WATERCOLOR SOCIETY

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March 2014

CALENDAR

2014-National Show Prospectus is available on-line at www.redriverws.org. March

11—Member meeting—7pm—We will have a "PAINT IN". There will be still life set-ups or you may work on your own project. Bring paintings for SHOW AND TELL. Lunch: Sandy Miles & Donna Chalimonczyk.

13—Juried Student Art Exhibition, Concordia, Cyrus M Running Gallery-4-6pm. 14— Deadline for artist application for Grand Cities Art Fest. For application, www.novac.org. The event is Jun 14-15. 15—Crow Show Reception-6-9:30-pg.2 19—ArtJam @ Uncorked—6-8pm #12 Broadway, downtown Fargo 31—last day-workshop @ 10% discount April

4—Postmark deadline for National Show.

8—Member meeting—7pm—Laura Dronen will talk about her travels 10-14—Hawley Art Show-page 2 16—ArtJam @ Uncorked 6-8 pm May

5—Notification of acceptance National Show.

13—Member meeting-7pm—Kim Jore **21**—ArtJam @ Uncorked—6-8 pm

June 15-July 26—National Show-

Juror and Workshop Instructor, Michael Reardon, Oakland, CA. 16-20—Workshop 17—Awards Reception, 6:30 25-26—8th Street Art at Davy Park

August-12—Mad Hatter Picnic

Sept. 19-21—Art at the Lake.

*Member meetings are held on the 2nd Tuesday of the month— Sept through May at the First Congregation United Church of Christ, 406 8th St. S., Moorhead, MN GUESTS ARE ALWAYS WELCOME!

President's Comments:

Like everyone else, I am beginning to wonder if the cold weather will ever leave us! As artists we are lucky that we can leave cold reality any time we wish by simply painting our way into another warmer world! What an amazing gift!

RRWS needs you! Please consider taking on a volunteer position to help keep the organization strong! There is a list of volunteer opportunities that you can chose from. In order to make each volunteer position easier, a job description has been developed for each position PLUS you get lots of support from the Board of Directors and previous position holders. We are in special need for volunteers for 8th Street @Davy Park event. Feel free to call me at 701-729-1801 for more information on each position.

Stay warm-keep painting!

Pat Jorgensen

[Pat has graciously stepped back into the presidency until position is filled.]

2014 RRWS 21st NATIONAL JURIED WATERMEDIA EXHIBITION

MICHAEL REARDON, AWS, NWS, Oakland, CA is our juror and instructor.

ENTRIES

<u>The postmark deadline is April 4th</u> for the 2014 show. Find the prospectus and all the details on our website–

www.redriverws.org Donna Chalimonczyk, Director— donna.chal33@gmail.com Anne Kaese, Asst. Director— calligraphy@annekaese.com

WORKSHOP

"Turning on the Lights—Making your Paintings Glow" The 5-day workshop registration form is included in the prospectus. <u>10% discount for workshop if you register by Mar 31, 2014.</u> Fee: Members: \$325—[with discount, \$292.50]

Non-members: \$375—[with discount, \$337.50]

Filling quickly—Only 11 slots now available. David Olson, Workshop Director—dewolson@gmail.com

Michael Reardon has been painting in watercolor for over 25 years. An avid traveler, he uses watercolor to record his observations, convey a sense of place and light and communicate his impressions of the built, natural, and imagined worlds.

His watercolors have been exhibited nationally and internationally. He has been featured in many magazines. His work may be seen at: Reardonwatercolors.com.



MEMBER MEETING: Tuesday, FEBRUARY 11, 2014

Demonstration — "Coloring the Whites" by Ellen Jean Diederich RRWS, TWSA, WSA, WW

The demo was great...Ellen started the painting by putting down the light values...then she added the dark values at a demo at Hopkins Art Center, Feb 23rd. When the painting is complete, she will let us view it again...it will be beautiful when done! Thanks, Ellen, for a fun evening.

<u>M-State—Fergus Falls, MN—43rd Annual Invitational Exhibition</u> Show runs from Mar 7 through Mar 29 with an informal closing reception on March 29, 11-1pm



8th STREET ART AT DAVY PARK—June 25-26, 2014

The date is set —We need a director for the show/sale. We will break it up into different parts so it will be easier for each. The director will over-see the parts and also get their spot in the show, FREE! Contact Pat Jorgensen or any Board member for more information..

