

## Ron Stocke Workshop



The SWS sponsored Ron Stocke Workshop on June 6-8 at

Spokane Art Supply was well attended and a great opportunity to stretch and learn. Ron was a wonderful guest with some refreshing ideas and techniques. He likened painting to “making a bed” with the first layer being the sheet that covers the whole painting. From there he builds detail and contrast. He uses a large quill brush for washes and then some smaller rounds in his process. It was magical watching his demonstrations as the paintings came to life. He brought along several of his large sketchbooks to share in which he does a value sketch and a small painting from a photo reference. He then uses his sketchbook as the reference for a larger painting. He stated that this process helps the artist put their individual thumbprint on their work rather than just reproducing the photo. He taught some lessons on perspective and drawing figures and referred to principles emphasized in his book.



## Getting Some Perspective

Mark Bessermin presented a program at the June meeting on *Perspective Tips*. He had a reference packet he reviewed and then walked the group through a two point perspective drawing. He shared some of his paintings that demonstrated the techniques he was teaching. References photos for practicing one, two and three point perspective were available to draw individually and paint. Thanks for a fun and useful lesson Mark!





## Welcome New Member

Please welcome our newest member CJ Johnson. CJ talked about her painting journey and shared with the group her sketchbooks where she documents places that she has visited. She brought two beautiful framed paintings of a Dahlia and her beloved dog Phil. Welcome CJ.

## Upcoming Events

**Fall Juried Member Show** entitled *Frames of Autumn-Small Glimpses of the Season* will run October 4th-28th at the Community Building at 35 W Main, Spokane. Click the link in the newsletter email to download the prospectus.

**Jessica L. Bryant Workshop** entitled *Value and Color: Painting Difficult Subjects in Watercolor* will be on Saturday October 5th at the Sans Souci Clubhouse from 9:30am-4pm. Jessica will also jury the show. See the webpage at [spokanewatercolor.org](http://spokanewatercolor.org) for the member early bird registration through July 11th. The cost is \$90 until July 11th when it will be opened to the public for \$120 registration fee. You can reserve a spot for \$50 and pay the balance of \$70 by September 5th.

**Signature Member Show** will run October 12th through November 3rd at the MAC. Come enjoy the show and support SWS and our Signature members. The artist's reception will be on October 17th, 5-8pm.

### Summer Plein Air outings-

**June 28th 12pm-4pm** at Duncan Gardens in Manito Park.

**July 26th 12pm-4pm** at the Bowl & Pitcher, Riverside State Park.

**August 30th 12pm-4pm** at High Bridge Park

\*See the newsletter calendar for details or check the Facebook group for the most up to date information.

## Presidents Corner

At our June meeting we presented a "Tech Tip" that we hope will be an ongoing feature at our regular meetings. A lot of great things are going on in our society and keeping track of all the information can be daunting. Our website and Facebook page are your best resources for information. The website [spokanewatercolor.org](http://spokanewatercolor.org) has two sections, a "public face" where we represent who we are in the world in general, and a member's section where specific info available to SWS members only is posted. To access the members-only portion of the website you need to get set up with a user name (which will be your email address) and a password-one you set up as you respond to an invitation



from the site. Invitations go stale, so if you are not set up yet, please send a request for a new invitation to [gailjo51@gmail.com](mailto:gailjo51@gmail.com). Reach out to Gail, Kim or Amalia if you are having trouble and we will do our best to get you set up. We have a lot going on and want you to be informed. Get connected and have a great summer.

Kim

## Challenge

The June Challenge was "Pollination." There were nine members that participated, painting subjects such as flowers, bees, butterflies and hummingbirds. Marilyn Sarber was the drawing winner for a handy clamp brush holder. The September meeting

Challenge is "Courage." Bring a painting and join in the fun.

## Next Meeting

The next meeting will be Wednesday, September 11th at 6pm at Spokane Art Supply.

## Monthly Tip

### Painting references-

Summertime is often time to travel and be outdoors and what a more perfect time to gather painting references. Take pictures of those places and items that inspire you to paint. Keep a sketchbook handy in the car or your purse to knock out a quick drawing when you see something that ignites your creative energy. Create a record of cherished memories that may later become the reference for a special painting.

## Member's Shows

**Vicki West** has a June show in progress entitled "The First Seventy Years" located at the William Grant Gallery at 1188 West Summit Parkway in Kendall Yards, Spokane. Hours: 10am-5:30pm Monday through Saturday.

**Amalia Fisch** will be exhibiting at Art on the Blacktop June 21st ( 5-9) , June 22&23 (10-6) located at 3128 East 29th Ave on the South Hill.

