

VALLEY WATERCOLOR SOCIETY NEWSLETTER

THE PURPOSE OF THE VALLEY WATERCOLOR SOCIETY IS TO PROMOTE INTEREST, KNOWLEDGE AND APPRECIATION OF WATERMEDIA THROUGH MEETINGS, EXHIBITIONS AND OTHER APPROPRIATE ACTIVITIES.

VWS Calendar

Board Meeting

Monday May 7th 2018

Time: 1:00 - 3:00 PM

7100 Hayvenhurst, just south of Sherman Way

General Meeting

Thursday May 10th,

Time: 7:00 pm, General Meeting:

San Fernando Valley Arts and Cultural Center, 18312 Oxnard St., Tarzana

Facebook

Visit our page at: <https://www.facebook.com/ValleyWatercolorSociety/> and post your paintings

Paint-Outs

Wednesday Group -

Wed, May 16th at 9am at Leonis Adobe Museum

Weekend Group -

Sat, May 12th at 3-7pm at Paramount Ranch

See page 6 for details

Workshop

Jan Godachy, 1 day Workshop: Sat, 9-4, May 19th, at the SF Valley Arts and Cultural Center 18312 Oxnard St. Tarzana, CA 91356

Jan Godachy Demonstrator on Thursday May 10th, 7:00pm

I am a self-taught artist, practicing watercolor for almost 20 years. By that I mean no formal art school, however I've taken lots of workshops and see a lifetime of learning with this media. I worked for Qantas Airways & Singapore Airlines for 30 years, which enabled me to take great photos of



the places I've been.

Once they outsourced me I became the Gallery Manager at the National Watercolor Society in San Pedro for six years I had the privilege of viewing and meeting some of the top watercolorists in the world.



I now teach watercolor on Mondays and Thursdays for the City of El Segundo's Recreation Department and have come to find that I love teaching.

I've won numerous awards on a local level in Pacific Art Guild, El Segundo Art Association,



Torrance Art Guild, and the South Bay Watercolor Society, (including two Best of Show). I am currently the

"Artist of the Year" for Four years in a row at the Pacific Art Guild. On a national level: I've been accepted into juried shows; CA-101, Torrance Art



Museum, the Museum of San Luis Obispo, the City of Los Angeles Bridge gallery, the National Watercolor Society and Watercolor West.



I'm available for demos and workshops, please visit my website at: www.jangodachy.com

I paint atmospheric, representational style and plan all my vacations centered around learning plein air and taking workshops from master watercolor artists. Watercolor keeps me humble.



PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE...MAY 2018



Wow! This year seems to have flown by! We still have one more meeting in June, though, so don't go on vacation too soon. This month brings a wonderful artist to demonstrate her skills for us; Jan Godachy. I hope that we will see you at the meeting.

Last month we were excited to see the work of our Student Award Winners. I know if you were there to see their work, you would agree that they deserved their awards.

Spring brings a desire to get outdoors. Take your sketchbook or your paints and sit in the beautiful sunshine and record the beautiful colors and shapes around you. Our Plein Air Chair, Liz Blum, has a few great outings that you can join, also. Go, enjoy the outdoors and meet new friends. See the activities in this newsletter or give her a call.

At this May meeting we will also present the new members of our Board. We want to thank those who have volunteered to help us with the coming year and of course, those who will stay on and those who are leaving. Please come to show your appreciation.

See you at the meeting!

Diana Herz, President

WWS BOARD OF DIRECTORS OFFICERS:

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WWS COMMITTEE CHAIRS:

Drawings - Joanne Schaefer

DVD Library - Nancy Corran

Hospitality - Christine Kaldjian

Life/Honorary Memberships - Darlene Libby

Nominating Committee - Mich Laski

Paint-Outs - David Deyell, Conejo, Wednesday

Liz Blum, SFV, Sunday

Photographer/Facebook - Jan Evans

Society Show - Don Ferre

Student Awards - Judy Heimlich & Dorothy Lee

For more information about Valley Watercolor Society visit our website at www.valleywatercolorsociety.org

Members with a concern or wanting a membership list can email us at:

valleywatercolorsociety@hotmail.com

Our email box is monitored daily so a Board member will soon be in contact with you.