ARTIST'S OPPORTUNITIES

<u>Sweet Dreams Confections</u>4101 13th Ave S, Fargo –701-280-2495—looking for artists to display. <u>Edgewood Vista</u>4420 37th Ave S, Fargo, —701-365-8200—<u>SarinaJ@edgewoodvista.com</u>—looking for artists to display.

<u>CALL FOR ENTRIES: Rocky Mountain National Watermedia Exhibition. Deadline: May 12, 2014 or</u> <u>May 26 [online through CaFÉ]</u>. Prospectus_RMNW2014.pdf or valli@mcdougle.com.

Blank Canvas Gallery Member and Guest Artists:

Following the close of our Gallery, the Board of Directors focused on continuing their mission through an on-line Gallery function. As evaluation of the opportunity proceeded, the Board subsequently relayed the opportunity to Judy & Jerry Wegenast for implementation. After several months of work, we are announcing the launch of **blankcanvasgallery.com**. See us at http://www.blankcanvasgallery.com/

Many artists have tried an individual web site, or, may currently have their own web site and struggle with the demands and cost of maintaining their own site.

This new web service is designed as an additional marketing tool for artists. There is a unique functional design that supports both individual and cooperative marketing functions. For example, artists are listed individually, have their individual gallery function (through a selection box), while sharing a Home Page Gallery, Shopping Cart and Payment function (via PayPal). The concept is based on the idea that numerous artists collectively will attract/drive more traffic to the web site increasing the exposure for every participating artist.

Building your profile and inventory on-line is easy using the forms provided. You do have to provide pictures of your respective inventory for the gallery function. The web site includes information to assist with going on-line.

Please check out the new <u>blankcanvasgallery.com</u>. Fees, application forms, benefits and a full explanation is contained under the **"For Artists"** tab.

Also, to assist in getting started, we are adding a free month of service to any new subscription as well as a discount for an annual subscription. Judy is a member of RRWS. Judy & Jerry Wegenast, Gallery Administrators_

THE GREAT WINTER CROW SHOW runs from March 5th through April 11th. The reception is on March 15th from 5-10 pm, at the Spirit Room Galleries at the AVALON. 613 1st Ave N, Fargo. More information can be found on website: www.spiritroom.net.

47th Hawley Art Show—5th and Main, Hawley, MN. Opening night, April 10-6:30-9pm—Friday, 1-9pm—Sat, 9-9pm-Sunday, 11-4pm. for info-Sandy Maydole -218-483-3296—329-9168 or Donna Noll-218-483-4238—329-5335.

<u>The summit</u> is a series of online interviews with 21 art teachers and art supply companies, and is designed to inform artists about different techniques and approaches to learning the skills required in oil painting. Go to the Master Secrets Summit website to "reserve a seat":

EXHIBITIONS & MEMBER NEWS:

Jan Fabian Wallake, TWSA, RRWS, MnWS, NPWS, Stillwater, MN, has authored an article for "Watercolor Artist", April 2014 issue. The Editor requested a piece about the use of "LINE" as a design element for the "Creativity Workshop" column. Jan also is featured in the February issue of "Watercolor Artist". Her comments in this issue are about the art she judged as *Best of Show* at the Houston International Exhibition in 2013.

<u>Dick Green RRWS and Jan Green RRWS, Bloomington, MN</u> each had two paintings accepted into the juried exhibition at the Minnesota Arboretum. Show runs through Mach 31. One of Janet Green's painting was awarded a Honorable Mention and Dick's a second place.

Ruth Kary, Detroit Lakes, MN, had "Three Birches" juried into the Arts In Harmony Show in Elk River, MN.

The show run until March 27, at Sherburne County Govt Center.

Donna Chalimonczyk, **Moorhead**, **MN**, has had her acrylic painting, Rust of Ages: DC Case Tractor, selected for Lake Region Arts Council's Invitational. They will feature artwork of past Fellowship, Artist Small Grant, Legacy & Career Development Grantees in their gallery exhibit through March 28th.

Cynthia Schatzke, Casselton, ND, is scheduled to hang her artwork at Edgewood Vista during the month of March.

