SOCIETY OF WATERCOLOR ARTISTS

2021 Furied Membership Exhibition



- Best of Show-

Lawrence Raffanti – Chicago, Illinios

Carlee's Garden

October 9th - November 20th, 2021

Juror - Mollie Jones

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2021 SWA JURIED MEMBERSHIP EXHIBITION



JUROR'S STATEMENT

It was my honor and pleasure to jury the 2021 SWA Membership Exhibition. The entries received were varied in subject and style and that always makes for a challenge when tapping paintings for a show. I especially liked the way SWA offers entry in both Signature and Non-Signature divisions. We always seem to aspire to produce better work when as visual artists we set our bars and goals higher with each painting

And as the Juror of Awards, I found myself wishing I could give a few more awards. To be juried into any exhibition is an honor whether an award is earned or not...it is just a nice cherry on top. So, congratulations to all of you artists who were included in the exhibition. The walk through of the exhibition was great fun as it is so inspiring to see all the talent gathered in such a beautiful venue.

A very special thank you to Shirley Nichols and Skeeter Murley for all your help, and a big thank you to SWA for allowing me to be a part of your 2021 SWA Membership Exhibition.

Mollie Jones
SWA, SWS, TWS, LWS, WSA, GWS, WAS-H

The entries in this exhibition were judged in two separate divisions.

They were split between members that have / have not obtained their SWA signature status.

This allowed the juror to recognize more artists with awards.



SWA President - Darla Bostick



Exhibition Chair – Skeeter Murley

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Award Winners

BEST OF SHOW AWARD

Lawrence Raffanti SWA

Chicago, Illinois Carlee's Garden 25" x 32" NFS



Juror's Comments:

This painting captured my attention immediately. As a Juror of Awards there are always boxes to check...values and light, composition, color, skill, and for me a sometimes-unexplained emotion. The treatment of all elements here has an exquisite feel to me. The transparency in style in the clothes, hat, skin, flowers and even the wooden structure was beautiful.



Award Winners - SWA Signature Members

Second Place Award

Arlington, Texas

Ivana
26" x 18" NFS

Juror's Comments:

I was engaged by the mystery of "Ivana". The dark limited palette with just the right light and color on her face and the lost edges of her body posed the question of what was going on in her mind? She had attitude. We could make up any answer to that question.





Third Place Award

Susan Keith *SWA*Murrieta, California
With a Grateful Heart
18" X 24" \$1,200

Juror's Comments:

This painting shows skill in painting style and a strong composition sense. The light and values were complimentary as well as the complimentary color palette...beautifully painted.



Award Winners - SWA Signature Members

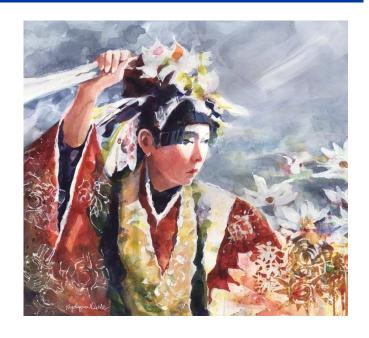
Juror's Award

Krystyna Dale swa

Arlington, Texas Sunrise Prayer 18" x 24" \$500

Juror's Comments:

Movement and texture in this painting called for attention. I wondered if there was a story here? I liked the position of the subject on the paper.



Honorable Mention



Gemma Haas swa

Fort Worth, Texas Beauty at Night 14" X 11" NFS

Juror's Comments:

This painting sports a beautiful color choice in both the iris and the background. The hard edges of the iris are balanced by the soft rendering of the background and sets the stage for the star beautifully. And...it all works.

Suzy "Pal" Powell SWA Plains, Texas A Little Birdie Told Me 14" X 10" \$600

Juror's Comments:

The smile captured in this painting calls for a smile from the viewer...that emotion that we strive for in our paintings. Smiling eyes are always beautiful in a portrait. I enjoyed the punched up pure bright blue color in the painting.

Honorable Mention





Mward Winners - SWA Non-Signature Members

First Place Award

Rebecca Krutsinger

Xenia, Illinois Morning Robe 18" x 24" \$800

Juror's Comments:

This painting caught my attention immediately. Her eyes told the story. I enjoyed the loose painting style, offset composition, and color shifts within her values. Beautiful painting.



