



*Western Colorado
Watercolor Society
Newsletter
September 2016*

**SEPTEMBER 10
WCWS MEETING**

ART CENTER, GRAND
JUNCTION
12 NOON LUNCHEON
Hosted by Grand Junction
Members

PROGRAM: 1991
NATIONAL SHOW IMAGES
This was the very first
exhibition put on by
Western Colorado
Watercolor Society. The
slides were put onto a disc
for easy
showing and storage.

Come see how the 1991
show stacks up against
this years. Has
watercolor changed any
through the years or is it
the same great
showing of excellent
artwork?

**From the
Membership Chair**

We currently have 144
members. Reminders
have been sent to any
members who have not
yet renewed for 2015-
2016. Please save time
for our volunteers by
sending in your overdue
renewal payments right
away.

Please welcome recent
new members:

***ROCKIES WEST NATIONAL 2016
24th Annual Exhibit***

The prospectus for the national show has been
sent and also posted on our website.

This year, it is very convenient to register on line,
download your images and pay through PayPal or
Credit Card or mail a check. You also have a
choice to mail in your registration along with your
payment. We are only accepting your images by
email and not by disc this year.

Check out all of this at www.wcwsociety.org
Go to the home page and in the left hand side,
click on 2016 Registration.

Entry Deadline December 1, 2015
Show Dates March 1-April 2, 2016

TOM FRANCESCONI WORKSHOP



March 2, 3 and 4, 2016
Three (3) day workshop 9am-4pm

Sandi Ziemek from
Broomfield, CO
Carol Murphy from
Carbondale, CO
Beverly Cunningham
from Ventura, CA
Sharon Hutchings from
Grand Junction, CO
Paul Redding from Grand
Junction, CO



MEMBER NEWS

WCWS member Francesca Brayton has had a great year! Her work was accepted into the Hawaii Watercolor Society Open show by juror Nicholas Simmons. Francesca was also accepted into the China/NWS Small Painting Exchange Exhibition by juror Zhou Tania. In August 2016 the China/NWS show will be exhibited at the NWS gallery in California. Her work was accepted into Watercolor West by juror Stephen Quiller with the painting "Mrs. B's, Tustin". The Exhibition will be held at the City of Brea Art Gallery from Oct 17 through Dec 13.

**Ouray County Arts
Association
ARTISTS' ALPINE
HOLIDAY
WATERCOLOR MEDIA
WINNERS**
1st Dale Russell Smith
2nd Michael Davis
3rd Susan Thiele
HM Michael Davis-

Art Center in Grand Junction

\$225 WCWS members (\$255 non-members)

For more information, contact Dani Tupper
Phone 970 874-3088 or email: kdtup@msn.com
Tom's energetic teaching style and his passion for painting combine to create a workshop experience that is enjoyable and informative. Any artist looking to break free of a careful, timid painting process will find Tom's direct and representational approach very inspirational. Utilizing his ability to clearly explain visual concepts and methods for painting bold and interpretive watercolors. Within this process, students will learn how to create stronger, more effective visual statements. Each morning will begin with a discussion covering various topics and culminating in a demonstration that allows participants to see how Tom approaches a work from start to finish. Subject matter may include landscapes, street scenes with people and the clothed figure. Ample opportunity is provided for everyone to paint with individual direction/guidance a priority. Each day will end with a class critique to afford students the opportunity to learn from the works of others. Tom welcomes all painters regardless of experience

FUTURE MEETINGS

November 11 Demo with Guest Artist
in Montrose

December Christmas party date and
place to TBA

CALL FOR ENTRY

Watercolor Art Society-Houston
1601 W. Alabama
Houston, TX 77006
713-942-9966

Online Call for Entry Submission
at CallforEntry.org begins

September 15, 2015

Juror and Instructor

Anne Abgott, AWS, NWS

Contact WAS-H for details
at washoustonitl@gmail.com or

download the prospectus

at www.watercolorhouston.org

HM Cheri Isgreen
HM Roxanne Morris-
HM Mary Lou Murray
HM Dale Russell Smith

Loretta Casler won 2nd in
Mixed Media
Penny Pallister won 3rd in
Graphics

Go to
www.ourayarts.org to see
the AAH show images

WCWS
Member show
at the Grand Junction
Arts Center
through September 26th.

