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May 2017



Best of Show - Prophecy by Artist Julie Olsen

Thanks, Everyone

Every time I walked into the Water Resources Education Center during our spring show (and I must have walked in there twenty times), someone pulled me aside to remark on what a beautiful show it was.

Katey Sandy, Wanda Brewster and Earlene Holmstrom did the leg work over a year ago, visiting many possible venues to find a bigger, lighter, more centrally located home for our 2017 spring show. They found what we thought was a winner, but we didn't know if we could make a go of it with a hefty new rent bill to pay. We could only hope that the rest of the group would be behind the move and be willing to help – with their time, expertise, donations, and cheer.

Someone who knew me only as an introverted grownup would never have guessed that I was a cheerleader in high school. I was not necessarily devoted to the team or the sport, but to the cute outfits we got to wear and the skits we did at pep rallies. But as the spring show loomed, I tried to resurrect that hammy little cheerleader to rally our little group to the cause of a successful spring show. I bought some new outfits too.

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SWA SPRING SHOW

winning entries

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3rd Place - Water Muse

by John Turley

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While I was flailing at cheerleading, Katey Sandy was putting in the real effort, holding spring show board meetings, meetings about flyers and prospectuses, promotion, sponsorships, reception, silent auction, ad infinitum. We really can't thank her enough. I keep trying.

At all those meetings were a great many of the greats. I can't thank everyone, as we do not have enough room here, but I would like to extend my thanks to Wanda Brewster for her tireless energy and her work alongside Earlene Holmstrom in putting together a gorgeous and highly successful silent auction. I would like to thank Wes Fisk for his work in updating our sponsorship sales program and for getting all those yellow signs made, and to Dennis Birsa for placing them all up and down Columbia Way and into town! Thanks to Cindy Lunde and Arletta Riedler for reception refreshments – so popular the reception crowd ate them all up!

Thanks to the intake crew – I loved seeing new faces amongst the usual suspects! And thanks to the closing crew, too. We tried a new system this year that worked well, I thought.

Thanks to David Rosenstein and Maury Arthurs for heading up the panel putting-up and taking-down in a new venue where we were really playing it by ear. And thanks to my personal firefighters, Drew and Dean Tracy, for muscling those art panels from storage to the venue and back again.

Thanks especially to Elaine Pawski, who did a beautiful job on the flyers and programs as usual, but also with the new job we gave her: photographing each winning artwork and compiling a slide show for the reception. Wasn't it a great addition? If you liked it too, please let her know.

Thanks to the hanging crew. I was happy to see new faces here as well as the regulars. Welcome!

Heading up the hanging crew and holding the cash box was the indomitable Jean Toepfer. As I write this, she is still hard at work getting her arms around all the money that went in and out at such a speedy rate in such a short window of time, but I trust her because she will work until she gets it right. I know she wishes that someone money-savvy and computer-savvy would step forward and take that Treasurer's tiara from her head, but let me tell you, it's a big tiara to fill.

Thanks to Carol Lytle for rounding up our volunteers! And thanks to ALL THE VOLUNTEERS! Wasn't it fun this year?

May Meeting – Let's see your winning works

If you won an award at the 2017 Spring Art Show (1st, 2nd, 3rd, Honorable Mention or Sponsor Award), then you are one of our artists of the month! Please bring in your winning piece and prepare to tell us a little about it. We are looking forward to hearing about it.

SWA MEMBERS TO-DO LIST:

BRING YOUR WINNING PIECE OF ART ON MAY 17th. The May meeting entertainment is you! Please bring your winning piece (1st, 2nd, 3rd, Honorable Mention and Sponsor Award) and say a few words about what sparked the piece and your technique.

SIGN UP FOR THE WORKSHOP. JUNE 10th and 11th
It's filling up fast, so don't snooze.

LEND A HAND. Talk to me if you would be interested in helping Jean with the work of the Treasurer. We are looking for someone with a computer-aided accounting background. Anyone? Also, if you are interested in helping us host meetings and send cards to SWA friends who need cheering, talk to me. I have an opportunity for you! - Janice

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SWA minutes for April 19, 2017

The meeting was called to order by Katey Sandy, Art Show chair.

