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President's Message

by Beverly Yankwitt

Our first live Convention in three years is now behind us and we are looking forward to 2023 in Ocala. Putting on a Convention of this size is a huge undertaking and requires the help and participation of all our members. So many of you stepped up and gave of your time to do a demo, help with setup, teardown, work at Registration, work at the Friday evening Reception, or helped

in many other ways. It was your enthusiasm and support that made this Convention a success! All during Convention and afterward, I heard nothing but positive remarks and how much everyone was enjoying themselves. The FWS Board of Directors and I sincerely thank you!

We're also looking for your input on what you would like to see or experience in future FWS live events. We've sent out a survey, but also feel free to email us with your suggestions, ideas, or events you would support. We want to know how you feel about the cost of Convention, the length, the workshops, the demos, or if there is something different you would enjoy. It's your Convention and we want to make it the best we can for you.

My term as President is drawing to a close. It's been an honor to serve in this position. I have met so many wonderful people along the way and made a lot of lasting friendships. I am just so thankful that we were able to have a live Convention this year. I could see by the comradery that everyone else felt the same way, so happy to see old friends again.

EMBRACE CHANGE

Until next year -

Bev Yankwitt 2022 President FWS

UPDATES FROM OUR FWS SECRETARY

POST-CONVENTION SURVEY

We hope everyone enjoyed the 51st Annual Exhibition, Convention & Trade Show. If you attended the live events, please let us know about your experience. A survey was emailed on October 5th to all who attended the Convention. Your responses help us plan for future events and unpack a lot of what we can do to improve future events. You may only complete the survey once, so if you've already responded, thanks for your input. If not, you have until **November 15th** to respond. Let us know if you need the link again.



Lynda Mifsud FWS 2022 Secretary

PROPOSED BYLAWS REVISION TO EXPAND FWS MEMBERSHIP

A proposed bylaws change is presented for Members' consideration. The revision affects the membership categories and levels to expand participation and appeals to students and younger members. The revisions include the following:

- Add a new "Basic" membership category for students and non-residents to grow participation.
- Add a new "Sponsorship" level with two categories, Diamond and Platinum, to expand financial participation and to recognize higher levels of financial participation to foster growth in what FWS can offer.

Associate and Participating membership bylaws remain unchanged. There will be no change to the status level you have achieved as a result of your participation in FWS Exhibitions. The current Bylaws as ratified by membership on 7/31/2022 can be viewed on the FWS website.

Please review the table of FWS Membership/Sponsorship Benefits and Options for a complete breakdown of each membership level comparing benefits of each on the next page. The mark-up of the of the Florida Watercolor Society's bylaws to provide for this expansion can be viewed here. A survey vote will be sent to all members very soon. Thank you for participating in this decision.



PROPOSED NEW FWS MEMBERSHIP LEVELS

FWS Membership/Sponsorship Benefits and Options

FWS Membership/Sponsorship Benefits and Options							
Membership Feature or	Basic	Associate/ Participating	Diamond	Platinum			
Requirement	Students and non-residents	Progressive Exhibition Status	Member Supporter	Member Supporter			
Membership Period	Jan 1 - Dec 31	Jan 1 - Dec 31	Jan 1 - Dec 31	Jan 1 - Dec 31			
Join Anytime	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes			
Florida Residency Requirements	No	Membership and Exhibitions	Only for Exhibition	Only for Exhibition			
Voting Privileges	No	Yes, if Eligible per Bylaws	Yes, if Eligible per Bylaws	Yes, if Eligible per Bylaws			
Member Newsletter	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes			
Online Demo Access	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes			
YouTube Video Access	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes			
FWS Private YouTube Video Access	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes			
Annual Exhibition Eligibility	No	Yes, if Current on Dues	Yes, If Eligible and Current on Dues	Yes, If Eligible and Current on Dues			
Online Exhibition Eligibility	No	Yes, if Current on Dues	Yes, If Eligible and Current on Dues	Yes, If Eligible and Current on Dues			
Opening Exhibition Reception	Yes	Yes	Honored	Honored			
Show Catalog	Yes	Yes	Yes, Catalog Recognition	Yes, Catalog Recognition			
Critique by Exhibition Judge	Not Eligible	Eligible for a fee	Critique Fee Included for Sponsors	Critique Fee Included for Sponsors			
Special Cocktail Hour After Juror's Demo	No	No	Yes	Yes			
Annual Convention Entry Ticket	No	No	Entry Ticket Included if Eligible	Entry Ticket Included if Eligible			
Gala Awards Dinner Ticket	No	No	One (1) ticket Premium Seating; Recognition at Gala	Two (2) tickets Premium Seating; Recognition at Gala			
Special Badge Recognition at FWS Events	No	No	Yes	Yes			
FWS Workshops	Member Rate	Member Rate	Discounted Rate TBD	Discounted Rate TBD			
Newsletter Special Recognition	No	Awards News	Yes, 6 months Special Recognition	Yes, 12 months Special Recognition			
Recognition on FWS website, in Show Catalog and at Convention	No	No	Yes	Yes			
Annual Dues	\$35	\$50	\$500	\$1,000			

