

February 2017 NEWSLETTER

Meetings are held the **1**st **Thursday** of the month from **6:30 – 8:30 pm** at **The McConnell Arts Center**, 777 Evening St., Worthington, Ohio (There are no meetings scheduled during July and August)

Note: Our first meeting on this new schedule is this Thursday, Feb. 2nd, at 6:30 pm.

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Message from our President

Well, of course one of the only snows so far this winter was on the night of our COWS meeting. I didn't have much in Clintonville but all the people on the east side had more and reported lots of accidents.

I am excited that Ron Mlicki will be our demonstrating artist at Thursday's meeting, February 2nd. A full scholarship to the Cooper School of Art in Cleveland, Ohio, led him to a career in the world of advertising. After years of working, Ron received a degree in business and established his own graphic design firm. During 40 successful years, Ron Mlicki and his staff created many award-winning advertising programs for local, national, and global companies. Transitioning his company to his son has allowed Ron to rekindle that first love -- drawing and

painting the human form. His work has been included in numerous juried exhibitions where has also won awards. You can view is art on his website, https://www.ronaldmlickifineart.com.

A little background on why we moved the meetings to evenings. When I first joined COWS in 1987, all of our meetings were on Wednesday evenings, 7 pm at Capital University. At our meeting last September, we had a discussion about changing the meeting time. A number of people expressed that Saturday mornings were not good because of children and grandchildren's sports, people go away for the weekend, members take and teach classes on Saturdays, & OSU games. We asked for a show of hands of who would support moving the meeting back to evenings. It was an overwhelming majority in support of evening meetings. I realize that some of our older members do not like to drive after dark. Please feel free to look at the roster and find someone close to you to see if they would give you a ride. Another fun idea is to plan to meet members for dinner before the meeting. There are a number of restaurants in downtown old Worthington.

I would like to again ask members to log on to our web site http://www.centralohiowatercolorsociety.com, scroll to the bottom of the page and click on "by-laws." I would suggest everyone read or re-read them.

Article II, Section E, #5 states, "All new members are required to serve on a committee for two years following their acceptance into the society." Article IV, Section E lists the committees.

I am happy to say a number of our new members have really stepped up and I'm tickled with their enthusiasm and willingness to give their time.

Looking forward to seeing you this coming Thursday.

Suzanne Accetta

Announcements

2017 Dues were due on January 1. If you have not yet paid, please bring a check for \$30 made out to Central Ohio Watercolor Society to our February meeting, or send your check to our treasurer:

Sandra Gaunt 4795 Hayden Blvd Columbus OH 43221

If you're not sure whether or not you've paid, contact Sandra at gaunt.2@osu.edu.

Fran Mangino won a Merit Award with Peace River Painter's Annual open air exhibition in Punta Gorda, Florida. But better yet, Fran received an email informing her that her painting **You Looking At Me** was accepted into the AWS exhibition at Salmungundi Art Club in New York City. Fran advises to never stop working to improve your ability to paint. Rewards will be there when you least expect it. If you feel an old painting needs improvement, go for it. Some say just leave it, go to something new. Don't listen to others. Do what your heart tells you. Happy painting!

Rick Mock sold his painting *Fall Feelings* that was on display at the Riffe Center. And he was commissioned to paint a similar painting by another collector. Rick thanks Sally for nurturing this exhibit opportunity.

Jim Oberst has several paintings on exhibit at Griffin Gallery at Creekside, 77 Mill Street in Gahanna.

Our **Spring Show** will return to the Ft. Hayes Shot Tower Gallery, March 6 to April 7. The show entry form is attached to the Newsletter email, and is also available on our website.

Marilyn Bedford provided the following *Call for Entries*:

Studios on High Gallery, located in Columbus' Short North Arts District, is inviting 2D and 3D artists to submit work for our March spring show. This show will feature 25-35 Ohio artists in our semiannual "Hit the Hop" series. All 2D and 3D original artwork may be submitted. 1st place award winner will be offered a featured show in the gallery. For more details go to http://www.studiosonhigh.com/

Deadline: Feb 8th 2017

Visit our website at http://www.centralohiowatercolorsociety.com for the latest info on exhibitions, workshops, officers, committee composition, etc.

