SWA Splash! September 2022 NAWSLETTER

SOCIETY OF WATERCOLOR ARTISTS

Fort Worth, Texas

From the President...

Dear Friends,

I trust this note finds you well. I hope that you had a wonderful summer, perhaps with some traveling, seeing families, meeting friends, relaxing, and most likely, painting. My wife and I took a cruise through the Baltic Sea in July. The natural beauty in Scandinavia and northern Europe is breathtakingly spectacular. We did not want to come back.



Nonetheless, after our summer break, I would like to welcome all of you back to our monthly meetings, which will resume on September 19. With the diligent efforts of **Shirley Nichols**, our Director of Education, we have lined up an impressive list of demo artists for the upcoming meetings. In the September meeting, we will host **John Cogley**, the President of Daniel Smith Artist Materials. In this meeting, he will reveal the many practical uses of the Daniel Smith color chart and demonstrate the special characteristics of their quinacridone and other colors. He will also discuss the marvelous properties of the different blacks. Most excitingly, he is going to introduce a new color "McCracken Black", which was created by **Laurin McCracken**, a member of SWA. I have tried this new black. Its amazing richness is so incredibly satisfying to use.

Since this demo is informative and useful for old and new watercolor artists, and since one of our missions is "to encourage art students and others engaged in watercolor painting", the Board decided that this demo will be free of charge to non-members who attend. So please tell your friends, students, as well as anybody interested, and bring them to this meeting!

Furthermore, I would like to broadcast that our demo artist in the October meeting will be **Cecy Turner**, a nationally well-known artist. Many of you are familiar with her wonderful artwork. For those who want to know more about her, her website is: https://www.cecyturner.com.

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Lastly, I want to let you know that our **Exhibition Chair** position has been vacant for some time. Thankfully, **Skeeter Murley**, who is the Director of Communication and Director of Membership, has been very kind and willing to serve as the interim Chair in the last several exhibitions. I sincerely hope that, for the long-term success of SWA, we can have a volunteer to be the Chair, or at least a Co-Chair of Exhibition. Major tasks of this position include: preparing prospectus (which only requires minor edits from previous versions), recording and collating submissions, supervising delivery and hanging of paintings, as well as planning for and managing the award ceremony. If you want to know more details of these tasks, or think you can help in some or all of these tasks, please let me or any of the board members know. I sincerely thank you ahead of time.

I look forward to seeing you again in our next meeting! Happy painting!

Jok-How (Yoko)

Email: ipang@sbcglobal.riet

President's Message (continued)



2022

Juried Members' Exhibition

The entry deadline to enter this year's Members' Exhibition is Wednesday, September 7th.

We would like to see as many SWA members as possible show off their talents. We hope you'll consider entering this show.

Signing up is easy! Simply send images of your paintings to swaexhibitions@gmail.com and then pay the \$35 entry fee via our website. www.swawatercolor.com



If you have any problems, or have any questions, just let us know. We are more than happy to help you out.



ENTRY DEADLINE

Wednesday, September 7th

JUROR: CECY TURNER

Next Meeting

Monday, Sept. 19TH
7:00pm
UNT Health Science Center





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.

Guest Speaker John Cogley

President, CEO & Owner of Daniel Smith Artists' Materials

John Cogley

Will be our guest speaker at the September meeting!

Discussion of Daniel Smith watercolors (including Quinacridones & Black)

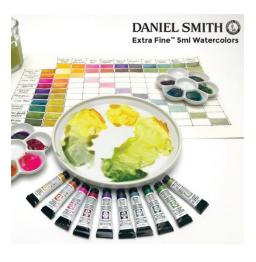
This is a great opportunity to hear from one of the most knowledgeable people in the art industry.



