



****General Online ZOOM Meeting: April 11, 2022**
6:00 PM, Social. 6:30 PM, General Mtg.
Zoom Step-by-Step Guide (page 9)

April Demonstrator: Shuang Li



Shuang Li Bio

Born, raised and classically trained in China, Shuang Li received her BA Degree in Graphic Design and Master's Degree in Art History. Shuang then received her MFA (Master of Fine Art) Degree from The Department of Art, University of Oregon after moving to the United States.

Continuing the traditional "En Plein Air" Impressionism approach, Shuang Li paints both on location and in her studio. Though equally proficient with other mediums, Shuang has selected watercolor as her primary focus, portraying the extraordinary variety of life with her unique perspective and personal style.

A signature member of National Watercolor Society, American Impressionist Society, San Diego Watercolor Society, Watercolor West, LPAPA, and an Elected Artist Member of California Art Club, Shuang Li's watercolor paintings have long been favored by collectors and are also regularly exhibited in national and international galleries and group shows, with many honorable awards.

Shuang Li Artist Statement

What I try to portray in my work is not only the nature itself, it is the extraordinary variety of nature's light, moods and movements that touches me. The spontaneity of watercolor and the movements of my brushstrokes are the perfect pair for my very personal visual expressions.

President's Message



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Charlie Lerner

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Tracy Hartman

Sunshine:

Cindy Green

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Workshops:

Alicia Siegler

Nancy Rizzardi

Special Activities: *Open*

Grants: Sunny Patton

Hi, Everybody!

The big news this month is our Annual Show and Sale at the Artists Center at the Galen in Palm Desert. The reception will be 5-7 PM on April 1 and the show will run from 10AM-4 PM April 2 & 3. There will be free admission, but all visitors and volunteers must show proof of vaccination to enter the building and wear masks while inside. (These are the Galen's rules.) Wine, beer and soft drinks will be available for sale in the Sculpture Garden behind the Galen during the reception.

We're very excited to see how our show looks in this beautiful facility. We're also hoping for a great turnout and, of course, lots of sales! To help that effort along, please post widely the email postcard you received and maybe forward it directly to friends that you know would like to attend. Every bit helps!

I'd especially like to thank all the board and committee members who have been working very hard on putting the show together, led by MaryAnne Brower and Tracy Hartman. Thank you also to everyone who will volunteer during the run of the show (it takes a LOT of volunteers to staff the show!) and to those who have contributed items to the raffle baskets. If you are able to volunteer a few hours, please contact MaryAnne at mabrower43@gmail.com.

Connie Zane came up with the idea to reprint our Coachella Valley Watercolor Society cookbook, so those will be available for sale at the show. Thank you, Connie!

So looking forward to seeing everyone at the reception, and seeing all the beautiful paintings!

See you then,

Robin

Painter of the Month

March 2022

First Place: Ian Cooke



Shady Ladies

Second Place: Connie Collins



For A Friend

**Third Place & Demonstrator's Choice:
Michael Stein**



Searching for Peace 1

Honorable Mention: Donna Haggerty



Flowers For Mom

PAINTER OF THE MONTH for April opens on 3/15 and closes 4/1.

Please email Charlie Lerner (cmlcolor@mac.com) & she will email you the link to enter.

Voting will begin on 4/3 ends on 4/8 The winners will be announced at our next meeting on 4/11.

CVWS News

CVWS ANNUAL ART SHOW AND SALE

at the Artists Center at the Galen in Palm Desert

72567 Highway 111, Palm Desert, CA 92260

(760) 346-5600

RECEPTION*

5 – 7 pm on April 1st



ART SHOW & SALE**

10AM to 4 PM April 2 & 3, 2022



** Proof of vaccination will be required to enter our Gala Reception and Show*

*** Properly worn masks will be required inside at the Artists Center at the Galen*

MORE about our Annual Art Show and Sale

ANNUAL ART SHOW & SALE DEMONSTRATIONS

Get ready to enjoy our wonderful artists who will be demonstrating during the show:

Saturday, April 2nd

11:00 Ian Cooke – painting a Coyote melon, a native California plant.

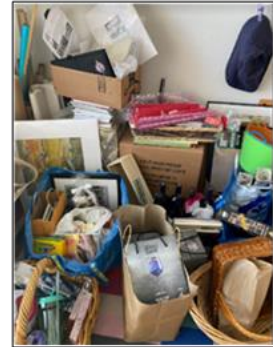
1:30 Bob Hannah – watercolor

Sunday, April 3rd

11:00 Kathleen Scoggin - watercolor abstract and some color theory

1:30 Connie Zane - How to make concertina book watercolor journal

HOLY COW! ALL THIS STUFF....



Thanks to all of you, this "stuff" will be beautiful baskets for the Raffle at the Annual Show. What a great collection of goodies. Thanks to all CVWS members for the very generous donations. What a great group! - Susan Ober

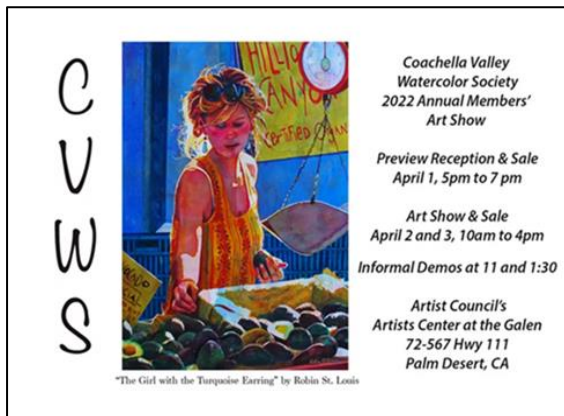
ANNUAL SHOW REMINDERS:

If you have not previously submitted an [Artist Bio for our Show Notebook](#), email it to Mary Anne Brower mabrower43@gmail.com

Art Take-In: March 31st from 10 am – 12 pm

Art Pick-Up: April 3rd from 4 pm – 5 pm

Remember to share our Annual Show Post Card:



Great visibility for Our Show!



