

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.

December 2018

Calendar

General Meeting:

No meeting in December.
Next meeting: Thu, Jan 10, 2019, 7-9pm (6:30 meet & greet)

Note: January's meeting will be a potluck!

Workshop:

No workshop in December.
Next workshop: John Byram, 1 day: Saturday, Jan 19, 2019, \$70 members, \$90 non-members.

Meeting & Workshop

location: [Sfvacc](http://www.sfvacc.com), 18312 Oxnard St., Tarzana, CA 91356

Paint-outs:

President's Message



Warmest wishes to you, your family and friends. Hope you all enjoy the holiday season and a New Year full of peace and joy and health and happiness that last throughout the year.

Also, I would like to thank all of you talented people for working to support the Valley Watercolor Society. Without your support we could not be successful. I am also looking forward to seeing your new work.

John Chapin, VWS President

2019 Annual Exhibit Reminder

Entries open TODAY, December 1, 2018 for next year's annual exhibit!

Visit www.onlinejuriedshows.com to download the prospectus and submit your work.

See the regular exhibit section of the newsletter on page 6 for more details.

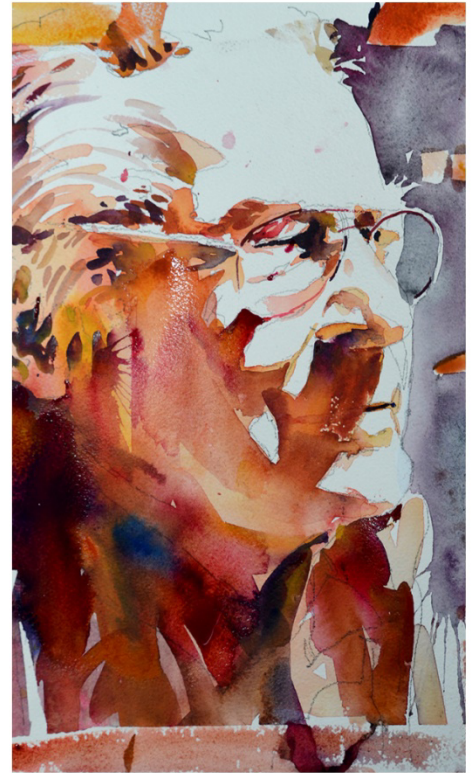
Special Announcements



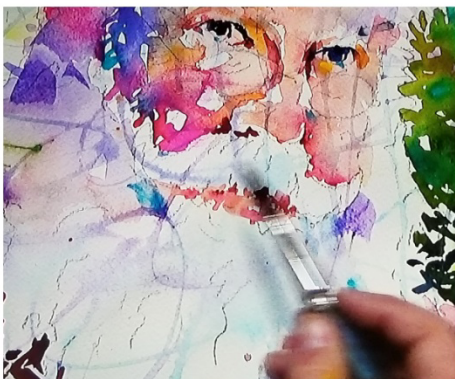
Just a reminder that there is no general meeting or workshop in December. Have a wonderful holiday and we'll see you in January!

November Highlights

Dave Lobenberg visited VWS in November and gave a demo at the general meeting:



And held a 3-day workshop for members:



Society Show Winners

The Society Show is an opportunity for all members to show a painting at the General Meeting. Our guest artist selects four winners plus the plein air winner if there are plein air entries.



Congrats to our November winners, from left to right:

2nd place – Gary Friedman

1st place – Fatemeh Azar Kian

3rd place – Marietta Petrini

Honorable Mention - Fatemeh Azar Kian

New Members

In the last two months, we welcomed so many new members. Welcome to VWS!



Member News

Debra Reynolds won Best of Show at the Burbank Art Association Fall Show with her Prismacolor work, "Glass":



Ben Levin is showing his painting, "Barn" in [Galleria Gitana's "Good Things Come in Small Packages"](#) exhibit, opening Dec 1 (Reception 6-9pm):



Michelene Laski has had 2 paintings accepted into "Art Across the Valley," opening at [Galleria Gitana](#) January 26. "Pho Beth" and "Chatsworth Rocks"



Nicqui Pearl Indics has an ongoing display at [Nat's on Ventura](#) in Woodland Hills. Drop by to see her paintings in oil, mixed media, and watercolor. [Click here for directions to Nat's](#). They're open M-F 7am-2:30 pm, and Sat/Sun 7am-3pm.

