

# PEN & PALETTE

The Newsletter of the Society of Washington Artists

## February Meeting

**March 21, 2018**

Show registration: 9:00

Meeting: 10:00am to 12:00

Place: Vancouver Heights  
United Methodist Church  
5701 MacArthur Blvd  
Vancouver, WA

## Meeting in Brief

- Business Meeting
- Artists of the Month  
Infusion Gallery
- Short Break for  
refreshments
- Artist Demonstrator  
Ruth Armitage

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### *Daffodils up, Brushes Down.*

Spring is here and the Spring Show is coming! I hope you have had a chance to paint while it was raining and/or snowing. I know I have, but I've sold the only one that I really thought was good, and the rest, well, maybe the next one will be better.

It's funny - sometimes you know you have something, and you're right - it sells right away. The next time you think you really nail it, it doesn't get a second look.

As I told someone who was inquiring about a commission, art is personal and unexplainable.

I am enjoying looking at all the art that is coming through our new online registration site. Both the variety and quality are high, and I can't wait to see them hanging in the Water Resources Center.

The online registration with image submission is doing what it was meant to do: art show leaders are able to double check categories, screen for copyright issues, and make sure submitted art is appropriate for public spaces. There have been very few issues related to submitted art, but those that have come up have fostered great conversations and have resulted in happy artists and a better show. I hope the image submission part hasn't intimidated anyone. If it has, I hope you will come early to the March meeting and let us help you register.

## Ruth Armitage

This month, we are thrilled to announce Artist of the Month Ruth Armitage.

If that name sounds familiar, it is because Ruth will be our judge for the Spring Art Show.



Ruth's work is simple and complicated, abstract and pictorial, expressive and dense. I love it and can't wait to take one of her workshops.

She is a well-known and respected Pacific Northwest artist and shows her art at the Portland Art Museum's Rental Sales Gallery.

I'm so looking forward to her demonstration on March 21. Don't miss this one.

<http://rutharmitage.com>

## March Meeting:

**Come Early to Register for the Spring Show.** Elaine Pawski has generously agreed to help anyone who comes to the March meeting between 9:00 a.m. and 9:30 a.m. and help them photograph their art and submit it online. Please take her up on her offer if you have been unable to submit online without help.

**A Different Sort of Artist of the Month.** I'm sure you remember the impressive pile of art supplies we made at the December meeting, all bound for ALSO's art program called Infusion Gallery. You may also remember that Infusion Gallery is an art studio and gallery for artists with disabilities. Since then, we have been planning a visit by Infusion Gallery artists and their Art Director, Parris Foley. This March, we finally make it happen. I hope you enjoy seeing the work that these fine artists do. And if you have more art supplies, bring them along. It's not too late to contribute to this great program.

**Bring Your Silent Auction Goodies.** Wanda and Earlene are beginning to put the Silent Auction Baskets together, so if you have goodies set aside, bring them along.

—Janice Tracy, President

## *SWA General Meeting Minutes for February 21, 2018*

The meeting was not called to order by President, Janice Tracy. In fact, there was no meeting to call to order.

Janice was overruled by Mother Nature who declared a snow day for February 21 as icy roads and snowy conditions made travel unwise for many.

Instead, we imagine many members spent the day doing many things. Things like cleaning a drawer, running the vacuum, reading a book, watching a movie, making some soup, painting a picture, framing a picture, shopping on Amazon, maybe making cookies.

So as much as we really wish that there had been a February meeting, sometimes we just need permission to have a snow day, or two.

Sue Tellock, Secretary

## Call to Artists

### Register Now!



SWA's Spring Show will run from Thursday, April 26th through Sunday, April 29th. Online registration is at

<https://societyofwashingtonartists.com/2018-registration> . Art drop-off is Tuesday, April 24th from 12:00 to 5:00pm.

### Call to Indigenous Artists

yəhaw is an open call exhibition celebrating the depth and diversity of Indigenous art made in the Pacific Northwest. This show will be held in the newly renovated King Street Station in downtown Seattle in November 2018. All Indigenous creatives living in our region are invited to participate. Everyone who applies will have work included in the exhibition!

