

WCWS Newsletter October 2020

I hope everyone is having a beautiful fall with very paintable colors-Anne

President's Message

Hello All,

We completed our first Member's show in Montrose. We had fewer entries than usual and two paintings were sold. Thanks for those of you that participated as the show was lovely.

The deadline for entries into the Rockies West National Show is December 1.

I hope we get at least as many entries as we had last year and many more would be preferable. We are planning for a normal Rockies West show and workshop at the Art Center in Grand Junction, but the scenario brought on by Covid-19 is that the juror David Smith, will judge the slides remotely and also conduct the workshop remotely. No matter what, the show will be hung in March.

We had our first WCWS business meeting since January due to Covid-19 and it was good to see the Board members again even though we didn't get to see their smiles. All is well with the Western Colorado Watercolor Society (WCWS). Are you getting sick of wearing these masks? I am.

I hope you are all keeping safe.

Keep painting.

Tim

from **Dani Tupper**

The executive committee met and decided there would be no November meeting and no Christmas Pot luck this year. Hopefully 2021 will be brighter and we will have a vaccine soon. The January meeting was discussed with the hope that by social distancing in the large room at the Art Center; we may still be able to show the entry images for our Rockies West National 2021. However if this does not work, we will send a link to all our members who have email addresses so the entries can be viewed by everyone. At least, the virus is making us use our noggins to find ways to still function.

ROCKIES WEST NATIONAL 2021

December 1 is fast approaching! I hope you are working hard to get your masterpieces ready for entry. YES, WE WILL BE HOLDING THE SHOW! The Art Center is open and we will be there, so please enter and support the show. The prospectus and entry form is on our website: www.wcwsociety.net.

You can enter by going to WCWSociety.net and pull up the entry form. You will enter your information along with image/s and pay through PayPal (you don't need an account, but pay with credit card.) Or you can e-mailing Judy Chapman direct (judy_c@bresnan.net) attach your image/s and information, then mail payment to Judy Chapman, 304 Leon Street, Delta, CO 81416.

DAVID SMITH WORKSHOP

Our March 3 – 5 workshop is still a go. The Art Center assures us that they can accommodate us and maintain social distancing in the large room we have always held it. Some tables will be put up on the stage. If this changes, we have discussed the possibility of having an on-line workshop. David has been offering them so is well set up to do so. All who have signed up for the workshop, will be given a choice of course if they want to take it on-line. The price will be reviewed if this takes place.

Meanwhile, we already have 17 signed up so can only take 2 or 3 more. If you are interested, don't delay getting your deposit (\$100) sent in. Several of the ones signed up have only given me a thumbs up, so if you want to remain on the list; we need you to get your money sent in. The workshop for members is \$235.00, non-members is \$270.00. A deposit of \$100. Holds your spot, which is refundable until February 1, 2021. Send your money to WCWS, P.O. Box 3584, Grand Junction, CO 81502-3584.

DAVID SMITH FREE DEMO

David is offering another demonstration on October 27. His website is: <https://dsmithfineart.com>

WCWS Board Meeting-10/14/20 Minutes

the meeting was called to order at 9:12a.m. by our President, Tim Brady, at the home of Dani Tupper in Delta. Seven members were present.

The Old Minutes were approved.

Treasurer's Report:
by Carolyn Andres.

We have \$9,648.00 in our account, with a revenue of \$3,000.

We discussed the upcoming David Smith workshop, which is part of our Rockies West Exhibit. Much of which has been written about in the above article by Dani Tupper.

Rockies West Report:

December 1, is the postmark entry deadline for paintings to be submitted for the Rockies West.

1/13/21 WCWS Show review 12:30pm at the Art Center (pending coronavirus)

1/18/21 Notification emailed.

2/3-2/19/2021 Receiving of shipped artwork

3/2/2021 Hand delivered work, 9-11 am

3/3-3/5 David Smith Workshop 9am-4pm at the Art Center (possibly online)

3/5/21, Reception at the Art Center, 6:30-9pm Gallery Talk, 6:30pm (possibly)

3/5/21-3/29/21, Exhibition and Sale, Tuesday-Saturday, 9am-4pm

3/29/21 Work pick up

4/5/21 Unsold work shipped out.

Old Business:

Member's Show in Montrose. 2 paintings were sold. We discussed alternate locations to have the Member's Show, Hotchkiss and Cedaredge.

The November meeting and Christmas Party Pot Luck were cancelled due to coronavirus.

Our next meeting is January 13, 2021.

The Coronavirus situation may change some of these events. We will let you know of any changes.

**Respectfully submitted,
Anne Maurer
Secretary**

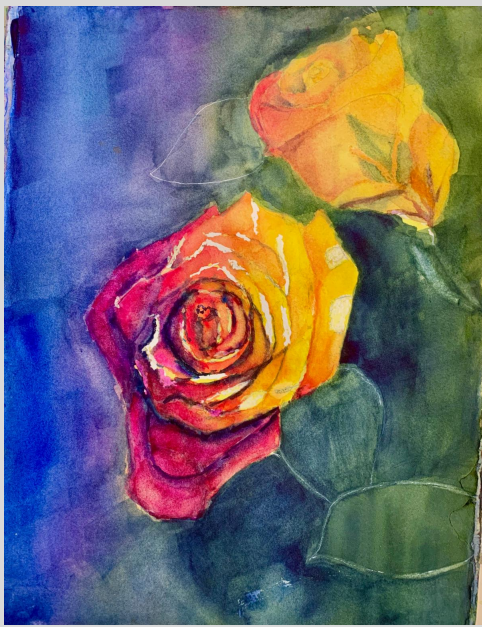
David Smith Online Workshops by Anne Maurer

I took two online workshops with David this summer, one in June sponsored by the Pennsylvania Watercolor Society, and one in August. He does his workshops on YouTube from his home studio in Minnesota. He is an excellent instructor. All the information the participants need is on his website. The workshops ran for about 3 days.

His website is: <https://www.dsmithfineart.com>. Check under the Reference and Workshops section on his website. All the paintings and instructional information is there. You can see some of the paintings I did below.

I will put any appropriate information regarding our workshop with him in the next couple of newsletters.

Paintings I did in David's Online Workshops:



June workshop- The Rose-
Anne Maurer



June Workshop-Misty Lake-
Anne Maurer



August Workshop-The Loon- Anne Maurer



August Workshop-Winter Scene-Anne Maurer

In addition, our juror, David Smith is featured in the December issue of "Watercolor Artist" magazine. The article details his travels in Italy and how they influenced his paintings.

Please send me any information you have on workshops, classes, exhibitions, galleries and other art-related stuff of interest, to put in the next newsletter. Send it in a Text or Word document, and images in a separate jpeg. document. My email address is: annemaurer@mac.com. Thanks