Reception is September 4
6:30 to 9pm at the
Art Center

**Please read the
WCWS bylaws and
constitution
(below).**
Minor
changes have been
made and will be
approved by vote at
the Sept 10th meeting.

June 10, 2015 MINUTES

WCWS General Membership Meeting and Lunch
Glenwood Springs, CO

President Virginia Blackstock introduced new members,
old members, those of various media, etc.
29 members and visitors attending..

Virginia then officially installed new Board members:

President: Tim Brady - Grand Junction

Secretary: Helen Stenmark - Grand Junction

Retained current Treasurer Gayle Rupp

Secretary minutes read.

Treasurer report given.

Roger Milway, Show co-chair, announced entry forms
for 2016 Rockies West National Show are
due in by Dec. 1, 2015

Entry forms for WCWS Members' Show due Aug. 10,
2015

Pix delivered to Art Center, GJ, on August 31; pick up
September 28, 2015

Demo by Connie Hendrix from Marble, doing abstract
watercolor techniques.

Meeting adjourned.

Respectfully Submitted:
Helen Stenmark, Secretary

WESTERN COLORADO WATERCOLOR SOCIETY CONSTITUTION

NAME: The name of this organization will be Western Colorado Watercolor Society. This name shall be registered with State of Colorado. A registration fee shall be paid to maintain a non-profit corporate name. Western Colorado Watercolor Society will use WCWS as their logo.

PURPOSE: The purpose of the society will be to offer the watercolor artist a support group, encourage and nurture the novice artist, to provide programs for all to reach their full potential; to devise ways to bring fine art to the public, while maintaining high standards for the society, and to promote art in the community at large.

STRUCTURE: The society will hold meetings as the governing board designates and/or is desired by the membership. Each meeting will consist of a business meeting and a program consisting of a demonstration, lecture, slide presentation, video or critique of members' work by a guest artist. The society can sponsor paint-outs or workshops with various teachers. Members can be offered reduced price but classes will be open to others on space available basis. **MEMBERSHIP:** Types of membership offered shall be active, signature, life, honorary, contributing and patron memberships. Membership in the Society will be available

to any person who meets the criteria prescribed for one or more classes of membership and who pays the designated annual dues.

ACTIVE: An active member is an artist or other interested person who has joined the Society, paying the designated dues, with payments remaining current. They shall have full voting privileges and be eligible to serve on the Board of Directors.

SIGNATURE: Signature members are artists who have had artistic work accepted in at least three (3) juried WCWS National Exhibitions within a ten (10) year period. After attaining Signature status, a member who has allowed a lapse in annual dues will be given notification by the Membership chairman. If dues aren't made current within eighteen (18) months, their signature status is rescinded. To reinstate, all past dues must be paid.

MASTER SIGNATURE: Artists who have had their work accepted in at least ten (10) juried WCWS National Exhibitions and pay their annual dues. If dues aren't kept current, their signature status will be rescinded - to be reinstated, all past dues will be paid before status again given.

LIFE MEMBER: Each Signature member shall have the privilege of choosing to become a Life member. Life members will pay special one-time dues and pay no further dues thereafter. They retain signature status and privileges.

HONORARY: Honorary membership for life may be granted by the Board of Directors to anyone who has made significant contribution to WCWS. An Honorary member has all the privileges of their status as either Active or Signature membership. They will no longer be assessed yearly dues.

CONTRIBUTING: Any person interested in the promotion of watercolor and of WCWS and who has paid the designated amount for such status will be a contributing member. They can not vote or serve on the Board of Directors.

PATRON: any individual or corporate patron who has supported WCWS or the Society's functions with one hundred dollars (\$100.) or more shall be noted as a Patron member and acknowledged as such in that year's Exhibition catalog. They may not have voting privileges or serve on the Board of Directors.