MORE Member News!

[Judy Heimlich](#) currently has paintings showing in the following exhibits:

- “The Western Wall” and “Lady Liberty” are showing in the [Borders and Walls exhibit at the Santa Paula Museum](#), running through January 10, 2019
- “View of Rainbow Falls” is appearing in Women Painters West's [Through the Looking Glass exhibit](#), running through March 29, 2019.

Paula Diggs's paintings "In the Beginning" and "High Surf" will also be showing in the Good Things Come in Small Packages show opening on December 1, 2018 at [La Galeria Gitana](#) through January 11, 2019

Congratulations, everybody!

Upcoming Paint-Outs



Los Angeles Zoo - Sunday, Dec 9, 10am

The Los Angeles Zoo and Botanical Gardens opened on November 28, 1966. The Zoo is home to more than 1,400 mammals, birds, amphibians, and reptiles representing more than 270 different species, of which more than 58 are endangered. In addition, the Zoo's botanical collection comprises several planted gardens and over 800 different plant species with approximately 7,000 individual plants. Admission \$21. 62 and older \$18.

[Visit the LA Zoo website.](#)

Contact lizblum (at) mac (dot) com if you have any questions.

Please note that the December 5th Paint-Out at Peter Strauss Ranch is cancelled due to the Woolsey fire.

Stay tuned for January's paint-outs.

2019 Annual Exhibit Info

This year's Juror will be [Joseph Stoddard](#) whose work has been especially revered by those who know Pasadena. His work is in the permanent collection of Azusa Pacific University, the Pasadena Museum of History, countless homes and offices and has been featured in many publications here and abroad.

Prizes:

Top Honors:

- * First Place \$300.00
- * Second Place \$250.00
- * Third Place \$200.00

Special Honors: Gift certificates or merchandise.

Honorable Mention: Gift certificates or merchandise.

Entries open: December 1, 2018

Entry deadline: February 3, 2019 midnight

Acceptance notification begins: February 10, 2019

Take-In: March 4, 2019 1:30 – 3:00 P.M.

Show opens: March 5, 2019

Reception and Awards Presentation: March 10, 2019 5:30 – 7:00 P.M.

Show closes: March 30, 2019

Pick-Up: March 30, 2019 5:00 – 7:00 P.M.

- Entries may be transparent OR opaque watercolors. That means gouache is permitted. Art must be at least 80% water media.
- Volunteers are needed for the exhibit, especially to sit the gallery in an emergency. You do not have to be in the exhibit to volunteer to help with take-in, take-down, bin art, greeting visitors, etc. E-mail Sylvia at sylvia_crosbie@excite.com to volunteer.

Events Around Town



Upcoming Exhibits at SFV Arts & Cultural Center

- [Uncommon Threads](#) - Nov 27, 2018
- [Ira Dubov Exhibit](#) - Dec 24, 2018
- [Art Across the Valley](#) - Jan 8, 2019

Upcoming Events at Watercolor West

- [City of Brea Art Gallery Workshop: Layering the Light with Geri Medway](#) - Nov 3, 2018
- [Ken Goldman Demo](#) - Nov 17, 2018



Call for Entries

'World of Watermedia' 10th annual - 2019 Signature American Watermedia International Exhibition & Sale
Over 10,000 visitors to the 2018 show agree 'an amazing show - the best of the best.' Artist Application Deadline: Nov. 17, 2018. Show Dates: Feb. 10, 2019 - Apr. 21, 2019. Signature Membership in one or more U.S. watermedia society is required. All watermedia accepted. Visit their website to apply: www.fallbrookartcenter.org

Topanga Canyon Gallery Exhibition: "New Beginnings"

Entries opened October 15 at www.onlinejuriedshows.com

Entry deadline: December 2, 2018

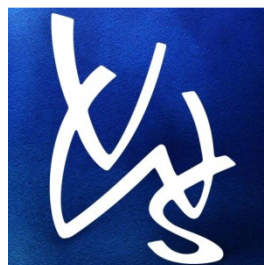
Show dates: January 9, 2019 – January 27, 2019