<https://yehawshow.com/>

### Call to Artists

Once Upon a Time Show at *Splendorporium*, located at 3421 S.E. 21st Ave. Portland, OR 97202. Fairy Tales, Literature, Fantasy, Reality. Opening Friday, April 6th. <https://racc.org/resources/listings/upon-time-splendorporium/>

### Call to Artists

First Friday Downtown Art Exhibits at the Vancouver Community Library. The library is preparing their First Friday exhibit schedule for spring through winter 2018. Art is installed in the Columbia Room in the downtown library for each First Friday.

Go to <http://www.fvrl.org/loc/va> and follow the link to First Friday Call For Artists.

## Art in the Area

### FreeModel Art Guild

Free drop-in Saturdays 12:30 - 3:00pm at the Atrium area at 201 W. Evergreen downtown. Draw from live models, short poses. Quick, casual sketches. Wednesdays at 1:00pm at the Marshall Center. Short and long poses. Small fee, drop in. All levels welcome.

FreeModel director Marianne Stokes's husband has been in the hospital, so she has had a rough month. Make sure you give her a pat on the back next time you see her. 360-574-2189.

### The Artist Loft

The Artist Loft's show this month is entitled *Twisted* and includes art from many SWA Members.

The Artist Loft Community art studio and gallery is above Rosemary Cafe downtown. Learn more about studio space, classes, and gallery shows 360-419-5019 or [info@artistloftvancouver.com](mailto:info@artistloftvancouver.com).

### Oregon Society of Artists

OSA will be featuring SWA Member and Treasurer Kathryn Delany on Thursday, April 5th in a demonstration of creating art with the iPad. See <https://www.oregonsocietyofartists.com/demonstration-registration>

### Around Town

You can see some of Kathryn Delany's digital art at **Siren Salon** at 104 W Evergreen Blvd and if you pop in for some pizza around the corner at **Vinnie's Pizza**, you can see some of Janice Tracy's (whose?) eclectic stylings in oils, acrylics and mixed media. 1000 Main Street. If you're in the market for a tulip, member Joan Giddings Turley has work hanging at **Luepke Flowers**. 1300 Washington St.

### SWA Club Officers

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### SWA on Facebook

Post your artwork, boost SWA activities, chat with friends.

Search for “Society of Washington Artists” and click on the link. “Like” our page and participate!



Hummingbird in Mexico by Carol Lytle

### SWA Art Hanging Venues

The SWA has various art showing opportunities all through the year. The SWA requests a small donation from each sale to cover expenses.

H. H. Hall Building, 10000 NE 7th Ave. (Hazel Dell): SWA members can hang several pieces in the second-floor entryway. The exhibit is changed every other month.

Springhill Marriott, 1421 SE Tech Center Dr.: The Marriott chooses works from among those offered by our Venue Coordinators. They tend to choose contemporary pieces. The exhibit is changed every other month. Ask Wanda Brewster for more information.

## Your Mission If You Choose To Accept It (Or If We Twist Your Arm)

Hello Fellow SWA Members,

As most of you know we are busy in committee with lots of cool plans for your SWA Spring Show in April. We have some very committed people working to make this as wonderful as last year and of course run much smoother since we have had a little practice in our new venue.

Our fearless leader Katey Sandy is busy organizing our committee so that we are each working on projects that will help things run smoothly. There will be times that we will ask for your help.

Earlene Holmstrom and I would like your help with donations for the silent auction. As many of you are aware the silent auction was a huge success last year and we hope to improve on that success with your help again this year.

We would like to make it as painless as possible and yet let all of you participate to the degree that you are able. This year we are making up themed baskets or packages. You can choose a theme and pick one or two items to contribute and we will make up the baskets from your donations. Of course if something really rings your bell and you want to do the whole thing yourself we will be happy to let you do that. We may not use all of the categories but we will put together as many packages as we can with the donations available.

I have attached a list of categories to choose from. Please take a look and let me know which item(s) you would like to contribute. We will collect these items at the April meeting unless they are perishable and then we will make other arrangements. Thank you!

