

# Central Ohio Watercolor Society

*Celebrating transparent watercolor since 1964*

*Dedicated to promoting &  
preserving the unique character  
of transparent watercolor.*



## ***March 2018 NEWSLETTER***

Our meetings are held on the **2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday** of the month (except for May, on the 1<sup>st</sup> Sunday)  
from **2 to 4 pm** at

**Glen Echo United Presbyterian Church**, 220 Cliffside Drive, Columbus, Ohio.

There are no meetings scheduled during June, July and August

***Our next meeting is on Sunday afternoon, March 11***  
***Program: Painting Demonstration by Charlie Rowland***

*Newsletter Editor: Jim Oberst – [jim@jimoberst.com](mailto:jim@jimoberst.com)*

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## ***Message from our President***

Hello Artists,

I am sorry that I will not be able to attend this March meeting and see Charlie's demo. I have a previous commitment that could not be changed.

An important date change, **the May meetings will always be the 1<sup>st</sup> Sunday in May because the 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday is always Mother's Day.**

We are going to revisit the by-laws. If you are interested in meeting over the summer to help with reviewing the by-laws, please let me know. My plan is to discuss proposed revisions at the September meeting then at our October annual meeting we will vote on

the revisions as well as vote for officers.

I am looking for a speaker/demo for our May 6<sup>th</sup> meeting. Let me know if you have any ideas.

Happy painting,

Suzanne

[www.suzanneaccetta.com](http://www.suzanneaccetta.com)

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## ***COWS Calendar 2018***

### **March**

March 1 – 4: Art at the Arnold

Sunday, now to March 24: Jeff Stahler show, High Rd. Gallery

Thursday, March 1: open studio at McConnell 6:30 – 8:30

Friday, March 2: Cody Heichel opening,

Brandt-Roberts Galleries, 5:30-8 thru March 31

Sunday, March 11: meeting, Glen Echo Church, 2-4, Charlie Rowland – Demo

### **April**

Thursday, April 5: open studio at McConnell 6:30 – 8:30

Sunday, April 8: meeting, Glen Echo Church, 2-4,

Online selling – Jim Oberst & Mindy Newman

### **May**

Thursday, May 3: open studio at McConnell 6:30 – 8:30

Sunday, May 6: meeting, Glen Echo Church, 2-4, TBA

Tuesday, May 29 – 31: Bill Vrscak workshop

### **June**

Friday, June 1: Spring Show take in, Westerville Community Center

Sunday, June 3: Spring show reception

Sunday, June 24: German Village Haus & Garden Tour

Saturday, June 30: Spring Show pick up

## **July**

July 1–August 4 - Arts Castle Show

## **September**

Sunday, September 9: meeting, Glen Echo Church, 2-4, by-law discussion

Ed Kitchen - Demo

## **October**

Sunday, October 14: meeting, Glen Echo Church, 2-4, annual meeting-vote for officers and any recommended by-law changes

Guest Speaker: Mary Gray, Director of the Riffe Gallery, “curating vs jurying – Artist statement, bio - submitting show proposals – hanging creatively

## **November**

Sunday, November 11: meeting, Glen Echo Church, 2-4, TBA

Sunday, November 18: Fall Show Opening, German Village Meeting Haus

## **December**

Sunday, December 9: meeting, Glen Echo Church, 2-4, Christmas Party

Friday, December 14: take down Fall Show

**Note:** *contact Suzanne for calendar additions or corrections.*

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## ***Announcements***

**2018 Dues are past due.** If you are one of our members who are very, very late to pay, ***please*** bring a check for \$30 made out to Central Ohio Watercolor Society to our March meeting, or send your check to our treasurer:

Sandra Gaunt

4795 Hayden Blvd  
Columbus OH 43221

**Suzanne Accetta:** We have an **open studio** time at the **McConnell Art Center** at our old meeting time – 6:30 – 8:30 pm on the first Thursday of every month. Please consider joining us there for some painting, fellowship, and fun.

