

NOVEMBER NEWSLETTER







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NEXT MEETING—TUESDAY NOVEMBER 28 at 6:00 PM

Watercolor Demonstration by Robin Lee Makowski, NWS, FWS, NMWS-MR WFWS

Refracted & Reflected - Painting Glass





Robin will be serving up #48 in her Happy Hour watercolor series, Thar Be Grog! She will be painting in watercolor on Arches 300# cold press and show you all the steps she takes to create her award-winning still lifes. See you there!

Mandarin Garden Club, 2892 Loretto Rd, Jacksonville FL 32223

Come early at 5:30 to help setup and socialize with fellow artists.

Refreshments will be served.

Bring a guest and receive a free raffle ticket.

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE



Hello fellow watercolorists!

We are already in November and our Fall Show is almost behind us and what a wonderful show it was! A big thank you to all of you who submitted paintings!

My biggest wish for future shows is that we would receive more entries. I believe that this show we had about 38 paintings. This is down from previous shows and years. Your Board has considered ways to get more artists to participate and we have some ideas...more on that later. However, we would love to hear from you....what is holding you back from entering our shows? Do you have any suggestions to make our shows a bigger success? We really would love to hear your thoughts.

For those of you who have exhibit worthy paintings, please do not be shy! Take the leap and be a part of our next exhibition. This would be the one at the Saint Augustine Art Association in February, and we would love to fill the room. The First Friday Art Walk is a lot of fun, with all the galleries open and many art lovers browsing the artwork. Our awards will be announced during the Friday evening ceremony. Please be a part of it. We would love for 50 paintings to be entered and exhibited. It's a great opportunity for the Jacksonville Watercolor Society to shine! More details on this Spring show are in the Newsletter.

So, keep painting and learning. Every painting you do will teach you something, even if it's a lesson you did not ask for!

Happy painting! LuAnn Dunkinson, President

UPCOMING EVENTS

Meeting Nov 28, 2023 - Robin Makowski, FWS NWS NMWS WFNS - Demo Nov 27, 2023 Fall Show Takedown/Pickup

December Holiday Break

Meeting Jan 30, 2024 -Linda Wokoun (Workshop Instructor) Watercolor Demo

Spring Workshop Jan 31-Feb 2, 2024 with Linda Wokoun

Spring Show February 2-25, 2024 at St Augustine Art Association

Meeting Feb 27, 2024—LuAnn Dunkinson—Urban Sketching Demo

Meeting Mar 26, 2024—Ted Head—Demo

Meeting Apr 23, 2024 - Geri Groenert (AOTY 2022) - Demo

Meeting May 28, 2024 - Social Gathering & Installation of 2024-25 Board

For details on these and other events, please visit the website for Programs, Exhibitions, and Workshops.

2023 FALL JURIED SHOW - AWARDS

GOLD AWARD

SILVER AWARD

BRONZE AWARD

Ted Head-"Stella, Stella, Little Star"



Cynthia Pierson – "Summer Days"



Dee Roberts-"Night Patterns"



MERIT AWARDS

Siv Spurgeon – "Mask Parade"



LuAnn Dunkinson - "Get Off My Back"



Robyn Freedman – "Spotted Orchids in Blue"



HONORABLE MENTION AWARDS

Frances Jones - "Evening Light"



Linda Hawkins - "No Wake Zone"



Nancy Banks - "Guiding Light"



Jan Koss - "Roseate"



George Tobi Memorial Award – Rebecca Mentz - "Empty Chair"



Cheap Joe's Merchandise Award Pablo Rivera - "Zane"



2023 FALL SHOW—Just a few more days until take-down & pick-up

The 2023 Fall Show will be exhibited through November 27 at Christ Episcopal Church in both Westbury Parish Hall and Formation & Arts buildings located at 400 San Juan Drive in Ponte Vedra Beach during their normal operating hours.

Congratulations to the award winners on the previous page and to all who entered. Paintings and award winners are posted on our website and social media—www.jacksonvillewatercolorsociety.org/exhibitions.

Take-down/pick-up at Christ Episcopal Church on Monday, November 27 from 10 am to 12 pm. Please make arrangements to pick up your painting.

2024 SPRING SHOW

The Spring Show will be early again this year, so get your paintings ready over the winter holiday break for a fantastic show in February!

Paintings will be on exhibit from February 2 through February 25, 2024 at St. Augustine Art Association (SAAA), South Gallery, 22 Marine St., St Augustine, 32084. Open Tues-Sun 12 to 4 pm.

This venue is available through the generous donation of long time JWS member, Virginia Meadows. JWS Awards will be announced at a reception/awards ceremony during the First Friday Art Walk on February 2 at 7 pm. For more information about the First Friday Art Walk, parking, free shuttle, see Art Galleries of St Augustine (AGoSA) brochure.

