

PEN & PALETTE

The Newsletter of the Society of Washington Artists

Next Meeting

Wednesday, **October 16**, 2019

10:00am to 12:00 noon

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

Meeting in Brief

- Business Meeting
- Artist of the Month Mikiko Flynn
- Break for refreshments
- Art Demonstration by Cindy Lommasson

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There's So Much Going On!

Could I be talking about the news? Could I be talking about the local art scene? Or my own life that seems to go from cool collection to panic on a weekly basis? Or just about the SWA in particular? The answer is yes. There's so much going on. I will try to focus on SWA events and opportunities here, but I can understand if our hair (those of us with enough of it) is whipping back and forth while I write. Let's take a deep breath, smell the pumpkin spice, and take a moment to think artful thoughts.

The Fall Show Registration Page is Open and Ready

We are all lucky that we decided to push the SWA Members' Fall Show back to **November 16th and 17th** this year because last year it was held on October 19th and 20th, and I have a feeling that none of us would be up to **that** this year. But it is looming nevertheless, so please frame that new piece and register today. This is a members-only show, so make sure your renewal is in order, or join today to be included. Go to swavancouver.com for more info and to register.

A New Twist: An Artists' Bazaar

You know how gymnasts get more points the more twists they put on that backflip? Well, apparently we (the Fall Show Board) decided to go for a higher difficulty score by adding an Artists' Bazaar to the show. Actually, we had a good reason: as I noted earlier, we moved the show back into mid-November, which puts it smack dab in the middle of holiday bazaar hunters' season. We might as well take advantage of that and put out a little hunter bait. Yes, we hope our members get a chance to sell their prints, cards and other gift items, but the idea is to gain foot traffic to the church, thus more eyes on the show and more awareness of it in our community. The more people put this church into their map apps, park in the lot and open that church door, the more likely they

**October Art
Demonstrator: Cindy
Lommasson**



Cindy Lommasson is an Asian-influenced painter and art instructor in Portland.

She strives to distill a subject to its simplest expression, where a

single well-executed brush stroke, with ink, can communicate volumes. Minimal color accompanying the ink painting allows it to retain its essential qualities, emphasizing line and shape. The Dream Journey Painters, who created imaginary nature scenes in seclusion during turbulent 4th century China, are a favorite influence on her landscape paintings.

Lommasson graduated from Portland State University in 1984 with a B.A. in Art, with an emphasis in ceramics. Pottery from China and Japan greatly inspired her work in clay. Later, she began exploring ink painting and calligraphy from the same two cultures. Since 2003, Chinese brush painting has provided the foundation of her artistic expression. Her style has evolved from a traditional base toward a more contemporary, abstracted vision, while continuing to use many of the time-honored materials: Chinese paper, sumi ink, and watercolor.

She is the recipient of a 2011 Regional Arts and Culture Council Professional Development Grant, and an active member and workshop instructor at the Oregon Society of Artists.



Bamboo Duo by Cindy Lommasson

will be to do it again next year and the next year. And of course, the more likely they are to fall in love with your artwork right now! The special bazaar call to artists is attached below, so take a look. If you have some prints, cards, or printed or painted small gift items, please read the call and contact Elaine. Let's hope we stick the landing on this baby.

Tell Us About Yourself

As I mentioned in a recent email, we have given ourselves one more difficulty point at the Fall Show by introducing an artist bio notebook. It will be a simple notebook with plastic sleeves for each participating artist's bios, available to show goers to flip through and learn about your varied stories about how you came to be here now. We think it will be fascinating reading! We are encouraging all participating fall show artists to bring a one-page (one side) letter-sized paper with your personal artist bio printed on it to art take-in. You can also bring it to the October meeting if you have it ready. This is completely voluntary. I am looking forward to seeing your bio!

Take a Moment To Appreciate Your Fellow Artist

We are currently accepting nominations for the **Sharon Whyte Award**. We give this out at the fall show to an SWA member who shares the same love of art education that the award's namesake, art educator Sharon Whyte held. A Sharon Whyte award winner can be someone who has grown personally through art education or someone who has helped others through art teaching. Please respond to me with your nominations. The SWA Board will choose an honoree from the nominations received. Nomination deadline is November 1st.



