

VIEWS AUGUST 2017



President's Message

It's Showtime !! Once again our two shows are very close together. The Prospectus for each show can be found on our website www.midsouthernwatercolorists.com.

Our Special Exhibition entry deadline is September 1, 2017. Every member may enter this show. It is not judged and there are no awards presented. Laman Library Argenta Branch is a great venue to exhibit your art and they host a wonderful reception during Art Walk. Better yet, there is no commission charged on any sales of your paintings.

Our 48th Annual Juried Exhibition deadline is October 2, 2017. Our juror is nationally known artist, Iain Stewart. Acceptance into three shows will earn you MSW Signature Membership. Acceptance into five shows earns you MSW Diamond Signature Membership.

We welcome to the MSW Executive Board, Assistant Secretary Donna Smith who is now Acting Secretary. Donna didn't have a month to get acquainted with her new position as assistant until she was called upon to "man the decks", as our precious Sue Burford is facing a serious illness and will be unable to assume the secretarial duties for some time. Sue has been diagnosed with A-plastic Anemia and her resulting low immune system prevents her from receiving visitors; she welcomes your cards and prayers.

Shelia Parsons-Talley and Suzann Waggoner as Education and Scholarship Directors, they will help build relationships between MSW and schools and museums, educating students and artists-yet-to-be-discovered about watercolor.

Gary Alexander provides the iced drinks and welcomes you with an offer to buy a raffle ticket to win an art book. George Wittenburg and our VP Carole Canino help at our welcome center. We almost discontinued the raffle and refreshments because we had such a difficult time finding volunteers to do this. When you see any of them, please say hello and thank them for volunteering to provide this service to our membership.

We have over thirty (30) people who are giving the most valuable thing they have (their time) to make MSW a better organization. Because of you, Mid-southern Watercolorists is a wonderful art organization! Thank you.

Annette Garner
MSW President

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Mini-Workshops:

Natural Impressions (Amy Hill Imler's Studio)
4609 Aspen, North Little Rock, AR

MSW workshop policy is to offer two 3-4 day workshops each year using non-member instructors. These workshops are lined up for the future. [Make your plans now.](#)

UPCOMING WORKSHOPS

October 2017 Kathleen Conover
March 2018 Iain Stewart
October 2018 Lori Goldstein Warren
Spring 2019 Michael Bailey

If you have any suggestions for future workshops, please contact Paula Kalina at
ptkalina@hotmail.com

WAYS TO BE IN TOUCH

WEBSITE: www.midsouthernwatercolorists.com

On the website you can find the latest VIEWS, information about workshops and exhibitions, and see galleries of past exhibition paintings by members.

GOOGLE GROUP: With membership you will receive announcements, information and the newsletter via this group. If you are NOT receiving it in your email, either check your spam folder or contact Marlene Gremillion to ensure she has your correct email information.

FACEBOOK: We are on Facebook, just go and “like” us!!!

DIRECTORY: Be sure that MSW has your correct information. Contact Mary Ann Garnett if you have had any changes.

NEWSLETTER: Our newsletters are available online through our website and received through the GoogleGroup system. Send information to Sandymarson44@comcast.net

GARY JOHNSON

Gary Johnson was juried into the 44th Rocky Mountain National Watermedia Exhibition in Evergreen, CO by jurist Steven Quiller. The exhibition will take place from September 16-October 30 at the Center for the Arts in Evergreen.



"Shadows from a Bygone Era"

CYNTHIA SCHANINK

Art exhibit Saturday August 12, 2017 at the Cornwell House on Mt Nebo.

Cynthia Schanink regional advisor for this area will give free demonstrations and classes (with small fee to cover materials) on painting Mt Nebo Plain Air for any level students. The exhibit includes framed and unframed watercolor paintings of local paintings. Sign up for morning or afternoon classes using her designed paintings in a paint along class.



