# CENTRAL OHIO WATERCOLOR SOCIETY

"The purpose of the Society is to further interest in, and status of, the use of transparent watercolor for the benefit of each member and for the development of public interest in the medium."

Meetings are held the **2nd Saturday** of the month, from **10-12:00 Noon** at: **The McConnell Arts Center**, 777 Evening St., Worthington, Ohio

JANUARY, 2014 NEWSLETTER
Editor: John Cameron

# Monthly Meetings and More: IANUARY, 2014 MEETING: Our

January Program speaker will be Kevin Buckland. Kevin will demonstrate "Painting the Figure in Watercolor." -Jeri Platt, Program Chair

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## 1.a.) Meeting Update:

December 14, 2013 Meeting: Suzanne Accetta led the meeting with a "roundtable of member introductions", i.e., we all literally sat in a circle, and had two minutes (faithfully timed by Sally with her high-tech and supremely accurate sand-filled hourglass) to share our life stories with each other. Truly, it was interesting and fun to learn more about each other, both as people and artists. In sum, a really good meeting.

The other highlight of the meeting was the (surprise) awarding of a \$300 scholarship from COWS to **Veronica Spencer**, the granddaughter of Marty Hansgen (and her husband). She gave us a short presentation about her interest in watercolor and shared some of her work; for a freshman at CCAD, her watercolor works were quite excellent, and she doesn't even shy away from painting the human figure! Congratulations to both Veronica and Marty.

The scholarship was presented by Jeri Platt and Suzanne Accetta.

The last item at the December meeting was a recognition by all members present of the tremendous job that Suzanne has done as our President for the last two years. She has been well organized, extremely involved in all aspects of COWS, and has really moved our group forward as an arts organization. On top of that, Suzanne is a very accomplished watercolor painter and teacher! She will be missed in her leadership role, but will definitely continue as an active member of COWS. Well done, Suzanne, and thanks so much for your many, many contributions over the last two years.

PS- as always, HAPPY PAINTING!

# 1.b.) In the News: Instructors-

**Bess Alexander** - Classes are held in her studio in Westerville. Call 614-939-1149 or email Bess at: bessalexanderart@yahoo.com

**Kevin Buckland** - a class is taught at The Lazelle Woods Recreation Center, 8140 Sancus Blvd., Columbus, Ohio 43081. For more information, contact Kevin at: kevin@bucklandgillespie.com

Jan Carr- phone Jan at 614-891-1390 or email her at: jcarr002@insight.rr.com for class information

Joe Douglass- call Joe at 614-436-0836 or email her at: artbyjoedouglass@gmail.com for class information

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Jim Fought- an evening watercolor class is taught at the Delaware Arts Castle. Visit the Art Castle Website: www.artscastle.org for details.

**Merry Norris**- teaches in her Worthington studio a variety of classes for women. Mandala class beginning soon, and frequent weekend workshops.

Designed to kick-start your creativity and add meaning to your work. Call 614-847-5715, or go to websites, <a href="www.merrynovastudio.com">www.merrynovastudio.com</a>. and www.goddessangangel.com

**Donna Noice-** Donna is teaching two classes a week in Canal Winchester. You may work in any medium, as teaching is centered on painting in general and design principles. Call Donna at 740-215-4724, or email her at: <a href="mailto:donnanoice@gmail.com">donnanoice@gmail.com</a> for information regarding classes.

**Stan Pierce**- an evening class is held at Stan's studio in Westerville. Call 614-899-1198 or email Stan at: stpiebay@yahoo.com, for more information.

Charles Rowland- classes are held at The Westerville Community Center. Visit the website http://www.westerville.org in the parks and recreation for details or email Charles at: cwrowland@aol.com

Mindy Newman- Classes at Franklin Park Conservatory and Botanical Gardens. Saturday classes with Mindy Newman Register Online at www.fpconservatory.org (look for the workshops tab). Or Call 614-715-8030

#### Vivian Ripley- Classes and Workshops, Winter 2014:

Vivian has been showing her work both regionally and nationally for many years, and has as many years of teaching experience. She is a signature member of Ohio Watercolor Society, Central Ohio Watercolor Society, Degas Pastel Society, both the Wyoming and Missouri Watercolor Societies, International Society of Acrylic Painters, a charter member of the Ohio Plein Air Society, and holds membership in several central Ohio art groups. She

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recently won the Memorial Prize in the Northeast National Pastel Exhibition. In fall 2012 and 2013, Vivian had a work in the Adirondacks National Exhibition of American Watercolors, and two works in the Degas Pastel Society Show in Louisiana. She recently won the Strathmore Painting Award in the Kentucky Watercolor Society Show, and had a work in the fall 2013 Ohio Watercolor Society Show.

