

Saturday Meeting Success

Paint was flying as SWS members participated in a "Paper Trials" program at the well-attended January meeting. Paper samples were provided and Gail Johannes led the group in setting up the trial grid, trying various watercolor techniques to reveal the paper's characteristics, and recording and sharing the results. There wasn't time during the meeting for completing more than a couple sheets. Keep working on the project and post results and conclusions on our Facebook page!

If you enjoyed the Winsor & Newton paper samples at our December meeting, please send a comment with your feedback to: USWinsorNewtonSponsorship@colartusa.com. Winsor & Newton contributes to our Juried show awards. Let's give back!

Welcome!

New members Bill Okazaki and Tracey Perkins were presented certificates of membership. Also joining but not in attendance: Dan Eacret.

Lost & Found

Is your #1 brush AWOL? We found it during clean-up. Please check your stuff and let us know via email at: spokanewatercolor@gmail.com

Coming Up

Make sure to check out the SWS Calendar of Events on page two of this newsletter and note the dates for ones you don't want to miss.

Remember to bring a "failed" painting for our Feb meeting. The results will be more striking if Stan paints directly on your painting, but he will have glass and acetate too.

A SWS plein air group has planned outings from noon-4pm on the last Fridays of the month. Details about each outing are kept up to date in the Plein Air group on our Facebook page. Give it a try; it's a great way to expand your skills.

Be working on your submission for the Membership Show in April. The prospectus is attached to this email.

We are working on the registration flyer for the Ron Stoke workshop for June 6-8. We will email copies to all members as soon as it is ready. Please be patient!

President's Corner

The New Year is off to a great start with "passing the gavel" to new officers on the Board of Directors. Your 2019 Board is on the right. We are looking forward to working together and have lots of ideas and plans.

At our January meeting, we held the first educational program to replace the grant awards. It was funded by budget changes approved at the 2018 Business meeting. We are excited to keep providing opportunities to share and grow as watercolor artists.

Please "like" and follow us on Facebook @SpokaneWatercolor to stay up-to-date on what's going on. See you in February!-Kim Gardell

Right:
Marilyn Sarber,
Pat Tremaine,
Mark Besserman,
Amalia Fisch, and
Gay Witherspoon
setting up.
Below:
Paper trials
instruction from
Gail Johannes.



New Members:
Above: Bill Okazaki in front.
Right: Tracey Perkins is seated with Linda
Schneider on the left and Linda Anderson
on the right behind her.



Board of Directors 2019
Front: Amalia Fisch, Gail Johannes, Kim Gardell, *President*. Back Row: Gay Witherspoon,
Treasurer, Mark Besserman, *Vice-Pres*; Kelly Knouff-Burk, *Secretary*. Diane Conkright (not
pictured).



MONTHLY CHALLENGES

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| February 2019 | Love & Kindness |
| March 2019 | Challenge |
| April 2019 | Laughter |
| May 2019 | Hope |
| June 2019 | Pollination |

SPOKANE WATERCOLOR SOCIETY CALENDAR

Monthly (except July, August) on the 2nd Wednesday 6-8:30 pm or, SATURDAYS at 10am - 12noon
All meetings are held at Spokane Art Supply

January 2019

January 25, 2019-12pm-4pm FRIDAY Plein Air group outing, at the Inlander Offices in Kendall Yards The Pacific Northwest Inlander, 1227 W. Summit Parkway, Spokane, WA 99201 along the river between Monroe and Maple. More info on *Facebook*. Plein Air Outings are on the last Friday of the month at Noon.

February 2019

February 16, 2019-10am-2pm SATURDAY MEETING. “Love and Kindness” challenge. Stan Miller will lead us in a “Fix It” program. Bring your completed paintings that just did not quite look as you hoped and Stan will come prepared to paint right on your painting to improve them. You may bring more than one, but we will do one for each person before we go on to others. Stan is an amazing painting problem solver.

February 22, 2019-12pm-4pm FRIDAY Plein Air group outing, at Anthony’s Restaurant 510 N Lincoln St Spokane WA 99201 overlooks the Spokane River and upper falls. More info on *Facebook*. Plein Air Outings are on the last Friday of the month at Noon.



March 2019

March 13, 2019-6pm-8:30pm WEDNESDAY “Challenge.” Peer Led Critique. Bring your paintings to be critiqued and we will talk about them as a group. We will have 5 or 6 categories to help guide our compliments and gentle suggestions. **If you are NOT dropping a painting off on April 5th** at Inland Northwest Land Conservancy (INLC) Community Building lobby, you may instead bring your small “matted, priced and bagged” paintings and cards to this meeting instead. NOTE: Items not priced and bagged and/or matted will not be allowed to be in the show.

March 22, 2019-SWS Membership Show 2019 Entry Form DEADLINE.

March 29, 2019 12pm-4pm FRIDAY Plein Air group outing, at location TBD. Plein Air Outings are on the last Friday of the month at Noon.

April 5-29, 2019–SWS Membership Show 2019

(The show prospectus and entry form are attached to this newsletter.)

“Nature” theme, host is the Inland Northwest Land Conservancy (INLC) at the Community Building lobby, 35 West Main Ave, Spokane WA (between Browne and Main). Contact Amalia to participate (fischamalia@gmail.com), entry form deadline is 3/25/2019. Art delivery Friday is April 5th between 10:30-11:30am. Opening Night Reception is Friday April 5th, 5-8pm. Art retrieval Tuesday is April 30th between 10-11:30am.

April 5, 2019-10:30-11:30am SWS Membership Show 2019 FRIDAY Art delivery.

April 5, 2019- 5pm-8pm SWS Membership Show 2019 FRIDAY Opening Night Reception.

April 10, 2019-6pm-8:30pm WEDNESDAY “Laughter” challenge.

April 26, 2019-12pm-4pm FRIDAY Plein Air group outing, at location TBD. Plein Air Outings are on the last Friday of the month at Noon.

April 30, 2019-10-11:30am SWS Membership Show 2019 TUESDAY Art retrieval.

May 2019

May 8, 2019-6pm-8:30pm WEDNESDAY “Hope” challenge.

May 31, 2019-12pm-4pm FRIDAY Plein Air group outing, at location TBD. Plein Air Outings are on the last Friday of the month at Noon.

June 6-8, 2019–Ron Stocke Workshop

(Registration forms available soon, we will email when ready, please be patient!)

Workshop will be held at Spokane Art Supply, 1303 N Monroe St, Spokane, WA 99201. Member cost will be \$250. See his work at Ron Stocke: <https://mgraham.com/artist-profiles/ron-stocke/>.

June 12, 2019-6pm-8:30pm WEDNESDAY “Pollination” challenge.

June 28, 2019-12pm-4pm FRIDAY Plein Air group outing, at location TBD. Plein Air Outings are on the last Friday of the month at Noon.