



November 2016 Newsletter

**Wednesday November 9th Meeting
at
Hillcrest Church
611 S. Hillcrest
Montrose, CO
12 noon luncheon
hosted by Montrose WCWS
and MVAG members
followed by business meeting 12:45pm
and demonstration 1pm
by Kurt Isgreen**



Inspired by the magnificent splendor of the western landscape, Kurt captures the essence of his subject with a distinct, personal interpretation.

Isgreen has lived and painted in Western Colorado for more than 40 years. A graduate of Western State College he prefers to paint plein-air exploring the locations near his home and studio in Montrose, Colorado.

**Don't forget to enter the
Rockies West National Show!
Entries are due November 15th!**



**Iain Stewart Workshop
March 1, 2, & 3, 2017
9am-4pm
Grand Junction Art Center**

\$235 WCWS Members
(\$270 non-members)
To register or for more information
contact Dani Tupper
Phone 970-874-3088
or e-mail kdtup@msn.com

Not too early to register!
Class is limited to 20 people.
\$100 deposit will hold your place
and is fully refundable until Feb 1, 2017

Stewart's website:
www.iainstew.fineartstudioonline.com

**WCWS CHRISTMAS POTLUCK
will be at Dani Tupper's house
Wednesday, Dec 7 at noon**

News from the President

I am sure you have mentally recorded that the entry postmark deadline for the Rockies West National Exhibition is November 15, 2016, two weeks earlier than it has been in the past.

I first sent entries in last year and was not accepted. I am attempting to get into the exhibition again this year and I want to encourage each of you to make it a goal to get accepted into the show at some time in your life. This is my goal. It is intimidating to see the many fine entries that get accepted each year. I don't know if I will ever measure up but I have decided to continue trying. I personally have never wanted to lose the joy of painting so I have kept a light attitude with this goal but I hope someday it becomes one that is achieved for each of us that sets out to accomplish it. This goes hand in hand with my motto, "Keep Painting." I am

really looking forward to the exhibition and painting with many of you at the workshop that accompanies the show.

Tim Brady

News from the Membership Chair

As of Nov 17, we have 130 members.

Please welcome our newest member:

Judy Wilder Dalton from Holly Lake Ranch, TX
and Marty McDanel of Grand Junction, CO who just rejoined

Member News

Many of our members participated in Plein Air Competitions in the West this summer and fall.

Congratulations to the following for their successes!

Susan Thiele (Montrose, CO) -

Honorable Mentions at Escalante PA, Moab PA, and Victor PA
Sunrise/Sunset Award at Victor PA

Nancy Lewis (Palisade, CO)

Cedar Breaks Arts Afire - Invited Artist
(Zion Plein Air Invitational - invited artist in 2015)
Honorable Mention at Moab PA

3rd Place Meeker PA

Evie Huhta (Montrose, CO)

Best of Show & 1st place in quick draw at Meeker Plein Air
1st place in TWO Quick Draws at Driggs Diggs PA (Music on
Main and At Shakespeare)

1st place at Victor PA Brush Rush

2nd place at Victor PA main competition

Both Elks Club Award and Best Interior Painting Award at
Victor PA

Mike Simpson (Montrose, CO)

Zion Plein Air Invitational Nov 7-13, 2016 invited artist
Plein Air Magazine - watch for article featuring Mike in an
upcoming issue

Valley Living Magazine - watch for feature article in upcoming
issue

Mike, Susan and Nancy all had pieces accepted into the PAAC Annual
Show in Boulder, CO. (Plein Air Artists Colorado)

Dani Tupper is the featured artist at Galleria de la Luz in Delta.

September 14th WCWS Meeting Minutes

-Regular meeting held at 1st Presbyterian Church in Grand Junction.

Refreshments by Grand Junction members. 14 people present.

-Meeting called to order by President Tim Brady. New TREASURER Carolyn Andres introduced. She reported the Total account = \$8,061; Checking \$806; Money market \$7,254. Re: the 2017 Rockies Show, Carolyn says as of now we are on track; entry checks still coming in.

-Minutes of June meeting in Glenwood Springs read by Secretary Helen Stenmark.

- Dani Tupper requests that someone take over her current job as 1st VP (managing the Juror and Workshop). She will remain as 2nd VP - managing the programs and events, and monitoring the website.
- Tim Brady announced the WCWS MEMBER's Show (will be?) (is?) scheduled for September 2017.
- For the 2018 Rockies Show, Fealing Lin will again be the Judge and Workshop.
- Prints of previous Rockies Show winners were auctioned off; 4 sold for a total of \$55.
- Demo by Montrose artist Virginia Blackstock, emphasizing good design, and mixing colors to get the shades and values she wants.
- Next regular meeting 2nd Wednesday, November 9, 2016 in Montrose. Demo by landscape artist Kurt Isgreen.
- Dani Tupper will host a Christmas potluck at her house Wednesday, December 7, 2016.

Meeting adjourned.
Respectfully submitted,
Helen Stenmark, Secretary



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