

Brush Up

Special Edition: Summer 2021



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President's Message

Hi, everybody! I hope you're having a healthy and creative summer. Your board has been having lots of special meetings and we wanted to send out an extra newsletter because we have exciting news.

Annual Show. Our next Annual Show will be held at the Galen Center in Palm Desert! The Galen used to be a satellite museum for the Palm Springs Art Museum, but the Museum turned it over to the PSAM Artists Council to operate for the benefit of arts organizations in the Valley.

If you haven't visited, it's a beautiful, spacious gallery next to Cuistot restaurant. Our paintings are going to look beautiful on their walls, lit by state-of-the-art gallery lighting! They have offered us a nice, separate room for demos and we will have our reception in their gorgeous sculpture garden. There's lots of parking, too!

The show dates will be Thursday, March 31 (take-in and judging)- Sunday, April 3, 2022, so mark your calendars and make us some masterpieces! We'll send out the prospectus and entry details this winter. My thanks to our board and to David Hatcher and the Galen board for working with Mary Anne Brower and me on the negotiations for this facility.

Monthly Meetings: After doing Zoom meetings last season, we realized that while we definitely missed gathering in person, there were also some positive things about remote meetings. Some of these were: health and safety; convenience; ability for snowbirds or people who are ill to attend all meetings if they like; national demonstrators; better visibility of the demo painting.

So, after much discussion and input from members, the board has come up with a hybrid schedule for our 2021-2022 season general meetings. Health regulations permitting, we are going to do some meetings in person and some over Zoom this year, and we'll see how we like it. We have even "added back" a May meeting, which we used to do but gave up a couple of years ago because of lower seasonal attendance. We'll do that one by Zoom. Thank you to everyone who took the time to send us your input. The schedule follows.

Can't wait to see you all!

Best wishes,

Robin

Schedule of CVWS Meeting dates for 2021-22

All meetings are held on the second Monday of the month with social time beginning at 6:00 pm and the meeting beginning at 6:30 pm. Painter of the Month will be held every month except May, whether over Zoom or in-person.

October 11, 2021: Zoom meeting. Demonstrator Laurie Goldstein-Warren. (This demo may begin at 6:00 pm with the business meeting to follow, as the demonstrator lives on the east coast.)

November 8, 2021: In-person meeting, Joslyn Center Palm Desert. Demonstrator Karen Knutson (also doing a workshop).

December 13, 2021: Zoom meeting. Demonstrator TBA.

January 10, 2022: In-person meeting. Demonstrator Rise Parberry.

February 14, 2022: In-person meeting. Demonstrator Joan Fullerton (also doing a workshop).

March 14, 2022: In-person meeting. Demonstrator Tom Francesconi (also doing a workshop).

April 11, 2022: Zoom meeting. Demonstrator TBA.

May 9, 2022: Zoom meeting. Painter of the Year Critique and Judging. Judge TBA. This May meeting is newly added to our calendar this season.

CVWS Grants Awarded In 2021

CVWS made grants to the following for education in water media:

Young at Art - Coachella Valley History Museum: Summer youth art program. \$650

Kids in Crisis - Supplies for art classes for boys incarcerated at Indio Juvenile Hall. \$500

<u>Artists Council's Walk-in Wednesdays Art Kits</u> - This program is geared to families. The grant will support "watercolor experience" kits. \$150

Congratulations to our grant recipients and thank you to our Grants Chair Sunny Patton for managing the application process.

OUR VERY SINCERE GRATITUDE TO RETIRING BOARD MEMBERS

Kathleen Scoggin (Workshops Co-Chair)
Jude Wiesenfeld (2nd VP and Show Co-Chair)
Connie Zane (Newsletter and Corresponding Secretary)

OUR NEW BOARD MEMBERS

Jean Grover (Newsletter and Corresponding Secretary)
Tracy Hartman (Show Co-Chair)
Sunny Patton (Grants)
Carolyn Romer (Workshops Co-Chair)
Suzy Voss (has agreed to become a Workshops Co-Chair in early 2022)

THANK YOU, THANK YOU FOR YOUR SERVICE!

Summer Art Challenge II

The second challenge of the summer is a painting using only two colors. (No black and white allowed)

This means that you can paint a subject of your choice, but experiment with the two colors and all the different combinations they can produce. We will all enjoy seeing the results from this challenge.

Submit your paintings on the CVWS Website. Give your painting a title and add a few words about your experience.

Paintings must be submitted by September 10th.

Have fun with it and enjoy the challenge!

Moira Johannessen, Program Chair

Exciting Workshops Coming Up!

"Starting with Little Abbeys, Ending with Show Stoppers!"



