

# Splash!

## October 2023

### NEWSLETTER



# SOCIETY OF WATERCOLOR ARTISTS



Fort Worth, Texas

## From the President...

Dear Friends,

I am so excited that our annual Membership Exhibition, together with the debut of the concomitant Small Works Exhibition, is right around the corner. I sincerely thank all of you who submitted your wonderful artworks to the shows. The works will be hung on October 7th (12-2 pm) in the UNT Health Science Center Atrium, and will be exhibited through November 18th, at which date reception will be held from 2- 4 pm. I look forward to enjoying and learning from the artworks, but most importantly, your friendship and fellowship.



At our September meeting, **Laurin McCracken** shared an exciting news with the members: Plans are being finalized to bring the 2024 "Fabriano in Watercolor" exhibition, one of the world's biggest and most important watercolor exhibitions, to Fort Worth. Approximately 1,200 paintings from 70+ countries & regions are scheduled to be exhibited at the Community Art Center from October 14th to 19th, 2024. Understandably, that will require lots of volunteers for the whole week, as well as at hanging on the 13th and take-down on the 20th. I am very glad to see that many members have already expressed their willingness in volunteering for this impactful art event. For those who are interested, please stay tune. We will send further information as they become available.

**Tim Oliver** will be the demo artist at our next monthly meeting, which is on Oct 16th, same time, same place. Our fall workshop will last three days on Oct 17th–Oct 19th. The instructor is also Tim Oliver, an internationally well-known landscape artist. Please visit the SWA website for details. There may be limited spaces available. For those who attend the workshop, please do not forget to bring your artworks to the monthly meeting for us to admire. I look forward to seeing you again! Happy painting!

Moreover, to celebrate the Winter Holidays, SWA will have our annual dinner party on Dec 9th, 6:30 pm, at El Fenix (6391 Camp Bowie Blvd). Dinner, gift exchange, friendship, laughing, and fun are on the itinerary. Please mark your calendar. Reminders will be sent as it gets closer.

Finally, we would like to have an additional fun activity this year - Holiday Card Exchange. Members who would like to participate will be randomly paired and will exchange a personally painted holiday card with each other. Look inside this newsletter for more information.

Kind regards,

**lok-Hou** (Yoko)

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HAPPY HALLOWEEN



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# Next Meeting...

**Monday, Oct. 16<sup>th</sup>**

**7:00pm**

**UNT Health Science Center**

## Guest Demo Artist **Tim Oliver**

**Artwork critiques begin at 6:30**  
Bring a piece of your artwork,  
and **Ann Winchester** will critique  
your work. It's a great way to get  
free advice from a pro!



**Our meetings  
are held at the  
UNT Health Science Center**  
3500 Camp Bowie Blvd. Fort Worth

**Masks are not required  
to attend one of our meetings.**

There is plenty of room to spread out to  
encourage social distancing.  
We want everyone to have fun and feel  
safe at the same time.



**Tim Oliver** is a Landscape Architect and owner of a design/build landscape firm in Lubbock, Texas. He graduated with a Bachelor's degree in landscape architecture in 1983 from Texas Tech University.

Tim holds Signature membership in the National Watercolor Society and the Western Federation of Watercolor Societies. He is an exhibiting member of the American Watercolor Society, American Impressionist Society, Outdoor Painters Society, Southwestern Watercolor Society, the GAS Painting Group and the West Texas Watercolor Society. Tim is also an associate member of the Transparent Watercolor Society of America, the American Plains Artists and Plein Air Painters of New Mexico.

Tim is active in doing watercolor demos for watercolor societies across West Texas and his work has appeared on the cover of Watercolor Artist Magazine.

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## November Demo Artist – Manal Fashi

November 20, 2023



# Painting of the Month

Don't forget to bring a painting to the October meeting to enter the **2023 Painting of the Month** contest.

Paintings that win 1<sup>st</sup> Place in the monthly contests throughout this year become eligible for the year ending Painting of the Year contest.

