



Coachella Valley  
Watercolor Society  
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# Brush Up

## February 2021

**General Online ZOOM Meeting: February 8, 2020**  
6:00 PM, Social. 6:30 General Mtg.

**ZOOM Step-by Step Guide (Pg. 3)**

### **Demonstrator: Keiko Tanabe**

Mostly self-taught, she embarked on a professional art career in 2005. Since then, her paintings have been in many national and international exhibitions, both juried and invitational, and gained world-wide recognitions. Her work has been purchased by private and corporate collectors from all around the world. She also had her paintings published and featured in leading art magazines and a number of publications in the U.S., Europe and Asia. A sought-after workshop instructor since 2011, she has conducted more than 300 workshops and numerous live demonstrations around the world. Her approach to teaching is to help students identify and solve their problems to further advance their technical skills and refine their style.



She has frequently served as a juror in art exhibitions both on national and on international levels. In 2018, she was appointed to the advisory board of the American Watercolor Weekly. She has several books and 4 DVD's published. She is currently a member of National Watercolor Society (signature), American Watercolor Society (signature), American Impressionist Society and Laguna Plein Air Painters Association (signature). Keiko was born in Kyoto, Japan and currently lives in San Diego, California. [www.ktanabefineart.com](http://www.ktanabefineart.com)



# President's Message



Hi, everybody, and Happy New Year!

Haven't our monthly programs been great this year? I'm very proud of all of us for getting used to Zoom, and I'd like to thank our Program Chair, Moira Johannessen, for setting up the programs. I don't think it's easy for the demonstrators to work without the feedback of an in-person audience, but Linda Doll, Kathleen Scoggin, Eric Weigardt and Don Andrews have all done a great job of educating and inspiring us. To me, it actually seems a little more immediate to be at the camera eye view, looking right over their shoulders, than to be out in the audience at the senior center. I think we'll look back on this year and be impressed by the flexibility and creativity that everyone showed in keeping everything moving forward for the Coachella Valley Watercolor Society.

Speaking of creativity and responding to the times, we are excited about our first Virtual Show and Sale. I want to remind you not to miss your opportunity to be part of it and to have your work seen (and, hopefully, sold) anywhere the internet can travel. You must go to [www.cvws.org](http://www.cvws.org) by Saturday, January 23 and fill out a form online that lets us know you're going to participate. The deadline for completing your entry is January 30. The details are in this newsletter. Let's make this a huge success!

Keep up the good work. Can't wait to see your paintings!

Robin

## CVWS 2019-2020 Officers

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### Painter of the Month:

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### DVD Library:

### Workshops:

Kathleen Scoggin, Alicia Siegler,  
Nancy Rizzardi

### Special Activities:

Open

## **Joining the CVWS Zoom Meeting 6:00 Social Time, 6:30 Meeting Begins**

We recommend logging on 10 minutes before the meeting to get yourself set up.

**[ALSO Watch the YouTube Videos at the end of this page.](#)**

1. Zoom works best: 1. Desktop Computer or 2. Ipad or Tablet or 3. IOS/Android Phone.
2. Get on your device, open your CVWS email and look for “Meeting ID#...write this number down. Then click on the link in the email that says “Join Zoom Meeting”. This will take you to Zoom. If you want to listen via regular telephone (not smartphone), use any of the teleconferencing phone numbers at the bottom of the email invitation.
3. When Zoom opens, click Join a Meeting.
4. It will ask for the Meeting ID Number and Password, which will be in your email invitation. Enter your name. This identifies you to others in the meeting.
5. Click Join. Then Click Join With Video or Join Without Video, if you don't want others to see you.
7. Click Join with Computer Audio. If you don't have a microphone enabled on your device, you can type in your questions during the Q&A using the Chat feature at the bottom of your screen. If using an Android or IOS phone, tap the screen and the controls will appear.

