

# Society of Washington Pen & Palette

THE NEWSLETTER OF THE SOCIETY OF WASHINGTON ARTISTS

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## **SWA Holiday Show**

Allan Oliver, Chair **Holiday Show committee** 

The next major exhibit of SWA artists is scheduled for November online and then showing physically at The Cave gallery in December. The show committee has finalized the prospectus (see page 6), and members can begin submitting their work starting September 21. Registration will close on October 20 or when 200 pieces have been received.

Anne John of The Cave has agreed to jury the show, first selecting the 100 pieces which will be exhibited at the gallery and then awarding Best of Show and first, second, third prizes and two honorable mentions in each of three categories. The categories are the same as they were for the Spring Show -1) oil and acrylic on canvas; 2) watercolor and acrylic on paper; 3) all other mediums.

Prize for Best of Show is \$500 and cash amounts will be awarded to other prize winners.

Stay tuned for details regarding the opening on First Friday, December 3. Given the changing nature of rules regarding social events, the committee will make recommendations as we get closer to the date.

## From Our President

Rick Jones, President



September is a fascinating month. On submitting their the one hand, it's a month of seasonal work for the SWA change, and hopeful events, and on Holiday Show. the other, catastrophes. September is the month that presents the change of the morning breeze from the lovely southwest to the northwest with that hint of fall in the air. Breakfast on

**Sept. 21:** 

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the deck isn't guite as warm in September as it was in June or July.

Some notable dates in September include: Labor Day on the 5th, Grandparents Day on the 4th (my favorite), Constitution Day on the 17th and of course everyone's favorite Talk like a Pirate Day on the 19th. Sadly the first day of September marked the beginning of World War Two, and the 11th the attack on the World Trade Center and the Pentagon. Finally the 22nd we are presented with the autumn equinox. After that it's into fall and the beginning of the holiday season. So, if anything, September is a mixed bag when it comes to months of the year. We shouldn't forget, either that September 6th was the 59th anniversary for Ed and Claudia Martin. Congratulations you two!

September is also when we try to patch a big hole in our membership. We lost Wanda Brewster August 9th. Wanda was a guiding light and strong force not only in SWA but the entire Vancouver art community. We will all miss her but will remember her and her enduring contributions to SWA every time we hang a piece of art on a wall. A great woman and muse to many of us. She was one of the editors of this column, making sure nothing untoward was written and helping me stay on point. She will be sorely missed.

The Fall Show planning is underway and in the capable hands of Allan Oliver and Katey Sandy. Allan has a column (see sidebar at left) reviewing the show, so please make sure to check it out.

As the Pen & Palette is compiled by the tenth of the month we won't have information on the Arts Alive event held on the 18th until the October issue — so watch this column next month for an update. However, we had no issues with filling the schedule with volunteers, so I'd like to take a moment and thank those members who stepped up and offered to help with this extremely important event.

Also, our efforts in placing SWA art in venues on a rotating basis are paying off. SWA members have an opportunity to fill an art space at the Hall Building. This space was managed by Wanda in the past with success. The Hall Building has dedicated a portion of the entryway to art, and over several years, SWA has been a strong presence there. We have elected to continue with this tradition, so please contact me if you are interested in displaying your work there.

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We are also working on continuing our relationship with the Fort Vancouver Regional Library in downtown Vancouver for the summer display of selected pieces of art from SWA members. We should know more about SWA participation with the library during 2022 this coming spring shortly.

Lastly, we are continuing with our efforts to secure a permanent location in which to have classes, demos, and meetings and our focus has been on the Vancouver School of Arts and Academics. Once the Covid thing gets under control we will have a better idea about when we can get this accomplished. Other venues are also being considered but, of course, it all depends on whether we can get together as a group or not, so keep your fingers crossed and your thoughts positive. If we don't, the virus wins.

