


Central Ohio Watercolor Society

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of transparent watercolor.*

March 2017 NEWSLETTER

Meetings are held the **1st 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)

Our next meeting is on Thursday, March 2
Guest Artist: Susan Ward

Newsletter Editor: Jim Oberst – jim@jimoberst.com

Message from our President

Hello artists,

I hope most of you can attend our March meeting, Thursday, March 2nd, 6:30 pm at the McConnell Arts Center. Our guest artist will be Susan Ward. She was our guest a few years ago. Susan teaches figure and anatomy at the Cultural Arts Center. Her own Watercolor paintings of figures are expressive and her style is loose. You don't want to miss her demo.

Don't forget to visit our spring show at the beautiful Ft. Hayes Shot Gallery March 6 to April 7. Our artist's reception is Thursday, March 16th, 6-8 pm. Please bring finger food.

Our treasurer Sandra Gaunt sent me an updated roster. There are a few people who are late paying their 2017 dues. She also sent a list of names of members who have been dropped from the list. My intention this week was to try to contact these members to confirm their status. I got sidetracked painting for the spring show and some other pressing issues. As my mother would say, "the road to hell is paved with good intentions."

Below is a list of people who need to pay 2017 dues followed by a list of members we believe have dropped their membership. If you know any one listed by mistake, please contact that artist and have them contact me suzacc@aol.com or Sandy gaunt.2@osu.com.

Owe 2017 dues: Zita Bordron, Donna Burns, Joe Douglass, Joan McElheny, Neil McIntosh, Jeny Reynolds, Terri Ruh, Richard Staatstheater, Jim Wiggin, Joan Fistick, Marty Hansgen & Violet Hendershot. Please let Sandy know if there is a mistake.

Members we believe have dropped out of COWS: George Alcock, Neki Anterpreet, James Bailey, Nancy Bromberg, Wayne Brengman, Janet Carr, Jane Davis, Lee Ekleberry, Carol Fiorella, Harvey Gilliam, Pam Graham, Mary Ann Harlan, Dave Ignasewski, Nancy Johnston, Norma LeVeck, Donna Noice, Stacey Peters, Erma Pierce, Jim Prosser, Julie Ricketts, Carole Ritter, Lori Rodman, Phyllis Rosen, Walt Shealor, Judy Smith, Betty Ann Smith, Marilyn Stocker, Betty Thompson and Mary Wade. Again, please let us know about any mistakes or updates.

Thank you,
Suzanne Accetta
suzacc@aol.com

Announcements

Congratulations to **Jeff Stahler** who was elected as Second Vice President.

Suzanne Accetta has a show starting April 2 at the *High Road Gallery*, 12 E Stafford Ave, Worthington.

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

Fran Mangino took the People's Choice Award in two consecutive Florida Suncoast Watercolor Society exhibitions. Fran was also accepted into the 2017 AWS exhibition in New York with her painting *You Looking at Me* that won an award from Ted Nuttall at the

Florida Watercolor 2016 exhibition. "Do not listen to artists who tell you to not rework a painting. Rework the painting if it needs it." She also won a second in Arcadia Exhibition at the Florida State University extension.

Rick Mock's painting *Woody by the Water* was accepted for the *Bryn Du Art Exhibition* March 15 to April 1 in Granville, Ohio.

Our **Spring Show** will be held March 6 to April 7 at the *Fort Hayes Shot Gallery*. Take-in is Monday Feb. 27 from 10 a.m. to noon. There will be a reception on Thursday, March 16, from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. Information and entry form for the Spring Show is on the COWS website under "News & Events."

Jeff Stahler provided the following information about the exhibit **Art of Schiller Park: A 150 Year Celebration:**

- Location: *German Village Festival Hall*, 588 South Third Street
- Exhibit dates: April 23 through May 21
- Opening Reception: Sunday, April 23, 2 – 4 pm
- Art drop-off: Monday, April 17, 9 am – 11 am
- Art pick-up: Sunday, May 21, noon – 2 pm

The subject matter is limited to **Schiller Park**. There is no entry fee. The German Village Society will retain a 25% commission on all sales. Artwork should be professionally framed with wire for hanging. Provide your name, address, email, phone number, title of work, and price on the back of the artwork. Any questions, contact Jeff Stahler (exhibit curator) at jeffstahler1@gmail.com or 513-314-3853.

Jim Wiggin- plans are underway for the *German Village Haus & Garten Tour* which takes place--as always--on last Sunday of June. The German Village Tour Committee has planned a shorter day for this year, so artists may have 90 fewer minutes in which to complete their works (we can talk about that and perhaps arrange to start painting earlier in the morning than the Tour). Please contact Jim at jameswwiggin@gmail.com or 614-203-4670 for further information.

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

If you use 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.

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

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

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

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 the **Westerville Community Center** on Monday evening from 7:00- 9:00 PM, from April 3- May 8, 2017 (6 week course). 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. The same class is also taught at Sunbear Studio and Gallery in 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 as 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 www.merrynovastudio.com.

Vivian Ripley is offering the following classes through *Lifelong Learning and Leisure of Upper Arlington*. Register at <http://parks.uaoh.net> or call (614) 583-5333.

- March 4, 9:00 AM - 4:00 PM: Special one-day class, "Designing Your Watercolor from Start to Finish"
- April 8, 9:00 AM- 4:00 PM: Special one-day class, "Watercolor Pencil Workshop".
- Beginning week of April 10: 8-week classes in acrylic, pastel, and colored pencil.