Katey reviewed the rules for submitting work to the Spring art show to be held at the Water Resources Center. Submissions forms and rules can also be found on the SWA website.

A silent auction will also be a part of the show. The silent auction will close at 5:30 pm on Saturday prior to the reception and credit cards will be accepted for auction items.

Postcards are available for the show and a show announcement is also on Facebook.

Treasurer, Jean Toepfer, announced a balance in all accounts of \$9,163.25.

Artist demonstrator for the day was Susan Kuznitsky, an Oregon pastel artist. She provided many tips for the pastel artist. She is also a member of Oregon Society of Artists and often teaches classes there.

Sue Tellock, Secretary

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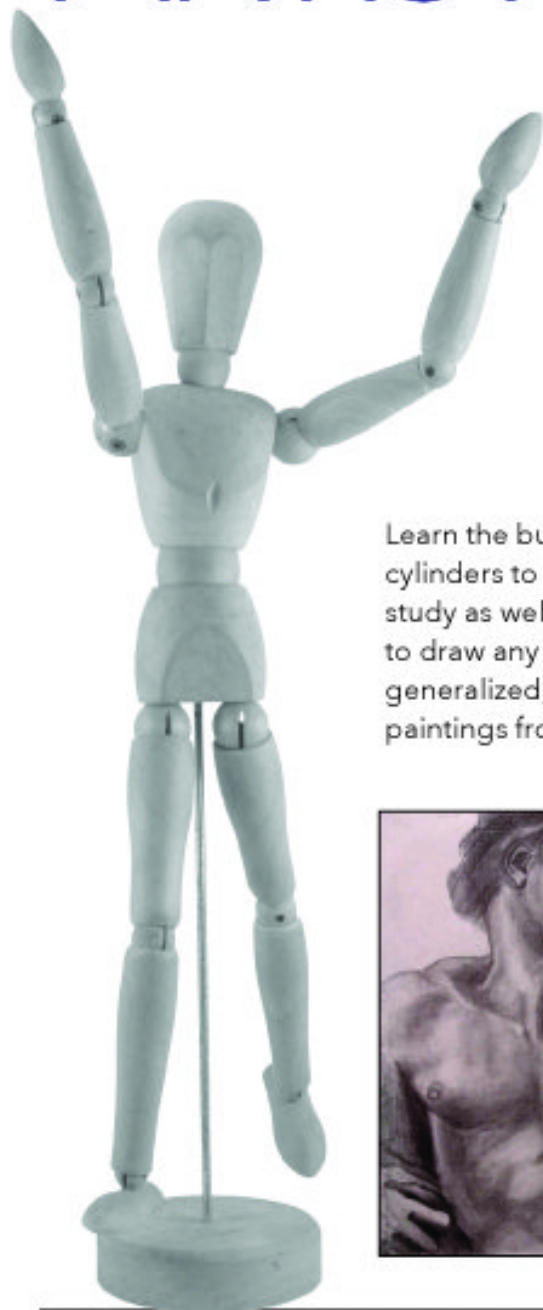
Our 2017 Spring Workshop Event

Classical **Figure Drawing** with Randall Vemer

June 10 & 11 2017 9am - 4pm
Cascadia Montessori School
10606 NE 14th Str.
Vancouver, WA 98664

SWA Members \$90
Non Members \$115

Registration Form and Information attached



Learn the building blocks for drawing all forms! Use ovals, cubes and cylinders to draw animals and people. We will practice a human head study as well as torso, and pelvis. Randall will introduce the mannequin to draw any action pose. Modified cylinders on top will create a generalized, believable form. We will apply the technique to drawing paintings from the Renaissance and Baroque periods.



DRAWING BY RANDALL VEMER DEC, 2009

We will be working primarily in charcoal on newsprint, which will be supplied as part of your registration. If you wish to bring other drawing supplies, you are welcome to do so.