SEPTEMBER MINI WORKSHOP

Cynthia Schanink will teach you how to paint using her plein air technique in Watercolors for the September mini workshop. She will explain with her credit card, spray bottle and squeeze bottle creating soft clouds, sharp rocks and other textures. She used this technique to achieve first second and third place at the Steelville, Missouri plein air event and first place and people's choice at the White River

MSW CALENDAR 2017-2018

AUGUST 2017	<u>NO MEMBER /NO BOARD MEETING</u> Aug. 26 – Mini workshop by Marlene Gremillion
SEPTEMBER 2017	Sept. 1 – Deadline for Special Exhibition Entries \$10 Entry Fee, Dues must be paid Sept 11 - 9 am -6 pm Deliver Art Special Exhibition to Laman Library Sept 15 – 5-8 pm Reception for Special Exhibition at Laman Library Sept. 20 - Board Mtg. 5:30 p.m. Back @ ARTS CTR Lecture Hall !!! Sept. 20 - Member Meeting. 7:00 p.m. Program Presenter: TBA Sept. 23 – Mini workshop by Cynthia Schanink
OCTOBER 2017	Oct 2 Deadline for entries for Annual Exhibition Oct 13 – Pick up art from Special Exhibition 9 – 6 pm Laman Library Oct. 18 - Board Mtg. 5:30 p.m. @ St Lukes Church Oct. 18 - Member Mtg. 7:00 p.m. Program presenter: Kathleen Conover
NOVEMBER 2017	Nov. 15 - Board Mtg. 5:30 p.m. @ Arts Ctr Lecture Hall Nov. 15 - Member Meeting. 7:00 p.m. Program Presenter: Cheryl Kellar Nov. 18 – Mini Workshop by Gary Simmons
DECEMBER 2017	<u>NO MEMBER /NO BOARD BD MEETING</u> MSW Annual Party December 2, 2017 at 12 noon, location TBA
JANUARY 2018	Jan. 17 - Board Mtg Only. 5:30 p.m. @ Arts Ctr Lecture Hall <u>No January Member Meeting</u>
FEBRUARY 2018	Feb. 21 - Board Mtg. 5:30 p.m. @ Arts Ctr Lecture Hall Feb. 21 - Member Mtg. 7:00 p.m. Program presenter: Iain Stewart Nominating Committee to start work
MARCH 2018	Mar 9 - Annual Exhibition Reception @ Butler Center 6 pm <u>NO MEMBER /NO BOARD MEETING</u>
APRIL 2018	Apr 18 - Board Mtg. 5:30 p.m. Apr 18 - Member Mtg. 7:00 p.m. Program: Selma & Reita critique paintings that did not get into the show.
MAY 2018	May 16 - Board Mtg. 5:30 p.m. Election of Officers May 16 - Member Mtg. 7:00 p.m. Program Presenter: TBA
JUNE 2018	June 20 - Board Mtg. 5:30 p.m. Installation of Officers June 20 - Member Mtg. 7:00 p.m. Program Presenter: TBA

\$40
PER BOOTH

**Vendors
Needed**

**SPACE
LIMITED!**

Art and Craft Event

Indoor w/ AC

September 29-30, 2017

Location:

**First United Methodist Church
Benton, Arkansas**

PosterMyWall.com

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REGIONAL ADVISOR AREA MAP

Regional Advisor Director, Charlotte Rierson

This fiscal year your MSW President, Annette Garner has asked me to come out of retirement and help direct the Regional Advisors. The Regional Advisors are selected from the membership and are accomplished artists as well as highly respected in the "Art World". They are knowledgeable in the MSW programs and events and are a liaison between MSW and their local art organization. The Advisors work to help bring more exposure of the Water Media as a Fine Art and encourage Artists to become members of MSW and to participate in MSW Exhibitions, Workshops, Meetings, and Special Events.

I want to thank my good friends and Regional Advisors for accepting this position and all the work they have done in the past in supporting MSW. Please continue to reach out to aspiring artists and encourage them to become a member of MSW.

Contact information for the Regional Advisors is in the Membership Directory or contact me for their information. Charlotte Rierson, chardon@artelco.com. The following are the Regional Advisors, where they live, and counties they represent:

Linda Larey - Texarkana, TX. TURQUOISE Includes Columbia, Ouachita, Sevier, Miller, Little River, Lafayette, Hempstead, Nevada

Mary Ann Stafford - Maumelle LIGHT PINK includes Pulaski

Charlotte Rierson-- Fairfield Bay BROWN includes Cleburne, Van Buren, Stone, Searcy, Izard, Sharp, Lawrence, Independence, Jackson

Gary Johnson - Fayetteville YELLOW includes Washington, Benton, Carroll, Madison

Kay Aclin - Ft. Smith RED includes Crawford, Sebastian, Franklin, Logan, and Johnson

Cynthia Schanink - Mt. Nebo DARK PURPLE includes Pope, Newton, Yell, Scott

Sheila Parsons - Conway DARK BLUE includes Perry, Conway, Faulkner.