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October's Demo Artist – Cecy Turner

Cecy Turner WATERCOLOR WORKSHOP

October 18 & 19th, 2022

Cecy Turner is an award-winning artist and a Texas native. She graduated from Vanderbilt University and did post-graduate study in art at University of North Texas and has studied under numerous accomplished artists in both oil and watercolor. Feature articles about her have appeared in Art of the West Magazine, Artists Magazine, Watercolor Artist Magazine (cover), The Best of Flower Painting, and she was chosen by Southwest Art Magazine as an "Artist to Watch." Cecy holds Signature Memberships in American Impressionist Society, National Oil and Acrylic Painters Society, National Watercolor Society, Western Federation of Watercolor Societies, Outdoor Painters Society, American Women Artists and Plein Air Artists Colorado. She is a Master Signature Member and Past President of Women Artists of the West. She has won awards in numerous juried competitions. Cecy prefers to paint plein air, and since she began spending half of every year in Colorado her plein air painting has increased to almost daily. She delights in discovering a place she can see something very special about and convey that feeling to others in her work, making it her own. The effects of light and atmosphere are her favorite things to capture in paint. She has enjoyed teaching classes and workshops in both oil and watercolor.









SWA Members - \$175 Non-Members - \$250



For more information, or to sign up, click <u>here</u>.

DON'T MISS OUT ON YOUR CHANCE TO BE PART OF THIS EXCITING 2-DAY WORKSHOP!

Just a few spaces still available













Trish Poupard's painting *Haunting Beauty* (above left), was iuried into the SWS Members Exhibition.

Juror – Ted Nuttall

And her painting *Dogwood Drama* (above right), was juried into the Bosque Arts Classic.

Juror - Mikel Donahue

Several of Trish's other paintings have been juried into shows across the nation.

Urban Cowgirl – Northstar Watermedia National Juried Exhibition.

One Hundred Percent – Kentucky Watercolor Society Aqueous 2022.

If Looks Could Kill – Pittsburgh Watercolor Society Aqueous Open International 2022.



Ann Patton's painting, Cowbirds in the Cold Morning was accepted in the Bosque Art Classic in Clifton, Texas. Juror - Mikel Donahue

Congratulations!











New SWA member Annie Strack's painting Proceed Cautiously, won an Honorable Mention award in the Georgia Watercolor Society's 40th National Exhibition.

Amazing!



Sondra Carr's painting *Morning Light and Coffee* was accepted into the SWS Membership Exhibition. Juror – Ted Nuttell



Janet Southern's painting Splendor in the Sun was accepted into the SWS Membership Exhibition. Juror – Ted Nuttell

WE LOVE TO SHARE NEWS OF YOUR ACCEPTANCE INTO SHOWS, OR AWARDS WON!

Please send us information you would like to share, and we will get it in the next newsletter.



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

Gwen Holder – Fort Worth, Texas

Lyna Knight – Lithia, Florida

Dalynn Montgomery – Pilot Point, Texas

Diane Osan – Houston, Texas

Doris Seal – Celina, Texas

Krystin-youngju Smith – Flower Mound, Texas

Annie Strack – Kennett Square, Pennsylvania



Below are a few open positions we really need to fill.

If interested, please reach out to a current SWA Board member, or send an e-mail to watercolorcommunications@gmail.com



Exhibition Chair Newsletter Editor Membership Chair Publicity Coordinator

Programs/Assistant to Demo Artist

Prize Sponsorship Coordinator Social Chairman Painting Hanging Volunteers Hospitality ist Greeters

SWA OPERATES COMPLETELY ON VOLUNTEERS

Stephen Zhang Summer Workshop Photos...









July 18 -20, 2022
St. John's Episcopal Church
Fort Worth, Texas









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Whaleman Statue, New Bedford

Mike Mazer

Longtime member, and SWA Signature Member Mike Mazer passed away earlier this year.

Dr. Myron S. (Mike) Maser 85, of Mattapoisett, Massachusetts died February 1st after a lengthy illness. Mike was born in Boston, and attended Boston Latin School where in his yearbook, it was written "He well knows what it is to be the favored friend of many", a quote he lived up to all his life. Mike practiced medicine for 35 years, while serving as Chief of Cardiology and Chief of Kidney Disease at the Good Samaritan Medical Center until his retirement in 1997. When asked of his achievements in his career, Dr. Mazer states "to have had the honor and privilege with his insatiable desire to be there for others who are in need of medical care and help. There can be no greater achievement in life". He was a LCDR, U.S. Navy, retired, having volunteered for active duty during the Vietnam War. After retiring, he renewed his endeavor in painting both in watercolor and oil and became a nationally and internationally award winning artist and a two-term President of the New England Watercolor Society. He was a designated U.S. Coast Guard artist, and exhibited his work across the county with many of his paintings in museums and public and private collections across the country. He was awarded the "Albert Nelson Marquis Lifetime Achievement Award" in 2017 by Marguis Who's Who Publishers. His work has been published in many Art books and an image of his watercolor titled "The Whaleman Statue" is on the cover of the book "A Bold and Hardy Race of Men: The Lives and Literature of American Whalemen" published by University of Mass Press. He leaves his wife of 35 years, Marilyn (Wood) Mazer, a daughter Pamela A. Mazer, a son Mark A. Mazer, and a sister Elaine R. Saunders.



