# COWS Meeting Minutes - October 11, 2020

# **Annual Business Meeting**

September meeting minutes prepared by: Pam Hartford

- September 2020 meeting minutes amendment-"Jeff Stahler provided a plein air painting demonstration to those that attended the meeting in-person"
- Amended September meeting minutes approved.

### I. New Business

### A. Election of 2021 Officers

- a. The 2020 officers were recommended to remain in their positions due to the abbreviated year we have had because of Covid-19.
- b. The 2020 officers were approved to remain as officers for 2021. They are as follows:
  - i. President Marsha Cavanaugh
  - ii. 1st Vice President Jeff Stahler
  - iii. 2nd Vice President Katrinka Hagovsky
  - iv. Treasurer Mitch Masters
  - v. Recording/Corresponding Secretary Pam Hartford

#### B. Exhibitions

- a. Mary Whyte Exhibition "We the People: Portraits of Veterans in America" opened Sept.18<sup>th</sup>, 2020 and continues through March 14<sup>th</sup>, 2021.
  - i. It is being held at Vets Memorial.
  - ii. Mary will present talks, a live-streamed painting class and, conditions permitting, an in-person watercolor class (dates to be determined-website indicates later in the exhibition).

## II. Committee Chairs and Reports

- A. **Membership:** Co- Chairs, Bess Alexander and Lavonne Suwalski
  - a. Statement from the Membership Committee:
    - i. "The Membership Committee is pleased to report a modification in our 2020 procedure for membership into COWS. Past entries were always in person. Due to COVID, we took into account and considered the safety of our members and applicants. With the help of Pam Hartford, we have introduced an online submission and selection of new members. We have brought all of this forward in compliance with the current bylaws."
  - b. Jurying will occur on Saturday, October 17th utilizing a virtual option
- B. Hospitality: Chair, {New Chairperson needed for 2021}
- C. Fall Show: Chair, Jeff Stahler, 1st V-p
  - a. COWS Fall Exhibit (Virtual)
    - *i.* The COWS Fall Exhibit will be virtual this year through our website from mid-November through the end of 2020.
    - *ii.* COWS will award prizes for Best of Show, first, second, third place, and recognition of excellence.
    - iii. You may enter only one watercolor.
    - iv. All members who participate will be exhibited online.

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- v. Tom Sorrell, the current President of OWS, is this year's juror.
- vi. Process for submission:
  - 1. No entry fee this year.
  - 2. One watercolor painting per member
  - 3. Only transparent watercolor media works accepted.
  - 4. Art ORIGINAL, copies from other artist's work, workshops, classes or from published materials not acceptable.
  - 5. These artworks SHOULD NOT have been shown in previous COWS shows and completed within the last 3 years.
  - 6. No nudes or offensive language, words, etc
  - 7. The deadline for all entries is by midnight on November 1<sup>st</sup>, 2020.
  - 8. 100% of sale to artist.
  - 9. Images
    - a. Photos should not be taken behind glass or showing the mat or frame.
    - b. Please keep image size between 1 MB and 3 MB
    - c. Images should be mailed to Kevin Buckland through this FTP site:

https://spaces.hightail.com/uplink/bucklandgillespieftp

- In the subject line on the FTP site, please put COWS SHOW
- d. Title, Size, Artist Name, and Price/NFS should be emailed to CowsWebsite@columbus.rr.com
- vii. There was a question about being able to submit a painting that is currently in the OWS 2020 show. The COWS Board will review and provide an answer.
- D. Finance: Chair, Mitch Masters
  - a. \$16K in checking and savings combined
- E. Program: Co-chairs, Jeff Stahler and Kevin Buckland
  - a. November meeting will be a WebEx visit to Ed Kitchen's studio
  - b. January 2021 meeting will be a virtual demonstration by David Lobenberg (https://www.lobenbergart.com/)
- F. Exhibition and Outreach: Chair, Sylvia Rosenthal
  - a. If you are interested in attending the Mary Whyte exhibit as a COWS group, contact Sylvia by 11/30/2020

Business meeting adjourned at 2:25pm

Program: Jim Gerkin provided a tour of his studio.