Sandy Barksdale – Cotter ORANGE includes Boone, Marion, Baxter, Fulton.

Bill Branch -Memphis, Tenn., DARK GREEN Phillips, Monroe, and surrounding area

Richard Stephens - Hot Springs LIGHT GREEN includes Hot Springs, Saline, Garland, Clark, Pike, Montgomery Howard, Polk.

John Keller - Searcy ORCHID includes White, Woodruff, Prairie, Lonoke, St. Francis, Cross.

Sarah Merkle- El Dorado LIGHT BLUE includes Union, Ashley, Chicot, Drew, Bradley, Calhoun.

Inis Ray - Pine Bluff BLACK includes Jefferson, Cleveland, Grant, Dallas, Lincoln Co.

We have a void in some areas and looking for artists from the Northeast area around Jonesboro includes Randolph, Clay, Greene, Poinsett, Craighead, Mississippi, and Crittenden Co. If you know of a water media artist in this area please let me know.

This year we are featuring our Regional Advisors in the Newsletter to help us get better acquainted.

This issue we are featuring Mary Ann Stafford and Richard Stephens.

Dr. Mary Ann Stafford

Dr. Mary Ann Stafford taught Visual Arts, Humanities and English at Pine Bluff High School for many years before becoming an Assistant Principal.

She retired from the Arkansas Department of Education in 1993. Mary Ann taught drawing and pastel at the Arkansas Arts Center for six years and still teaches at various locations in central Arkansas.

Dr. Stafford holds Diamond Signature Membership in Mid-Southern Watercolorists and Signature Membership in the Pastel Society of the Southwest. The Arkansas Pastel Society and the Arkansas League of Artists. Her art can be seen at Eureka Art in Eureka Springs , Gallery 221 in Little Rock and Art on the Green in Conway.

Web sites include

www.staffordart.com,

www.fineartamerica.com

www.arkansasartists.com.

Her artists blog can be found at www.pastlanne.wordpress.com.





Richard Stephens is a native of Hot Springs, Arkansas. In 1969 he earned a Bachelor's Degree in Art from the University of Central Arkansas. After serving in the Army as an illustrator he began his professional career in 1971 with a design firm in Little Rock. Three years later he opened his own graphic design studio in his hometown providing design and production services for a wide range of commercial accounts.

Having been introduced to the medium in college, Richard re-discovered transparent watercolor in the early 90's. His works have won awards in numerous national competitions and he has earned signature member status in several major watercolor societies. For the past 17 years Richard has shared his passion for the medium by conducting painting workshops around the country.

Publication: Richard had his paintings selected for inclusion in the 2008 and 2012 Edition of Splash, represented in Splash Retrospective & 2018 Edition of Splash. Richard says, "My goal is to interpret, not to render. I want to engage the viewer, entertain him and share my vision. When people view my work that is the last step in the painting process. Of Course I want people to like my work, but like it or hate it, I don't want them to be indifferent." Richards contact info. is raswatercolorlors@gmail.co, www.raswatercolors.com, Facebook

Richard Stephens's watercolor, cell 501-622-9286

New Members

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#1677 Catherine Van Herpen

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KATHLEEN CONOVER

WATERCOLOR WORKSHOP

Sponsored by
Mid-Southern Watercolorists
October 18-21, 2017
St. Luke's Episcopal Church
4106 John F. Kennedy Blvd
North Little Rock, AR 72116



Chaos to Order

Starting a painting with color, texture, gestural marks and layers may seem like "chaos", but it delivers vital energy that is both fun and intuitive. Great design and composition are the elements that bring "order" to the rich start and turn your painting into an attention-getting and expressive finish. Applying strong design and compositional skills are the focus. Beginner or advanced, you are encouraged to discover and explore your unique expression and personal imagery in realism, abstraction or non-objective.

The fee for this 4-day workshop is \$275. Donation for the demo at the MSW meeting, Wednesday, October 18th is \$5. If you would like to pay for both, you may send a check in the amount of \$280. Please make your check payable to MSW. Enrollment is on a first-come first-served basis after this notice is posted in the MSW Views. Space is limited to 25 artists. We will open enrollment to non-members only if our membership does not fill the class.

REFUNDS WILL BE MADE ONLY IF ANOTHER PERSON IS AVAILABLE TO TAKE THE CLASS.

Cut along this line and send with your fee. **Checks will not be cashed until the workshop begins.

Name _____
Address _____
Phone _____ email _____
Mail to: _____ Amount _____

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501-831-4287

If workshop is full, please add my name to the waiting list.