Note: The FWS Board of Directors approved membership dues for each level on September 9th, 2022.



NEWS FROM OUR VPS

News from Jackii Molsick, 1st VP & Membership Chair

MEMBERSHIP NEWS AND DUES INCREASE IN 2023



Jackii Molsick FWS 1st VP

Greetings, Members!

FWS continues to grow with 982 members as of now! As one of the largest state watercolor societies in the U.S., the Board would like to thank each and every one of you for your participation and support. We do not take lightly the responsibilities this brings as we continue to expand our benefits and programs. We hope you will take advantage of all FWS has to offer.

As we review our finances, we find we need to increase our dues from \$40 to \$50 annually. Just as you are experiencing rising

costs in your households and businesses, we are, too. If you renew your dues January 1st, 2023 or after, it will be at the higher rate.

FWS is working hard to decrease our costs, but we still need to increase our revenues to continue to offer our beautiful Annual Exhibition Catalog as a perk of membership, as well as the Convention, online monthly programs, website, newsletter, and more. This membership increase comes at a time when we are proposing to expand the membership by adding a new Basic Membership category and new Sponsorship levels in our Bylaws. The Basic Membership will allow us to expand to allow students and out-of-state members to join at a reduced rate without full benefits.

The Sponsorship levels will hopefully attract member participation at a greater level, with added benefits. (Please see the Membership Table on Page 3 for full explanation of benefits). The Associate/Participating levels will continue as they are currently set, and status levels will stay intact.

We thank everyone for their understanding and support as we look forward to 2023 and beyond!

Questions? Please email: FWSMembership2022@gmail.com

Your 1st VP and Membership Chair, Jackii Molsick

News from Roberta Romeo, 2nd VP & Awards Chair



Roberta Romeo FWS 2nd VP

Greetings FWS Members,

It was so exciting to enjoy the 2022 Florida Watercolor Society Convention face-to-face again. To see old friends, meet new friends, see our Trade Show merchants, relax and watch the demos, and enjoy sunset gatherings in beautiful Punta Gorda. It has been a long three years since we have been able to enjoy each other's company.

FWS is a remarkable organization, but only because of everyone's contributions: your time and talents, your entries in both Annual and Online Exhibitions, your yearly memberships, and your generous monetary contributions. Everyone together is what makes FWS so great and I, for one, am so proud to be one of the threads in our intricately-woven organization of artists.

Because of your generous contributions and the donations of our faithful art merchants; FWS is proud to announce we were able to award over \$21,000 in cash, certificates, and merchandise for the 2022 Convention! Thank you for your support from FWS and the award-winning artists.

It has truly been a pleasure serving as the 2nd VP this year. Now I want to look ahead and tell you about some exciting news for 2024. The FWS 2024 Annual Exhibition will be hosted by Creative Pinellas Museum, adjacent to the beautiful Botanical Gardens where you will discover influences by Chihuly, Gaudí, Monet's lilies and bridge, and more. The property also features Heritage Village, where you can step back in time in the schoolhouse, the general store, or visit the blacksmith.

The 2024 Convention is continuing to evolve, and we will certainly keep you posted with the updates.

Our 2024 Annual judge and workshop instructor will internationally-known artist and author of six books, **Stephen Quiller**. He is a signature member of AWS and NWS, as well as having won the Gold and Silver Medal of Honor Awards at the 2014 and 2018 AWS International Exhibitions.

Our judge for the 2025 Online Show and second workshop instructor is award-winning **Kim Johnson Nechtman**, a signature member of AWS, NWS, TWSA, and featured artist in multiple *Splash* Issues. These are two artists you will not want to miss, so plan now to grab one of the limited workshop seats. More information to come!