Mixed Media Artist Karen Knutson karenknutson.com

3 Day ZOOM Workshop

November 9 -11, 2021

9:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. PST

Students will learn about color and how to loosen up. Starting with small abstracts (Little Abbeys) Karen will teach design and how to create a light pathway. These designs will be enlarged and further developed with watercolor and collage to enhance the textures. Come join us, it will be fun, and you'll learn lots!







Sign up at: www.cvws.org & pay with Pay Pal or Credit/Debit Card

Revised pricing: \$ 250.00 members - \$ 275.00 non-members; Materials List upon registration

Sponsored by Coachella Valley Watercolor Society

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Attention: This class was previously offered as a live workshop. Due to the continuing rise in COVID19 cases this workshop has been rescheduled as a Zoom class. The wire drawing section has been eliminated. Screen Sharing will allow for instructor assistance.



Joan Fullerton www.joanfullerton.com

Joan Fullerton Acrylic Workshop

"Intuitive Mixed Media"

Live 4-Day Workshop All Skill Levels!!!

Tuesday - Friday, Feb. 15th - 18th, 2022 Time: 9 am to 4pm PST

Location:
Best Western, Palm Desert.
74-695 Hwy. 111 PD, CA
(760) 340-4441

CVWS Member: \$600 Non-Member: \$650 Credit/Debit card, PayPal Sign up at: www.cvws.org

Join us for inspiring demonstrations, lectures, encouragement, and practice. You'll learn how to coax hints of reality from an abstract background, how to integrate collage imagery, how to control values and colors for emotional emphasis, and how to suggest rather than delineate. You'll explore working intuitively, responding to what shows up, working in a series, mixing, and utilizing neutrals for softer, more ethereal abstracts. There will be plenty of time for "playing" and creating along with individual attention and guidance.

Joan is especially gifted in helping students gain more freedom in the creative process and discovering their own unique artistic voice. She believes that people are more open to learning and inspiration when they are having fun, so her workshops are filled with laughter and lightness. A multitude of approaches and techniques will give beginners encouragement and confidence, while more advanced students will benefit from Joan's insightful solutions to their artistic challenges.

Please note: Places in Joan Fullerton's courses sell out very quickly so early booking is advised. A materials list will be provided.

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* Proof of vaccination against COVID-19 will be required.

Painting Fresh and Expressive Watercolors



4 Day Live Workshop

March 15- 18, 2022

Time: 9 am to 4pm PST

Location:

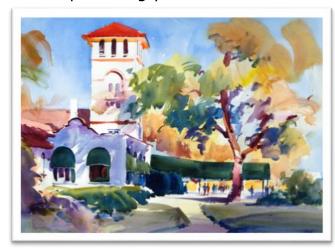
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Tom Francesconi AWS, NWS

"Create stronger paintings through a better understanding of value relationships, color, and design."

Tom will share his thoughts about these topics and how they can play a more meaningful role in our paintings. During the workshop, Tom will share specifics of how he creates loose, interpretive watercolors that entertain and delight the eye. Tom endeavors to create a workshop atmosphere that is relaxed with a focus on exploration and discovery. Subjects for this workshop will include a <u>landscape</u>, <u>urban scene</u>, and <u>the figure</u>. Each morning begins with a discussion about the day's topic, followed by a full demonstration where Tom always encourages lots of questions. Afternoons are reserved for student painting time during which Tom attends to each student individually. Every day will end with a class critique. Bring your smile!



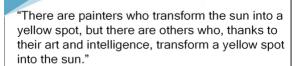






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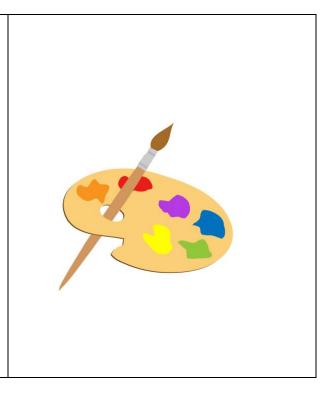


Pablo Picasso

If you hear of someone who needs a bit of cheer or support, please contact our Sunshine Chairman, Pam Waterman at (707) 481-6012 or ppw.watercolors@gmail.com

Many CVWS members offer excellent painting instruction and classes. Call for information:

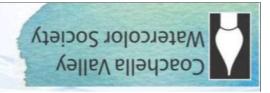
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Greetings from your new newsletter editor, Jean Grover:

I'd like to thank our previous editor Connie Zane for her many years of service to CVWS, and for so generously helping me learn what it takes to produce a monthly newsletter.

If you have a topic or feature that you'd like to see included in the CVWS newsletter, please send an email to me at CVWSnewsletter@gmail.com Deadline for submissions is the 15th of the month.



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.

