



President's Message

WELL, IT'S BEEN A BUSY SUMMER...

...Here at Lake Wobegon, where all the women are strong, the men are good looking, and the children all want to grow up to be watercolorists! Because of efforts in the past several weeks of your MSW Board, the Directory and the By-laws Committee are putting the finishing touches on the Directory and the proposed amendments. Both will be mailed out to you on September 1st.

Your 2015-2016 Member Directory will include contact information for members, a CALENDAR of programs planned through June of 2016 AND our current Bylaws.

Also included in the same envelope, you will find the proposed amendments to our Bylaws for your consideration. Article X of our current Bylaws state: ***"The Bylaws may be amended at any meeting of [MSW] by a two thirds vote of those present, provided a notice of the content of such amendment has been sent by mail to the membership at least two weeks in advance."***

Along with the proposed By-laws, you will also receive a SUMMARY of the proposed changes AND a SAMPLE paper BALLOT. Each member present at the September meeting will be able to vote by completing the paper ballot.

The September meeting is a program meeting and we have a DEMO planned for you on September 16.

There will not be any discussion of the proposed changes at the meeting prior to voting on these changes. Paper ballots will be distributed to each member as you enter the Lecture Hall.

If you wish to get further information or clarification or make comment on these proposed changes prior to the September meeting, please feel free to contact the Bylaws Committee: Paula Kalina or George Wittenberg. Or, you may contact any Board member or me.

The paper ballots will be taken up at the start of the meeting and counted by your Bylaws Committee after the meeting. Results will be electronically posted no later than September 23 on our Facebook page and by email via Google groups.

Many thanks to our Bylaws Committee for their research and work over the past months. Many thanks to the Board members for their attention to detail in putting the finishing touches on the proposed changes. And, many thanks to each of you for providing input over the past months.

'Til September...Keep those brushes moving!

Jeannie Fry
President, Mid-Southern Watercolorists

VOLUNTEERS

What would we do without each of **YOU!** We have no paid staff...we have no specially trained people at our fingertips...**ONLY YOU.** And, volunteering is what we are all about! Without each of us, there would be no MSW!

MARK YOUR CALENDARS

August 2015

- 1 Annual Juried Exhibit Prospectus available
- 29 Mini Workshop – Barbara Rhodes (Yupo)

September 2015

- 16 5:30 Board Meeting
7:00 Program Meeting

October 2015

- 21 5:30 Board Meeting
7:00 Program Meeting
Demo by Workshop Instructor: Carl Purcell

UPCOMING WORKSHOPS

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.

October 2015	Carl Purcell
March 2016	Robert Burrige
October 2016	Frank Francese
March 2017	Michael Holter
October 2017	Kathleen Conover

If you have any suggestions for future workshops, please send the names to Paula Kalina at ptkalina@hotmail.com

DID YOU KNOW ... if you hover over a picture on our website, you can pin it to a folder on your Pinterest account?

FUTURE MINI WORKSHOP DATES

****Held at St. Luke Church in NLR****

- Aug 29 Barbara Rhodes
- Oct 24 David Cook
- Nov 21 Richard Stephens

MEMBER NEWS

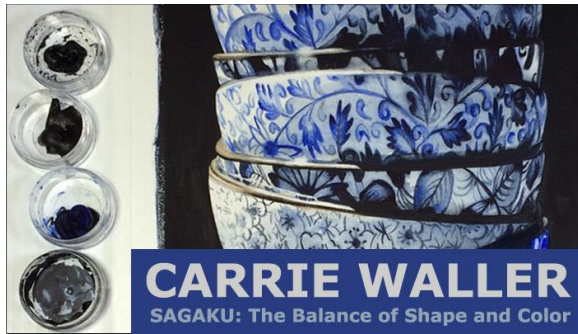
Mary Ann Stafford will exhibit her newest landscapes at Gallery 221, 221 West 2nd in downtown Little Rock from July 10 through August 11th, 2015. The title of the series is "For the Beauty of the Earth," and features moody, misty, and sometimes dramatic landscapes in both acrylic and pastel.



FROM THE WEST – acrylic on canvas 16 x 30"

Mary Ann's art was also selected to be shown on the national online registry sponsored by the Arkansas Committee of the National Museum of Women in the Arts. The statewide volunteer organization was established in 1989 as an affiliate of the National Museum of Women in the Arts in Washington, D.C. The organization is committed to promoting awareness of the work of Arkansas women artists and provides scholarships and opportunities to women artists throughout the state. Mary

Ann received one of these scholarships in 2012 for her project, "The Argenta National Historic District," featuring 25 pen and ink drawings of structures and their historical and architectural information. The registry can be found at www.acnmwa.org.