Roberta Romeo FWS 2nd VP



NEW FWS VP CANDIDATES!



Palm Lights III

Dr. Katherine Leathers www.katherineleathers.com

Katherine Leathers is an award-winning artist residing in Miami, FL, and a Signature member of the Miami Watercolor Society.

Katherine began her artistic journey as a child, a student at Tropical Elementary School in Miami, learning to love the local tropical flowers and foliage. She was always interested in art and sought opportunities to engage in artistic pursuits including

embroidery, needlepoint, crochet, calligraphy, and photography.



As a graduate from Florida Atlantic University with a degree in Elementary Education, Katherine continued her studies at the University of Miami and graduated with a Master of Science in Education Degree and a Doctor of Education Degree.

With her background in education and her love of art, FWS is thrilled that Katherine has accepted this position and is looking forward to working with her and the skills she brings to the Board.

Note: The FWS 2nd VP is an elected position, voted on by the membership. Voting for Katherine's candidacy is open now through November 30th. Check your FWS email from October 25th.



Gwen Kodad

watercolorbygwen.com



Woodstork II

Gwen Kodad lives in the Bradenton/Sarasota area where she enjoys painting the Gulf coast and its beautiful plants, animals, and landscapes. Although she grew up in Florida, she spent most of her adult life near Charlotte, NC. She and her husband returned to East Manatee County in 2011, very happy to be back home and painting in her lovely area. Gwen has won several recent awards with her work featuring Florida's flora and fauna. Her work is displayed at various sites

in the Bradenton/Sarasota area. She is a Signature member of the Florida Watercolor Society and Florida Suncoast Watercolor Society. At the regional

level, she is an active member of the Southern Watercolor Society, and an Associate member of the American Watercolor Society. She participates in the art community by volunteering in different capacities for organizations promoting the arts and local artists. She is honored to become part of the Florida Watercolor Society Board. Welcome, Gwen!

Note: The FWS 3rd VP position is appointed by the FWS President.





DIGITAL DIRECTOR UPDATES

FWS YouTube Channel

We currently have 1,050 subscribers to our YouTube Channel. FWS members are encouraged to add their watercolor videos to our channel. Benefits include:

- Get recognized by watercolor artists.
- Obtain new students for their workshops and classes.
- Credibility under the FWS brand.
- Use link to their video on their website.

Guidelines for submitting videos:

- Only FWS Members may submit video they own.
- Must be on Watercolor/Watermedia Painting topic.
- Length maximum 15 minutes.
- Landscape format.
- Provide title, description of your video, date produced, and your contact information as you want it displayed under description.
- No copyright sound or video accepted.
- Must be in good taste.
- All submissions will be reviewed for eligibility.

Website

Most of the information is up to date on our website. The number of views peaked September 24 with 214 views by members looking for Convention information and agenda. Views peaked again October 4 with 214 views of the Exhibition paintings and Demo replays. During the year, between events, we normally we have about 10 views per day.

The pages receiving very few views are:

- Members directory
- Artist profiles
- Other administrative pages

Convention Technology Upgrade

- Most attendees liked replacing mirrors with cameras and HD monitors for viewing the artists demonstrations. This worked out well, considering this being our first Convention to go digital.
- Recording mics stopped working and we had to hustle to figure out quick fix. A few of the recordings do not have audio. We are in the process now of doing "voice over" recordings for those. Those recordings will be posted as they are recorded on the paid replay site.
- We all learned a lot and will use what we learned to make the 2023 live events much better using this technology.

Ron Malone **Digital Director**







IMPORTANT DATES FOR 2022-2023

Oct 3rd-Dec 7th ... FWS Online Show entry window open

November 14th Annual Exhibition closes

November 15th Hand pick-up of artwork 11am-1pm

End of December Online Show entry notification

2023

January 1st..... FWS dues are due. Dues for 2023 have increased to \$50 January 14th Online Exhibition Review & Awards announcement via Zoom

January 15th FWS 2023 Online Show on the website

April 1st Workshop registration opens for Members only, 2023 dues must be paid

Early April Annual Exhibition opens for entries

May 1st Workshop registration opens for Non-members

End of May Last day for new Members to join FWS by credit card to be eligible for

entry into the Annual Exhibition. New members must be vetted for eligibility. Florida residency restrictions apply. Details on the website.