Second Place Award



Trish Poupard

Celina, Texas Pigtails & Snowflakes 24" x 18" \$1,500

Juror's Comments:

This is a lovely portrait of really limited color palette. The high key style of this painter uses just the right values in both hair and skin tone to set the stage for her eyes.

Jennifer Gillen Plano, Texas *My Antonia* 30" x 22" \$1,250

Third Place Award



Juror's Comments:

The color yellow is tricky to work with and this artist has used a variety of glazes and values to achieve beautiful yellows. The size of this sunflower had to be a challenge to paint and the greens set the stage.



Award Winners - SWA Non-Signature Members

Juror's Comments:

Seeing this painting in the gallery walk was a pleasant surprise in comparison to the jpeg I'd seen on the computer. It confirms the need for a juror to see the paintings in award contention in real life.

Juror's Award

Karen Lindeman swa Houston, Texas Glacial Valley Spring NES

First, I enjoyed the loose style in brushwork of this painting. The artist used light and analogous color not usually found in a forest in the gradation of color left to right. Lovely painting.



Honorable Mention



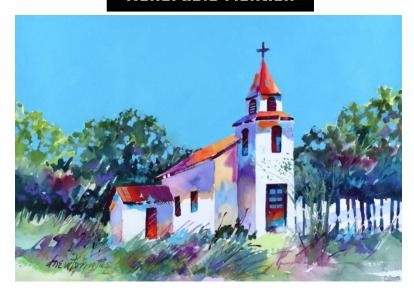
Sondra Carr swa

Chico, Texas Wait for Me \$1,800

Juror's Comments:

What family has not seen this scene at one time or other in the life of a child...it brought a smile. The details in the clothes and the child's face and hair

Honorable Mention



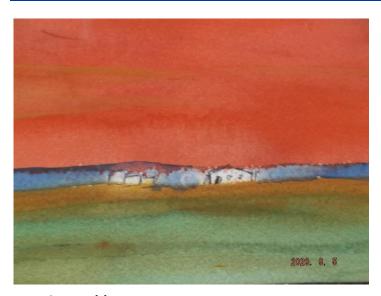
Dyan Newton SWA

Abernathy, Texas Summertime at the Chapel \$895

Juror's Comments:

The use of pure bright color in this painting is lovely and shows how bright color can add visual delight to a good composition. I enjoyed the painting style and color choices.

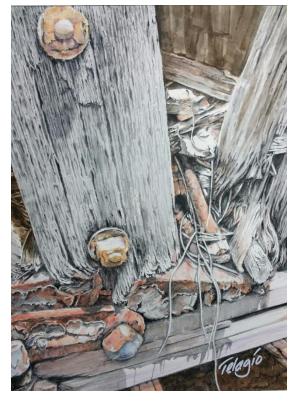




W.C. Arnold Fort Worth, Texas Orange Sunset 2 10" x 12" \$200



Cindy Baird Arlington, Texas Hive Mind 14" x 14" \$350



Telagio Baptista Omaha, Nebraska *Deteriorating Box Car* 10½" x 13½" \$1,495



Denis Benjamin *SWA*Fort Worth, Texas *Elephant*14" x 19½" \$500





Darla Bostick *swa*Denton, Texas *Dressed in Her Best, Jordan*15" x 15" \$975



Peggy Brady Arlington, Texas Happy 11¼" x 15" NFS



Tom BrownFairview, Texas *Hot Celina Morning*10" x 14" \$950



Kathy Cunning Weatherford, Texas *Old Green Ford* 14" x 20" \$650





Luanne DominixBay Roberts, Newfoundland Canada *Hook, Line and Sinker*15" x 14" NFS