A Volunteer is needed to accompany/record/ up the Judge's comments for our show. Contact Mary Anne Bower if you can help. mabrower43@gmail.com

Kudos to our CVWS Members

We are Inspired by our Members' Good News!

If you have something that you'd like to share about your creative life (an award, acceptance into a show, etc.) please send an email and photo to: cvwsnewsletter@gmail.com



Bob Hannah won Honorable Mention in the DPAA Paint the Desert Festival for his watercolor, "Waiting for Pizza"

Congratulations to
Our CVWS Executive V. P.
Diane Moore!

The Desert Plein Air Association's "Paint the Desert" Festival was attended by over 100 people!! Fifty artists of all mediums (oil, watercolor, acrylic, pastels, etc.) joined together to promote the tradition of plein air painting in the Coachella Valley.



Vera Knowles won an Honorable Mention for her painting at the DPAA Festival

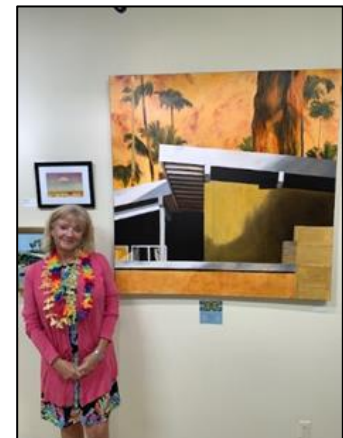
In March the Artists Council saluted member Mandy Main for her volunteer efforts supporting the Artists Council.



Nancy Rizzardi's "Apparition in the Arboretum" was juried into the Coronado Public Library "The Spirit of Spring" show.



Pat Kodet participated in the Desert Open Studio Tours 2022 featuring her watercolors, acrylics, and Procreate Digital works



Mandy Main was honored to be awarded the "Gold Medal" in the DAC Mid Mod Juried Show

Kathleen Scoggin had a painting juried into the Coronado Public Library Exhibit "The Spirit of Spring". The show runs from March 12 to May 11 and celebrates the library's 75th anniversary.

Plein Air

with Sue Ober

Greetings Mice and all potential outdoor painters.

Here is the schedule for April. Then it's a wrap for the season! The Desert Plein Air Association does maintain a summer schedule. Check their website www.DPAA.org. Thanks for another great season. I will be stepping down as the Field Mice volunteer, but don't worry - a very capable, and talented artist has stepped up! Leslie Skuchas will be your new fearless leader. Yea.

Susan Ober

watertonsue@gmail.com

April Field Mice Schedule

April 5th - Palm Desert Civic Center

43900 San Pablo Ave., Palm Desert

April 12th - Big Morongo Canyon Preserve: Great Mountain Views!

11055 East Dr., Morongo Valley

April 19th - Indian Canyons: Always a winner, fee to enter.

38500 S Palm Canyon Dr., Palm Springs

Big thanks to Leslie and Terry for a fun season. Here is Terry's take on the 2021-22 Plein Air Season...



Odds & Ends

Our proposed slate of officers for the CVWS Board for 2022-2023:

President - Connie Zane
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1st VP- Programs Marilyn Blitz
2nd VP - Shows - Mary Anne Brower/
Tracy Hartman
3rd VP - Publicity - Carol Cole
Treasurer - Cindy Mason
Recording Secretary - Alicia Siegler
Corresponding Secretary- Newsletter -
Jean Grover

Voting will take place at the April Meeting

WELCOME!

New CVWS members

1st quarter of 2022:

Patricia Dant
Alberto Garcia
Mitchell Stein

***What art offers is space --a certain
breathing room for the spirit.***

- John Updike



Editor's Note:

If you have a topic or feature that you'd like to see included in the CVWS newsletter, or on the CVWS.org website, please send an email to:
cvwsnewsletter@gmail.com

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

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
Sonja Price Ravet	425-747-6748
Kathleen Scoggin	503-515-9633
Connie Zane	775-846-9719



If you hear of someone who needs a bit of cheer or support, please contact our Sunshine Chairman, Cindy Green at (425) 765-9509 or cindynwrs@seanet.com

Whatever meaning that a picture has is the accumulated meaning of ten thousand brush strokes each one being decided as it was painted.

- Robert Motherwell, Artist

Helpful Hints for Joining the CVWS Zoom Meeting

We recommend you log in 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: a. Desktop Computer or b. iPad or Tablet or c. 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.
6. 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!!
7. 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.
8. 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.
9. 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 1st Time – A Fun and Easy Connection:

<https://youtu.be/9isp3qPeQ0E>

Joining a Zoom Call for the 1st Time – A Cozy Step by Step Guide:

<https://youtu.be/6fiYWnfTc5o>