CONGRATULATIONS TO JWS ARTIST OF THE YEAR – 2014 JOYCE GABIOU



Joyce Gabiou was selected as the 2014 Artist of the Year by a committee of previous honorees including Terese Muller, chairperson, Kathryn Milkey, and Leigh Murphy. This once in a lifetime honor is awarded to a JW5 member who has served the organization and contributed time and energy to keep the organization going and growing over the years. The honoree is also recognized as a talented teacher, award winning artist, volunteer and giver.

Joyce Gabiou has been a member of the Jacksonville Watercolor Society for approximately twenty years. She has been an active member and award winner in the society during this time. Joyce has volunteered for several committees over the years such as the Show committee and Nominating committee. Joyce was the co-chair of the Children's Outreach Program with Margie Campbell in the 90's and eventually took over Margie's position as chairperson. She also co-chaired with Ed Kitsis in the outreach program as well. She served as Nominating Chairman in 2004 and was the society's Publicity Chairman for several years.

Joyce has influenced and taught many of our members throughout the years and demonstrated her mixed media techniques during our society's meeting in 2005. Her art has presented her with numerous awards from our juried shows. She is a talented and giving person, not only to our society but to our community as well.

As an artist, Joyce is extremely successful. She was published in Watercolor Magazine with her article "Beyond the Brush", will be published in North Light Books, "A Walk into Abstracts", was an exhibiting artist this past year at the Cultural Center of Ponte Vedra. She is in many private collections, including Preston Haskell's, was a Fine Arts Studio Online "Bold Brush" winner several times, and an exhibiting member of the Florida Watercolor Society, National Collage Society and Society of Mixed Media Artists. See Joyce's website for more JOYCE GABIOU.