DUES: Dues shall be payable to Western Colorado Watercolor Society upon acceptance into the Society. They shall be renewed each year on July 1 to keep membership status current. Dues are payable by full fiscal year only. Dues paid April - June (that is after the national show) include the following fiscal year. Any member who has allowed a lapse in dues may reapply for membership. The board of directors shall have the authority to increase or reduce dues as circumstances may require.

GOVERNING BODY: The governing body of the society shall be the Board of Directors. The board shall exercise all governing powers in accordance with the Society's by-laws. It shall have the authority to adopt, amend or modify such standard rules and regulations as it deems necessary for the appropriate management of the Society, not inconsistent with the By-Laws.

OFFICERS: Officers will consist of President, Vice President, Second Vice President, Secretary, and Treasurer. The elected officers will serve for two year terms and may not be elected more than three (3) times unless there is a lapse of at least two years before being elected again.

BOARD OF DIRECTORS: The executive board shall consist of all elected officers, appointed Chairpersons of Standing Committees and up to 3 members at large.

NOMINATING COMMITTEE: The slate of officers will be presented at one membership meeting with nominations taken from the floor. They will then be elected at the next membership meeting. The Nominating committee will consist of three members appointed by the President, with the President serving as one member.

WESTERN COLORADO WATERCOLOR SOCIETY BY-LAWS

ARTICLE I: OFFICERS

Section I PRESIDENT

The President is the Chief Executive Officer of the Society and Chairman of the Board of Directors. The President will provide leadership and act with the authority prescribed in the By-laws when directing

the affairs of the Society. He/She shall serve as ex-officio member of all committees, have the authority to call meetings of the general membership and Board of Directors; preside over all meetings and appoint their agenda, and create committees as he/she deems necessary for the management of the society. The President will review the reports at the end of each fiscal year and appoint an Auditing committee at the end of each Treasurer's term of office.

Section II VICE PRESIDENT

The Vice President shall perform the duties of the President in his/her absence. He/She shall act as the President's first assistant in all activities and have such powers and duties as the Board of Directors and President give him/her. He/She will serve as the Workshop Chairperson and Juror Selection chairperson with input from other board members. He/She will serve as ex-officio member on the exhibition committee. The Vice President will also take on the duties of second Vice President in the event there is no current one serving.

Section III SECOND VICE PRESIDENT

The Second Vice President shall assume all duties of the Vice President in the event of his/her absence. The 2nd VP shall assist the President and Board of Directors at their discretion and shall serve as Program and special event Chairperson, planning programs and events with approval of the board. He/She will also work with the Website Master to add or change items on the website and monitor the website emails ensuring they are answered and/or forwarded to the right member to handle.

Section IV SECRETARY

The Secretary shall keep the minutes of all meetings of the Board of Directors and the general membership meetings. The Secretary will handle correspondence as required by the Board and/or officers.

Section V TREASURER

The Treasurer shall have custody of all Society funds and maintain accurate and timely accounts of the Society's financial affairs and transactions. He/She shall deposit all monies and pay all debts and other obligations by check. No disbursements for WCWS business in excess of one hundred and fifty dollars (\$150.) shall be made except by order of the President or the Board of Directors. The Treasurer shall prepare the financial records and have them available for Board and General Membership meetings. He/She shall have such powers as the President and Board of Directors shall assign him. The treasurer will also monitor our website email that pertain to the business of the Treasury and take care of transferring monies to WCWS bank account received through PayPal.

ARTICLE II BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Section I: ADVISORY COMMITTEE

The Advisory Committee shall consist of the immediate past President and up to four (4) other members of the Board of Directors. They shall act in an advisory capacity to the Officers of the Society and will have such powers and duties as the President will assign them.

ARTICLE III: STANDING COMMITTEE CHAIR PERSONS & MEMBERS

Determined by the needs of the Society, working committees may be created or dissolved at the discretion of the President. The Chairperson of each committee may appoint from the General membership, members to serve on that committee.