Early June Deadline for Members to pay 2023 dues by credit card only to be eligible for

Exhibition entry (pay dues before entry!)

June 7th Deadline for entering the Annual Exhibition

Early July Jury notification

Please visit the FWS website often for all the current information and to register for the live events and Workshops. You will be notified by an email blast when registration opens and when to renew your dues.

Please check and update your profiles both for FWS and CaFE with any new information.

*****Dates are subject to change. Check website often and read email blasts******

Pacific Grove Walk by Robert Newell Fort Myers, FL FWS 51st Annual Exhibition

New Member - welcome and Congratulations on your first FWS Annual Exhibition! Welcome our other New Members on Pages 16 & 17





2022 PAINT-A-ROUND ANOTHER BIG SUCCESS!

Thank you to all who participated to make this year's Paint-A-Round a success. It's one of the most popular events at our Conventions. This year, we had a beautiful shady area on the north side of the Event Center, starting promptly at 8 am and finishing shortly after 9 am.

A big thank you to our participating artists: Steve Rogers, Teresa Kirk, Kathy Durdin, Karen Fletcher Braverman, and Lionel Sanchez. Their assistants and ticket sellers were: Cathy Caine, Susan Grogan, Marilyn Liedman, Sandi Hanlon-Breuer, Tammy Seymour, Monica Meerwarth-Fersell. Also assisting with drying/matting were Libit Jones, Linda Swindall, and Kate Wendt.

Thank you to all who bought tickets, too! The lucky winners were Sandi Baier, Rhonda Casey, Tuni Weiss, Nancy Murphree Davis, and Meghann Miller Williams. More than \$800 was raised for the Healing Arts Award.

And, of course, a big THANK YOU to Cheap Joe's Art Stuff for sponsoring this event!



Steve Rogers



Artists L to R: Lionel Sanchez, Karen Fletcher Braverman, Kathy Durdin, Teresa Kirk, Steve Rogers



Meghann Miller Williams from Cheap Joe's won Karen Braverman's painting! She's been buying PaR chances since she was 14 years old!



Lionel Sanchez



Kathy Durdin & Tuni Weiss



Karen Fletcher Braverman



Teresa Kirk

EXHIBITION DIRECTOR NEWS



Summing Things Up by Nancy Murphree Davis FWS Exhibition Director exhibitiondirectorfws@gmail.com

Hello, Artists!

So much has happened in the short time since we were together at the FWS Convention. Those who were hit by lan have been continually in my thoughts. I was so relieved to hear that The VIsual Arts Center incurred only minimal damage and the Exhibition was unaffected. Have you seen the show? It is now on the **FWS website** and images are being shared on social media. Consensus was that it is a show of great variety and subject matter. Of the 100 paintings, seventy-three are watercolor and nine are acrylic. The rest are either gouache, mixed water media, or watercolor batik. About twenty are either nonobjective or abstract subjects. At least twentyseven are either a portrait or have a figure as the main subject. All in all, there is something for everyone to enjoy. About forty pieces from our 2022 Annual Exhibition will be traveling to South Miami Beach through the end of 2022 and Ormond Beach in early 2023. If you can't see the Annual Exhibition at the VAC in Punta Gorda, the Traveling Show will give you an opportunity to see quite a few of the beautiful works chosen this year, including a few of the award-winners.

The 2023 Non-Signature Member Online Show is open for entry. The Prospectus is up on the FWS website and you may have picked up the postcard version if you were in Punta Gorda. This is a great time to encourage your friends who are eligible to join FWS, to wade in by entering, since it is far less of a commitment because there are no framing or shipping requirements. It might also be a good time to try out a new technique or a new material that piqued your interest in the demonstrations

at the FWS Convention. There were some really good demos! If you did not attend the FWS Convention, there is still time to get the replays, either for yourself or as a gift for someone.

It has been an honor to serve as your FWS Exhibition Director. I plan to continue in the job for several years. There are not enough "thank yous" in the universe to express how great Robin Lee Makowski has been while training me in this job. I'm sure that she would join me in hopes that my texts, emails, and calls will be fewer in exhibitions to come! To all the others out there working to make exhibitions happen, thanks to you too! I had no idea that someone followed the process day in and day out during the entry window and followed up on dozens of questions. It has given me the opportunity to get to know many of our members and feel a connection to the Florida Watercolor Society in a way I hadn't fully before. I encourage those of you who feel a bit detached from the organization to step in and volunteer for a position. It has been a very rewarding experience for me.