Carrie Waller has a beautiful feature again in Daniel Smith's catalog and on DanielSmith.com



Sandra Marson will be featured in a one-woman show, Art by Design, at Cox Creative Center September 2-30, 2015. Opening reception September 11, 2015, 6-8 pm.



Anne Lyon and Suzann Waggoner did an in-service for Pulaski County Special School District art teachers on July 22, 2015. They did a "Fancy Nancy Aspiring Artist" kickoff followed by Resist and Texture projects. Thank you for volunteering your time, energy, and talent!



OPPORTUNITIES

High Cotton on the Bayou event

October 3rd weekend
Scott Plantation Settlement
10-4

Asking for artists to come paint around the area for the day.

If you want to sell, it is \$10.00 for a table
Contact Carolyn Koontz 501-961-1080
Cell: 254-913-4028

PROSPECTUS AND ENTRY FORM
23rd Annual MID-SOUTHERN
WATERCOLORISTS
Special Open Membership Exhibition
Cox Creative Center

100 Rock Street
Little Rock, AR 72201
501-918-3090

Exhibit Dates: October 2- 31, 2015

Opening Reception: Sunday, October 3, 2015, 2-4

Eligibility: This is a non-juried, open exhibition. It is open to all MSW members in good standing. All entrants must be current members of MSW. (Note: MSW's current membership year is June 1, 2015 to May 31, 2016.)

Entry Procedures/Deadline for Entry Form: One painting per artist may be entered. Entry fee is \$10. Send completed entry form (below) with check for entry fee to Sandra Marson, 1104 McArthur Drive, Jacksonville, Arkansas, 72076 before Friday, September 18, 2015. **All checks are to be made out to Mid-Southern Watercolorists.**

Publicity: If you would like your painting to be considered for use in publicity, please send a jpeg of your piece (that will be in the show), no later than September 1, 2015 to Sandymarson44@comcast.net.

Certain required characteristics of the paintings to be hung are as follows:

- Size will be limited to a maximum of forty inches 40" outside length on any side (e.g., outside frame length)-Frame must be simple but sturdy (no wider than two inches) and ready for hanging (with wire hanger). All paintings must be framed under Plexiglas.
- Types of allowable media and grounds may include any water-soluble medium or combination of water-soluble media on any ground that accepts water-soluble media

(e.g., paper, Yupo, canvas or prepared board)

- Entries must not have been shown previously in any MSW exhibition.
- Entries must be well-presented by the artist for gallery showing, including simple framing and white or off-white mats only. If either Cox Creative Center or MSW deems a picture's framing or other presentation method is below the necessary standard, MSW will work attempt to work with the artist toward the needed improvement. MSW reserves the right to exclude any painting for any reason.

Painting Label / Delivery: Painting submission must be delivered to Cox Creative Center October 1, 2015 between 10 am – 2 pm. Label must be attached to the upper right back corner with artist's name, address phone number, title of piece and price.

Pick Up Paintings: Artists may not remove works before the close of the exhibition. Paintings are to be picked up from Cox Creative Center October 31, 2015 between 10 am – 2 pm.

Sales: There is no commission on sale of paintings. Artists are responsible for their own sales.

Liability: Although utmost care will be taken in handling paintings, neither MSW, nor its representatives, nor Cox Creative Center will be responsible for damage or loss, whatever the cause. Submitting artwork to this exhibition shall imply an agreement on the part of the artist with the conditions set forth above.

Questions regarding this exhibition may be directed to Sandra Marson, MSW Special Exhibitions Chairperson, at 501-350-8924 or sandymarson44@comcast.net.

ENTRY – FORM

Mail this entry form with \$10.00 check payable to Mid-Southern Watercolorists by no later than Friday, September 18, 2015 to Sandra Marson, 1104 McArthur Drive, Jacksonville, Arkansas 72076.

Name of Artist _____
Title of Painting _____
Size _____ Price _____
Media used: _____
Address _____
City _____ State _____ Zip _____
Phone () _____
Email Address _____

PAINTING – LABEL

Cut out label and attach to upper right back corner of painting.

