



**Western Colorado
Watercolor Society
APRIL 2015 Newsletter**

**PLEASE
NOTE
MEETING
DATE & TIME
CHANGE**

**Saturday
April 4th
1 P.M.**

Business:
Election of
Officers
Program:
Critique by
Gayle Gerson
Snacks:
provided by
Delta Members

The April WCWS meeting will be on the same day as the National Show take down. Those willing to help pack up the artwork should report at 10 a.m. to help. With a good crew, we should be done by meeting time. If you have a painting in the show and aren't helping pack – you can pick up your work at the meeting.

Bring one or two paintings you've completed or are working on for Gayle to critique. Snacks will be provided by Delta members.

WCWS Slate of Officers

The Nominating Committee, Roger Milway, Loretta Casler and Virginia Blackstock present the following slate of officers for 2015 –2017. The first four will be voted on at the April 4th meeting.

President	Timothy K. Brady	Grand Junction
Vice President	Dani Tupper	Delta
Treasurer	Gayle Rupp	Palisade
Secretary	Helen Stenmark	Grand Junction

Advisory Member	Virginia Blackstock	Hotchkiss
Newsletter	Loretta Casler	Ridgway
Membership	Susan Thiele	Montrose
Co-Chair-	Rockies West National	

ROCKIES WEST NATIONAL 2015

Best in Show

Sometime Ago

Ken Call



Come see this painting and many other works from artists across the nation. The exhibit continues through April 3rd. Images of all the paintings juried in will be up on the website in April, too.

Feeling Lin's workshop was great!



Award Winners

Rockies West National 2015

AWARD	ARTIST	TITLE	STATE
Best of Show	Ken Call	Sometime Ago	IL
First Place	Z.L.Feng	Young Tibet Mother & Son	VA
Second Place	Denise Athanas	Defying Gravity	SC
Third Place	Jean Gill	Cherries Flambe	VA

Best CO Artist	Evie Huhta	Sourdough Breadmakers	CO
Susan Moyer Memorial	Dennis Albetski	Young Patriot	KY
Glenwood Springs Art	Francesca Brayton	San Carlos Pelicano	CA
Delta Fine Arts	Brenda Turner	Building Blocks	GA
Jack Richeson & Co.1	Diane Stolz	Twilight Snow at English Landing	MO
Jack Richeson & Co.2	Wanda Brunemeier	Cock-a-doodle-doo	CO
Jack Richeson & Co.3	Cindy Brabec-King	Ophelia	CO
Daler Rowney	Nancy Martin	Symbolism	CO
H.K.Holbein	Jera Gross	Rocky Mountain Water	CO
H.R. Meininger & Co.	Dani Tupper	Agony of Defeat	CO
Artist Haven	Susan Thiele	Envy III	CO
Mattes & More	Charles Morris	Woodlot	CO
Arvada Center	Frank LaLumia	The Sage of Delhi	CO

PRESIDENTS LETTER

Dear WCWS Members and Artist Friends,

Our Rockies West National Exhibition was hung on Feb. 28th. If you haven't seen it, we hope you will take advantage of viewing it until April 2nd. Fealing Lin of Los Angeles juried our exhibition and gave us an inspiring three day Work Shop. The first two days, she and we, painted portraits and the third day Fealing painted a terrific full figure study of a hard working woman. She stressed relaxing and enjoying the process itself.

Fealing's paintings are beautiful combinations of impressionistic strokes and abstract techniques. Her name fits her and identifies her persona as an intuitive perceptive teacher. We enjoyed being with artists from the eastern and western slopes of Colorado and from South Dakota. We hope they will return next year. The Rockies West Reception was well received on Friday Mar. 6th.

On Saturday April 4th we will re crate the paintings in the morning and have our meeting at 1 pm at the Art Center. Be sure to come, as you are a very important part or our program. Please remember to bring your paintings and Gayle Gerson will critique them.

This is a great opportunity to look at our work through others eyes, and receive knowledgable feed back for its' future .

Now it feels like Spring is right around the corner. Time to feel the warmth of the sun, admire the crocuses and tulips and observe all of nature's changes. It's time to let our creativity loose in new directions. Whatever you paint, may it bless you as never before.