Barbara Benda Nagle, RRWS, Moorhead, MN, is displaying watercolors and acrylics in an exhibit

titled," *Smooth Sailing*", [right] at Nichole's Fine Pastry at 13 Eighth Street South in Fargo, through March 22nd.

Sandra Muzzy, RRWS, Bloomington, MN, is in a show at St Thomas University just off of Summit in St Paul. Here is a link:

http://www.stthomas.edu/news/2014/01/14/ seven-regional-artists-featured-botanical-art-wonder-exhibition-may-24/

<u>Jennifer Stone, RRWS, Watertown, SD</u>, painting: "*Storms a Comin'*" was juried in to the "South Dakota 2014: Artists Respond to the State's 125th Anniversary", a show sponsored by the Center for Western Studies, Augustana College, Sloux Falls, SD, June 10-September 27, 2014

Donna Chalimnczyk, Moorhead, MN, artist – Dance of Elements, Spirit Room Galleries at the Avalon, Fargo, ND, (701-237-0230). Open 10 am– 3 pm. Monday-Friday.

Ronnie Cramer, RRWS, Denver, CO, has his artworks on display at these art exhibitions:

Mar 1-31: Irene B French Comm.Center Art Gallery, Merriam Parks and Recreation, Merriam,KS. Marriam.org/index.aspx? Mar 1-31: Cheyenne Frontier Days Old West Museum, Western Spirit Art Show, Cheyenne, WY. Oldwestmuseum.org/ westernSpirit/index.html

Mar 1-31: MFA Circle Gallery, Annapolis, MD, Merriam.org/index.aspx?NID=305 Mar 5-1: Western Colorado Center for the Arts, Grand Junction, CO, gjartcenter.org Mar 16-31: GALEX 48, Galesburg Civic Art Center, Galesburg, IL, galesburgarts.org.

Robin Wichman, Fargo, ND, will have her paintings at Uncorked, #12 Broadway, downtown Fargo, through the month of March.

Janet Flom, RRWS, Fargo, ND, has had paintings accepted for exhibition with Missouri Watercolor Society and Transparent Watercolor Society, and is now eligible for signature status in these organizations. Also, paintings submitted to the World Wide Watercolor Competition, exhibition scheduled for France in 2015, were among 600 selected from thousands of entries submitted for advancement to Phase 2 for further consideration.

News from <u>Kathy Braud, RRWS, Little Falls, MN,</u> "Celebration of the Arts" event on Sunday March 16th from 1-3:00 pm at the Holdingford High School. She is also taking the Linda Kemp workshop April 23-26, 2014 in St. Cloud, MN.

<u>Ruth Kary, Detroit Lakes, MN,</u> will be participating in the <u>Great Winter Crow Show</u> at the Spirit Room Galleries, 111 Broadway, Fargo. Her pen & ink illustration is entitled "Night Visions".

<u>Sherbanoo Aziz, Moorhead, MN.</u> will have her paintings hanging at Sweet Dreams during March and April.



<u>WORKSHOPS:</u>

<u>Jennifer Stone, RRWS, Watertown, SD:</u> I am hosting <u>Andy Evansen</u>, June 16-20 in Watertown, SD. I am currently adding names to the wait list. Contact me If you want to be added to this list. <u>jstone@wat.midco.net</u>



Ellen's painting, Un-restrained.

Ellen Jean Diederich RRWS, TWSA, WW, WSA, Fargo, ND, is having a workshop at Dillman's Bay Resort— Lac du Flambeau, Wisconsin May 17th -21st 2014. *Insights with Watercolor Workshop.* For more information on Ellen's workshop, please visit <u>http://</u> www.dillmans.com/dcaf/2014/ellen-diederich.html. or 715-588-3143.

ALSO—April 14-17 at the Holiday Inn, Fargo, Garden Watercolor Workshop-Ellen will teach you new ways to create volume and freshness in your floral paintings with watercolor both in landscape and still life. She will cover basic skills to help create a strong painting. Painters from every level are welcome! For more info, on this workshop, contact Ellen at ellen@givinity.com or 701-235-4241, or toll free: 866-221-5860. Class is \$215, 4-days. Watch for separate email.