### **YOU'RE IN!!**

8. When you enter the meeting, you will see the person that is talking on your full screen (“Speaker View”). If you would also like to see the other participants in the meeting in a grid layout, switch to “Gallery View”. The controls for these are:
  - a. Desktop Windows or Mac: On the top right of your screen.
  - b. Ipad: On the top left.
  - c. Android/IOS phone: Swipe left to switch from Active Speaker view to Gallery View. Keep swiping left to see more of the gallery.
9. Your microphone and video on/off are on the bottom left of a desktop. Tap the screen for smartphones and Ipads and the toolbar will come up. You will see icons for the microphone and video with a bar through them if they are not on. During the meeting presentations, your mic will be off unless you're called on to ask a question, and then the meeting manager will turn on your mic.
10. If you want to leave the meeting, click End, then Leave Meeting.

**There are a number of good videos that you can watch to help you use Zoom for the first time. Here are a couple:**

“Joining a Zoom Call for the 1<sup>st</sup> Time” <https://youtu.be/9isp3qPeQ0E>

“Joining a Zoom Meeting for the First Time” <https://youtu.be/6fIYWnfTc5o>

## CVWS Show info

Attention CVWS members:

We already have quite a few people who have entered paintings in the upcoming show. This is just a reminder of the essential dates.

The deadline for the ONLINE show entry is Jan. 23rd, and the deadline for the entry fee (send by mail) and upload of entries is Jan.30. All the necessary details and forms are on the website now, [CVWS.org](http://CVWS.org). Once your entry form is filled out, you will receive an email with a link and instructions on how to upload your painting(s).

If anyone needs help with uploading and formatting their unframed, unmatted painting photos, they can contact Alicia Siegler by email [aliciacs@aol.com](mailto:aliciacs@aol.com) for help.

The cost of mailing paintings that are sold will probably fall between \$8 and \$30. A 24" 3-oz. mailing tube is approx. \$3, and shipping USPS under 1 lb to, say, NY, is approx \$5.25. You need to include the cost of mailing in the price of your painting(s).

**January 23, Saturday**

Entry form filled out (go to website for form)

**January 30, Saturday**

Entry fee must be **mailed** to CVWS P.O. Box 565, Palm Desert, CA 92261

**January 30, Saturday**

Images of paintings must be uploaded to website

Thanks,

Jude Wiesenfeld and. Mary Ann Brower, Show Chairs

# January Painter of the Month



1st: Kristen Olsen-Stone



2nd: Alannah Kern



3rd: Donna Miller Haggarty



Hon. Men.:  
Carolyn Zingmark



Demo Choice: Julie Hirsch

To enter March, POM submit request to:  
[cmicolor@mac.com](mailto:cmicolor@mac.com) and you will be sent a link to enter. Submit entry photo (with no signature, no mat and no frame) to: <https://cvws.org/painter-of-the-month-upload-form>

Thank you,  
Charlie Lerner, Painter of the Month Chairman  
714 724 1210. [cmicolor@mac.com](mailto:cmicolor@mac.com)