Nancy Murphree Davis 2022 Exhibition Director

Link to the 2023 Online Show Information



Kay Bronstein (L) with her painting, *Libit*, and, of course, her model & teacher, Libit Jones! Kay won Third Place in the 2022 Online Show. Congrats, Kay!

ONLINE SHOW ENTRY DEADLINE IS DECEMBER 7TH!





To All Our Convention Volunteers - A Big THANK YOU!

As the Volunteer Chair for the FWS 2022 Convention, I would like to thank each and every one of you who pitched in and did your part. We wouldn't be able to run the Convention without our volunteers. The feedback we're receiving is that our volunteers really enjoyed the involvement and we hope you will volunteer again next year. What a great way to meet and get to know interesting people as we enjoy the art and demos together. For watercolor artists, it doesn't get much better than this! We are all looking forward to next year!



Joanne Stramara 2022 FWS Convention Volunteer Committee Chair



Photos from the 2022 FWS Convention



2023 FWS ANNUAL EXHIBITION

The 52nd FWS Annual Exhibition will be hosted by the Webber Gallery in Ocala, September 25th - October 26th, 2023.

The juror and judge for the 2023 Annual Exhibition will be Andy Evansen.

The 2024 Online Show judge will be Fealing Lin.

Details soon - watch your FWS emails!

Webber Gallery Website



Missed the Convention? Enjoy the Video Replays!

FWS 2022 Convention Replays Still Available! EXTENDED BY POPULAR DEMAND!

Thinking about what to give your artist friends for the holidays?

FWS CONVENTION DEMO REPLAYS ARE THE PERFECT GIFT!

FWS Members - \$45 • Non-Members - \$55

Replays will be available to watch through June 30, 2023, exclusively for those who purchase for themselves or receive as a gift.

Replays of the Convention Demonstrations may be purchased through Christmas Eve, December 24th, 2022, for yourself or as a gift - or both!

Click the links to purchase. You may also purchase through the FWS website.

One for Me Only

One for Me + Gift(s)

Gift(s) Only

THANK YOU FOR SUPPORTING FWS!



FUN TIMES AT THE 2022 CONVENTION!



Lynn Ferris' workshop with 2022 FWS President, Bev Yankwitt, Lynn, and student, Kay Bronstein



2022 Annual Exhibition judge & juror, Mark Mehaffey, kicked off the Convention with his Thursday evening demo.



This year instead of raffle baskets, 1st & 2nd VPs, Jackii Molsick & Roberta Romeo, teamed up, gathered up gently used art supplies, and created the Bargain Bazaar! It was a great success! Thanks, girls!



Linda Swindall, Libit Jones, Kathy Freeman. Sherry Segna, & Debbie Bichimer at the Gala. Sherry flew in from Columbus, OH, Debbie flew in from Chicago, and Libit flew in from San Antonio, TX. All former students of Libit's out of St Petersburg, FL.



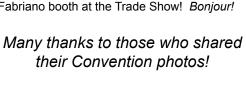
Frank Spino talks with friends before the Gala.



Anne Abgott and Janet Rogers chat during Cocktail Hour before the Gala.



Pierre Guidetti hams it up with Tom Lynch at the Fabriano booth at the Trade Show! *Bonjour!*





The Kit Moran Quartet entertained at the Gala,



Best of Show winner, Xi Guo, chats with guests along side First Place winner, Dean Mitchell (R) and judge, Mark Mehaffey.



2022 - 2023 TRAVELING SHOW

Nearly forty of the paintings from the 2022 Annual Exhibition in Punta Gorda, including seven award-winners, will be moving on to two locations for our 2022-2023 Traveling Show:

- November 15th December 31st, 2022 at the Wirtz Gallery in Miami. Reception Tuesday, November 15th from 5:30 7:30pm.
- January 4th February 26th, 2023 <u>Ormond Memorial Art Museum & Gardens</u> in Ormond Beach. Reception, Friday, January 13th (time TBA).

Dates are subject to change by a day or two. Check the FWS website and your FWS emails for updates. Many thanks to Jerry Chesley for coordinating the Traveling Show paintings!



Sponsor an Exhibition or Memorial Award

Please consider donating as a memorial to someone you have known or loved. Those who have lived, loved art, and made it a part of their lives may want to be memoralized by having their name live on with Florida Watercolor Society. For those lucky enough to be alive now, you may want to include FWS into your will or estate planning.