## Next Meeting:

**Monday, October 16<sup>th</sup> at 7pm**

*(Artwork Critique starting at 6:30pm.)*

UNT Health Science Center - Fort Worth, Tx.

## September Winners!



**1<sup>st</sup> Place**  
Heidi Russell  
"Fort Worth Beauties"



**2<sup>nd</sup> Place**  
Trish Poupard  
"After the Run"

*Congratulations!*

# SWA MEMBER NEWS



We're proud to announce SWA Member, **Burl Washington** will be inducted into the prestigious **Texas Trail of Fame** in the Fort Worth Stockyards.

His name will be added to the large bronze stars in the sidewalks of the Fort Worth Stockyards National Historic District.

This year's inductees include Yellowstone creator Taylor Sheridan, musicians Asleep at the Wheel, XIT Ranch Co-Founder John V. Farwell among others.

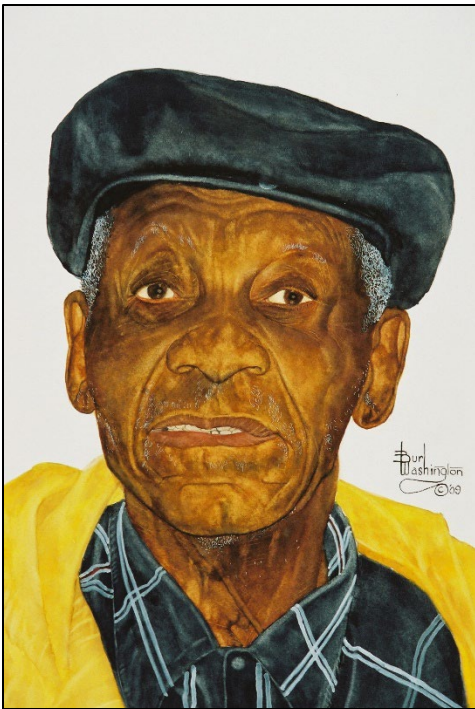
The Texas Trail of Fame was formed to honor individuals and role models who have made a significant contribution to the preservation of our western heritage.

Burl will be in the company of previous inductees Bass Reeves, Roy Rogers, Frederick Remington, Larry McMurtry, Willie Nelson, Charles Goodnight and Charlie Russell just to name a few.

The induction ceremony & banquet will be held on Thursday, October 26<sup>th</sup> at Billy Bobs.

The unveiling of the 24" bronze star markers will be held at 10am on October 28<sup>th</sup>.

Tickets to the event can be purchased at [www.texasrailoffame.org/induction](http://www.texasrailoffame.org/induction)



**Congratulations  
Burl!**

[www.burlwashington.com](http://www.burlwashington.com)



TEXAS TRAIL OF FAME

# Hanging the Show



**Thanks to all of the fabulous volunteers who helped hang our annual Juried Membership Exhibition and Small Works Exhibition!**

**Both shows are on display at the UNT Health Science Center every Monday through Friday at the UNT Health Science Center through November 18th.**



# Welcome to Our Newest Member!



We like to welcome the newest member to our association.

**David Tripp** – Arlington, Texas



Reminder!

The 2023 Juried Membership Exhibition  
& the Small Works Exhibition  
is now on display in the  
UNT Health Science Center Atrium Gallery.

The works will be on display thru November 18th  
Monday thru Friday during regular business hours

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★ *Society of Watercolor Artists* ★



# Holiday Card Exchange



**Let's share the holiday spirit by painting  
your very own watercolor holiday card!**

If you're interested in participating, send us an e-mail with your home mailing address to  
[SWAHolidayCards@gmail.com](mailto:SWAHolidayCards@gmail.com)

We'll randomly draw names in early December, and send you the name & address  
to another SWA member to send your card to.

And then you can look forward to receiving a wonderful holiday card in the mail  
from one of your watercolor friends.