A big THANK YOU to January demonstrator, Don Andrews

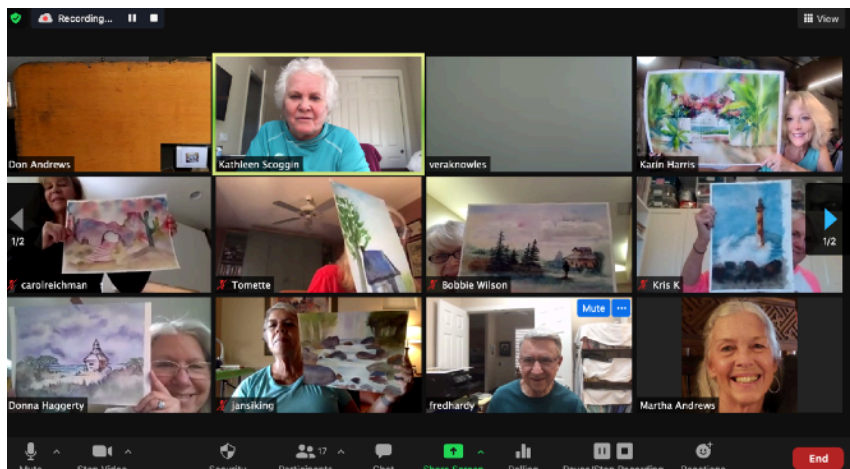
## News and Kudos



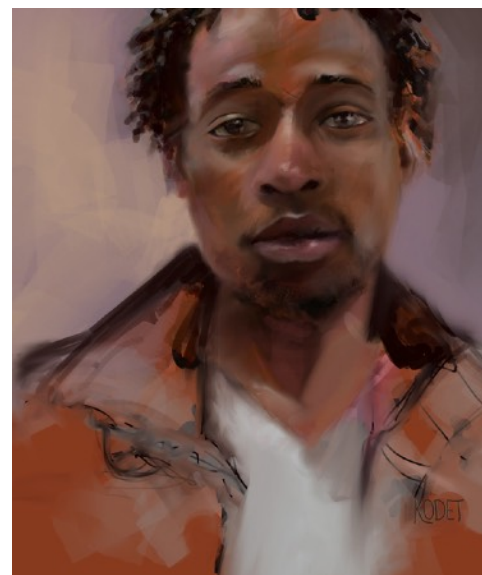
**Diane Moore** took Third Place in UCR's Hindsight 2020 show.



**Kathleen Scoggin** - Hon. Mention, Hindsight 2020



**Some of the Zoom participants at Don Andrews' workshop.**



**Pat Kodet** - Hon. Mention, Hindsight 2020

Please contact our Sunshine Chairman, Pam Waterman, if you hear of someone who needs a bit of cheer or support,

# Plein Air with Sue Ober

OK all you mousers be ready for February. Social Distancing and masks are required and stay off the grass - you never know when those darn sprinklers will engage!

February 2 - Wellness Park, Palm Springs  
777 Tachevah Rd

February 9 - Lake Cahuilla Veterans Regional Park - La Quinta  
58705 Jefferson Street, La Quinta  
Approximately 6 miles southeast of Old Town

February 16 - Ironwood Park - Palm Desert  
47800 Chia Dr, Palm Desert  
Quiet with nice mountain views

February 23 - Whitewater Preserve - Whitewater  
9160 Whitewater Canyon Rd, Whitewater



# Member Profile

I grew up in London, England. I went to Secretarial School and worked a year before setting off on a round the world adventure. My uncle sponsored my sister and I and we started in New York City. Worked a year and headed to San Francisco, our next stop. We were supposed to go on to Australia after a year, but didn't. We both met our husbands there, an Englishman and a Dane.

I was always good at art and considered going to Art College, but never did. Eventually I returned to university and got a degree in Computer Science (much more lucrative than art!). It wasn't until our retirement to Palm Springs in the mid 1990's that I started to paint. Took lessons from the wonderful Dan Kannemeyer and he also introduced me to the CVWS. Won my first ribbon in Painter of the Month, sold my first painting in Small Image show. How exciting!

Took workshops at the PS Art Museum, when they had good people teaching there. One of them was Don Andrews, our demonstrator in January. Didn't really get involved with CVWS until asked to be Show Chair with Sandy Sharp. Neither of us knew what to do, but learned fast. Sandy became a lifelong friend. Have taken various posts since then and through it have met a great group of people. Teaching at the Desert Art Center has been very rewarding. Painting together is a lovely experience. We have all found out how much we miss it during the pandemic.