Frozen Trees by Sharon Whyte

Here's A Promise to Jean Toepfer and the Whole Art Hanging Crew

This year at the Fall Show, I promise I won't bring an oil painting of a buffalo so thick with paint that it is still wet and gooey. (I could have sworn it was dry! I just didn't check it where I had layered about a 1/2 inch of paint! Whoops!) In fact, I just checked and this time my oil painting is as dry as a bone! Remember, folks, let that oil paint dry, check your frame for sturdiness, check that the hanging wire is fastened tight and doesn't extend past the frame, put a couple of fig leaves on that painting of Adam and Eve, and register today!

See you at the refreshment table.

— Janice Tracy, President

Call to Artists

2019 SWA Members' Fall Show

Here's the most important one! Entry open to SWA members. Deadline to enter November 11th. Entry fees are \$20 for the first entry and \$5 for each additional entry up to a maximum of three. See the prospectus attached below or go to swavancouver.com and look for the 2019 Fall Show page.

VOLUNTEER TO SIT THE SHOW. It's easy! Go to <https://volunteersignup.org/T8YX8>, pick a time and fill in your name and contact info. There! We look forward to seeing you!

Pittock Mansion: Mount Hood

Here's an unusual one: The Pittock Mansion is planning an exhibit to explore images and views of Mount Hood through paintings, drawings, prints, sculpture, and multimedia art. Submission deadline is November 30. Exhibition scheduled to run from February 1 through July 5, 2020. For more information, go to <http://pittockmansion.org/uncategorized/call-for-art-mount-hood-contemporary-art-views-exhibit-at-pittock-mansion/>

Lunaria Gallery, Silverton

Oregon and SW Washington artists are invited to apply to the 3rd annual juried show presented by Lunaria Gallery in Silverton, Oregon. 'Home is Where the HeART Is' is open to all media. Artists are asked to address the idea of 'HOME.' This show runs from January 3rd - 31st, 2020, with an artist reception and awards presentation on Friday, January 3rd from 7p.m.-9p.m. Application deadline November 30. For more information go to <http://lunariagallery.com/apply-2/home-is-where-the-heart-is/>

Portland Fine Arts Guild

Portland Fine Arts Guild announces a Call to Artists to enter work for its 50th Anniversary event taking place Nov. 14. This is a one-evening show that includes an art competition with \$500 in awards. Artworks will not be for sale. Deadline is November 11th.

The call is open to Portland (and surrounding areas) and Vancouver, WA artists. For more information, go to <https://www.portlandfineartsguild.org/eande.html>

National Oil and Acrylic Painters Society (Online Only)

The National Oil & Acrylic Painters' Society (NOAPS) invites oil and acrylic painters from all across North America to apply to our exhibit honoring the Best in oil and acrylic painting.

- Both members and non-members of NOAPS may apply. However, Membership is welcomed. Click the Membership Link at <http://www.noaps.org/join-us>
- 150 Artworks will be juried into the show and eligible for awards. \$4500 value in cash and prizes. \$1000 first place.
- Deadline October 27. Go to <https://www.noaps.org> for more information.

Artists At Work

The Artist Loft: Blackout

You will find several SWA members' work at the Artist Loft this month for the new show 'Blackout! Stop by to see images that are dramatic and take advantage of the high contrast black brings to the artwork .

SW Washington Watercolor Society

Vancouver Art Space is hosting the Fall Members' Show of the Southwest Washington Watercolor Society September 30th through October 26th. Vancouver Art Space is located in the Vancouver Mall.



SWWS Fall Show at Vancouver Art Space

Battle Ground Arts Alliance Fall Sale

You may know some artists taking part in the Battle Ground Arts Alliance Fall Sale. It will be held Saturday, October 19th and Sunday, October 20th.

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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!

FreeModel Art Guild

Draw or learn to draw with live models!

Free drop-in Saturdays 12:30 - 3:00pm at the Atrium area at 201 W. Evergreen downtown: Quick, casual sketches from short poses. Also, Wednesdays at 1:00pm at the Marshall Center: short and long poses. Small fee, drop in. All levels welcome. Nude model gigs monthly. \$8 covers model fee, wine, and potluck refreshments.

Check with Marianne Stokes at 360-574-2189 or Diana Thewlis (dthewlis@comcast.net) for info.

Don't Miss the Meeting in October

With a twist of the wrist and a flick of a brush, Cindy Lommasson turns lines into birds, flowers, pumpkins, mushrooms and many other artistic impressions with an Asian flair. Cindy will be our demonstrator for the October 16 meeting. Be sure to be there to watch as she magically turns ink with a brush into beautiful paintings.