_____ **Yes** _____ **No**

You will be sent a notification as to whether or not you are in the workshop. If you are not in the workshop and do not wish to be on a waiting list, your check will be returned.

Materials list will accompany confirmation of your registration in the workshop.



Sarah Kelly Johnson, August Artist of the Month

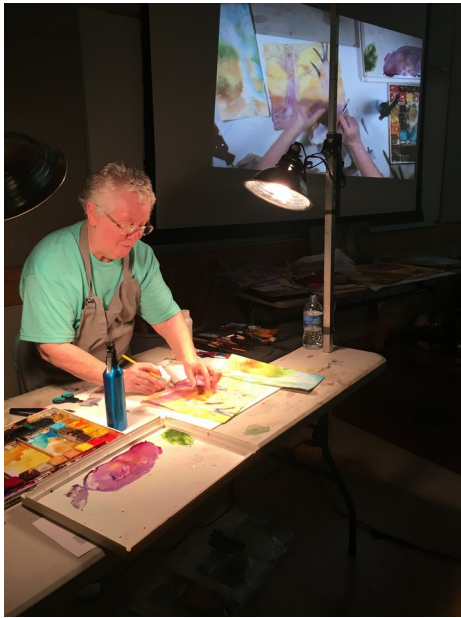
North Central Arkansas Art Gallery(NCA Art)/Fairfield Bay Conference Center

This month the Feature Artist is Sarah Johnson, MSW Special Exhibition Chairman from Benton. Sarah is one of the new artists that are exhibiting paintings in the present exhibit. She is excited about getting her paintings ready for the next exhibit, October 17. She is retired from Arkansas Farm Bureau and is glad to have more time for family and painting.

Sarah has had a life-long interest in art and has participated in numerous classes and workshops as well as private teaching sessions. Sarah's medium of choice is watercolor, but through the years she has worked in oils, pastels and recently with watercolor inks. She enjoys being a member of Art Association of Central Arkansas and Mid-Southern Watercolorists (MSW), where her work has been juried into annual shows. She participates in local and statewide shows. Sarah recently won "Best of Show" at the Malvern Art show and the AACA show in Benton. She has been married for 57 years to Russell Johnson. They are the parents of three grown children, seven grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.

Other MSW members that are presently exhibiting their artwork are Sandra Marson, Mary Ann Stafford, Suzann Waggoner, Charlotte Rierson, Joyce Hartmann, Gary Johnson, Annette Garner and Diana Shearson.

Contact Art Gallery Coordinator, Charlotte Rierson for information & registration. Deadline to send registration to the NCA Art Gallery is Monday, October 2, 2017. The NCA Art Gallery's mission is to bring quality fine art with family values to our community. The exhibit is open for all artists that are 18 years of age. A selection committee chooses the art and changes the exhibit bi-annually. Art Gallery hours are Monday – Friday 9:00-4:00 (unless special events then hours are extended). The viewing of the art is open and free of charge to the public. All art is available for purchase. The NCA Art Gallery is sponsored by the NCAF&E and the City of Fairfield Bay. For more information contact NCA Art Gallery Coordinator, Charlotte Rierson-501-884-6100, email chardon@artelcco.com or Conference Center Directors, Wilba or Bob Thompson for more information- 501-884-4202, wilba@ffbcc.com, 110 Lost Creek Parkway, Fairfield Bay 72088

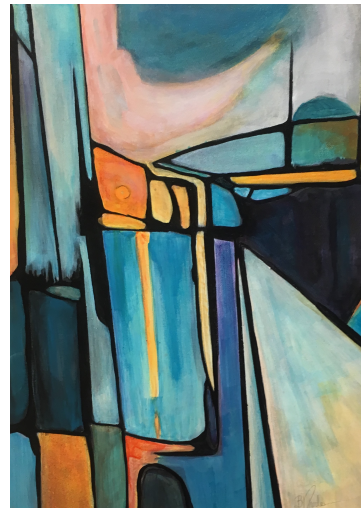


July Meeting demo by Caren Garner





SUZZETTE PATTERSON



"Route 66" BARBARA RHODES



B. JEANNIE FRYE

Artists show work in North Little Rock Exhibition at the Argenta Branch of the Laman Library.

B. Jeannie Fry, Suzette Patterson and Barbara Rhodes show their works "Three Stories... Shared" an exhibition representing how art enhanced each of these artist lives. Show will hang until August 12.