See you April 4th with your paintings,

Virginia

From the Membership Chair

Please welcome new members,
who joined with their show entry or
when taking our workshop with Fealing Lin:

Joan Wolbier from Boulder, CO

Karen Fogelquist from Montrose, CO
Rod Rieman from Grand Junction, CO
Joseph Lansing from Fruita, CO
Mary Bollig from Delta, CO
John James from Arlington, TX
Carol Hubbard from Monroe, CT
Nora Wosepka from Rapid City, SD
Sherry Thurston from Rapid City, SD
Kandice Starbuck from Fort Collins, CO
Carol Marander from Ft Collins, CO
Barbara Olsen from Ft. Collins, CO
Judy Hazen from Ridgway, CO

Congratulations to the following artists for gaining
MASTER Signature Status with their 10th accepted entry into Rockies West:
(They will receive a certificate and a medallion)
Arlene Law from Glenwood Springs, CO
Lois Larson from Portland Oregon

Congratulations to the following for their Signature Status
with their 3rd accepted entry into Rockies West:
(They will receive a certificate)
Christine Alfery from Lac Du Flambeau, WI
Edmund Gallegos from Pueblo, CO
David Mosier from Fruita, CO
Susan Thiele from Montrose, CO
Chen Fen Yeh from Radford, VA
Sandi Ziemek from Broomfield, CO

Signature and Master Signature Members must pay
annual dues in order to retain their status.
Requests for dues will be made in June, and will be due by July 1.

Please send all address, etc., changes to the membership chair:
susan @susanthiele.com

Western Colorado Watercolor Society Member's Meeting Minutes January 14, 2015

Officers Present: Virginia Blackstock, President; Dani Tupper, Vice President
Gayle Rupp, Treasurer; Susan Thiele, Membership Chairman;
Roger Milway and Judy Chapman Co-Chair Rockies West National;
Loretta Casler, Newsletter Editor

WCWS meeting at the Grand Junction Art Center. Lunch provided by
Delta/Montrose members. Meeting was called to order by President Virginia
Blackstock. About 20 members were present and 4 guests.

-Our new website designer, SAN JUAN WEBSITES, described what services their company will offer for website construction and maintenance. Members can get their own web page to post 4, 5, or 6 paintings for \$25, \$27.50, or \$30 per year. They are working on a digital entry form we can use in future shows.

-TREASURER report: Gail Rupp: Money Market \$6,033, Checking \$763 (Total \$6,796)

-MEMBERSHIP: Susan Thiele - 132 members, 72 in Colorado.

-SECRETARY: Helen Stenmark replacing Darcy Johnson

-Art Center Director Camille Silverman as Artwork Consultant to St. MARY'S HOSPITAL presented copies of their RFP (Request For Proposal) inviting artists to submit proposals (via CDs, not paper) of up to 10 pieces of art to be chosen by judges and displayed on the 11th and 12th floors of their Century Tower project. Responses are due by March 20, 2015.

Showing Opportunities:

-GJ COURT HOUSE - April, May, June. Deliver Tues. March 31, 9am.

Same pictures - move across the parking lot: July, August, Sept.

To be hung by County Art members. Need coordinator to take in pictures and help at July exchange.

-ART CENTER MEMBERS SHOW February 2015 - Deliver Fri. 1/30, remove 2/28/2015.

-WCWS MEMBERS SHOW is scheduled for September 2015 at the Art Center. Tablet was passed around to find out who is interested in helping or Chairing it.

-FEALING LIN WORKSHOP March 4-6, 2015. 17 signed up. Room for 3 more.

-ROCKIES WEST EXHIBITION: UNPACK entries at Art Center: Sat. Feb 28 10-12 Y'all Come!!

PACK UP to return Paintings

Contact: Roger Milway, show chairmen with questions- 856-4090

-WCWS AUCTION took place from 1:00-2:00 pm. Susan Thiele was a masterful auctioneer. She got the highest bids and swiftly disposed of 3 tables full of goods brought in by members. Treasurer Gayle Rupp kept all the numbers straight, and reported the total proceeds at \$505.00!! This will greatly help funding our Prize money for Rockies West.

-SLIDE SHOW ALL entries shown, not just Accepted ones. It will be a great show!

Meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Helen Stenmark, Secretary

Mark your calendar for future 2nd Wednesday meetings:

June 10th Glenwood Springs
September 9th Grand Junction
November 11th Delta or Montrose



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