**Sally Ford-Lyles: COWS Spring 2018 Workshop Instructor is Bill Vrscak** - dates are May 29,30,31. He will be jurying our show on June 1. This workshop will fill quickly, so as soon as the form is posted on our website get it and send it! We are currently working on site contracts and as soon as those are completed the registration form will go online, with first priority to COWS members.

**Marsha Cavanaugh:** The **2018 COWS Spring Show** will be held at the Westerville Community Center from June 1st through June 30th, 2018. Take in, set-up, and judging will take place on the weekend of June 1st. The Artist Reception will be held on Sunday, June 3rd from 2 pm to 4 pm. **Marsha still needs volunteers** in several areas. A volunteer sign-up sheet and the entry form are attached to this email.

**Cody Heichel's** solo exhibition "Peripheral Roots: New Works by Cody Heichel" is currently on view through Saturday, March 31<sup>st</sup> at Brandt-Roberts Galleries, 642 North High St, Columbus.

**Jeff Stahler:** 'CANDID VIEWS OF LIFE INSIDE AND OUTSIDE' - Watercolor & Cartoon Art of Jeff Stahler will be on display **thru March 25** at the High Roads Gallery, 12 E. Stafford Ave, Worthington. The exhibit will include original Jeff Stahler editorial cartoons & 'Moderately Confused' comic panels as well as many of his original watercolors.

Jeff's cartoon art is a part of the current exhibit 'The Force of Fandom' an exhibit that celebrates the way the world's most famous galaxy-spanning odyssey (Star Wars) inspires art at the Columbus Museum of Art thru August 19.

Also, Jeff has a watercolor in the current 'Bryn Du Art' art exhibit @ the Bryn Du Mansion thru March. He will be doing a plein air demo from the mansion on Saturday morning, March 10th, 10am- noon.

And finally, Jeff is participating in a group 'Self-Portrait' exhibit @ The Sharon Weiss Gallery on Lincoln St. in the Short North in April. The artist reception & opening will be on Friday evening 6pm- 8pm on April 6.

**Ned Moore** has an exhibit at the Grove City, OH, City Hall. It was hung on March 5, and will be up until mid-April. City Hall hours are Monday through Friday 8am to 5 pm.

Ned will also have an exhibit at Friendship Village of Dublin, on Riverside Dr, which will go up on April 2 and come down on April 23.

**Rick Mock's** painting "Violetrees" was accepted for the 2018 Bryn Du Art show in Granville at Bryn Du Mansion. There were 353 submissions for this year's show and 99

accepted works! Show is March 8 thru Mar 28. Rick will be doing a painting demo on Sat. Mar 11, 2-4 pm, and also a demo Mar 28 10-12 pm at the mansion.

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**Visit the COWS website** at <http://www.centralohiowatercolorssociety.com> for the latest info on exhibits, workshops, officers, committee composition, etc.

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

**Newsletter:** Please send all newsletter announcements, instructor announcements, and changes in your contact information to Jim Oberst at [jim@jimoberst.com](mailto:jim@jimoberst.com).

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## *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: \$55.00; Non-resident: \$62.00 [www.culturalartscenteronline.org](http://www.culturalartscenteronline.org)

**Bess Alexander** – Studio classes

Tuesday mornings 9:30 am - 11:30 am.

10-person limit

For more information call Bess at [614-939-1149](tel:614-939-1149) or email [bessalexanderart@yahoo.com](mailto:bessalexanderart@yahoo.com)

**Susan Brickner-Wren** - Watercolor techniques applied to papercrafts: Workshops include all supplies for students to complete several little works of art. Great for watercolor novices to learn basic watercolor techniques and for watercolor artists to learn modern papercrafting gear. Contact Susan at [sreaser@hotmail.com](mailto:sreaser@hotmail.com) or (702) 339-6378 for more information.

