

# Our Tuesday, October 26, 2021 Meeting will be IN REAL LIFE AT THE MANDARIN GARDEN CENTER,

2892 Loretto Rd, Jacksonville, FL 32223

The Meeting will start at 7 pm! Don't miss it!

(The Jacksonville Watercolor Society follows Health Department Guidelines for all our events. Please stay home and get better if you feel ill! Masks are recommended and seating will allow for social distancing. Hand sanitizer is available...)

#### OCTOBER DEMONSTRATING ARTIST;: XI GUO



After completing a BFA in oil painting and graduate school in photography, Xi started to focus on painting with watercolor about nine years ago and soon became an international award-winning artist. Her articles and paintings have been featured in the *International Artist Magazine*, the *Art of Watercolor Magazine* and *Watercolor Artists Magazine*. Her paintings were included in the art-book, *The Best of Watercolor-Splash 16 and Splash 20*, published by North Light Books.

We are fortunate to have her as a member and an instructor! In addition to Tuesday's demonstration, she is instructing our Fall Workshop.

#### **President's Message**

#### October 2021

Hello Members, I hope this newsletter finds you healthy, happy, and filled with excitement for our Fall Show. As president, I have the privilege of checking in the online entries and I have a bird's eye view of each painting submitted.

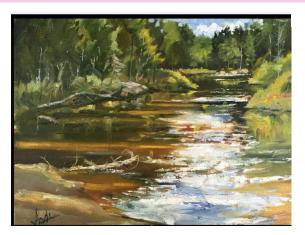
I am very proud of all our entrants. Great painting and thank you for your participation. We were rather on the low side this season of only 40 entries. Sometimes we think our paintings are not good enough. I was one of those and didn't submit until the last minute. I was encouraged by a friend who gave me that little push and encouragement that I needed. Perhaps for our Spring show you can give each other encouragement and that little push we all need to enter our paintings. I believe that your paintings are better than you think! By next Spring I hope my bird's eye view will see a panorama of more members' beautiful watercolor works of art.

I also realized this past month that our last meeting was not quite as good as it should have been in regards to COVID. It was brought to my attention that we were too crowded together. I agree and the board is taking extra measures for the safety of our members and guests. I care a great deal about all our members and this organization and want everyone to be safe and healthy.

Please read your newsletter, first page, for our meetings and events COVID guidelines. Again, as always, you are a great group of friends and artists. I appreciate all of participation, your fun, your art wisdom, and most of all your camaraderie.

Sincerely, Chris Olmoguez President

## September Demonstration Paul Ladnier



Paul Ladnier, Professor Emeritus, University of North Florida, Jacksonville, Florida, taught painting and drawing for nearly forty years.

His skill as a teacher was obvious as he provided us with insight into (and examples of) the complex issues involved in the composition and design process.

There is NO DOUBT JWS members will spend more time reflecting on lessons learned each time we put brushes to paper in the future!



### JACKSONVILLE WATERCOLOR SOCIETY FALL SHOW

This year's Fall Show will also exhibit the paintings of our 2019 Artist of the Year, Tuni Weiss.

## TAKE-IN/HANGING MONDAY, OCTOBER 25 AT CHRIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH, PONTE VEDRA 10A.M.-1 P.M.

Properly framed paintings can be dropped off at the Church on October 25.



#### SHOW OPENING NOVEMBER 6, 2-4 P.M.-1 P.M.

Our Opening will be held on **November 6<sup>th</sup>** in the **Westbury Parish Hall/Dining Hal**l with minimal refreshments served (COVID 19 still creates limitations).

#### PAINTING PICKUP, DECEMBER 3 10 A.M.-1 P.M.

As always, if you are unable to pick up your work, please contact a JWS friend who can help!

#### JWS FALL SHOW PRESENTS: TUNI WEISS-- JWS ARTIST OF THE YEAR 2019

The Artist of the Year Award is bestowed on a member who has given great service to the organization as well as displaying great talent.

This is a once in a lifetime honor which is awarded to a member of JWS who has served JWS in other capacities, as well as



entering JWS juried shows and winning awards.

The Artist of the Year normally presents a gallery exhibition in the spring. Though COVID 19 has delayed Tuni's exhibition of her work, **we look forward to seeing it now!** 

#### **Library Report**

by

#### Janet Killackey, Librarian

Isn't it nice to be back? I must say that seeing all of you again was great and our demo was great? Good stuff!! And you all will love our latest DVD chosen just for you!

#### Watercolor from Photos with Michael Holter

We have one other DVD of Michael's so I was very excited to see what he was offering in this one. Very exciting! His main quote is "Paint as a painter and not as a copier of photographs". That he does very well. His demonstrations are taking 2 different parts of two different photos and creating one painting out of both of them. Now you who are familiar with photo editing are probably pretty good at this. Takes me a lot longer.

The DVD opens with a discussion on materials. Then he dives further into the creative process. He goes into composition types and I notice that he mostly uses a circular format.

Michael shows you many creative ways to get the best possible painting. Those of you who have ever taken a workshop with Charles Reid will remember how he just takes a photo and seemed to do that editing, creating and design work in his head while he was painting. Michael takes pity on those of us not as far along the creative mind to:

1. Get the best composition – not becoming a slave to the photograph

a. Horizon line – beginning of the principles of perspective

He usually starts wet into wet and goes along making adjustments for the amount of water in his paints to get what he is looking for. Using a layered approach he lets each section dry before continuing on making his process longer. By breaking things down into sections you can use your edge control and decide what to keep and what not to keep.

Also included in this DVD is a section on TIPS, such as painting skies. I enjoyed his INSIGHTS sections where he talks about himself and his art, which basically comes down to paint a lot!!

My own personal favorite is that he uses white paint to diffuse other colors. I love white paint although some think it's a "no no"!

You will enjoy this DVD and it will add to your skill sets.

#### **BOOK SALE**

This month our Library will begin with a small book sale. You may remember from our last discussion/report at the last meeting that we were trying to lighten the load of our library, as we have no storage facility.

This does not mean that we will not be buying excellent books for your reading pleasure, only that we cannot take so many books to our meetings so we will be offering many of them to our members at really discounted prices.

- 2. He adds one other very important perspective Solar perspective; that is where the sun is located in landscapes. He explains in depth how this is different from atmospheric perspective.
- 3. Michael goes into a discussion of the principles of design: balance, gradation, contrast, harmony, dominance, unity and competition. May or may not have all of them in the painting but you will have some and you need to recognize and design with them.

This month I will be bring a few. In the following months please feel free to check out our inventory on the website and see if there is something you truly like. I will then check that book's borrowing history and bring it to you. That way we can bring you more DVD's, which you all seem to enjoy, and I must say are much easier to carry.

I've checked on line and it's true you can stream videos but only after you have paid a fee for a site. What our library is offering you is the best choice, really.

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Individual \$35 Family \$42 Student \$20 Š
I'd like to volunteer Š♦

Membership is open to those interested in water media A student must be a full-time high school or college student with I.D.

Current annual dues are \$35.00 per year and are due Jan1<sup>st</sup>
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