Want to sponsor a named award for yourself or business? Named and Memorial Awards of \$250 or more will be listed in the FWS Catalog and on programs for our events. They may be one-time awards or an ongoing annual award. For more information, please contact Jerome Chesley at ichesley33@aol.com.

Back in the Saddle on a Different Horse

by Robin Lee Makowski

FWS Communications Director

It's been a busy and eventful 2022! As previously reported, I stepped into the role of Communications Director early this year, after a long, six-week retirement from the Board. It's a job I was partially doing anyway. Like many of you, when you see a need and you can help, you step right up. I enjoy the job and will probably be around for another year, especially since our 2023 festivities are in Ocala, only an hour from my house. If you are interested in stepping into this role, or want to know about this or other FWS Board positions, please let us know. We will



be happy to send you information and match up your skills with our needs. There are always volunteer opportunities, so tell us what you can do and when.

Many of us were challenged right after Convention to jump in and help friends and loved ones in the SW Florida area after the awful storm. FWS was fortunate to be able to gather this year, but our hearts break for everyone, including our members in that area, who were impacted directly by the storm. I don't even know what to say to the Fort Myers Beach Art Association members who, sadly, lost their gallery! Absolutely heartbreaking! Having experienced significant loss of art during Hurricanes Frances & Jeanne in 2004, I can only imagine the impact of losing the entire gallery. Speedy healing to all who were impacted!

It was great to reacquaint with old friends and get to put some new names to new faces at the Convention! Working seven years with Exhibitions, and now Communications, I get to know many more of you than I might in other jobs. It's always fun to hear about what everyone is doing and watch how we progress over time in our art escapades. We will be working to create more show opportunities for all of our members going forward, so stay tuned!

If you attended the live events, please answer the FWS post-Convention survey sent on October 5th, if have not done so already. This direct input from you helps your FWS Board of Directors know what you would like to see, like not to see, and to create more opportunitles and events for the entire membership. We do what we do for you, so your input is very valuable to help us shape the organization going forward.

I sometimes get complaints from people about the number of emails we send out, or they want us to send them "only emails I would like to read." Huh?!? With 1000+ people to take care of, it's impossible to hone that many lists. We do have specific lists during the year, such as Annual Exhibition Artists, Traveling Show Artists, Convention Attendees, etc. who receive emails specific to them. Generally, the entire membership receives emails for show opportunities and other events, surveys, and other requests for input. PLEASE DO NOT UNSUBSCRIBE from FWS emails! This is the way we communicate with our members, and when you unsubscribe, we cannot add you back in! Only you can do that. If there's something from us you don't think is pertainent to you, just delete it. If you unsubscribe, you will miss opportunities and information you need to participate in shows and events, so please do not do that!

Sometimes members insist that they did NOT unsubscribe, but they forwarded their email to someone else who was not interested, and they unsubscribed, not realizing they were unsubscribing the person who shared! Whomever's name is at the bottom of the email will be the one who gets unsubscribed, so tell friends you share your emails with <u>not</u> to unsubscribe you! And never share passcodes that are specific to members or those who paid to participate, such as Video Replays of the Convention. You can help FWS and your friends by buying gift subscriptions to the Convention Video Replays! <u>Click here</u> for information on video replays.

Cheers! robin



WELCOME NEW MEMBERS!

Welcome to Our New Members Joining Between June - mid-October 2022!

Sharon Allen, Fort Lauderdale
Anne M. Austin, Bonita Springs
Marina Brown, Tallahassee
Kathie Bullano, Venice
Marianne Bundra, Sarasota
Sharon Earl Burridge, Merritt Island
Mary Butler, Trinity
Candi Cardenas, Haines City

Patricia A. Chiarello, Port Charlotte

Cherry Clifford, Destin

Pam Cody, Palm Harbor

Nancy Conti, Ocala

Carolyn G. Derricks, Ocala

Kathleen Dickman, Trinity

Barbara Donerly, Tampa

Monica Durån, Miami

Cheryl Earwood, Miami

Meletha Everett, Brandon

George Fischer, Palmetto

Ruth Folit, Sarasota

Cloe Gibson, West Palm Beach

Vicki Glynn, Port Charlotte

Ionela Golino, New Port Richey

Linda Gosey, Cape Coral

Patricia A. Heyer, Winter Haven

Susan Hunsicker, Ocala



Blue Jacket Dancer
Marina Brown



The Littlest Mermaid Candi S. Cardenas



Celeste • Monica Durån



Hen Party • Sharon Earl Burridge

Texas Olives • George Fischer



WELCOME NEW MEMBERS!