**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](mailto:kevin@bucklandgillespie.com) or call: 614-543-0000 for additional information. [www.kevinbucklandart.com](http://www.kevinbucklandart.com)

**John Cameron** - “Watercolor Class for Adult Beginners and Beyond” at:

- **Sunbear Studio and Gallery** in Alexandria (20 minute drive from Westerville, east on State Rt.161). Classes on Sundays, 1:30-4:00. For current class dates, go to the Sunbear website at: <http://www.sunbearstudio.com/> or call: [740-924-2656](tel:740-924-2656) or contact John at: [je7779cameron@gmail.com](mailto:je7779cameron@gmail.com) or cell: [614-282-1184](tel:614-282-1184).
- **Westerville Community Center** on Monday evening from 7:00- 9:00 PM (6 week course). The class will run from March 19 – April 23. Cost is \$65 resident/\$80 non-

resident. To register or for more information call the Center at [614-901-6500](tel:614-901-6500), visit the website <http://www.westerville.org>, or contact John at: [je7779cameron@gmail.com](mailto:je7779cameron@gmail.com) or cell: [614-282-1184](tel: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](mailto: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](mailto:artistsworks@gmail.com), [www.mindy-newman.pixels.com](http://www.mindy-newman.pixels.com)

**Mindy Newman at *Franklin Park Conservatory:***

SPRING FLOWERS

Violets, Daffodils and Daisies

Mar. 10, 17, and 24, Saturdays 1-3 pm

Series: \$60, \$50 for members; Per Class: \$20, \$18 for members (per person)

Art Supplies Information at Sign Up

<https://www.fpconservatory.org/events/springtime-watercolors-2018-03-10/>

Mindy Newman

[614.715.8022](tel:614.715.8022)

<http://mindy-newman.pixels.com/>

**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 [www.merrynovastudio.com](http://www.merrynovastudio.com).

**Vivian Ripley: *Underpainting Techniques with Pastel (one-day workshop)***

**Saturday, March 10: 9:00 AM - 4:00 PM, UA Senior Center Building 1, Room**

**105.** Underpainting is an important preliminary step of the painting process that can impact the total design of your painting, and significantly enhance your finished results. Vivian will demonstrate three different and creative underpainting techniques; students then complete a painting using their choice of underpainting methods. Papers are available for purchase at the class. Some pastel experience is needed. One-hour lunch break. Supply list e-mailed.

**Vivian** also offers special classes at **Cedar Lakes Conference Center at Ripley, WV**. The phone number is (304) 372-7860 (Marcia Humphrey, Program Coordinator). For more information call Vivian at (614) 451-6254.

**Lavonne Suwalski** will be teaching a watercolor class at Westerville Community Center on Thursday nights from 6:30-8:30 April 5 -May 10. Registration March 9-12. Titled **Go**

***With the Flow***, this course is designed to help artists loosen up and explore the fluidity of watercolor by taking advantage of the effects that it can produce, including wet-into-wet, lifting, and layering. Learn to approach your work with a gusto that emphasizes the free application and natural flow of paint.

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## Central Ohio Watercolor Society Minutes

DATE: FEBRUARY 11, 2018

TME: 6:30 PM

LOCATION: MCCONNELL ARTS CENTER

MONTHLY MEETING	Second Sunday of the month, 2:00 – 4:00 pm, Glen Echo Presbyterian Church, 220 Cliffside Dr., Clintonville, OH, 43202
PROGRAM	Demonstration by Christiane Curry
HANDOUTS	Meeting agenda, sign-up for spring show, sign-up for refreshments
??ATTENDEES	25 members and 1 guest
OFFICERS	President: Suzanne Accetta First Vice President: Marsha Cavanaugh Second Vice President: Jeff Stahler Treasurer: Sandra Gaunt Newsletter Editor and Corresponding Secretary: Jim Oberst (absent) Recording Secretary: Mitch Masters