Rick Jones

President, Society of Washington Artists

## Artists Needed! 2021 Art4Art Panels Now Available!

The Friends of Vancouver Community Library are now handing out panels for the annual Art4Art fundraiser! You can pick up your free panel at the Vancouver Community Library (901 C St.) during regular library hours. Just stop by the Accounts Desk on floor 1 and ask for your free art panel!

What is the Art4Art fundraiser? Every year, the Friends of Vancouver Community Library gives local artists an 8" x 8" wood panel to create on. The artist then donates the panel back to the Friends and they are sold in a fundraiser on the first Friday of December. Proceeds go to funding art projects and programming in the library.

How long will you be handing out panels? Until we run out! We have 300 panels this year and they go quickly so don't wait!

When do I have to return my panel? November 17th is the deadline for returning your panel to the library.

How much are the panels sold for? In an effort to make art accessible to all regardless of artist notoriety or skill level, all panels are sold for a set price of \$30, cash/credit and carry. Buyers are encouraged to find pieces that are meaningful to them, not by "known" artists, which is why we ask artists to only sign the back of the panel.

Special note: Please remember that this project is intended as a fundraiser. We ask that only adults with art experience or training contribute their work to Art4Art 2021.



## **SWA Officers**

**Elected Officers** (Members of the Executive Board)

PRESIDENT: Rick Jones

**VICE PRESIDENT:** Ed Martin

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Sue Tellock **SECRETARY:** 

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MEMBER-AT-LARGE: Janus Innes

MEMBER-AT-LARGE: Katey Sandy

**Appointed Officers and Committee Members** 

WEBMASTER: Kelsey Birsa

Angela Swanson

**SPRING SHOW COORDINATOR:** Katey Sandy

Allan Oliver **FALL SHOW COORDINATOR:** 

**PROGRAM AND** 

OPEN **WORKSHOP COORDINATOR:** 

Diana Thewlis **MEETING FACILITATOR:** 

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**VENUE COORDINATOR: OPEN** 

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YOUTUBE: OPEN

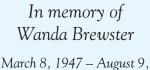
**COMMUNITY LIAISON:** OPEN

**NEWSLETTER COORDINATOR:** Laura Pritchard

& Elaine Pawski

# Help Us Honor and Remember Wanda Brewster!





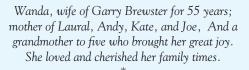
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Wanda was an artist at heart.....a long-time member of The Society of Washington Artists, serving as President for 5 years, a colored pencil artist and an arts supporter. She continued to be actively involved in all SWA events.

Wanda was the heart and voice of SWA!

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She was a generous spirit, a vibrant caring soul who gave her all! She was dedicated to showing us the light within ourselves..... A leader and a gift to us all!

Wanda served on the Mosaic Arts Alliance
Board and
was a driving force behind the creation of
CAN, Columbia Arts Network, serving as
their first president.

She was proud of and enjoyed exploring her Chippewa (Ojibwe) heritage.

Wanda could always find the bright side of difficulties; A dependable shoulder to lean on.

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Her loss leaves a big hole in the Vancouver Art Community!

Those who knew her rejoice in the time we had with her and remember the joy and happiness that surrounded her!



The Society of Washington Artists Board has approved the establishment of a Wanda Brewster Memorial Fund. Donations to this fund will be used by SWA for an art award to a member in this 2021 Holiday show, and for tangible memoriam to further art in the community in Wanda's name.



or mail your donation to Society of Washington Artists PO Box 2992 Vancouver WA 98668



WA is a 501c3 non profit organization. all donations are tax-deductible.

## **SWA Board Minutes for** August 5, 2021

#### Sue Tellock, Secretary

President Rick called the meeting to order. A motion to accept the minutes of the previous Board minutes as printed and the Treasurer's report as printed was passed.

The library show is now up at the main Vancouver library until September 4 and the time may be extended. There are 20 paintings on the 4th and 5th floors. It is possible that this may become an annual summer event.