#### Classes Through Lifelong Learning and Leisure, Upper Arlington, OH:

Registration starts online on Wednesday, December 4, 2013, at: <a href="http://parks.uaoh.net">http://parks.uaoh.net</a>. Registration by phone, in person, or by mail begins on Monday, December 9, 2013. Call (614) 583-5333. You may also call Vivian with questions at: (614) 451-6254. The following three classes are all 8 weeks in duration. The fee is \$110 for UA residents, and \$132 for non-residents:

Acrylic Workshop: January 20 – March 10, 2014; Mondays, 7:30 – 10:00 PM, UA Senior Center Bldg 1. This versatile medium can be applied with a variety of brush strokes, resulting in a broad scope of interesting visual effects. The class includes progressive subject matter, new techniques, individual attention, and constructive critique. All levels. "Vivian is a wonderful and involved instructor to work with!"- Student

Pastel Unlimited: January 15 – March 5, 2014; Wednesdays, 12:00 – 2:30 PM, UA Recreation Station. Specific techniques with a variety of support materials will result in vibrant and eyecatching images. Anything can be achieved with pastel— Vivian will show you how! Individual attention and constructive critique. All levels. "Great class...again!"- Student

Creating with Colored Pencil: January 17 – March 7, 2014, Fridays, 9:30 AM – 12:00 PM, UA Recreation

**Station.** This is a popular, sharing class, with lots of possibilities demonstrated. Colored pencil is an increasingly popular medium, with unlimited uses. Friendly, supportive atmosphere with lots of personal attention! "Amazing and accomplished artist- very helpful!"- Student

**The following one-day workshops** are \$55 for UA residents, and \$66 for non-residents. Both are 9:00 AM to 4:00 PM, with a one-hour lunch break, and are held at the UA Senior Center Bldg 1.

Unleash Your Watercolor Muse: Saturday, February 1, 2014. Learn how to create a bold and powerful painting without overworking the subject. Freeing your creative energy lets you rearrange nature, not just reproduce it. Big brushes get the painting process started. Landscape is emphasized, but other subjects are possible. Workshop format includes demonstration, individual attention, and critique. Some watercolor experience is needed.

Watercolor Pencil – Innovative Uses and Techniques: Saturday, March 15, 2014. Combine the drawing control of colored pencils with the paint-like characteristics of watercolor, and open the door to a multitude of creative possibilities. Learn innovative techniques, and apply them in one or two different projects on a choice of surfaces. These pencils can enhance other media as well. Demonstration, individual attention, and constructive critique are included.

Please feel free to call me with any questions concerning any of the above classes or workshops. I look forward to seeing you! Vivian Ripley (614) 451-6254

<u>Editor's Note</u>: please contact John Cameron if any of the above information is incorrect: je7779cameron@gmail.com or 614-282-1184

# Member Accomplishments:

The Pump House Guys Art Show: Charles Rowland, Robert Bruce, Ned Moore, Thomas Crane & Kevin Buckland

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January 6 thru March 31, 2014

Quest Gallery Area at Pulsar Place 8405 Pulsar Place, Columbus OH

For information contact: Kevin Buckland 614-543-0000

<u>Fran Mangino:</u> is down in sunny warm Venice, Florida. At the Open Juried Aqueous Exhibition for the Florida Suncoast Watercolor Society, Fran won First place. This was her second entry into an exhibition which put her into signature member status.

Fran helped out with hanging that show and will join the members to take in entries and deliver paintings to three locations in the next Aqueous Show at the Palmetto Art Center, Historical Park and Manatee County Museums. She decided to do this to get acquainted with the members that are from all over the U.S. This groups have five exhibitions, a special event to sell works in Sarasota, an annual business meeting and luncheon in place of monthly meetings, five one day workshops and strictly stick to their by-laws on procedures. They divided the exhibitions between aqueous 9 transparent welcome) and transparent works. With opening up to associate members their membership, \$35, is approximately 190. Art Centers pay for a page advertising workshops, etc. in the FSWS booklet which consist of Directory, exhibitions, workshops and by-laws. And they too, have a web page with 6 paintings per artist-\$30.Entry into shows is #2 paintings@ \$20 each, plexie no glass. All the extra money that they receive helps pay for the awards \$500 1st. etc.. .

Giving back to the organization in teaching a one day workshop is not a bad idea to advance COWS members. This opens up members knowing what other members can do and may open up other avenues to the teaching member. See you all in March for the Art at the Arnold.

Why am I telling COWS about this? It is food for thought on opening up to the divisions of members, letting a juror decide who gets in and the possibility of dividing between aqueous and transparent. We have been transparent forever and I never even thought both could work for COWS. Can it now?