Windswept by Cindy Lommasson



Show Your Art with SWA

Please contact Wanda Brewster at wabasawana@comcast.net if you are interested in displaying your work at one of these SWA venues:

- H. H. Hall Building in Hazel Dell ~ One artist, 6-9 pieces depending on size.
- The Vancouver UCC Church ~ The space will accommodate three artists with 5-7 paintings each depending on size. We could also host a single artist if you have large pieces.

Carol Lytle is the featured artist at the H H Hall Building

SWA General Meeting Minutes for September 18th, 2019

The meeting was called to order by President Janice Tracy. Guests were introduced.

Treasurer Linda Whittingham, announced a balance of \$13,032.41 in all accounts. She also reminded members that membership dues of \$35 are now due. After this September meeting, renewal dues will increase to \$40.

November 16 and 17 Members Only Fall Show information:

On-line registration for the Fall Show will open on October 1. Entry fees are \$20 for the first entry and \$5 each for the second and third entries. See the Prospectus for oversize art information.

Elaine Pawski will be the Artist Bazaar director. The bazaar is a new idea and will give members an opportunity to sell items such as cards, unframed prints and other fine art items they have created. There is a \$5.00 fee to participate in the bazaar and each member may submit up to 20 items. An inventory list of items for sale is to be sent to Elaine by November 11th. Cards, unframed prints and other similar items are to be placed in clear plastic sleeves. Knitted or crocheted items or items one would find at a craft sale will not be accepted.

A reception for artists, honoring show winners, will be on Saturday from 11 am to 1 pm and will feature a continental brunch.

The members only Fall Show will be held on Saturday, November 16, 9 am - 6 pm, and Sunday, November 17, 9 am - 3 pm at the Vancouver United Church of Christ Church, 1220 NE 68th St, Vancouver (Hazel Dell).

Notes:

Wanda Brewster announced that the UCC church will provide an opportunity for SWA members to show their work in February-April 2020. Opportunities are also available at the Hall Building during 2020. See Wanda for more information.



Sue Tellock demonstrates mono printing using Gelli plates during the September 18th "Paint In."



Rae Del Brashier demonstrates underpainting techniques during the September 18th "Paint In."

Katey Sandy reminded members that Open Studios will be November 2 and 3 with a preview at the Cave Galley the first Friday in November. 50 area artists. Including Katey, will participate in Open Studios.

Ann Amies thanked members for their help with the Clark County Fair. 60 volunteers participated.

Member demonstrators provided the "Paint In" program for the day. Demonstrators were Rae Del Brashier - underpainting, Patricia Rushford - fabric art and Sue Tellock - Gelli plate prints.

The next general SWA meeting will be October 16.

Sue Tellock, Secretary

Society of Washington
ARTISTS
PROSPECTUS

MEMBERS' ART SHOW

November 16th and 17th, 2019

Non-juried

Professionally Judged

ELIGIBILITY

- Artist must be a member in good standing of the Society of Washington Artists
- Registration must be completed and paid by November 11, 2019
- Original work only. Execution of artwork shall be solely that of the artist. No work copied from old masters or from copyrighted or published materials without permission. No work produced in step-by-step instruction classes.
- Art must not have been previously entered in a SWA show. *Please check your records.*
- Art must be appropriate for family viewing.
- 2D and 3D art welcomed (no jewelry or furniture please).

Show managers reserve the right to determine whether art meets the prospectus requirements.

Art will not be separated by medium/category for judging.

ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

Number of Pieces: SWA artists may enter up to 3 entries.

Fees: \$20 first entry and \$5 each additional, up to 3 entries.

Hanging Requirements: Art must be dry, framed appropriately or on gallery-wrapped canvas or board, and ready to hang with wire that is not visible above the top of the picture; NO SAW TOOTH HANGERS OR CLIPS.

Size: Maximum width *and* height 36" for 2D art, including frame. One oversized entry per artist may be accepted on a case-by-case basis with \$10 oversize fee. 3D works over 20 pounds must be placed on display by artist and removed by artist.

Sales: The SWA will retain a 20% administration fee on any art sold during the show.

PARTICIPATE IN THE SHOW. *All members are encouraged to sign up to be a show attendant for a shift of two hours or more.* Sign up early to reserve your preferred sitting dates and times at <https://volunteersignup.org/T8YX8>

LOCATION

Vancouver United Church of Christ
 1220 NE 68th Street
 Vancouver, WA 98665
In Hazel Dell, East of Hwy 99 on 68th (the boat church)

REGISTER ONLINE AFTER OCTOBER 1ST

On or after October 1st, go to <https://www.swavancouver.com> and follow the link to register online. Pay via PayPal or check. (PayPal billing will allow you to pay with your credit card without opening a PayPal account).
NO PHOTO SUBMISSION REQUIRED FOR THIS REGISTRATION.