Arts Alive—Wanda reported that booths are full, a band will there. Magenta will present a skit. It will be a celebration of the arts in our community. It is hoped to this will become an annual event. Art groups are requested to pay \$100 a year dues to be part of CAN. The Arts Alive event will be held at 13th and Franklin on September 18.

Ed moved that SWA contribute \$100 to CAN. Motion passed.

Volunteers are needed for Arts Alive. Wanda suggested that we need a theme for materials handed out. We also need a current membership form showing the current membership fee. Elaine will update a fold over card for a membership card and recommended it be printed at 9 cents Color Copy.

The Fall Show committee will meet on August 19, chaired by Allan Oliver. Show information can be passed out on September 18 at Arts Alive.

The September general meeting is being planned for September 25 at the Bradford Room at the UCC church and will be a meet and greet event. Linda moved that we spend \$130 for church rental... the motion passed. A motion to authorized Sue to purchase packaged food passed.

The Fall Show committee will meet on ZOOM at 5 pm on August 19 and the plan is to get the prospectus out by September 18. The show will be at the CAVE and online in November-December.

A Spring Show invoice from Kelsey has not been received.

Wanda mentioned that help is needed to handle the art display at the Hall Building. Two people are needed to help with this.

Regarding the logo, submissions have been received by various people. It was suggested that further discussion be tabled to next year. Some people like the silhouette of Washington State.

The next Board meeting will be September 2, 10 am on 7.00M

### Assistance needed

We have a request for assistance for Angela Swanson, and Debbie Tracey for help in scheduling posts on Facebook Creators Studio. If interested, please contact Debbie Tracey @ debtracey@yahoo.com. This doesn't require but a few minutes of instruction to get up to speed and will help in handling the influx of requests for Facebook postings by our members on the SWA Facebook page.

## Are there events vou'd like to share?

Do you know of opportunities or classes for artists? Let us add it to the newsletter. Send that information to info@ swavancouver.com and put "Newsletter events" in the subject line.





## You can find SWA on Facebook and Instagram!



Click on the logos at left or search Society of Washington Artists or @SocietyofWashingtonArtists

# Art Shows and more!

#### Classes

## Oregon Society of Artists online demos, classes and workshops

OSA offers a number of classes and workshops, both in classrooms and online. Some SWA artists are among the teachers there. Go to www.osartists.org for all class and workshop schedules and to register.

#### A Painterly Approach to Procreate — Art on the iPad

Taught by Elaine Pawski. Wednesday evenings 6:30-9. On Zoom.

Join a friendly group of iPad painters! Classes can be taken on a drop-in basis, or register for the entire series. It is a project based class, so you can join at any time. Registration is online @ <a href="https://public.osartists.org/">https://public.osartists.org/</a> public/classes

## Winslow Art Center online courses. Technique Takeaways and free weekly **Art Talks**

For information and schedules, visit winslowartcenter.com

## **Southwest Washington Watercolor Society**

Fall Workshop: September 28-October 1, Randy Hale teaches "Creating Art that Dazzles". https://swwswatercolor.org/

## **Clark College Community and Continuing Education Program**

Diana Thewlis will teach Watercolor Techniques on eight Mondays this fall. The class runs for eight weeks beginning September 27 from 10 a.m. to 12 p.m. Diana's Watercolor Technique class is for the new and returning student. The class concentrates on learning further aspects of watercolors such as the specifics of the different colors and their applications and working on different surfaces. Understanding composition will be emphasized. Exercises and projects (such as landscapes) will be assigned, but students can feel free to pursue their own projects. Weekly demonstrations and critiques, as well as individual help, will be given to help express your creativity in a relaxed and supportive atmosphere. It is recommended to have had a beginning watercolor class or some experience with watercolor. Register here.

