



FEBRUARY NEWSLETTER



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NEXT MEETING—TUESDAY FEBRUARY 27 at 6:00 PM

GUEST ARTIST: LUANN DUNKINSON

CYPRESS VILLAGE, EGRET ROOM

LuAnn Dunkinson invites you to sketch along with her as she shares some of her experience and techniques from one of her two of her favorite pastimes - Plein Aire Painting and Urban Sketching.



"For our demo, we will be sketching from a photo and I will be using pen and ink with watercolor washes. I encourage you to sketch along! If you are planning to do this, please bring these simple materials:

- A small sketchbook (I usually use a Canson 10" x 7" when sketching out). If using watercolor washes, you will be more successful if its watercolor friendly paper.
- Waterproof pens, you can use any you like- Microns are good, or any fountain pens you like. I use a Duke 550, with a fude nib).
- A small travel watercolor set with a brush and a small water container." (optional) - full-size reference photo on website

LuAnn is the President of the Jacksonville Watercolor Society, after serving several years on the Board. She is also an active member of the First Coast Plein Aire Painters, Florida Watercolor Society, Jacksonville Artist Guild, St Augustine Art Association, and the Jacksonville Urban Sketchers. She's won numerous awards for her watercolors, most notably The Cheap Joes Purchase Award at the Florida Watercolor Society's 50Th Anniversary Show in 2021. There have also been several awards in Plein Aire painting, including the First Place Blue Ribbon at the St Mary's Plein Aire Competition in 2022 and 2023. [Link to LuAnn's website.](#)

Go to <https://jacksonvillewatercolorsociety.org/> to learn more about LuAnn, Urban Sketching, this meeting, and directions to Cypress Village meeting location.

Come early at 5:30 to socialize with fellow artists. Refreshments will be served. If you are a member, bring a guest and receive a free raffle ticket.

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE



Hi fellow artists!

Wow! Can you believe that crowd we had at our January meeting!? It was great to see that. For our February meeting, we plan on having more chairs or possibly moving to a larger room! That's a good problem to have. It's awesome to find so many artists interested in watercolor. Not to sound like a school Marm, but please be considerate to our demo artists by not talking during the demo unless you are asking a question of the artist. As our group increases in size, this becomes even more important.

Linda Wokoun gave a wonderful demo at our meeting. It really set the stage for a very enjoyable and informative 3 day workshop. She shared her knowledge of wet-into-wet technique, and negative painting. I think everyone left knowing a bit more about those methods and everyone came home with three beautiful paintings. We will have a few one day workshops coming up- starting with Ted Head's in April. More on that in the newsletter and on our website. We will have another multi-day workshop coming up again in the Fall.

Happy painting!

LuAnn

UPCOMING EVENTS

- Juried Spring Show—February 2-25, 2024 at St Augustine Art Association
- Show Pickup—February 25, 2024 at St Augustine Art Association
- Meeting Feb 27, 2024—LuAnn Dunkinson—"Sketch Along" Urban Sketching
- Non-Juried Members' Spring Show—March 1-26 at Cypress Village
- Show Reception—March 10, 2024 at Cypress Village
- Student Show Entries—March 1-xx at Pine Forest Elementary School
- Meeting Mar 26, 2024—Ted Head—Demo & Nominations for Board
- Workshop April xx, 2024—Ted Head "Passion in Portraits" one-day workshop
- Meeting Apr 23, 2024 –Geri Groenert (AOTY 2022) -Demo & Election of Board
- Meeting May 28, 2024 –Social Gathering & Installation of 2024-25 Board
- Non-Juried Members' Summer Show -Reddi-Arts—details coming soon

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

2024 JURIED SPRING SHOW

The Spring Show paintings will be on exhibit 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. **Take-down/pick-up at St Augustine Art Association on Sunday, February 25 from 1 to 3 pm. Please make arrangements to pick up your paintings during this time.**

Congratulations to the Award Winners and all who participated in the show.

2024 SPRING JURIED SHOW - AWARDS

GOLD AWARD

Don Farrell- "A Good Story"



SILVER AWARD

Ted Head- "Egret Sentinal"



BRONZE AWARD

Rebecca Mentz- "Unzipped"



MERIT AWARDS

Dee Roberts - "Elegance"



Michael Tiber - "Lighthouse Keeper"



Debbie Bird - "Lucille"



HONORABLE MENTION AWARDS

Lois Newman - "Bananas"



Tuni Weiss - "Flourish #2"



LuAnn Dunkinson - "On the Way to the Fair"



Nancy Banks - "Contemplation"



2024 ONE-DAY WORKSHOP—Still a few spaces available!

"Portraits from the Heart" with Ted Head

April 5, 2024

from 9:30 am to 4:30 pm

1 hr lunch break (Bring your own lunch)

at the Jacksonville Gem and Mineral Society

3733 Crown Point Rd, Jacksonville

\$95 for members

\$125 for non-members



In this workshop we'll explore simplifying a portrait into its basic components. We'll use techniques such as feathering, lifting, wet-into-wet, lost and found edges, and more.