**Join the fun & spread the cheer!**





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**2023**

# 2023/2024 CALENDAR

Our meetings are held at the UNT Health Science Center  
3500 Camp Bowie Blvd. in Fort Worth, Tx.

## 2023

**October 17** – Tim Oliver – Demo Artist

**October 18, 19 & 20** – Tim Oliver Workshop

**November 20** – Manal Fashi - Demo Artist

## 2024

**January 22** – Soon Warren: “Pattern” - Demo Artist

**February 19** – Kay Byfield: “Water Reflections” - Demo Artist

**March 18** – Kathy Cunning: “Reflection or Rust” - Demo Artist

**April 15** – Carrie Waller: “Still Life” – Demo Artist

**April TBD** – Carrie Waller Workshop

**June 25 - 28** – Laurin McCracken Summer Workshop

**May 20** – Linda Kingsley: “Floral Batik on Rice Paper” - Demo Artist

**September 16** – Scott Bodell: “Animals” - Demo Artist

**November 18** – Lu Zheng: “Seascape” - Demo Artist

**Your SWA Board Members continues to  
hold regular monthly meetings via Zoom .**

If you have any questions or suggestions,  
please send them to lok-Hou Pang at  
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If you have any news you would like to share  
in future e-mails, please feel free to send it  
our way. We’ve set up a new e-mail address  
for you to send all of your newsletter info to.

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# SWA INFORMATION STATION

## *SWA memberships runs on a calendar year January through December*

You may join SWA anytime during the year. Our official membership campaign begins 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 the fall, which is for current members only. We will not be meeting during the summer months and will resume in September.

## *We like new members...invite your friends!*



SWA Membership includes these benefits:

- ✚ Fellowship with like-minded creative folks
- ✚ Free monthly SWA newsletter
- ✚ Entry discount for any SWA show
- ✚ Annual Juried Membership Exhibition
- ✚ Annual Juried International Exhibition
- ✚ Painting of the Month Contest
- ✚ Links to Members' Websites
- ✚ While maintaining active SWA membership, earn SWA Signature Membership after selection to 5 SWA juried exhibitions (without disqualification)
- ✚ Advance notification & entry into Workshops
- ✚ Fun Competitions!
- ✚ December Holiday Party and Gift Exchange

Our Monthly meetings are held at the UNT Health Science Center building in Fort Worth. 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 sign on the parking lot with directions to our room (or check the map on the website)

6:30pm Artwork Critique (bring in 1 or 2 works for some friendly advice) Ann Winchester – Artwork Critique Artist

7:00pm Member meeting begins after a few brief business notices .

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## Committees & Volunteer Opportunities

### EDUCATION COMMITTEE

CHAIR: Shirley Nichols

Painting of the Month/Year: **AVAILABLE**

Monthly Critique: Ann Winchester

Programs: Marilyn Ivy

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

Workshop Chair: Shirley Nichols

House & Properties: Shirley Nichols

### EXHIBITION COMMITTEE

CHAIR: Laura Hannah

Hanging Volunteers: **AVAILABLE**

SWA Signatures: Veronica Ritchey

Prize Sponsors: Laura Hannah

### MEETING VOLUNTEERS (Not a committee)

Hospitality: **AVAILABLE**

### PUBLICITY & COMMUNICATION COMMITTEE

CHAIR: Skeeter Murley

Newsletter Editor: Christopher Stewart

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Print Editor for Catalogs: Skeeter Murley

Publicity: **AVAILABLE**

Website Manager: Skeeter Murley

Facebook, Instagram & X (Twitter): Skeeter Murley

### FINANCE AND MARKETING COMMITTEE

CHAIR and Director of Finance & Budget: Janet Southern

Professional Standards (yearly audit): **AVAILABLE**

### MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE

CHAIR and Director of Membership: Skeeter Murley

Greeters: **AVAILABLE**

Editor of Online Membership Directory: Skeeter Murley