If you use Facebook, join our COWS **Facebook group** at https://www.facebook.com/groups/226396010776939/?ref=bookmarks and see what your fellow members are up to, post some of your paintings, etc.

Please send all Newsletter announcements, Instructor announcements, and changes to your contact information to Jim Oberst at jim@jimoberst.com.

Upcoming COWS Meetings:

6:30 – 8:30 pm at the McConnell Arts Center:

February 2: a demo by member Ron Mlicki - https://www.facebook.com/ron.mlicki

March 2: to be announced

Instructor Announcements

Suzanne Accetta- Watercolor Class, Saturdays, 9 am to noon, Cultural Arts Center,139 West Main St., Columbus, OH 43215.

Cost per 8 week session: Columbus Resident: \$55.00Non-resident: \$62.00 www.culturalartscenteronline.org

Bess Alexander – Studio classes
Tuesday mornings 9:30a.m.-11:30am
10 person limit
For more information call Bess at 614-939-1149 or E-Mail bessalexanderart@yahoo.com

Kevin Buckland – Watercolor classes, Thursday evenings 6:00 pm to 9:00 pm. (All levels) Lazell Woods Recreation Center, part of Columbus Parks and Recreation. Contact Kevin at kevin@bucklandgillespie.com or call: 614-543-0000 for additional Information. www.kevinbucklandart.com

Kevin Buckland – Watercolor Workshop: Landscape in Triad (yellow, red and blue): Saturday April 22 in Vermilion, Ohio - \$45, hosted by the Vermillion Art Guild. Plus, a discussion about landscape composition, painting demonstration and critique. Limit 20; material list provided upon signup. Contact Janet Waggoner at 614-406-1691 or janetbwaggoner@aol.com for more information and directions.

John Cameron- "Watercolor Class for Beginners and Beyond" at Sunbear Studio and Gallery, Alexandria (20 minute drive from Westerville, east on State Rt.161). Classes on Sundays, 1:30-4:00.

Contact John at: je7779cameron@gmail.com or cell: 614-282-1184.

Charles Rowland- classes are held at the Westerville Community Center on Wednesday morning from 10:00 am to noon. Cost is \$65 resident/\$80 non-resident. To register or for more information call the Center at 614-901-6500, visit the website http://www.westerville.org, or email Charles at: cwrowland@aol.com.

Mindy Newman at Upper Arlington Senior Watercolor:

At the corner of Tremont and Ridgeview, Building 2, Tuesdays 1-3 pm. We'll be guided through the lessons with one on one discussions and some demonstrations.

\$10 per class, Silver Sneakers accepted. artistsworks@gmail.com, www.mindy-newman.pixels.com

Mindy Newman at Franklin Park Conservatory SATURDAYS, FEBRUARY 4, 11, 18, MARCH 4, 11 & 18, 1–3PM:

• **February 4 & 11: The Still Life** – Sketch orchids from the Conservatory's collection using as few lines a possible. Learn to prepare paint supplies and

- make washes and a simple color wheel. Step-by-step painting of an orchid available for beginners to advanced.
- **February 18 & March 4: Vibrant Watercolor** Express your love of color and learn the basic watercolor techniques, like laying the wash, reverse flows, and dry brush and soft edge. Orchid themes provided in prints.
- March 11 & 18: Composition Incorporate orchids, palm trees, fern and waterfalls in one balanced composition. With live sketching in the biomes, enjoy your island getaway through the watercolor arts.

\$90, \$85 for members (six-week series) – to register:

https://reservations.fpconservatory.org/SelectDate.aspx?ActivityID=1710
\$20, \$18 for members (per class) - to register:

https://reservations.fpconservatory.org/SelectDate.aspx?ActivityID=1709

Merry Norris- teaches a variety of classes for women in her Worthington studio. 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 <u>www.merrynovastudio.com</u>.

Vivian Ripley teaches classes through *Lifelong Learning and Leisure of Upper Arlington*. Winter classes in acrylic, pastel, and colored pencil started the week of January 16. There is a special **one-day watercolor class** on March 4. Register at http://parks.uaoh.net or call (614) 583-5333. For more information call Vivian at (614) 451-6254.