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

- Weekend of May 12-14: Acrylic Workshop
- Week of July 23-28: Watercolor Workshop
- Weekend of October 13-15: Pastel Workshop

For more information call Vivian at (614) 451-6254.

Central Ohio Watercolor Society Minutes

DATE: FEBRUARY 2, 2017

TME: 6:30 PM

LOCATION: MCCONNELL ARTS CENTER

MONTHLY MEETING	First Thursday of the month, 6:30 p.m. – 8:30 p.m.
PROGRAM	Ron Mlicki demonstration
HANDOUTS	Meeting agenda, Spring Show Entry Form

ATTENDEES	23 members
OFFICERS	President: Suzanne Accetta First Vice President: Sally Ford-Lyles Second Vice President: Jeff Stahler (elected at this meeting) Treasurer: Sandra Gaunt (absent) Newsletter Editor and Corresponding Secretary: Jim Oberst (absent) Recording Secretary: Mitch Masters

Note: The January meeting was cancelled due to a snow storm.

President **Suzanne Accetta** opened the meeting at 6:32 p.m. **Sandy Gaunt** submitted a financial report to **SA** by email. Our checking account balance as of the end of the year was \$11,262.54. Our savings account balance was \$7,519.38. **Mitch Masters** asked if there were any changes or additions to the December minutes (January's meeting having been cancelled). There were none.

Announcements and Reports

- **Sally Ford-Lyles** noted that the Central Ohio Watercolor Society has been participating in the annual Haus und Garten tour for many years, with the result that the winning paintings bought by the German Village Society each year constitute a virtual history of our Society. The tour takes place during the last weekend in June each year. If you are interesting in participating this year (a plein air painting of one of the featured houses), please email the Paint-Out Committee chair, Jim Wiggins, at jameswwiggin@gmail.com.
- **Lavonne Suwalski and David Friedlander** (co-chairs of the Hospitality/Social Committee) passed around a sign-up sheet for volunteers to bring refreshments to future meetings. If you missed the meeting but would like to volunteer, please email Lavonne at suwalski@verizon.net.
- **Sally Ford-Lyles** queried members about the **Fall Show**, seeking opinions on whom to invite to jury the show and hold a workshop, whether the workshop should be in conjunction with the show, and whether it should be 2, 3, or 4 days long. She will ask **Fred Graff** if he is able to jury the show and present a workshop. The workshop will be in conjunction with the Fall Show; its duration is still to be determined.
- The **Spring Show** will be held March 6 to April 7 at the Fort Hayes Shot Gallery. Take-in is Monday Feb. 27 from 10 a.m. to noon. There will be a reception on Thursday, March 16, from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. Information and entry form for the Spring Show is on the COWS website under "News & Events." No juror has yet been secured, but **Jeff Stahler** said he would ask Columbus watercolor artist **Cody Heichel** whether he can serve. (See Cody's website at <http://www.codyheichel.com/>.) A sign-up sheet for helping at the Spring Show was passed around. If you can help, please contact **SA** at suzacc@aol.com.
- **Kevin Buckland** had to resign as 2nd Vice President due to conflict with his position chairing Art at the Arnold in early March. SA asked for nominations. **Jeff Stahler** was nominated and elected by acclamation.
- **SA** noted a need to revise the COWS by-laws, which has not been done for almost 20 years. Committee structure and practices seem to have changed, and there is a need to re-examine the delinquent dues policy. It may also be advisable to create some new committees, such as a Program Committee, Scholarship Committee, and Workshop Committee. **SA** passed around a sign-up sheet for committees, including an ad hoc

committee to review the by-laws. The by-laws are available on the COWS website under "Information." If you can serve on a committee, please contact SA at suzacc@aol.com.

Announcements from Members

- **Bob Bruce** brought to our attention the **168 Hour Art Challenge**, sponsored by the Upper Arlington Lutheran Church. In brief, you have 168 hours (i.e., a week) to create a work of art in any medium based on a verse from the Bible that is given artists 168 hours before their work is due. Entry forms are due February 15, the verse will be assigned on February 22, and the art is due a week later on Wednesday, March 1. Cash prizes will be awarded for first, second, and third place. More information and the entry form can be found at <http://www.ualc.org/templates/System/details.asp?id=38787&PID=1049319>.
- **Jeff Stahler** reported that the German Village Arts Committee, of which he is a member, is sponsoring a celebration of the 150th anniversary of Schiller Park. There will be an art show helping commemorate this event starting with a reception on April 23. Pictures of the park can be dropped off beforehand at the German Village Meeting Haus between 9 a.m. and 11 a.m. Jeff said he could also take artwork if getting to the Meeting Haus is a problem. For further information, please contact Jeff at jstahler@columbus.rr.com.
- **Sally Ford-Lyles** asks that each COWS member email her a jpeg image of one piece of their work to be posted on the Society webpage. If you already have a picture posted but wish to replace it, just send her a new jpeg.
- **Suzanne Accetta** has a show starting April 2 at the High Road Gallery, 12 E Stafford Ave, Worthington.

The business meeting adjourned at 6:59 p.m. and, after a 5-minute break, Ron Mlicki gave a demonstration of how he approaches portrait painting. Despite the time limitation, Ron produced a very nice work that was applauded by all.

Mitch Masters, Recording Secretary