

SIERRA WATERCOLOR SOCIETY
General Meeting Agenda
May 13, 2017, 10:30 am
Temple Sinai

Call to Order: *Gina Lijoi, Vice-President.*
10:38 a.m.

Introduction of new members, Guests
Marjee Smith, Janet Bradfield

Minutes of March 11, 2017 General Meeting: *Carol Baker*
Minutes of the March 11, 2017 General Meeting are approved as posted.

Treasurer's Report: *Laurel Sweigart*
March 31, 2017 Treasurer's Report is approved as presented.

Past President Announcement: *Kay Teitz*
Election of President and Vice President will be held in October for 2018.

2016 Workshops and Demonstrations: *Gina Lijoi*

2017:

Jeannie Vodden, May 10-12, 2017; Demo May 13 TODAY
Birgit O'Connor, Aug. 15-18; Demo Aug. 19 "Fearless Florals"
9 sign-ups so far, Cost: \$300. for members, \$360. for non-members
Bev Jozwiak, Oct. 10-13; Demo Oct 14

2018:

Demo Jan 13 TBA
Michael Reardon, Mar. 7-9, Demo Mar. 10
Michael Holter, May 9-11, Demo May 12
Julie Pollard, Aug. 14-17, Demo Aug 18
David Lobenberg, Oct. 9-12, Demo Oct. 13

Hospitality: *Leslie Kuhn*
Hope Thompson and Linda Parisi have volunteered to help Leslie with Hospitality.
Leslie will stay on as Hospitality Chair.

Art Angels and Community Outreach: *Nancy Podewils-Baba*

Art Angels Classes in the Schools
Nancy announced that we continue to go to elementary classrooms about twice per month and have four more classes this school year. The teachers and children have been so receptive, and two teachers have already scheduled for 2017-2018. She thanked the recent helpers and asked for helpers for the upcoming classes.

Community Outreach Workshops

At the spring Art Angels Workshop on May 7, we had 56 children signed up (6 on a waiting list) and 39 participants, all of whom had a great time. She thanked the instructors and helpers. She also talked about an incident with a pushy father, who wanted to paint with his daughter and became angry when told that the event is for children only to paint. Nancy asked for suggestions on how to handle similar situations in the future and was encouraged to post a sign with “the rules”. A sign up sheet for the two Artown workshops (one in the morning and one in the afternoon) was circulated. Anyone who does both workshops will have lunch provided. She mentioned the possibility of a second Silent Auction at the Sparks Heritage Museum and asked for thoughts on that.

Publicity: *Nancy Podewils-Baba*

Nancy continues to post notices of exhibits and demos on 3 online calendars (KUNR, Arts4Nevada and Reno News & Review). She also advertised the demos on KUNR via donor messages. Whenever possible, she goes to the Arts Consortium meetings at McKinley Arts & Culture Center on the third Thursday of the month from 9:00-10:30 a.m., and invited someone else to go with her or to go when she cannot. She also encouraged people who donate to KUNR to use messages for SWS.

Exhibits: *Virginia McLaughlin – not present*

Upcoming Exhibits:

*May Museum, May 2 – June 4. “Honoring Mother Nature” Chairs: Jane Chapman & Judy Berland
South Valleys Library, July 1-31, “Summer Bounty”, Barbara Kallestad
Sparks Heritage Museum Show, August 15-October 2 “A Colorful Life”. Chair:
Team*

Scholarship: *Kathryn Dudley – not present
Scholarship increased to \$2000*

Facebook: *Kathryn Dudley – not present*

Video Library: *Linda Halecki
Linda announced that Elissa Slanger donated 3 videos to the video library.*

Membership: *Sally Dupre
Membership count: 105 Attendance today: 50
Sally announced that membership has dropped from 160 last year.*

Newsletter: *Ronnie Rector – no report*

Website: *Ruth Jaeger – no report*

Challenge: *Judy Berland - August Challenge:
The one-word challenge, "Night"*

Board Meeting Calendar: *Tricia Leonard*

*Location: Renown Board Room, Mill Street **10:00 am***

2017: August 5, September 23, November 18 (all dates are tentative)

General Meeting Calendar: *Temple Sinai, 10:30 a.m.*

*2017: August 19, October 14, and the Holiday Brunch is scheduled for
December 2*

Announcements

Gina Lijoi had a suggestion from Cheryl Bennett of the Artist Coop for artists to write a note on the back of their paintings to include: the artist name, date painted and the name of the painting.

Valerie Cohen and her husband Michael P. Cohen have published a book "Tree Lines". Valerie's ink drawings from the book are currently being shown in the Open Show at the UNR in the Sheppard Contemporary Gallery. The show runs from Apr. 4th to May 18th.

Eileen Fuller will be selling 50/50 raffle tickets today in support of the scholarship fund. Half goes to the winner and half to the SWS scholarship fund.

Artists Co-op

Eileen also stated that the Artists Co-op Gallery, 627 Mill St., Reno currently has a show running, "Myriad of Miniatures". The show runs from May 1st thru 31st. Many SWS members entered. Sales are good! Come see before the end of the month. Sooner the better!

For the month of June ACR's guest artist is our Vicki Curwen while Larry Hunt has a solo show of his metal sculptures.

Latimer Art Club

You are invited! The Statewide Miniature Show will be held October 1 thru November 8, open daily 11a.m. to 8 p.m. All Nevada residents & LAC members are welcome to enter! We will have a juried and judged show. Awards will be presented at the reception on Oct. 8th. There are entry forms here today but Latimerartclub.com has them also. Any questions, please feel to call 775 233-4796 or email Eileen at fuller@sbcglobal.net

On July 6 at the Sparks Heritage Museum we will be hosting a workshop (similar to the Art Angels workshops). The theme is "Basque Heritage". Nancy is expecting 45 participants. Helpers are needed.

Lisa Jefferson is helping Kathryn Dudley with Facebook. Send your photos to swsarts@gmail.com

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Eva Nichols updated her brochure. Her new brochures are available today.

Lisa Jefferson's paintings will be shown at McKinley Arts & Culture Center, 925 Riverside Dr., in Reno on June 26-August 11, 2017. The artist's Reception will be on July 6, 5-7 pm

Molly Dondero announced that the judged show will be held in August this year at the Sparks Heritage Museum. Check-in day is Friday, August 11, from 11 am to 1 pm, and take down is on Monday, October 2, 11 am to 1 pm. Please enter the building from the back entrance by the parking lot.

Birgit O'Conner is the judge and the judging will take place on Monday, August 14th. An artist's reception will be held Saturday, Sept. 9, 2 pm to 4 pm. If you are participating in the show, please bring treats for the reception. We will ask you to sign up when you bring your painting to check-in. Remember, the museum takes a commission so price your paintings accordingly. Please review the Standing Rules to make certain you meet all requirements. Compliance is mandatory, fill out forms prior to entry day.

The "Other" category has been changed to "Abstracts". The remaining categories will stay the same: Landscape, Fur, Fin & Feathers, Floral & Still Life, and Figures & Portraits.

Be thinking of the image you want to submit for the postcard competition. We also need images for the museum to use for publicity. Ronnie Rector will send out the request in an e-mail. She will indicate the date needed. The entry form will be on the website. Please print out, fill in, and bring the day of entry.

Demonstration by Jeannie Vodden @ 1 pm

Door Prize Winners: Molly Dondero and Nancy Podwils-Baba

Motion to Adjourn: Kay Tietz Second: Eileen Fuller

The meeting was adjourned at 11:32 am