Name of Artist _____
Title of Painting _____
Size _____ Price _____
Address _____
City _____ State _____ Zip _____
Media used: _____
Phone () _____
Email Address _____

Important: *Your* MSW organization needs your help! Many people over the years have continued to support this group in their deeds, but they are growing weary. In order for this organization to survive and continue we need **you** to help by volunteering to be on the board this upcoming year in several necessary positions. **PLEASE** consider being involved and contact either Jeannie Fry or George Wittenberg to indicate how you can help!
Thank you!

Regional Advisors for 2015/2016

- Charlotte Rierson** - Fairfield Bay includes Cleburne, Van Buren
- Janis Gill Ward** - Fayetteville includes Washington, Benton, Carroll, Madison
- Kay Aclin** - Ft. Smith includes Crawford, Sebastian, Franklin, Logan, Johnson
- Gloria Garrison** - Russellville includes Pope, Newton, Yell, Scott
- Sheila Parsons** - Conway includes Perry, Conway, Faulkner
- Sandy Barksdale** - Cotter includes Boone, Marion, Baxter, Fulton, & Southern Missouri
- Sue Coon** - Mt. View includes Searcy IZard, Stone Sharp, Lawrence, Independence, Jackson
- Sally Papich** - Jonesboro includes Randolph, Clay, Greene, Poinsett, Craighead, Mississippi, Crittenden
- Bill Branch** - Helena/Memphis, Tenn. includes Lee, Phillips, Monroe, Arkansas
- John Keller** - Searcy includes White, Woodruff, Prairie, Lonoke, St. Francis, Cross
- Inis Ray** - Pine Bluff includes Jefferson, Cleveland, Grant, Dallas, Lincoln
- Richard Stephens** - Hot Springs includes Hot Springs, Saline, Garland, Clark, Pike, Montgomery Howard, Polk
- Sarah Merkle** - El Dorado includes Union, Ashley, Chicot, Drew, Bradley, Calhoun & Northwest Louis.
- Linda Larey** - Texarkana, TX includes Columbia, Ouachita, Sevier, Miller, Little River, Lafayette, Hempstead, Nevada
- Mary Ann Stafford** includes Pulaski
- Judy Coffey** - Houston, TX, advisor at large

ARCHIVES



(Photo from UCA online page)

The UCA curator has told Suzann there is a 20 year gap (1989 to 2009) for news of MSW. Search out your closets!



WATERCOLOR WORKSHOP WITH CARL PURCELL

Sponsored by Mid-Southern Watercolorists
October 22-24, 2015 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

Unitarian Universalist Church

1818 Reservoir Road, Little Rock, AR 72227

“Painting the Patterns of Nature”

Because we are trained to name and identify everything, most people never look past this to see the underlying patterns of color and line and shape that are a large part of our visual experience. In this workshop Carl will teach you how to see and respond to these patterns. In three steps you will have a painting that is loose, realistic and unified. When you respond to patterns instead of things, many problems disappear. Carl will cover how to get sparkling, vivid color, rich darks and a degree of realism that may amaze you. The appearance of reality is found in these hidden patterns of nature, and not in minute details as commonly believed.

The fee for this 3-day workshop is \$220. Suggested donation for the demo at the MSW meeting Wednesday, October 21, is \$5. If you would like to pay for both, you may send a check in the amount of \$225. 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 _____

Amount _____

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

Mail to:

Paula Kalina

48 Tournay Circle

Little Rock, AR 72223

ptkalina@hotmail.com

501-831-4287

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.

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.

REGIONAL ADVISORS: We have several members from throughout the state and neighboring states that work with MSW. See list included here.

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

DIRECTORY: The 2014/2015 issue is now out. Be sure that MSW has your correct information. Contact Marianne Hampton if you have had any changes.

NEWSLETTER: Our newsletters are available online through our website and received through the GoogleGroup system. If you wish to receive a printed copy, contact Cheryl Kellar. Cheryl also welcomes your ideas, pictures and information for the monthly newsletter. Send to Cheryl@cherylkellar.com

Meetings are held at the

ARKANSAS ARTS CENTER

9th & Commerce / MacArthur Park
Little Rock, Arkansas 72203
Use the south entrance

Meetings start at 7 pm but come early for the social hour with cookies and drink.

Officers for 2015/2016

Jeannie Fry	President
George Wittenberg	President-Elect
Cheryl Hall	Treasure
Selma Blackburn	Secretary

Selma Blackburn did a fantastic demo for our June meeting. Actually, she did several demos to share different approaches she uses to create texture and interest in her paintings.



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Little Rock, Arkansas 72215
RETURN ADDRESS REQUESTED



VIEWS

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