole
Weatherford, TX 76086***



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.



Membership renewals in the last month:

Jane Stoddard, Amherst, NY
Gloria Sepp, Ft Worth, TX
Martha Ragsdale, Hurst, TX
Watson Arnold, Ft Worth, TX
Mary Lou Osborne, Keller, TX
Andrea Albright, Little Elm, TX

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>
- ✚ 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!

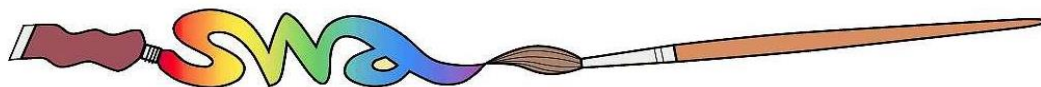
Go to www.krogercommunityrewards.com. If you already have a Kroger's Plus card, create your account and input your card number. In 7 to 10 days after shopping you will notice at the bottom of your receipt a donation was recorded for SWA.



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