## **Moira Johannessen**





## 2021 Annual Show Judge: Judy Koenig



**In 2011 Judy took a teaching position at Renee's Fine Art Studio teaching watercolor and oil painting. That began her shift from painting in watercolor to painting in oils. She has been experimenting with large format floral subject matter, painted from a bug's eye view.**

**Most recently she has expanded into pet and animal portraits. She finds oil painting challenging and a nice break from watercolor, which will always be her first love. Working in oil, pastel and watercolor has enlarged and reinvigorated her passion for painting and teaching.**

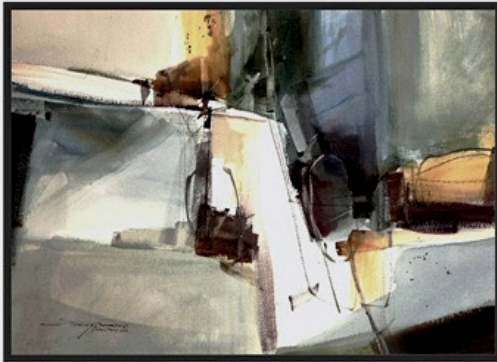
**STERLING EDWARDS**

## **Watercolor Abstracts via Zoom**

Sponsored by Coachella Valley Watercolor Society

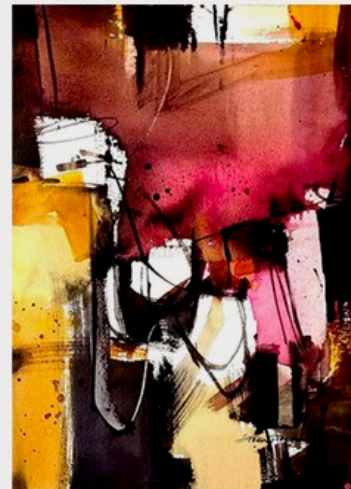
**March 9 -11, 2021 9:00 am - 3:30 pm PT**

**\$ 450 Members / \$ 475 Non-Members**



**This three-day LIVE ZOOM CLASS on painting abstracts will cover a wide variety of watercolor techniques and styles of abstraction.**

**Negative painting  
Building a strong composition  
Using Expressive colors  
Glazing technique  
Exciting texture techniques  
Off register calligraphy to build dimension  
How to overlap shapes to create drama  
Difference between Representational Abstract  
and Abstract Expressionism**



**Recordings of all workshop days available to all participants**

**Space is limited so register soon.**

**Sign up at: [www.cvws.org](http://www.cvws.org) and pay with PayPal/ Credit Card / Check**

**For additional information Contact:**

**Kathleen Scoggin (503) 515-9633, [kscogginart@gmail.com](mailto:kscogginart@gmail.com);**

**Alicia Siegler (650) 207-0585, [aliciacs@gmail.com](mailto:aliciacs@gmail.com);**

**Nancy Rizzardi (805) 338-4802, [nancyrizzardi@yahoo.com](mailto:nancyrizzardi@yahoo.com)**

## Odds & Ends

The List below are some of the CVWS members who give instruction in watercolor. Privatelybor via other art orgainzations around the Coachella Valley. You can contact them for class specifics, locations and schedules.

### CVWS Member Instructors

Ian Cooke	760 408 3313
Bob Hannah	206-409-9786
Karin Harris	808-268-0847
Moira Johannessen	760-322-2523
Pat Kodet	530-388-8241
Diane Morgan	760-902-8855
Kristen Olsen-Stone	808.469.2092
Sonja Price Ravet	425-747-6748
Kathleen Scoggin	503-515-9633
Jude Wiesenfeld	818-903-4083
Connie Zane	775-846-9719



**Editor's Note:** *The member profiles are a way for members (both old and new) to get to know one another. If you'd like to share your story, a painting and your photo, please send them to: [cpinenuts@gmail.com](mailto:cpinenuts@gmail.com). If you wish to be listed among our CVWS instructors, or have an achievement to share, please contact me.*



**General Meeting - Joslyn Center, 6:30 PM**

Joslyn Center is located at 73750 Catalina Way, Palm Desert, CA 92260. It is about half way between San Pablo Avenue and Portola Avenue; south of Fred Waring Drive and north of Highway 111. You can access from either San Pablo or Portola.