## MONTHLY CHALLENGES

September 2019-----Courage  
October 2019 -----Flight  
November 2019 -----Silliness/Stupidity  
December 2019 -----Kindness



## SPOKANE WATERCOLOR SOCIETY

# CALENDAR OF EVENTS

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** at 1303 N Monroe St, Spokane, WA 99201 June 2019

### June 2019

**Sunday June 23rd 10am-3pm-** Post Ron Stocke workshop group paint at Sans Souci Clubhouse, 3132 W. Boone Ave. Spokane, WA 99201. Cost \$5. You must have participated in the workshop. This is a non-instructional event. Please bring a snack for 8. Contact Gail Johannes if you have not already signed up but want to participate: [gailjo51@gmail.com](mailto:gailjo51@gmail.com)

**Friday June 28th, 12-4pm-** Plein Air group outing at Duncan Gardens in Manito Park, 1702 S Grand Blvd. Spokane, WA 99203. Meet near Gaiser Conservatory to paint formal gardens, flowers, color & park scenes. Hours: Open until 11pm, no admission or parking fees.

### July 2019

**Thursday July 11th-** Deadline for \$90.00 Earlybird registration for the Jessica L. Bryant, NWSWS workshop, "*Value and Color: Painting Difficult Subjects in Watercolor*" happening on October 5th, 2019.

**Friday July 26th, 12-4pm-** Plein Air group outing location Bowl and Pitcher (State Park), 4427 N Aubrey L White Pkwy, Spokane, WA 99205. Meet in Main parking lot to paint river views, boulders, suspension bridge, and recreation. There is an Admission/Discovery Parking Pass \$35 requirement or carpool with members that have one.

### August 2019

**Tuesday August 20th-** Deadline for entry for the Fall Member Show, *Frames of Autumn-Small Glimpses of the Season*.

**Tuesday August 20-** Deadline for Signature members to submit two painting images to Gail Johannes for *Signature Member Show*.

**Friday August 30th, 12-4pm-** Plein Air group outing location High Bridge Park at Riverside Ave. and A St. in Latah Valley, Spokane, WA. Meet at the picnic shelter to paint forest, bridge, river & recreational scenes. Hours: Open until 11pm, no admission or park fees.

### September 2019

**Wednesday September 11th-6pm-** at Spokane Art Supply. SWS meeting, program TBA. The monthly painting challenge is "Courage."

### October 2019

**Tuesday October 1st, 10am-11:30am-** Drop off paintings for the Fall Member Show, *Frames of Autumn-Small Glimpses of the Season*, at the Community Building at 35 W. Main, Spokane. WA.

**Friday October 4th, 5-7:30pm-** Opening Night reception for Fall Member Show, *Frames of Autumn-Small Glimpses of the Season*

**Friday October 4th-October 28th-** Dates for the Fall Member Show *Frames of Autumn-Small Glimpses of the Season*.

**October 12th-November 3rd-** SWS *Signature Member Show* at the Northwest Museum of Arts and Culture (MAC) Helen South Alexander Gallery 2316 W First Ave, Spokane. Hours: Tuesday-Sunday 10am-5pm.

**Saturday October 5th, 9:30am-4pm-** Jessica L. Bryant workshop, *Value and Color: Painting Difficult Subjects in Watercolor*, at Sans Souci Clubhouse 3213 W Boone Ave. Spokane, WA 99201

**October 17th 5-8pm-** *Signature Member Show* artist's reception at the MAC.

**Tuesday October 29th, 10-11:30am-** Pick up paintings from Fall Member Show at the Community Building on 35 W. Main, Spokane.

### November 2019

**November 4th-** *Signature Member Show* participants pick up paintings from the MAC.

**Call for Entry-** for the April Spring Juried 2020 Show, *2020 Visions in Watercolor*, will open.

### January 2020

**Monday January 13th-** Digital entry deadline for submission of painting entries for Spring Juried Show, *2020 Visions in Watercolor*.

### March 2020

**March 30th, 10-11:30am-** Delivery of paintings to Barrister Winery for the Spring Juried Show, *2020 Visions in Watercolor*.

### April 2020

**Thursday April 2nd-Saturday April 5th-** *Dale Laitinen workshop* at Spokane Art Supply.

**Friday April 3rd-** First Friday reception at Barrister Winery.

**Friday April 3rd-Monday April 27th-** *2020 Visions in Watercolor* Spring Juried Show, Barrister Winery 1213 W Railroad Ave. Spokane.