**Suzanne Accetta** opened the meeting at 2:04 pm with reports from officers.

- First Vice President **Marsha Cavanaugh** reported on the upcoming **Spring Show**, which will be June 1 to June 30 at the Westerville Community Center. Take in will be Friday, June 1, and the opening reception will be Sunday, June 3, from 2 to 4 pm. Marsha passed around a sign-up sheet for help with the show. If you can help with take in, hanging, the reception, or anything else, please contact her at [marshakcavanaugh@hotmail.com](mailto:marshakcavanaugh@hotmail.com). The juror will be Bill Vrscak, who will also be offering a workshop from May 29 to 31. The location of this workshop, how to sign up, and other details will be available soon and will be posted on our website. The entry form for the Spring Show is now available on the Society website under “News and Events.” One correction is that paintings should have been completed within the last 3 years, not the last 2 years.
- Second Vice President **Jeff Stahler** reported that the **Fall Show** will be November 18 to December 14 at the German Village Society Meeting Haus in German Village. He is also trying to find a new location for the **2019 Spring Show**. If you have any ideas, please contact him at [jstahler@columbus.rr.com](mailto:jstahler@columbus.rr.com). Jeff also wanted to make everyone aware that the Columbus Symphony Orchestra has occasional open rehearsals on Fridays at 11 am. The next one will be March 2. You can buy tickets at the Ohio Theater on the day of the rehearsal for \$10. Jeff has taken these opportunities to make drawings and watercolor sketches of the performers and encourages others to consider doing the same.
- Treasurer **Sandy Gaunt** reminded everyone that their annual dues (\$30) should have been paid by now. Please contact her at [gaunt.2@osu.edu](mailto:gaunt.2@osu.edu) if you have any questions or

problems. Sandy reported that our checking account balance is \$11,269.23 and our savings account balance is \$8,020.96 for a combined total of \$19,290.19.

- Recording Secretary **Mitch Masters** asked whether there were any corrections or additions to the January minutes. None were offered.

## Committee Reports

- **Suzanne Accetta** (Program Committee) is lining up speaker for future meetings. If you would like to volunteer to do a demonstration, or if you have someone to suggest for a demonstration, or you have any other ideas, please contact her at [SuzAcc@aol.com](mailto:SuzAcc@aol.com).
- **Lavonne Suwalski** (Hospitality Chair) passed around a sign-up sheet for refreshments at future meetings. Please contact her at [suwalski@verizon.net](mailto:suwalski@verizon.net) if you would like to volunteer.

## New Business

- **Suzanne Accetta** noted that the second Sunday in May is Mother's Day. She suggests, therefore, that we move the meeting for that month to either the first or third Sunday. She will check to see which date works better and get back to us.

## Announcements

- **Judi Heston** reported the sad news that her friend and Society member **Norma Fiala** passed away last week after a long struggle with breast cancer. A memorial website created by her husband Bob can be visited at <http://memorialwebsites.legacy.com/Norma-Fiala/homepage.aspx>. There you can find details about the memorial service to be held on Feb. 24 to which Society members are invited.
- **Suzanne Accetta** reported that eight people showed up to paint together at the McConnell Art Center on Thursday, February 1, our old meeting time and place. Wine and crackers were served! She intends to continue using this time slot for open painting until June, at least, and then evaluate whether we should continue this program. The time is 6:30 – 8:30 pm on the first Thursday of the month, so the next opportunity will be March 1. Please come if you can!
- **Suzanne Accetta** noted that **Jeff Stahler's exhibit** at High Road Gallery, 12 E Stafford Ave, Worthington, OH, opened on Sunday and will continue until March 24. The gallery hours are Friday and Saturday, noon to 4:00 pm.
- **Vivian Ripley** reminded everyone that the "Three Points in Time" exhibit is open at the McConnell Art Center in Worthington and said that it is well worth seeing.
- **Vivian Ripley** also wanted to make people aware of one-day workshops she is offering on March 10 (underpainting techniques in pastel, possibly with watercolor underpainting) and May 19 (designing your watercolor painting from start to finish). These workshops will be held at the Upper Arlington Senior Center. For further information, please visit Vivian's webpage: [vivianripleyart.com/](http://vivianripleyart.com/).

The business meeting adjourned at 2:29 pm.