Lobster Boat

SWA would like to send out our condolences to the family of Mike Mazer and his friends.





FIND YOUR PASSION GIVE WITH PURPOSE



The Society of Watercolor Artists will be participating in this years North Texas Giving Day. This is an 18-hour online giving event designed to empower every person to give back to their community by supporting local nonprofits and causes they care about in one easy-to-use platform.

The event helps build awareness and support for nonprofits like nothing else. In 2021, \$66 million was raised through 103,000 donors benefiting over 3,300 local nonprofits, bringing the thirteen-year total to over \$441 million for our community. NTX Giving Day is the largest community-wide giving event in the nation.

SWA will be sending our more information in the next few weeks, in hopes you will consider donating to our organization. Click this link to visit our page.

Early Giving is Open. Donate Today!

Don't forget to bring a painting to the next meeting to enter the **2022 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, September 19th at 7pm

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

UNT Health Science Center - Fort Worth, Tx.

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An easy way for you to help us out!

These companies support charitable organizations like SWA by donating a portion of their sales with you, directly to us.

We hope you'll consider choosing SWA when shopping with these companies.



AmazonSmile is a simple way for you to support your favorite charitable organization every time you shop, at no

cost to you. AmazonSmile is available at smile.amazon.com on your web browser and can be activated in the Amazon Shopping app for iOS and Android phones. When you shop with AmazonSmile, you'll find the exact same low prices, vast selection and convenient shopping experience as Amazon.com, with the added benefit that AmazonSmile will donate 0.5% of your eligible purchases to the Society of Watercolor Artists. Once you set our organization of choice as SWA, every time you shop from Amazon Smile, you're helping us!



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COLORS OF NATURE

Colors of Nature offers SWA members a 20% discount on their watercolors and customized brushes that are 100%

vegan and cruelty-free. The savings are matched and donated back to SWA. The company will post member's artwork 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

If you are aware of any other companies that donate to organizations like ours, please feel free to send us a note, and we'll add them to the list. Thanks!



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2022 CALENDAR

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

January 24 – Laurin McCracken - Marketing your Art on Social Media

February 21 - Michael Holter - Demo Artist

March 21 - Ann Winchester & Bill Dale - Demo Artists

April 18 – Laurin McCracken – Demo

April 19 – 22 – Laurin McCracken Workshop

May 16 - Hollan Holmes - Demo Artist

July 18-21 – Stephen Zang Workshop – Portraits that Captures

September 19 – John Cogley, Daniel Smith Artist's Material Demo

October 17 – Cecy Turner – Demo Artist October 18 & 19 - Cecy Turner Workshop

November 21 - Tina Bohlman - Demo Artist

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 lok-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
- Free image on the SWA Members Gallery
- Annual Juried Membership Exhibition
- Annual Juried International Exhibition
- ASEL Art of the Month Contest

- While maintaining active SWA membership, earn SWA Signature Membership after selection to 5 SWA juried exhibitions (without disqualification)
- Asel Art Supply 20% discount
- 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

ASEL Painting of the Month/Year: Harvey Youngblood Monthly Critique: Ann Winchester / Court Bailey

Programs: Shirley Nichols

Programs/Assistant to Demo Artist: AVAILABLE

Social Chairman (Refreshments/Receptions): AVAILABLE

Workshop Chair: Shirley Nichols House & Properties: Shirley Nichols

EXHIBITION COMMITTEE

CHAIR: Skeeter Murley

Hanging Volunteers: AVAILABLE SWA Signatures: Veronica Ritchey Prize Sponsors: Skeeter Murley

MEETING VOLUNTEERS (Not a committee)

Hospitality: AVAILABLE

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CHAIR: Skeeter Murley
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Print Editor for Catalogs: Skeeter Murley

Publicity: AVAILABLE

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Facebook, Instagram & Twitter: Skeeter Murley

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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