We'll discuss how to use a reference photo to achieve the results we want, and improve our portrait painting skills to be able to capture our loved ones in watercolor. Every step will be clearly demoed as we move through the workshop. Most of all, come have fun and expand your abilities.

Don't miss out on this workshop. Limited seats available and they are filling up fast. To register and pay the full fee on the JWS website. To find out more about Ted and this workshop go to: <https://jacksonvillewatercolorsociety.org/workshops>.

Ted Head Bio



Ted's work has been published in American Artist magazine, SPLASH 11 and SPLASH 16, the Best of America Watercolor Artists & Artisans. He has also won over 85 awards, including dozens of "Best of" and 1st place awards, and has become a popular workshop instructor and show judge. Ted believes that when his brush dances between imagination and reality, something magical can happen. When it does, the emotional connection between him and his subject says it all. Design, values and color are the means to express a moment in

time, captured in dramatic watercolor or oils. An avid kayaker, his paintings show a fascination with light and color, depicting nature's beauty, wildlife, pets, and people, especially his grandkids.

www.tedheadfineart.com

**MEMBERS' SPRING NON-JURIED SHOW
MARCH 1-26, 2024
CYPRESS VILLAGE, EGRET HALL
MARCH 10 RECEPTION 2-3 PM**

JWS Members have been invited to participate in an exhibition at Cypress Village, Egret Hall for the month of March. Paintings may be for sale and no commission will be charged. All sales will be handled directly with the artists. There will be a reception at Cypress Village on Sunday, March 10, from 2-3 pm. There will be refreshments. No awards will be given.

Since this is a non-juried show, we will be a little more lenient with regard to framing rules however, all submissions must be done in an aqueous manner, according to JWS rules for acceptable medium and surfaces. Frames can be any color and material and should be in good condition, but still must use plexi-glass, NO glass. Be sure the wire hanger is secured on each side of the frame, no fixed metal hangers. Mats, if used, should be clean and fit the painting and frame with no gaps. There will not be a size restriction other than the normal rule which limits the size to a maximum of 44". We will disregard the minimum frame size for now.

Submissions will be done on-line through our website from Feb 19th through the 26th. There will be no fee to enter. Paintings entered are not disqualified from entry in the Fall show. To include your painting in this Members Show, please go to the website.

Take-in will be on Friday, March 1, from 10:00 am to 12:00, at Cypress Village, Egret Hall, tower A, however we will start hanging the show as paintings are brought in. We have a short time frame to get everything in and hung so the earlier you can get your submissions in the better. I also encourage you to carpool or use a drop-off site due to parking limitations during the day. If you plan to drop-off your painting with a site volunteer, please be sure to call first to arrange a convenient time for both of you. Drop-off site volunteers: Orange Park area – Dee Roberts – 904-654-5982 St Augustine - Tuni Weiss - 904-540-4040 Beaches and other areas – Barbara Holt 904-874-4916

The show will be taken down on March 26th, which is the date of our March meeting, so paintings can be picked up before or after the meeting (not during). Anyone who cannot be there during those hours should contact Barbara Holt to arrange a different delivery or pickup.

If you have any questions please feel free to contact Barbara Holt at barbaraholt@comcast.net.

MEMBER NEWS



Congratulations to Jan Koss for receiving the third place award for her painting "Trio!" in the Art Guild of Orange Park exhibit—"Speaking in Color" at Thrasher Horne Gallery.

In January, Pablo Rivera was honored at the unveiling of his official watercolor portrait of Judge Brian Davis. The portrait was commissioned to hang in the federal courthouse in Jacksonville along side of portraits of judges that go back to the 1800s.

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
After March, only members who have paid dues for 2024 will receive email communications from JWS.

2024 STUDENT ART SHOW

JWS is excited to be hosting the student art show with Pine Forest Elementary School again this year. Entries will be received during March, paintings judged in April, and winners announced during May.

[Click here to see more about this show and how to enter, and the gallery with paintings from last year's show.](#)



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