

August 1, 2023 e-newsletter A Bi-Monthly Publication

From the President



Dear WAS-H Friends.

Can you believe it is already August? I certainly can't! I hope summer has treated you well, whether you have been busy traveling to new (hopefully cooler temp) locations or taking it easy at home. WAS-H has been busy in June and July with more classes, more events, and more visitors, all of which feels good for our community.

We have had two wonderful shows this summer, a non-specific them show in June and a student show in July. Both were lovely, and I am so appreciative of everyone who has entered. Our **August** show is themed "**People**"... I can't wait to see it! The deadline to enter is next week, **Wednesday**, **August 2**, at 3 pm Looking ahead, our **September** gallery show is themed "**Experimental**", and will be a great opportunity to bring in your unique works of art. Our Gallery Directors, Linda Flowers and Brian Flaherty have been busy behind the scenes to make these shows happen.

The Fall slate of classes will open for member registration earlier than scheduled - on **Tuesday, August 1st**, at noon time. Non-members will be able to sign-up starting August 15. We have a great selection of classes, including some from new-to-WAS-H teachers and more evening options. As well, we have some new virtual options to fill the needs of students who want to take classes remotely. A big thank you to Cheryl Evans and Susan Giannantonio, our Education Directors!

Our major workshop in conjunction with the **Annual Members Exhibit (AME)** this October is being taught by award-winning artist, Ken Call. His workshop, Compelling Portraits, opened for registration on July 1st, and sold out quickly. Click <u>HERE</u> if you would like to join the waitlist.

Speaking of the AME, it is a great time to work on entries. The AME is a premier exhibit and will be juried by Ken Call. The full schedule and prospectus will soon be posted on the website. Thank you to our AME Director, Kat Rodgers.

The **Art Fair** is planned for **Saturday**, **October 21**St. Stay tuned for more detail on registration and other ways you can participate. The Art Fair is a great opportunity to sell your work, meet the community and enjoy being with fellow WAS-H members on a nice October Saturday.

If you completed our member survey, thank you! The information helps us in so many

ways, but the bottom line is, it helps us focus on the wants and needs of our members and community. We are so appreciative to Kelly Medrano and Richard Tabor for spearheading this effort.

I want to thank the Board and volunteers for keeping things running during the summer. I especially appreciate Laura Mossman, our hard-working Artist Liaison, who really does keep everything going in a positive direction.

I look forward to seeing you at WAS-H soon! WAS-H really is a happy place, with great artistic energy imbued throughout. I plan to attend the **August Gallery Exhibit** reception on **Sunday, August 6 @ 3pm**, if you will be there, I would love to say "hi" and visit a bit.

Warm Regards, Karen Houston Stopnicki

August Monthly Events

No General Meeting or Demo

Our General Meeting and Demos will resume in September!



Paint-In

Saturday
August 3, 2023
Adam Zhao
Figure Drawing/Painting

SOLD OUT



Show Reception

Sunday, Aug 6 Starts @ 3:00 pm Theme: People Judge: Leslie Cuenca

Welcome our newest members!

Danneen Zeno
Svetlana Zhikhareva
Smita Agrawal
Cheryl Baron
Carolina Chavez
Nancy Corbet
Alfonso de Lucas Tron

Diane Dean
Li Fan
Nancy Fitzgerald
Charles Fried
Karen Hamilton
Ramon Hernandez
Jessica Ludy
Lynda Radice
Erwin Ramos
Usha Shah
Margie Wedemeyer
Regina West
Heidi Wheeler



New
Member Orientation
will be held on
Friday, August 11 @ 1 pm

To register, click **HERE**

Class Monitor Training is available

Would you like to be a class monitor?

Class monitors perform duties for the teacher and WAS-H for exchange for a reduction in the class tuition. Monitors must be able to use the AV equipment, make coffee, help the teacher set up, in addition to several other duties before, during and after the class. We will go over these responsibilities and students must demonstrate proficiency with the AV equipment to become a certified WAS-H monitor. You must register to attend.

(Not all classes require a class monitor.)



Tuesday, August 1 3 pm to 4 pm

Register Here

Upcoming Gallery Shows

August Show

Theme: People

September Show

Theme: Experimental



This month we invite artists to explore people. Portraiture, the human figure or a group of friends. Judge: Leslie Cuenca August Prospectus

Registration Open NOW

Deadline Wednesday, August 2 3 pm

Reception Sunday, August 6 3 pm



We encourage our members to used different techniques or mediums for this show. Do something wild!

Judge: Annette Palmer September Prospectus

Registration Opens Friday, August 13

DeadlineWednesday, September 6
3 pm

Reception Sunday, September 10 3:30 pm

August Classes and Workshops



Be Bold
Mixed Media Abstract
Carla Gauthier &
Kim Granhaug
Weekend Workshop
July 29 & 30
9:30 am - 3:30 pm
Register



Virtual Class
Watercolor Foundations
Essential Techniques
Michael Jason Bentley
Two-Day Class
Wednesday & Thursday
Aug 2 & 3
Register Here



VIRTUAL Class
Head, Hands and Feet
Ellen Orseck
Five Thursday mornings
August 3, 10, 17, 24, 31
9:30am - 12:30pm
Register Here



Les McDonald, Jr.
Techniques and Textures
One-Day Workshop
Friday, August 4
9:30am - 3:30pm
Register Here



Houston City Scapes
Dr. Mohammad Ali Bhatti
Four Tuesday Afternoons
August 8, 15, 22, 29
1 pm - 4 pm
Register Here



Carla Gauthier
Fun & Fabulous Landscapes
Four Thursday Afternoons
August 3, 10, 24, 31
Skip 8/17
6 pm - 9 pm
Register Here



Myke Venable
Drawing 101
Four Tuesday Mornings
August 8, 15, 22, 29
9:30 am - 12:30 pm
Register Here



Virtual Class
Exuberant Abstract Garden Collage
Susan Giannantonio
Four Tuesday Afternoons
August 8, 15, 22, 29
1 pm - 3 pm
Register



Virtual Class

Watercolor Foundations Essential Techniques Jason Michael Bentley Tuesday & Thursday August 8 & 10 6 pm - 9 pm Register



Weekend Workshop
Basics of Flower Painting
Dr. Mohammad Ali Bhatti
Saturday & Sunday
August 12 & 13
10 am - 4 pm
Register

VIEW ALL CLASSES

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or other recommendations
to our President.

President@watercolorhouston.org.

Send your ideas about *classes or*workshops you'd be interested in by
emailing our
Education Director at
Education@watercolorhouston.org.

For all other questions or comments on any of our programs or services, you may contact the Artist Liaison by email @ <u>Liaison</u> or by phone during regular gallery hours @ 713.942.9966

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