Randall Vemer was Principal Viola of the Oregon Symphony in Portland for 20 years. "Making the transition from classical music to classical painting was not such a big conceptual leap for me". Both art forms demand years of serious training and analysis. He is a member of the Oregon Society of Artists, where he teaches Classical Figure Drawing. See more of Randall's work at artvita.com/artists/3714-randall-vemer

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www.societyofwashingtonartists.com

Now Showing

SWA Website Member Gallery Show your work on our member site. Email up to 5 photos in JPG file format, with a file size of approximately 150 KB. **Need help?** Call Arletta Riedler, our SWA Webmaster 360.574.9208 cell 503.250.2631

First Friday To participate in art downtown, click <http://www.vdausa.org/first-friday-downtown/>

Camas First Friday You'll love it there too!

Vancouver Library Contact dgamble@fvrl.org

Gallery 360 "Northwest Bounty" Through July 1. Celebrating the Vancouver Farmers Market and the riches of the Northwest, the gallery will reflect our region's foods, flowers, wildlife, industry, recreation, and entrepreneurs.

North Bank Gallery Closing The gallery retrospective is showing now **Click to read more**



SWA Spring Show
2nd Place - Ode to Reading
by Leslie Pogue

Show Contemporary Art At Springhill Marriott

Ask for guidelines and application forms at the SWA meeting. Print and send in an application or scan the application and send it with your photos and artist statement. Send to Wanda Brewster wabasawana@comcast.net

Our committee reviews and schedules works to be shown. Marriott is changing their style, and chooses contemporary, local works from SWA artists.

Workshops Classes Clubs

SWA 2017 Workshop

June 10-11, 2017

**Classical
FIGURE DRAWING
with Randall Vemer**
Print the SWA flyer
and registration form
From our website



Portland Fine Arts Guild Presents Sip & Paint
June 12, 5:45pm- 8:00pm Painting: "Poppies"
Rivercrest Community Church, 3201 NE 148th Ave, Portland
Portland Fine Arts Guild Presents Colored Pencil Techniques
with Rodger King June 5, 12 and 19, from 10:00am-2:00pm
To reserve call Laurie Martin-Cohn 503-754-6491
Visit this informative blog: <http://lauriemartincohn.blogspot.com>

Art's Desire has Classes and workshops with local artists, varied styles and media in a unique setting. Organizer is Bev Birdwell 360-693-0028 click <http://www.bevelar.com/>

Battleground Art Alliance www.bgartalliance.com
First Wednesdays at Senior Center in Battleground
116 NE 3rd Avenue. Contact Linda Kliever 687-7414

Northwest Oil Painter's Guild meets 3rd Tuesdays monthly
717 Grand Ave. Vancouver. Plein aire painting encouraged!
Bob Fleischmann 360-258-1102
Or Jim Gola at 360-263-2201 jimgola@hotmail.com

Free Model Art Guild Free drop-in Saturdays 12:30 til 3pm
201 W. Evergreen, downtown. Draw from live models, short poses. Artists of all levels are welcome to sketch or paint in this relaxed, open environment. Quick, casual sketches.

Free Model Art Guild meets Wednesdays at Marshall Center near Clark College downtown 1pm Short & long poses. All levels welcome, drop in. First and second Wednesdays feature a live model, long pose, low fee. Monthly critique session fourth Wednesday. **Free Model** also hosts a 3-hour nude model session monthly on 4th Friday afternoons (space limited). Call Marianne Stokes for schedule 574-2189 www.freemodelartguild.com

Our Interactive Facebook Page

Put your artwork, comments and critiques out there! Chat with other artists on our SWA Facebook page. Click below. Interact and advertise! All for free.

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Membership dues are \$35 per person, \$45 family

_____ membership dues are now due and payable.
They should be paid before the end of June. Send check or
money order to SWA at Box 2992, Vancouver, WA 98668
or pay at next meeting.

Name _____

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I, _____,

hereby apply for membership in the

Society of Washington Artists for the _____ fiscal year

Which runs from July 1, _____ through June 30, _____

Meeting Wednesday

May 17, 2017 10am

Vancouver Heights Church 5701 MacArthur Blvd. Vancouver WA

**At this month's meeting, Spring Show
artists will show their works**

**Below: First Place – Stargazer Lilies
by Cynthia Lunde**



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