# 1.c.) <u>Upcoming COWS</u> Events:

# **COWS CALENDAR, 2014:**

#### **January**

11—Saturday—10 am—COWS meeting: Figure Painting demo by Kevin Buckland

#### **February**

8—Saturday—10 am—COWS meeting
23-24 - Monday, Take- in:, from 6:00-8:00 PM (*or possibly Sunday*, Feb. 23, from 2:00- 4:00 pm)
26 to March 22 - Spring Show - High Road Gallery TBA - show at Brownlee Hall at First Community Church

#### March

2 – Sunday – spring show reception – 2 - 4 8—Saturday—10 am—COWS meeting 22 – Sunday – spring show pick up 4 pm to 6 pm

#### **April**

12—Saturday—10 am—COWS meeting

#### May

10—Saturday—10 am—COWS meeting

#### June

29—Sunday—German Village Haus and Garden Tour

# The Central Ohio Watercolor Society's 2014 SPRING SHOW:

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**Site:** the High Road Gallery

**Dates: February 26 - March 22, 2014** 

<u>Take- in</u>: Monday, February 24, from 6:00-8:00 PM (or *possibly* Sunday, Feb. 23, from 2:00- 4:00 pm)

Reception for Public: March 2, Sunday, from 2:00- 4:00 pm

<u>Take Down</u>: March 22, from 4:00-6:00 PM, after closing

#### First Community Church Show, Brownlee Hall-

Dates for the Show at First Community Church will be: **Delivery Jan. 28, from 10- 1:00,** with hanging on the **29th**. **Take down will be March 31, 10-1:00.** 

There will *not* be a reception and *no commission* will be taken from sales. I (*i.e., Gail Evans- Editor's note*) will be at next meeting to answer any questions or anyone can email or call me. Thirteen have signed up to participate. We could take a few more if more are interested. I will need to know number and size of work being submitted. Thanks! Gail

# 2. Letter from the COWS President:

Hope everyone had a great holiday season!

First I would like to thank you for electing me as president for 2014. Next, I would like to thank Suzanne for a great job in 2013. She represented this position so well, it will be hard to fill her shoes.

Our first meeting of the new year will be January 11. I will be looking forward to seeing you all there. Hope the weather is decent, so we can have a good turnout. Also, our annual dues were due January l. If you have not paid them yet, please bring them with you to the meeting.

We need committee volunteers. Please help, so we can continue to maintain our great organization. Your services will be greatly appreciated.

Our program committee has some great ideas for our meetings this year. If any of you have ideas and/or know someone you would like to do a demo, please contact Jerri Platt. We would like to have something special for each meeting. This month we will be having a demo presented by Kevin Buckland on painting figures in watercolor.

Hopefully you have a painting ready, or are working on one for our February show at High Roads Gallery. There is a plan in the works to have a critique at our February meeting before the show.

Hope to see you Saturday.

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- President—Letha Foster
- First Vice President—Suzanne Accetta
- Second Vice President—Jeri Ellis Platt
- Treasurer—Dave Friedlander
- Recording Secretary—Sally Ford Lyles
- Corresponding Secretary—John Cameron

#### **Another Timely Reminder re: Membership Dues:**

Membership dues are \$30 and were due by January 1st. You can send them to our treasurer at:

Dave Friedlander, 6273 Misty Cove Lane, Columbus, OH 43231

#### Reminder of New Officers for "The Class of 2014":

# 3. Meeting Minutes: December, 2013

# Central Ohio Watercolor Society Minutes

DATE: NOVEMBER 14, 2013

TME: 10:00 AM

LOCATION: MCCONNELL ARTS CENTER

Second Saturday of the month -- 10:00 a.m. - 12:00 noon

Suzanne Accetta - membership "roundtable introduction"

Nametags were provided and an Attendance Sheet was passed for members/guest to sign

HANDOUTS

Agenda / New Officers for 2014

Vote for Officers 2014

Committee Sign-up sheet was made available for members to sign-up for various committees

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2 guests and 15 Members, including the following officers:

President: Suzanne Accetta

Vice President: Kevin Buckland

Vice President: Sally Ford-Lyles

Treasurer: David Friedlander

Recording Secretary: Katie McMichael

Corresponding Secretary: John Cameron

#### Agenda / Topics Discussed ...

Suzanne welcomed the group and reviewed the following Agenda topics:

Minutes from last month's meeting were approved

Treasurer's Report – Dave Friedlander: CHECKING BALANCE:

Reminder: 2014 Annual Dues are now due (\$30).

Please send your checks to Dave or bring your check to the January Meeting.

Art Show at 1st Community Church - Please contact Gail Evans if you are interested in participating

#### Program:

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- -Recognition by all members present of the tremendous job that Suzanne has done as our President for the last two years.