<u>PLAINS ART MUSEUM—Figure Study Sessions</u>—Model fee is \$10 per session. No registration is required, just sign in and pay at the Museum front desk. jwolberg@plainsart.org.

Evenings on third Thursdays: March 20, April 17, and May 15-6pm-8:30pm

Mornings on Second Saturdays: February 8, March 8, April 12, May 10-10 am - 12:30pm

Gothic – the calligraphy hand of learning—Anne Kaese, Fargo, ND

Calligraphy is the age-old art of beautiful writing. This basics class will focus on the comprehensive study of the lettering style we most closely associate with certificates and official documents. Gothic is structured, easy to learn and elegant. It will increase your hand-eye coordination, patience and aesthetic awareness. This concentration will slow you down and let creativity in. Lessons will comprise of a theory section, forms, practice, review and a project. There is a weekly homework component because calligraphy needs practice. A pen will be available for purchase for \$12. Fee includes a supply kit. Please bring a pencil, eraser, ruler, notebook, file folder and reading glasses (if needed) with you to the class. Tea and treats provided too! Register Moorhead Community Ed – fee is \$60. Contact Anne Kaese at 701-232-4139 or calligraphy@Annekaese.com for more info.



Kathy Braud, RRWS, Little Falls, MN,

is teaching a class for the Brush and Palette Club of Alexandria on March 18 & 19, 2014. Watercolor and Watercolor with Elegant Writer Pen.

Opposites Attract [below]



Northstar Watermedia Society is hosting a workshop by LANA L. GROW, RRWS AWS, Arden Hills, MN, "NEXT STEP" ABSTRACT ACRYLIC MIXED MEDIA, New Brighton Community Center, Apr 7-11, 2014, 9am-4pm. Member:\$380; Non-member: \$410. Aqua Media/Acrylic & Collage-Abstract Emphasis - Intermediate, Advanced- Non intimidated beginner. For info, TOM DIMOCK, 651-999-9944 or tom@dimockart.com .

Andy Evansen Workshop WILL BE RESCHEDULED.

A REMINDER: One can't always plan everything...especially the weather.

Due to inclement weather and dangerous driving conditions, the Andy Evansen class had to be postponed. Watch for updates of a new workshop time! Those registered for the February workshop will have first opportunity to take the class.

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A note for our new members: WELCOME!

Our newsletter comes out once a month. You can send news of awards you have received, workshops you are going to teach, short articles, etc. The more information we put into each issue, the more interesting our newsletter becomes.

I reserve the right to edit the items sent and ask if you have a lengthy article, please condense it to pertinent information.

I do recognize many of your email addresses but appreciate it if the subject line says "RRWS News"...or is sent as a "Reply" to my email [which most of you do]. When I email to you, I always try to put RRWS on the subject line so you don't have to wonder who is sending the message.

When you send information for the newsletter, if you have <u>Sig-</u> <u>nature Status in RRWS</u>, I will add that behind your name, but because I don't know the other societies that you may have signature status in, you must put them in your information to me <u>each time</u>. This is the only way they will be added. Those who have signature status in many societies, please list only 3-4 of your favorites! Thanks. —Diane Johnson, Editor, RRWS Newsletter

2014 DUES ARE DUE!

PLEASE FILL OUT THE FORM ON THE BACK PAGE. MAIL YOUR CHECK TO:

RRWS-P O BOX 1656-FARGO, ND 58107-1656

We will be starting a new directory soon, however, some members will be paying their dues with their entry into the National Show, so in order to have as many as possible in the directory, we will wait until the entry deadline has past. Keep using your current book; for those who have just joined and don't have one, I'm sorry we have run out of the 2013 directories. We will get one to you as soon as we print the 2014 ones...hopefully, sometime in April.

Items for the newsletter:

Send your news by the 25th of the month. 701-241-4143, <u>jandd@cableone.net</u>, OR You can mail information to:

RRWS, PO Box 1656, Fargo, ND, 58107-1656.

RRWS MEMBER APPLICATION			
Please type or print clearly. [Dues for calendar year 2014]	DO NOT PAY IF: you are 80+ & a 10-year member Please fill out this form and return for		
Date Renewal New Member			
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Mail form & check for dues of \$20.00 to: RRWS, PO BOX 1656, Fargo, ND 58107-1656			

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