## **Current exhibitions**

#### Some current shows

#### Art at the Cave Gallery

Mosaic Arts Alliance Fall Show through Sep. 29 Pet Project: Coming in October https://artatthecave.com/home

#### **Blackfish Gallery**

October 5-30

Lynda Ater | Vary and Repeat Aaron Johanson | 2020+

#### First Thursday — October 7

Virtual Artist Talk with Lynda Ater and Aaron Johanson Facebook Live at 5:30 p.m.

https://www.facebook.com/BlackfishGallery

### Call to artists

#### **Oregon Society of Artists**

"How It Looks From Here", a Photography Showcase, October 7-27

In partnership with the Portland Photographers Forum, open to all photographers. Juried by Mario Gallucci

US Military Veterans Showcase, November 4-23 Opening Reception: Thursday, November 4 | 6-8

OSA Presents The 12" X 12" Art Show And Sale December 2 - 23, Sponsored by American Easel Juried by Margaret Godfrey.

For details and dates for submitting work, visit www.osartists.org

#### Art at the Cave

October: Pet Project

This is an open call for art pertaining to companion animals. Artists are encouraged to visit the Humane Society of Southwest Washington website, Facebook and Instagram at @peopledogscats and use images of the pets there for inspiration. A visit to the facility may also be possible, if enough people are interested. Please email us to let us know if this interests you. Please send an image of your work, along with a brief statement regarding it's association with the theme to gallery@ artatthecave.com no later than Sept 22nd. Drop off date is Sept. 28th. There is a \$15 entry fee for all accepted works. Part of the proceeds from the sale of works will be donated to the Humane Society.

For more info: https://artatthecave.com/open-calls-1



#### **Criteria For Art:**

Accepted art will be unique, original art that is primarily aesthetic in its intent and purpose. No work copied from old masters or from copyrighted or published materials without permission. No work produced in step by step instruction classes. No reproductions except for digital copies submitted for virtual display.

Art must not have been previously judged in an SWA Show.

Show managers reserve the right to determine whether art meets the criteria.

Art will be separated into 3 categories for viewing and judging. 1- oil and acrylic on canvas, 2- watercolor and acrylic on paper, 3- all other mediums. Art may not exceed 36" x 36" including frame.

## **Register Online:**

#### www.swavancouver.com/fallshow2021

Registration opens September 21st and closes October 20 or when 200 pieces are received

- Members: \$25 first entry and \$5 each additional piece (up to 3 pieces)
- Non-Members \$35 first entry and \$10 each additional piece (up to 3 pieces).

Registration fee will be invoiced via Paypal. Payment is due upon receipt. All registrations not paid by Oct. 30 will be void.

Judge Ann John will jury the entries in the virtual show and select 100 pieces to be exhibited in The Cave Gallery in Vancouver from December 2-31. Artists whose pieces are selected must drop them off at The Cave on November 30 between 11 am and 4 pm. Artwork must be labeled on the back with the artist's name, title, medium, price and be appropriately wired and ready to hang. Any questions, contact SWA at info@swavancouver.com.

#### **Prizes**

Best of Show - \$500 prize, plus additional cash prizes in the three categories. First, Second, and Third Place. Two Honorable Mentions will be awarded in each category.

#### Sales:

By registering for this show, the artist grants SWA the exclusive right to sell their work(s) consigned for the Open Virtual Fall Show during the show period Nov. 5 through Dec 31, 2021, unless the work is marked "Not for Sale". The artist is responsible for delivery of sold art. Curbside pickup in the Vancouver WA area will be arranged by the artist with the buyer. Should shipping be required the artist is responsible for packing and shipping the art and obtaining reimbursement (if desired) from the buyer. A receipt for curbside pickup or shipment will be provided by the artist to SWA. SWA will retain 50% of the sale price and the artist will be paid 50% of the sale amount within 30 days of SWA receiving proof of delivery. SWA will pay WA sales tax.

# Holiday Show & Sale Nov. 5, 2021 - Dec 31, 2021 OPEN TO ALL ARTISTS



Little Italy, Lila Martin Best in Show, Spring 2021



Walking In The Rain, Mel McRoberts

1st Place Oil and Acrylic Spring 2021



Summer Pastoral, Tao Zhoue 1st Place Watermedia Spring 2021