Smiles,

Wanda Brewster ([wabasawana@comcast.net](mailto:wabasawana@comcast.net))

### Silent Auction Basket Themes

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Movie Night                 | <input type="checkbox"/> Happy Hour               |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Let's Bake                  | <input type="checkbox"/> "As Seen on TV"          |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Birthday Party (child)      | <input type="checkbox"/> Ice Cream Social         |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Birthday Party (adult)      | <input type="checkbox"/> Cinco de Mayo            |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Green Thumb                 | <input type="checkbox"/> Taste of Italy           |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Garden Party                | <input type="checkbox"/> Picnic in the Park       |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Backyard Birds              | <input type="checkbox"/> Mother's Day             |
| <input type="checkbox"/> "How Novel" (Popular Books) | <input type="checkbox"/> Puzzle Lovers            |
| <input type="checkbox"/> "Books & Bon-Bons"          | <input type="checkbox"/> Let's Hike               |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Bath & Beauty               | <input type="checkbox"/> "Some Like It Hot"       |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Kitchen Kaboodle            | <input type="checkbox"/> Hanging Basket           |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Family Fun Pack             | <input type="checkbox"/> Bargain Basement Art Bin |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Death by Chocolate          | <input type="checkbox"/> Your Choice              |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Dog Lovers                  |   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Coffee Lovers               |   |



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### Membership Renewal

Membership dues are \$35 per person, \$45 family (prorated to \$20.00 for the rest of this fiscal year.)

Membership dues are due every year before the end of June. Send a check to SWA at PO Box 2992, Vancouver, WA 98668 or pay at the next meeting.

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Preferred Phone \_\_\_\_\_

New Member \_\_\_\_\_ Renewal \_\_\_\_\_

Email \_\_\_\_\_

I, \_\_\_\_\_ hereby apply for membership in the Society of Washington Artists for the \_\_\_\_\_ fiscal year which runs from July 1, \_\_\_\_\_ through June 30, \_\_\_\_\_.

### Next Meeting

Wednesday, March 21st  
10:00am - 12:00  
Come early at 9:00 to register for the  
Spring Show!

Vancouver Heights  
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5701 MacArthur Blvd.  
Vancouver, Washington



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## CALL TO ARTISTS/PROSPECTUS ART SHOW AND SALE APRIL 26-29, 2018

**VANCOUVER WATER RESOURCE CENTER COMMUNITY ROOM  
4600 SE COLUMBIA WAY, VANCOUVER, WA 98661**

**Open to all artists, 18 years or older**

The Society of Washington Artists Spring Show is a professionally judged, non juried show and sale representing a wide variety of art media and disciplines. It features cash prizes in all judged categories, many sponsor selected awards, and People's Choice award.

### Eligibility

- Open to artists 18 & older
- Original work only. No copies, classwork or collaborations. No reproductions of originals.
- Art must not have been previously entered in a SWA show.
- Art must be appropriate for public spaces.
- Show committee reserves the right to determine whether art meets the show or category requirements.

### Registration & Entry

- Artists may enter up to 3 works of art.
- Art must be ready to hang with wire that is not visible above the top of the picture. No saw tooth hangers or clips
- Maximum width is 36" and a maximum height is 36" for hanging art. Larger pieces must be accompanied by a display easel. (No working easels) Each artist may enter one large entry.
- **Members \$20 first entry & \$10 each additional entry.**
- **Non-members \$30 first entry, \$10 each additional entry.**
- **Additional \$5 for pieces over 36'x36'.**

**Online Registration Only**

<http://tiny.cc/tu4epy>

### Categories

1. Oil and acrylic, on canvas or board not under glass
2. Water Media including watercolor, acrylic and ink
3. Combined Media including mixed media, digitally painted (not manipulated photos) Hand Pulled Prints and other combined media.
4. Pencil, Colored Pencil, Graphite, Charcoal or Conte
5. Pastels including Oil and Soft Pastels
6. 3 D work including small sculpture, woodwork and glass (no furniture)

### Delivery & Pickup

- Deliver to the Water Resource Center Community Room Tuesday, April 24, 2018 12pm - 5:00 pm
- Pickup work on Sunday, April 29, 2018, 3:30-4:30 pm

SWA cannot guarantee the safety of art not picked up during the allotted time.

### Viewing Dates and Hours

Thursday, April 26, 11-5pm  
Friday, April 27, 12-8pm  
Saturday, April 28, 12-8pm  
Sunday, April 29, 12-3pm

### Reception

Saturday, April 28  
4-6:30pm  
Presentation of awards at 5:30pm



**Prophesy, by Julie Olsen**  
Best in Show, 2017 Spring Show

**SWA, a Nonprofit 501 (c) (3), welcomes new members.**  
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