Note: SAAA charges a commission for artwork sold through SAAA - 30% for STAAA members and 50% for non-members. STAAA membership is \$60 annually. Price your artwork accordingly. There is a size limitation for this show - no longer than 28" on the longest side of the frame and no less than 12" on the shortest side. Please see the separate article on changes to Show Standards regarding acceptable frames (page 6).

Online entries will be accepted from January 22, 2024 through midnight January 28, 2024. Please see <u>online entry instructions</u> on the website, If you would like help with entering online, please contact Tuni Weiss at 904-540-4040 or Barbara Holt at 904-874-4916.

Remote drop-off locations and contacts are listed on the website to expedite take-in and make it more convenient for artists. Please take advantage of the remote drop-off locations. Jurying and judging by Linda Wokoun on January 30 right after take-in at 1pm. The paintings will be hung by Friday afternoon for the First Friday Art Walk.

Membership dues for 2024 must be paid by January 19, 2024 to be eligible to enter the show.

2024 SPRING WORKSHOP

"Positive Flow, Negative Control" Instructor: Linda Wokoun January 31 - February 2, 2024

from 9:30 am to 4:00 pm

at the Jacksonville Gem and Mineral Society

\$375 for members \$425 for non-members



Whether you are a beginner or an experienced watercolorist, by the end of the workshop, you will have a deeper understanding of negative painting and its application, empowering you to create visually striking watercolor compositions that truly stand out. Don't miss out on this workshop—register and pay the \$100 deposit on the JWS website.

Linda Wokoun is a recognized watercolor artist and a popular workshop instructor throughout Florida, as well as conducting her own online workshops. Originally from Chicago, she moved to Southwest Florida ten year ago. She is a signature of the Florida Suncoast Watercolor Society and is currently serving as president. Linda is also a member of the Florida Watercolor Society and the Transparent Watercolor Society of America. She enjoys leveraging the natural characteristics of water to bring energy and movement to her paintings. Linda incorporates both abstract and representational elements into her work and uses wet into wet process, blending colors and creating textures directly on the painting surface. Visit Linda's website for information on the artist and to see examples of her work at lindawokoun.com.

2024 GENERAL MEETINGS—NEW LOCATION



Starting January 30, 2024 our general monthly meetings will be in a new location- Cypress Village, 4600 Middleton Park Cir E, Jacksonville, FL 32224 in the Osprey Room (in main building near entrance).

Directions: JTB or I90 East toward Beaches and exit at San Pablo. Pass Mayo Clinic, turn right at next light onto WM Davis Parkway. Continue 1.5 miles to the entrance of Cypress Village. Special Event signs will be posted directing us to the main parking lot. Enter through the main entrance and stop at the concierge desk for directions to thed Osprey Room.

We are grateful that Cypress Village will supply water, tea, coffee, and cookies, as well as the TV for watching demonstrations. And the room will be setup for us, so we will have more time to socialize with fellow artists from JWS and Cypress Village.

We are very excited about the new location and hope everyone will join us for the first meeting on January 30th and other monthly meetings after that.

2024 CHANGES IN JWS SHOW STANDARDS

Effective January 1, 2024, JWS Show Standards will accept wood frames in addition to metal frames. Please read the specifications carefully to make sure your framing is in compliance. We hate to turn away any painting because it is framed incorrectly. If you have any questions about acceptable framing, please contact Co-VPs of Shows, Barbara Holt or Tuni Weiss before take-in.

<u>FRAMING</u> – Metal frames in **gold**, **silver**, **black**, **or white** will be accepted with no embellishments. Wood frames with a professional finish appearance of black, white, or natural and wood tones will be accepted. Wood frames must be **plain flat** framing with no embellishments or ornamentation. Frames may be up to 2" in width. Hardware for wooden frames should be D-strap hangers. Wire shall be securely fastened to conventional flat holders. No screw eye or saw tooth hangers. Acrylic plastic (plexiglass) is required on all entries. No glass. Work not suitably or safely mounted is unacceptable.

<u>MATS</u> - Mats, if used, must be white or off-white, single or double mats only. No colored filets allowed or floating on color. Simplicity of presentation allows each work to be viewed on its own merit and on an equal basis with the other submissions.

FRAME DIMENSIONS – Shall be no more than 44 inches (unless otherwise specified for the particular show) and no less than 12 inches in either direction.

RENEW MEMBERSHIP AND PAY DUES FOR 2024

Please use the PayPal option on the JWS Website, or mail your check to Rebecca Mentz, 4655 Apache Avenue Jacksonville, FL 32210 following directions at www.jacksonvillewatercolorsociety.org/membership Dues must be paid by January 19, 2024 to enter the Spring Show.

OTHER NEWS

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