Has your contact information changed? Email our Membership Chair at asrubinjr@gmail.com

WWS MEMBERS WEBSITES

If you are interested in having your website published in our monthly newsletter, please email me your name, and the URL to your website. Cheryl@valleywatercolorsociety.org

Beth Pfaffinger <https://www.vermiciousknidart.com/>

Brenda Swenson <http://www.swensonsart.net/>

Claudia Kazachinsky <http://claudiakazachinsky.com/>

Mark Kay Wilson <https://www.instagram.com/mkwartist/>

Greg Radionov <https://gregoryradionov.ru.gg/>

Judy Heimlich <http://judysartstudio.com/>

Susan Spector <http://susanspectorart.com/>

Randi Zafman <http://randizafman.com/>

Phyllis Solcyk <http://www.phyllissolcyk.com/>

Selina Cheng <http://selinachengart.com/>

Susan Gesundheit <http://www.susangesundheit.com/>

Joette Snyder <http://www.joettesgallery.com/wp/>

Charlotte Mullich <http://charlotttemullich.com/>

Karen Holly <http://karenholly.com/>

Pong Apinyavat <http://pongapinyavat.com/>

Mary Guzman <http://www.marikitastudio.com/>

Sylvia Crosbie www.Sylvia.K.Crosbie.com

Dafna Gilboa <http://dafnasart.com/>

Micheline Laski <http://michreedlaski.artspan.com/>

Cheryl Scheer cherylscheer.com

MEMBERS NEWS

Members websites continued:

Trisha Bennett www.ArtbyTrishaBennett.etsy.com

Gary Friedman -- garyfriedmanart.com

Rea Nagel — www.watermediabyrea.com

Jan Evans — www.janevansstudio.com

Gail Green's painting "Gossip" won the Best of Exhibit award at the 65th Mid-Valley Arts League Members Exhibit. The juror was the noted watercolor artist and teacher Frank Eber. The exhibit will be open until June 3rd at the Chaffee Community Art Museum in Ontario, 217 S. Lemon Ave., Ontario, CA 91761



EXTRA...EXTRA!

SUBMIT NEWS by the **15th of each month** to be printed in the VWS newsletter. **Who, What, Where, When and Why.** Send to Newsletter Editor Cheryl Scheer at email address:

cheryl@valleywatercolorsociety.com



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CALL OF THE WILD

A Retrospective Art Exhibit

- May 1—26, 2018



VWS TEACHERS

Watercolor classes; continuous. Oak Park Wednesday Evening 6:30 to 8:30 PM & Agoura Hills Tuesdays noon to 3 pm. David Deyell, AIA Emeritus, retired Member University of California (805) 494-1700.

Helene Jukoff teaches a weekly public class on Wednesday Mornings at the Wilkinson Adult center at Vanalden, just south of Nordhoff. The cost is \$5 plus \$2 for use of the terrific space. She also does private classes at my home in Northridge. Interested people should call Helene at (818) 349-7933 or email her at rteachr@att.net

LOST AND FOUND

VWS Members Only - If you lost or found anything at a VWS event, please email cheryl@valleywatercolorsociety.org

CALL FOR ENTRIES

DailyBrushwork.com

SPECIAL EVENTS

SOCIAL MEDIA

In an effort to increase our social media presence, the VWS is asking all of you to follow us on [Facebook](https://www.facebook.com/valleywatercolorsociety)

CLASSIFIED ADS

FOR SALE: Large backpack, 24" long, for Plein Aire outings. Only used once. Best Offer. If interested, please call Diana at (323) 650-1127.

FOR SALE: Jullian half box French plein air easel - \$80. I only used it once and Amazon sells it for \$159. Call Mich Laski at 818.634.7501.



Large backpack, 24" long



French plein air easel

SOCIETY SHOW WINNERS



Left to Right: Paula Diggs 3rd prize, Pat DeLonga, Honorable Mention, Fatema Azar Kian 1st prize, Judy Randolph Meyer 2nd place

NEW MEMBERS



Welcome new members!

From top left to right:
Alana Thomas,
Linda Robinson, and
Laura Garfield

VWS WORKSHOPS

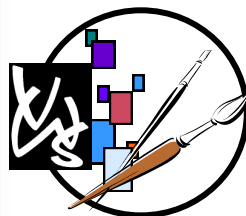
Workshops start at 9 am, go to 4 pm, and are held at the San Fernando Valley Arts & Cultural Center, 18312 Oxnard Street, Tarzana, CA 91356

Below is the list of upcoming demonstrators and workshops. You can sign up for these workshops at the General Meetings or contact workshop chairperson Selina Cheng, email: VWSworkshop@aol.com

- ◆ Jan Godachy, Demo: 5/10/18, Workshop: Sat, 5/19/2018, (members \$60. / non members \$80.)