Section I PROGRAM COMMITTEE

The Second Vice President will serve as Program Chairperson, along with any committee members he/she appoints, shall have the responsibility of organizing all programs, demonstrations, critiques, lectures etc. for the general Membership meetings and plan any special program opportunities under the guidance of the Board.

Section II MEMBERSHIP

The Membership Chairperson will accept all Membership applications and keep accurate and updated records. He/She will give our web master any updates on membership. He/She shall keep Signature records current, notify by mail or email when Members' dues have expired and encourage new applicants for WCWS Membership. The Membership Chairperson has authority to form a committee to carry out these duties. He/She shall also monitor the website email for membership applications received via the website and respond accordingly.

Section III EXHIBITION

The President and Vice President shall appoint Chairpersons for each annual exhibition held by the Society. The Chairperson (and Co Chair if one) of the National Exhibition will serve on the Board of Directors and report to them.

Member Show Chairmen will report but not be members of the board unless serving in another

capacity. The Chairperson of each exhibit will head a committee to plan and execute each step required in presenting the show. They will report to the Board of Directors.

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Section IV PUBLIC RELATIONS

The Chairperson will be in charge of all Society news releases. Their committee will be responsible for notifying media of forthcoming WCWS events and will promote the Society. The committee should consist of members from different cities that can promote our events in their own areas.

Section V HISTORIAN

The Historian shall be responsible for keeping an accurate visual and written history of WCWS. It is his/her duty to make note of all Society events, awards and accomplishments. It is his/her duty to keep a file of Society newsletters. Newsletters posted on website are considered filed; however if older newsletters are deleted; then Historian should retain a copy of those.

Section VI NEWSLETTER

The Newsletter Editor shall act as Editor of the Society's newsletter and oversee the publication's contents, printing and distribution, subject to the President's approval. The Newsletter Editor will also send a copy to our web master to be posted on our website.

Section VII HOSPITALITY

It shall be the duty of the Hospitality Chairperson to oversee all hospitality needs, select a hospitality chairperson and committee for each event. They will be in charge of arranging for and serving refreshments, having table decorations or whatever is called for at all meetings, shows and special affairs

ARTICLE IV: MEETINGS OF THE ORGANIZATION

Section I GENERAL MEETINGS

General membership meetings shall be held scheduled by the Board of Directors. The location, date and time of the meetings will also be determined by the Board.

A quorum for general meetings shall be ten (10) voting members in attendance. A majority of qualified voting members present shall determine any action, motion or business brought to a vote.

Section II BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETINGS

Board of Directors meetings will be called by the President as deemed necessary to conduct the business of the Society. A quorum will be 2/3 of the board members. A majority of Board members shall determine any action, motion or business brought to a vote by the members of WCWS.

ARTICLE V: EXHIBITIONS

Section I WCWS NATIONAL EXHIBITION (ROCKIES WEST NATIONAL)

a. The Society will hold one (1) National Juried Exhibition annually. This will be a juried exhibition, held at such location, on such date, and at such time as the Board of Directors may prescribe. No person designed to act as Juror may enter any artistic work for competition in the exhibition.

b. Fees: The Society shall charge a fee for any entry in the National Exhibition. Such fees shall be set by the Board of Directors. Eligible members shall benefit from reduced entry fees.

c. Awards: The Board of Directors shall determine the number and type of awards to be given in each exhibition.

d. Show Rules: The Board of Directors shall determine the requirements for the National show and direct the Show Chairperson what will be on the prospectus.

Section II OTHER EXHIBITIONS

The Board of Directors will determine what and how many shows will be held in addition to the National Show. The General Show Rules will apply to all shows unless otherwise stated in a particular show's prospectus. The Show Chair and committee can determine what fees and awards will be given and then report to the Board for approval.

ARTICLE VI: AMENDING THE BY-LAWS

The WCWS By-Laws may be amended or repealed at any General Membership Meeting of the Society, by the affirmative vote of two-thirds of the Members present, providing a quorum is in attendance and that a written notice of the proposed amendments or repeals have been published in the newsletter and all members have had access to read them. At such General meeting, a voting member may vote by written proxy.



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