

SOCIETY OF WATERCOLOR ARTISTS

Fort Worth, Texas

From the President...

Belated Happy New Year and Happy Valentine! I wish you all great health and much love!

I am very excited to let you know that, with the diligent efforts of **Laura Hannah**, our Exhibition Chair, and the Board of the Society, details of the up-coming International Exhibition have been finalized. It will be held in April at the Fort Worth Public Library. The prospectus of the exhibition has been sent to you by email and posted on the Society's website. Please check it out.

Our Workshop Chair, **Shirley Nichols**, made wonderful arrangements to have an international award-winning watercolor artist, **Z.L. Feng**, as the juror of the show. Mr. Feng is currently a Professor of Art at Radford University, VA. He will also be the demo artist at our April 17 meeting, and will conduct a workshop on April 18-19. Please visit his website if you are interested in seeing examples of his beautiful works (<https://sites.radford.edu/~zfeng/Biography.htm>).

I would also like to take this opportunity to extend a warm welcome to our new Demo Chair, **Marilyn Ivy**, who kindly volunteered to serve, and was unanimously approved by the members during the November meeting. She is already working hard to line up demo artists for 2014.

On that note, the Society still needs additional volunteers. Presently, we are in desperate need for someone to serve as the Newsletter Editor/Co-editor. We typically produce 10 monthly issues a year. Most of the topics are rather standard, just need to fill in the appropriate contents. However, the Editor/Co-editor is also free to show his/her creative talents if so moved. For this position, some experience working with Microsoft Word or other word processing software is desirable. Please let me or other board members know if you are interested.

I look forward to seeing you again and happy painting!