Georgia Blaydes Downes SWA
Burleson, Texas
Beautiful Reds
12" x 16½" \$500



Brenda Driggers SWA Cleburne, Texas Speaking Words of Wisdom 15" x 11" NFS



Manal Fashi Denton, Texas Spring in Spring, Texas 13" x 10" \$200





Hugh Heaton swaFort Worth, Texas
Dry Dock 1
10" x 14" \$350



Rebecca Joos Arlington, Texas Queen Annes Lace 11" x 14" NFS



Sudeep Kumar Frisco, Texas Winter Trees 11" x 17" \$650



Dawn Kostenko Kerbs SWA

Burleson, Texas

Fall & Spice

19½" x 14" \$750





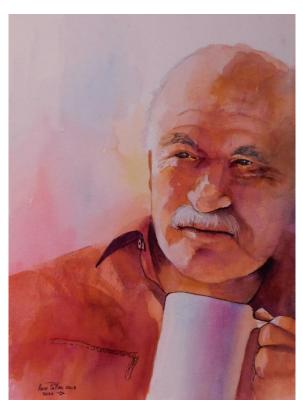
Skeeter Murley *SWA*Arlington, Texas *Loneliness, In Plain View*26" x 20" \$850



Charlie Nieman Arlington, Texas Hardeman County Courthouse 14" x 10" NFS



Iok-Hou Pang SWA Grand Prairie, Texas Pond 16" x 20" NFS



Ann Patton swa Meridian, Texas A Cowboy and His Coffee 14" x 11" NFS





Ann Rowley
Dallas, Texas
Afternoon Visitor
10½" x 13¼ " \$500



Vicki Rowley Arlington, Texas Monhegan Island 11" x 15" \$400



Heidi Russell *SWA*Fort Worth, Texas *Shakespeare in Paris*14" x 20" NFS



Eloise Sears SWA
Denton, Texas
Walled House in the Woods
15" x 11" \$175





Kay Smith *SWA* Big Spring, Texas *In Full Bloom* 12" x 12" \$295



Jane Strong Plano, Texas First Chair 14" x 18" \$500



Janet Southern SWA Arlington, Texas Diedre's Lifesaver 12" x 14" NFS

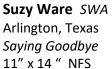


Celene Terry SWA
Enchanted Oaks, Texas
Marco Polo
15" x 22" \$350



Invited Artists





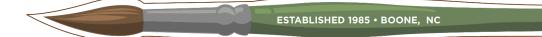


Pam Wilson McKinney, Texas Mowown Tribute 17" x 13" \$450

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SWA History



The Society of Watercolor Artists celebrates our 40th anniversary this year!

The Society of Watercolor Artists was founded in 1981 by twenty-five watercolor artists who wanted to share their enthusiasm, thirst for knowledge, and desire to promote an interest in the medium.

The first meetings were held in a bank on University Drive in Fort Worth. The articles of incorporation were sent to the state in March 1983, and 501(c)(3) status was applied for and received on August 16, 1983.

Over the years, the society has met in the First Congregational Church on Trail Lake Dr. and in Gabbert's Furniture on Oakmont Blvd before moving to the present location at the UNT Health Science Center on Camp Bowie Blvd.

Our membership is composed of Tarrant County and surrounding area residents as well as numerous artists from around the State of Texas, across the United States, and Internationally.

The society continues to grow and is continually looking for ways to introduce and enhance the popularity of watercolor painting in Fort Worth, Tarrant County and beyond!







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1981 - 2021

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2022 SWA Juried Members' Exhibition

October – November 2022



Summer 2022 Workshop
Artist: Stephen Zhang

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OVER THE LAST 40 YEARS!

YOUR ENTHUSIAM & DEDICATION MAKE OUR WATERCOLOR SOCIETY POSSIBLE.

HERE'S HOPING OUR NEXT 40 YEARS WILL BE AS MAGICAL!



Society of Watercolor Artists

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The Society of Watercolor Artists (SWA) is the only art association in Tarrant County dedicated exclusively to water media. SWA celebrates its 40th anniversary this year and continues to draw international attention to its annual juried exhibitions: the International Exhibition and the Membership Exhibition.

Signature status is awarded to those artists who are juried into five SWA exhibits while maintaining a current membership (disqualified pieces do not count.) Monthly meetings are held at the University of North Texas Health Science Center, Everett Hall and further the education of water media use through live demonstrations.

SWA hosts our annual Juried Membership Exhibition in the fall of each year.

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