Classes Around Town

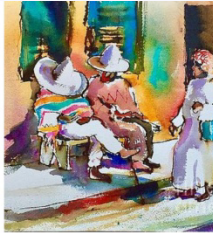
VWS Teachers

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

Helene Jukoff teaches a weekly public class on Wednesday Mornings 8:45-11:10am at the LA Parks Wilkinson 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 her home in Northridge between 1-4pm. Interested people should call Helene at (818) 349-7933 or email her at rteachr@att.net



VWS Workshop Schedule



2018-2019 Workshops

Workshops are held 1-3 days from 9am – 4pm with a break in the middle for lunch. There is a refrigerator for a packed lunch, and shops and restaurants a short drive away

[Dave Lobenberg](#) - Nov 9-11, 2018 - 3 days

[John Byram](#) - Jan 19, 2019 - 1 day

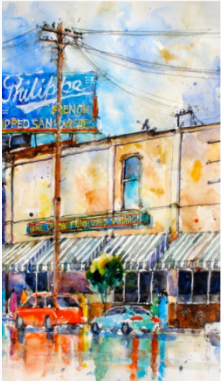
[Thomas Schaller](#) - Feb 15-17, 2019 - 3 days

[Linda Kemp](#) - Mar 15-17, 2019 - 3 days

[Cathy Quiel](#) - Apr 12, 2018 - 1 day

[Joseph Stoddard](#) - May 11-12, 2018 - 2 days

2018-2019 Workshop Artists
Clockwise from top left: Peter Morris,
Dave Lobenberg, John Byram,
Thomas Schaller, Linda Kemp,
Cathy Quiel, Joseph Stoddard



Location:

San Fernando Valley Arts & Cultural Center
18312 Oxnard St.
Tarzana, CA 91356

Workshop Policy:

The workshop fee includes a 10% non-refundable cancellation fee if a cancellation is made more than 30 days prior to the workshop. A 50% non-refundable fee if cancellation is made between 30 or 7 days. No refund will be made for a NO SHOW or a cancellation with less than 7 days of notice prior to the workshop. The 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 breakeven point, or the demonstrator or location cancels. In this case, FULL refunds will be given.

Enroll in workshops by bringing your check to any meeting, or [enroll online](#). Just select the desired workshop and scroll down to the "Register Now" button.

Member Websites

Find out about your fellow members' work at their home pages:

Trisha Bennett — www.ArtbyTrishaBennett.etsy.com

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

Jan Evans — www.janevansstudio.com

Sylvia Crosbie — www.SylviaKCrosbie.com

Gary Friedman — www.garyfriedmanart.com

Susan Gesundheit — www.susangesundheit.com

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

Karen Holly — <http://karenholly.com>

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

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

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

Cheryl Scheer — www.cherylscheer.com

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

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

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

If you'd like to have your website listed in the newsletter, just email newsletter@valleywatercolorsociety.org.

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Social Media:

Visit the [Valley Watercolor Society](http://valleywatercolorsociety.org) website. Here you can see the latest announcements, renew your membership, or register for workshops online. Check out our new membership area.

Like, follow, comment, and share your paintings on our [Facebook Page](#).

Catch up on previous communications here:

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Newsletter Submission Guidelines

Did you get into an exhibit? Do you have a show coming up? Are you teaching a workshop, giving a demo, or have you published a book? Maybe you're hosting a local sketching outing or a trip to a tropical island for outdoor painting. Did you just win a Golden Lion at the Venice Biennale? Or maybe you just want your website to appear here.

Email your news to newsletter@valleywatercolorsociety.org by the 20th of this month for inclusion in next month's newsletter.

Submission Guidelines

Deadlines:

- Submissions received by the deadline each month will be included in the upcoming newsletter
- Submissions received after the deadline will be included in the following month's newsletter

Photographs:

- Photographs should be high-resolution images of at least 600 pixels across.
- You may submit photographs as email attachments, in a *.zip file, or via [WeTransfer](#).
- Photographs sent directly by email **must be submitted as attachments, not within the body of the email.**