ART DELIVERY

Friday, November 15th, between 10am and noon

ART PICK UP

Sunday, November 17th, between 3:15 and 4:00pm
SWA cannot guarantee the safety of art left after pickup time.

NEW THIS YEAR: BAZAAR TABLE!

See separate Artists' Bazaar information sheet for details.

VIEWING DATES AND HOURS

Saturday November 16th, 9:00am – 6:00 pm
 Sunday November 17th, 9:00 am – 3:00 pm

NEW RECEPTION TIME!

BRUNCH RECEPTION AND AWARDS

Saturday November 16th, 11:00am – 1:00 pm
 Award Presentation 12:00 pm

ALL ART MUST REMAIN IN PLACE UNTIL PICK-UP ON SUNDAY

Society of Washington
ARTISTS
 SPECIAL CALL TO ARTISTS

MEMBERS' FALL ART SHOW
ARTISTS' BAZAAR
November 16th – 17th

This year for the first time, the Fall SWA Members' Art Show will include an Artists' Bazaar table, stocked with members' Christmas-gift-worthy prints, cards and small art items. We will publicize it in area holiday bazaar lists with an aim to attract bazaar shoppers to the show. Here are the details:

ITEMS ACCEPTED FOR SALE AT THE TABLE

- Professionally printed and packaged giclées or prints. May be matted but not framed. Must be in plastic sleeves and labeled with artist, title and price. SWA will not package, label or price items.
- Professionally printed or originally painted and packaged cards – either all occasion or holiday themes. Must be in plastic sleeves and labeled with artist and price.
- Professionally printed or originally painted small items such as coffee mugs, magnets, tiles, bird houses, ornaments and bags. If you are uncertain, please ask.
- Each participant may enter up to 20 items total. Each item must be labeled with artist name and price and be listed on an inventory sheet to be delivered with the items to the bazaar.

ITEMS NOT ACCEPTED

- Knit, crocheted or home sewn items.
- Home crafts other than those specifically noted above.

Show managers reserve the right to determine whether items meet the bazaar table requirements. In addition, show managers may close the bazaar to new entries when space is filled.

PARTICIPATION REQUIREMENTS AND SALE PAYMENTS

Fees and Obligations: All participants will pay a flat \$5 fee to cover credit card processing costs. You will be billed via PayPal (separately from your show entry) or pay by check PRIOR to show opening. NO PAYMENTS WILL BE ACCEPTED AT ART TAKE-IN. All participants are required to sign up to sit/sell at the bazaar table at some time during the fall show. Please go to <https://volunteersignup.org/T8YX8> to reserve your time slot.

Sales: The SWA will process all sales and you will receive a check from SWA for the amount of your artwork sold. Sales checks will be available three weeks from the close of the fall show.

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HOW TO PARTICIPATE

Contact show manager **Elaine Pawski** at **epawski@comcast.net** or **(360) 713-8422** with a short description of your sale items. If she agrees that your items meet bazaar requirements, you will be billed \$5 and asked to provide an inventory of items before November 11. Notify Elaine whether you choose to pay by check (to SWA PO Box 2992, Vancouver WA 98668) or via PayPal. Inventory must include (1) seller, (2) item description, (3) number of each, and (4) price.

BAZAAR PRODUCTS DELIVERY
 Friday, November 15th, between 10am and noon
 You must include a final inventory list (see above) which includes description and sale price of each item you deliver.

UNSOLD PRODUCTS PICK UP
 Sunday, November 17th, between 3:15 and 4:00pm
Please be prompt. SWA cannot guarantee the safety of products left after pickup time.

BAZAAR DATES AND HOURS

Saturday November 16th, 9:00am – 6:00 pm
 Sunday November 17th, 9:00 am – 3:00 pm

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Membership Renewal

Membership dues are \$35 per person, \$45 family (late renewals are \$40 individual/\$50 family). New memberships are prorated after January 1st. You can join or renew at <https://www.swavancouver.com/join>

Membership renewals are due every year before the end of June. Send a check to SWA at PO Box 2992, Vancouver, WA 98668, renew online, 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, 2019 through June 30, 2020.

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