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2022 Painting of the Year

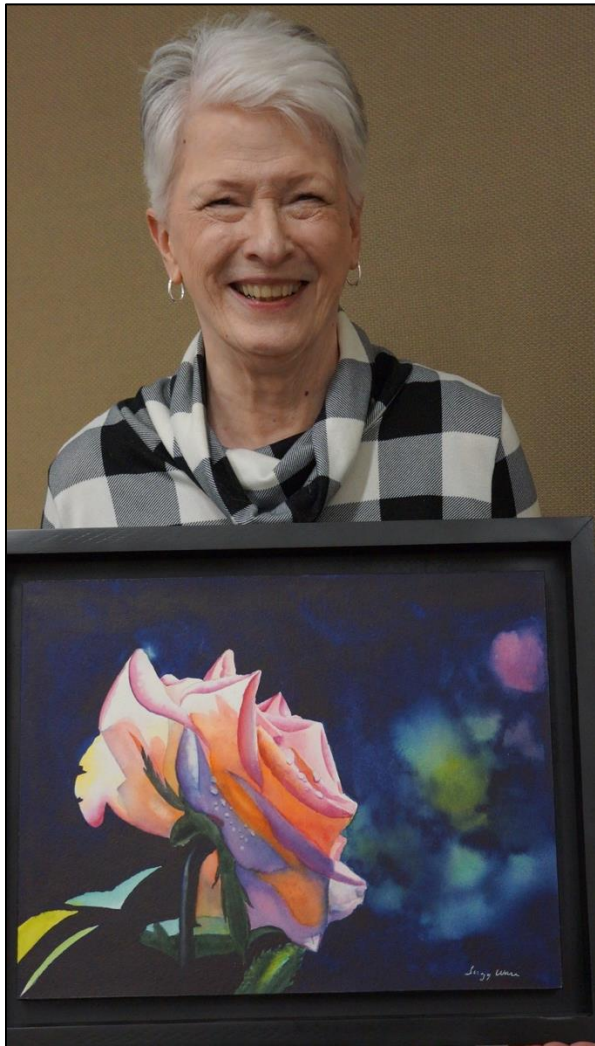


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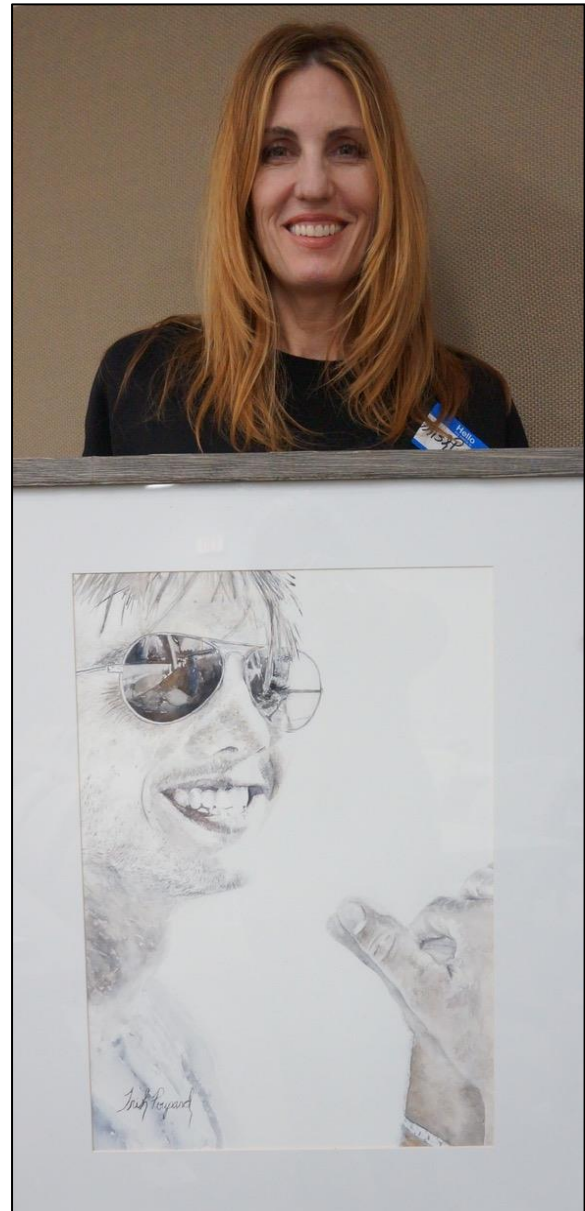
Cowbirds on A Cold Morning

Congratulations!!!

January 2023 Painting of the Month



1st Place
Suzy Ware
Morning Dew



2nd Place
Trish Poupard
Million-Watt Smile

Congratulations!!!

Next Meeting...

Monday, Feb 20

7:00pm

UNT Health Science Center

Guest Demo Artist Randy Meador

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!



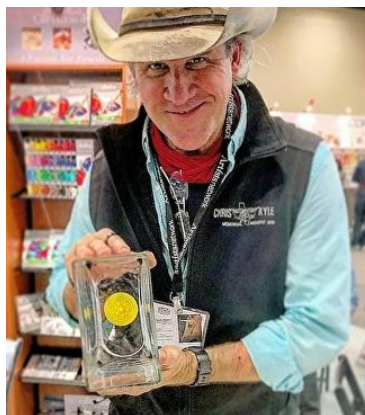
Our meetings
are held at the
UNT Health Science Center

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.



Randy was raised on a small ranch in Stephens County, Texas. Although his father loved to ride, he was in the five-n-dime store business and the land was leased to ranchers and real cowboys, but from these real cowboys Randy learned, and observed....

From these men and his father, Randy learned how to work hard, how to show respect, how to be humble, how to lead, and how to dream. Each time the ranch foreman asked him to ride fence, He didn't care that it was the lowest, most menial job. He was a cowboy! He fed stock, gathered cows, hunted predators, helped with doctoring and branding... until the romance finally wore off, but the love never did. He loves it still.

Today he says that he has the best job! he still observes real cowboys, male and female, some of the brightest and toughest. He gets to create snapshots of their lives as they intersect ours, in oil paintings, watercolor, and sculpture. In 2007, he made a fulltime career move, and it has been vey successful ever since.

As a cowboy, he hopes he can fill a role in telling part of the story that makes the American West touch something deep inside our collective psyche, that place where we are all cowboys.

Now he has come home. Saint Jo, Texas, where the Chisholm Trail launched cowboys across the Red River and into the pages of history and our American cowboy lore.

March Demo Artist – Paula Pillow

March 20, 2023

CALL FOR ENTRIES!

SOCIETY OF WATERCOLOR ARTISTS

————— 2023 —————

International Juried Exhibition

\$6,000 IN CASH & MERCHANDISE PRIZES!