Jan Godachy



Next Calendar Year:

- ◆ Peter Morris, Demo: 10/11/18, Workshop: Sat, 10/20/2018, members \$60. / non members \$80.)
- ◆ Dave Lobenberg, Demo: 11/8/18, Workshop: Fri-Sun, Nov. 9-11, members \$240. / non members \$300.)

DEMO ARTISTS WEBSITES

[Carol Carter](#)

[Brenda Swenson](#)

[Debbie Abshear](#)

[Helene Jukoff](#)

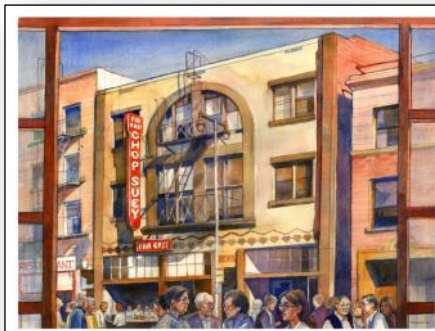
[Louisa McHugh](#)

[Nick Runge](#)

[Joe Cibere](#)

[Jan Godachy](#)

[Keiko Tanabe](#)



Peter Morris



Dave Lobenberg

STUDENT SCHOLARSHIP WINNERS



Genesis Bolanos



Alexandra Eleazer



Angela Park

Brenda Swenson Demo



Brenda Swenson Workshop



PAINT-OUTS

VWS members and potential members are invited to join in the following paint outs. These venues are great to inspire your painting creations. The more you look and see, the more your imagination permits you to create art.

Paint-out on Saturday, May 12th, 3:00 pm – 7:00 pm (or anytime in between)

An afternoon Paint-out may be just the thing! The warm light will be more interesting with strong shadows and cooler temperatures. Paramount Ranch has a Western Town for a subject which should look great in afternoon light. Parking is free and there are washrooms. [Paramount Ranch](#), 2903 Cornell Road, Agoura Hills, CA, 91301. Take Ventura Freeway (U.S. 101) to Kanan Road exit. South on Kanan 0.5 mile. Left on Cornell Way and veer to the right. South 2.5 miles, entrance is on right side of the road. Questions: Lizblum@mac.com



The **Wednesday Paint-Out, May 16th, 9:00am** at [Leonis Adobe Museum](#), 23537 Calabasas Road, Calabasas, CA 91302. As Los Angeles City Cultural Monument #1, the Leonis Adobe Museum is dedicated to restoring, preserving, and sharing the last of the old west. Please email David Deyell at watercolorists@netzero.net to let David know your proposed painting spot.

What is the society show? It is an opportunity for each member to bring their paintings to the General Meeting. Everyone is always interested to see what our members are painting. The Demonstrator that evening is asked to pick 4 winners. The First Place winner receives \$20.00. Any VWS member may participate. We ask you only bring one painting per meeting since space is limited. Come to our next meeting with a painting and you could be picked as a Society Show Winner!

All workshops are held at the SFV Arts and Cultural Center, 18312 Oxnard St, Tarzana. **For information** contact workshop coordinator Selina Cheng at: VWSworkshop@aol.com

Workshop Policy

- 1) The full amount for each workshop is required when you sign up. Your space will not be guaranteed without payment by check or cash.
- 2) The workshop fee includes a 25% non-refundable cancellation fee (except as noted in #4 below) if a cancellation is made less than 7 days prior to the workshop, unless the spot is filled. Any refund given will be minus the 25% cancellation fee.
- 3) No refund will be made for a NO SHOW or a cancellation with less than 2 days of prior notice, unless the spot is filled.
- 4) For workshops that are 3 days or longer, we require a deposit of 50% with sign up. These workshops are with artists from out-of-town and special financial arrangements have to be made for their visits. The full amount is due 60 days prior to the workshop. A cancellation fee of 50% (instead of 25%) applies.
- 5) A workshop may be cancelled at the discretion of the Workshop Chair and the President if any of the following occur: There are less than 10 participants, the workshop is not at a financial break-even point, or the demonstrator or location cancels. In this case, full refunds will be given.
- 6) Payment by check for individual workshops must have a current date and should not be post-dated. Checks for multiple workshops and cash will be promptly deposited.

Our General Meeting and Workshop Location

SF Valley Arts and Cultural Center
18312 Oxnard St., Tarzana, CA . 91356-1502

Traveling South on Reseda, Oxnard is the next intersection just after the Metro Orange Bus line terminal. If traveling North on Reseda, Oxnard is the intersection just before the Metro Orange Bus line terminal. There is parking on the street and also in the back of the building complex. To access the back parking lot you can drive through the arches and through the gate, or turn at the corner and use the alley to enter the gate of the parking lot.