After a short break for refreshments, Christiane Curry began her watercolor demonstration. She has painted for almost all her life, but lately, for personal reasons, she has begun to paint almost exclusively on a small scale (paper size 5.5 x 7.5 inches, a size



that allows her to use standard 5 x 7 mats). Her approach is spontaneous and intuitive rather than carefully planned out ahead of time as is normally the case with large paintings. Her initial sketch consisted only of a horizontal line to indicate the horizon. Her first strokes were with a 1.5" flat brush. Christiane said that she takes many pictures with her smartphone, often from the car window, looking for interesting shapes and textures. However, once she starts a painting the reference photo (if she has one at all) becomes very much secondary to what is happening in front of her. During the approximately hour and a quarter of her demonstration Christiane completed two watercolors while still having plenty of time for commentary, discussion, and stories. Everyone greatly enjoyed her presentation.

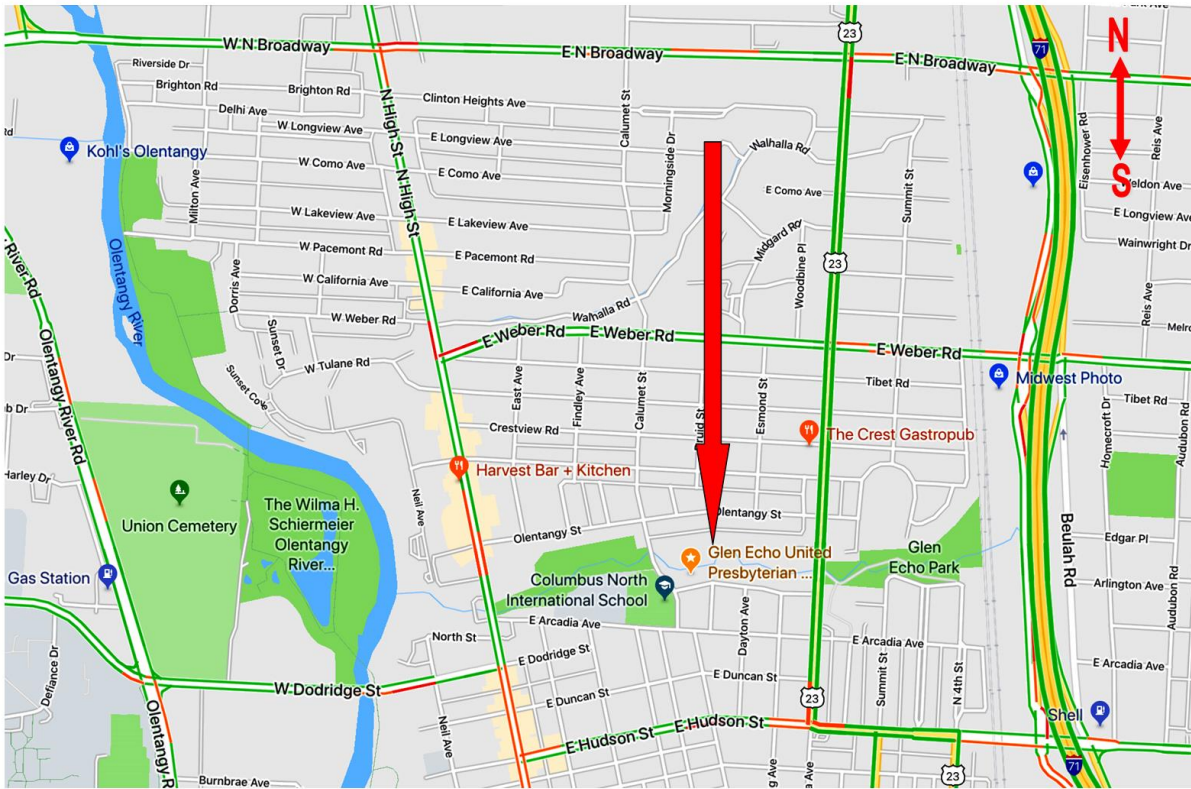
The next meeting will be Sunday, March 11, at 2:00 PM in Glen Echo United Presbyterian Church, 220 Cliffside Dr., Clintonville.

Mitch Masters

Recording Secretary



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