April 16 – May 21, 2023

Fort Worth Central Library – Atrium Gallery

Entry Deadline – March 15th, 2023

ENTRIES BEING ACCEPTED THROUGH CaFE (Call for Entry)



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**ENTRIES NOW
BEING
ACCEPTED!**



Juror:
Z.L. Feng

Click [HERE](#) to be taken to the Call for Entry (CaFE) website to enter the show!

2023 *Painting*
OF THE MONTH



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

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



Next Meeting:

Monday, February 20 at 7pm

(Artwork Critique with Ann Winchester at 6:30pm.)

UNT Health Science Center - Fort Worth, Tx.

**We Need
Your Help!**



**We are in desperate need for someone to
volunteer to take on the role of
SWA Newsletter Editor**

Ideally, we would have two people serve in this role, so you'd only have to put out a newsletter every other month. We usually send out around 10 newsletters each year, so if we have two volunteers, that means it would only be 5 for each. That number should be much more manageable.

Volunteers have a lot of freedom on how they want to put the newsletter together. Some skills are needed in Microsoft Word or other programs they are familiar with.

Please consider volunteering your time!

Contact us if you're interested. Send an e-mail to us at
watercolorcommunications.com

Welcome

New Members

We like to welcome new members to our watercolor society,
along with returning members from years past.

Robert Borter – Waco, Tx.
Liu Chao – Austin, Tx.
Robin Hallman – Arlington, Tx.
Gene Hemphill – Fort Worth, Tx.

Gloria Irving – Duncanville, Tx.
Mary Jane Journey – Prosper, Tx.
Laura Rugg – Fort Worth, Tx.

★ It's Time To Renew Your SWA Membership! ★

SWA Memberships run from January thru December of each year.

We start taking memberships in October of each year for the following year.



Your SWA membership helps us fund many of the programs we provide each year. It helps us book demo artists for each of the monthly membership meetings and allows us to book the meeting room at the UNT Health Science Center.

Those fees allow us to maintain our website, not to mention multiple smaller expenditures that arise throughout the year.

Remember, we are a non-profit organization, so we do our best to spend funds wisely.

Click [HERE](#) to be taken to the membership page on our website.

MEMBER NEWS



Les McDonald Jr's painting *Dining Out* was accepted into the 156th Annual International Exhibition of the American Watercolor Society. The exhibition will be held at the Salmagundi Club in New York City April 3-28, 2023. This is his 2nd time accepted in the AWS International Show.



Trish Poupard's painting *Urban Cowgirl* won Merit Award at the Arizona Aqueous XXXVII.



Trish Poupard's painting *Haunting Beauty* was accepted in the Arizona Aqueous XXXVII.



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2023

2023 CALENDAR

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

January 23 – Bev Boren – Demo Artist

February 20 – Randy Meador - Demo Artist

March 20 – Paula Pillow – Demo Artist

April 17 – Z.L. Feng – Demo Artist

April 18 – 19 – Z.L. Feng Workshop

May 15 – Paula White – Demo Artist

July 18-21 – TBD – Summer Workshop

September 18 – Laurin McCracken – Demo Artist

October 16 – Tim Oliver – Demo Artist

October 17 & 18 – Tim Oliver - Workshop

November 20 – Manal Fashi - Demo Artist

December – TBD – SWA Holiday Party

Masks are not required to attend the meetings.
There is a lot of room inside the room for social distancing.
We really do want everyone to have fun & feel safe.

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

If you have any questions or suggestions,
please send them to Iok-Hou Pang at
ipang@sbcglobal.net

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.



swa.membernews@gmail.com

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

EDUCATION COMMITTEE

CHAIR: Shirley Nichols
Painting of the Month/Year: Rebecca Joos
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: Skeeter Murley

MEETING VOLUNTEERS (Not a committee)

Hospitality: **AVAILABLE**

PUBLICITY & COMMUNICATION COMMITTEE

CHAIR: Skeeter Murley
Newsletter Editor: **AVAILABLE**
Photography: Veronica Ritchey
Print Editor for Catalogs: Skeeter Murley
Publicity: **AVAILABLE**
Website Manager: Skeeter Murley
Facebook, Instagram & Twitter: Skeeter Murley

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

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