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

DECEMBER, 2013 NEWSLETTER Editor: John Cameron

Monthly Meetings and More: DECEMBER, 2013 MEETING: since

this is the holiday season, there will be no formal program for this month's meeting. Instead, come and enjoy the camaraderie of your fellow watercolorists, and nibble on a festive cookie or two. Santa hats, elf shoes and Rudolph antlers are optional, a spirit of good cheer by all is not.

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1. Meeting Update; In the News; Upcoming COWS Events (2013 and 2014):

1.a.) Meeting Update:

November, 2013 Meeting: Suzanne Accetta gave us a taste of the workshop she will be conducting (or did conduct?) at the Cultural Arts Center in November. It is a program designed to enable participants of all levels to gain confidence in approaching watercolor painting from source photos. We will explore the best way to use photos and receive tips on how to avoid being tied to them. Members were encouraged to bring photos for discussion.

1.b.) In the News: Instructors-

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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

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

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

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: donnanoice@gmail.com for information regarding classes.

Merry Norris- teaches in her Worthington studio a variety of classes for women. Mandala class beginning soon, and frequent weekend workshops. at your leisure, for inclusion in the January newsletter. We certainly cannot let this

Designed to kick-start your creativity and add meaning to your work. Call 614-847-5715, or go to websites, www.merrynovastudio.com. and www.goddessangangel.com.

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.

Vivian Ripley- classes held at Upper Arlington Lifelong Learning and Leisure Program, plus workshops at the Cedar Crafts Center, WV. Please contact Vivian at 614-451-6254 for details on all of the above classes, or visit the websites of the Worthington Area Art League or Dublin Art & Recreation Center.

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

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

Member Accomplishments:

As your ever-vigilant Newsletter Editor, I must say, I have a "first occurrence" to share with you, at least over the past year or two since I have been cranking out this fine publication: that is to say, there are no member accomplishments to report for December! At least, no one sent anything to me for inclusion in this month's newsletter. Apparently, December is a fallow month for watercolorists. Who knew? We seem to be a singularly unaccomplished group this month. If you have anything for December that you overlooked, please send it to me

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

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continue for two successive months (two months equals a trend, right?), so **go out there and accomplish something!** (then let me know about it, OK?).

COWS CALENDAR, 2013-14

(corrected November 29, 2013)

December

14—Saturday—10 am—COWS meeting—McConnell Art Center—Christmas Party

January

11—Saturday—10 am—COWS meeting "State of the Herd"

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

The Central Ohio Watercolor Society's 2014 SPRING SHOW:

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

Thanks to Sally Ford-Lyles for making this information available to COWS members so far in advance! Mark your calendars, save the date, and no excuses for any of us not to be ready to enter with so much time ahead of us!

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:

I hope you had a great Thanksgiving.

This will be my last letter as the president. Thank you all for giving me the honor of leading such a terrific group. I know Letha will be a fabulous successor. Reminder, membership dues are \$30 and are due by January 1st. You can send them to our treasurer: Dave Friedlander, 6273 Misty Cove Lane, Columbus, 43231

Our spring show is at High Road Gallery and take in is late February. As in the past, be prepared to submit your paperwork early to Carole Hershey, owner of the gallery. Now is the time to start thinking about what you are going to submit.

Finally, our other COWS exhibition opportunity is a February/March show at First Community Church in Marble Cliff. This has been graciously arranged by Gail Evans. Please contact her if you would like to participate - gaillloyd@aol.com. Info needed: your name, address, phone, number of paintings, (one to three paintings) titles, approximate size, and price. Drop off and pick-up information will be given closer to the time of the show

Happy painting.

Suzanne

(<u>Editor's NOTE</u>: for more details, see Gail's information about this show at the bottom of the left-hand column of this page- page 3)

Reminder of New Officers for "The Class of 2014": (and they are a classy group!):

- 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:

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3. Meeting Minutes: October 12, 2013

Central Ohio Watercolor Society Minutes

DATE: NOVEMBER 9, 2013 TME: 10:00 AM LOCATION: MCCONNELL ARTS CENTER Second Saturday of the month -- 10:00 a.m. - 12:00 noon **MONTHLY MEETING** Suzanne Accetta - Demonstration **PROGRAM** 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 20 Members, 1 guest and including officers: President: Suzanne Accetta Vice President: Kevin Buckland **ATTENDEES** Vice President: Sally Ford-Lyles Treasurer: David Friedlander Recording Secretary: Katie McMichael

Agenda / Topics Discussed ...

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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: \$ 12,506.60

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

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

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

Bess Alexander reported that there were 6 individuals who submitted art for membership in COWS. Three new members were juried in. Nancy Bolmer, Susie Schriber, and Michelle Morris

A big thank you for all who worked on the COWS Fall Show at German Village!

The Photo workshop was wonderful! Well attended. A reminder...please *photo your art before you frame* so it can be added to the website.

Vivian Ripley presented a quick review of her upcoming classed at Upper Arlington. She shared some of her interesting "YUPO" paintings. Please contact Vivian if you are interested in attending.

The "Committee Sheet" was passed around to have members sign up to help out where ever they can. Help is especially needed on the "Award Committee" – additional sponsors will help keep costs down at future shows.

A call for Jurors for the Spring Show – If you have and ideas or suggestions, please contact Suzanne.

Scholarship Committee - Reported that a scholarship will be presented at the December meeting.

December's meeting will be our Christmas Social – Members will be asked to share information with the group to help get to know one another. A time limit was set to a maximum of 2 minutes per member.

10:30 Demo By Suzanne Accetta

Suzanne enthusiastically presented some of her thoughts and ideas for her paintings. She also shared some of the tools she uses i.e., Apple I-pad applications that help with composition, and how she utilizes her photos, color choices, etc. Some of the apps/software she recommends are:

ProCreat
Photoshop
Auryn Ink
Dropbox
Elements 9
Sketchbook Pro
Poser / Big Poser

Everyone walked away with some new ideas and tools to help us with our paintings.