Charles "Chip" Inman, Winter Haven

Margaret, Kiepe, Venice

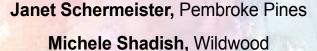


Morning Reboot • Janine Rae Motto

Sandra Kokenge, Coral Gables
Sue Leffingwell, Punta Gorda
Wayne Lind, Melbourne
Phyllis Marple, Rockledge
Ronald McCormick, Punta Gorda

Carolyn B. McGowan, Southwest Ranches

Diane McKinney, Miami
Sandra Miller, Punta Gorda
Janine Rae Motto, Sumterville
Robert Newell, Fort Myers
Delphine Poussot, Naples



Pat Shaer, Auburndale

Kathleen Simpson, Bonita Springs

Lucy Smith, Punta Gorda

Oliver M. Smith, Fernandina Beach

Gary Sobotka, Punta Gorda

Linda Soderquist, Englewood

Annie Tejidor-Bakas, Miami



Pathway to Saint Cast Beach Sandra Kokenge

Taking Off • Delphine Poussot



Policarpa Williams-Harrison, Port Richey
Mairin Wilson, Punta Gorda
Sheree Wolfinger, Punta Gorda
Rosemarie Woodward, Land O' Lakes

MEMBER ACHIEVEMENTS



Nancy Murphree Davis, FWS, won Best in Show for *The Lookout* at the Mobile (AL) Art Association Show. She also won 2nd Honorable Mention at Tallahassee Watercolor Society Brushstrokes Show for *Pier Peers*. *Kudos, Nancy!*





Robin Lee Makowski, NWS, FWS, NMWS, WFWS, won the Wilda Northrop Cash Award and Merchandise from Jerry's, En Plein Air Pro, and Holbein for *On the Corner of Olive & Onion* from Juror of Awards, Stephen Zhang in the National Watercolor Society's 102nd International Exhibition, which also earned her NWS Signature Membership. *Woohoo!*



A ten-page article about **Judy Nunno** and her candy paintings is featured in the Fall 2022 issue of **Watercolor Artist** Magazine. Sweet!



MEMBER ACHIEVEMENTS



Nancy Dias, FWS, GWS, TaWS, APUSA, was thrilled to learn her painting, *Awakening*, was juried into the GWS Georgia WC Society's Member Show at the Quinlan Visual Arts Center, Gainesville, GA, by Juror, Lynn Pratt. The entry earned her Signature Member status in GWS. *Congratulations, Nancy!*



Suzanne Natzke achieved Signature status with the Georgia Watercolor Society with the acceptance of her painting, *Northbound at Dusk*, into the 43rd National Exhibition from juror, Mark Mehaffey. *Congrats, Suzanne!*





Barbara Lyons won 2nd place in the A.E. Backus Gallery's Best of the Best 2022 Show for Mahjongg Players in the Varied Techniques category. Barbara used gouache, watercolor, and acrylic. Congrats!!



Linda DeRosa was awarded First Place for *The Dress* from the Visual Artists Society, College of Central Florida. Congratulations, Linda!

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New member, **Delphine Poussot,** won a Merit Award for *Taking Off* in the International Gallery Juried Art Competition, Animal Section.
Congratulations, Delphine!





George Stuart won Second Place in the Central Florida Watercolor Annual Exhibition held at SOBO Art Gallery in Winter Garden. He also received an Achievement Award at the Annual Awards Exhibition at the Art League of Daytona for C'est la Vie. Congrats, George!

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We would love to hear about our Member's Achievements to publish in the Newsletter. Please send us only **one jpg** of good quality (not a screen shot) and only news about Awards or being published in a major publication. Limit: two announcements. Deadlines for the information are:

January 15th for February Newsletter

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Email submissions with the jpeg attached and info about the show, award, and judge to fws4news@gmail.com.

If you would like to take out a personal ad to promote your workshops or yourself, rates are posted on Page 20.



Harold Griner received the 1st Award of Excellence for his painting *Rising Above* at the Tallahassee Watercolor Society's 34th Tri-State Juried Water Media Exhibition. Way to go, Harold!

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