



California WATERCOLOR Association

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*Please join us online to view
the exhibition and awarded paintings
on January 10, 2024*

Congratulations to the 85 Accepted Artists that comprise the CWA 54th National Exhibition juried by Carolyn Lord, MCWA, and our 20 Award Winners, juried by Barbara Tapp, CWA.

To view the 54th National Exhibition,
Join us January 10th online at www.californiawatercolor.org.

**No General Meeting
in December.**

Happy Painting



The Drawing Board

Each month a different member of the CWA board of directors has written a newsletter article for you. However, we are a watercolor organization of talented artists. We are giving up our December words and presenting a painting from each board member. We hope you enjoy our visual presentation!



Sheila Cain



Kathleen Catton



Donna Corrigan



Pat Wai



Michelle George



Rekha Joshi



Joseph Tringali



Michael Friedland



Janey Kaiser



Leslie Wilson



Kathleen Stumpf



Community Outreach

Martinez VA

CWA is back at the Martinez VA! It is wonderful to see staff and volunteers again, but the clients have changed. We are in a different location at the facility. Previously, we were in a space at an intersection of four major hallways with high visibility. Now we are in a common space in one of the units; it is quieter and has fewer distractions. On nice days we can go out on the patio. Already I have observed that our artists are more focused and able to plan a painting, select colors, and use a paintbrush.

Our primary contact is Darlyn Phillips. One of her ongoing projects is acrylic painting classes. She has adapted techniques to support painters who may have physical or cognitive issues. Her support and encouragement have truly made the CWA watercolor studio an ongoing success. We are rebuilding our art supply “stash.” Some items are in different spots and some were happily used during the “Covid Era.”

Georganne Zaro and Victoria Bianco are on the team, and anyone interested can email Maggie Metcalf at Magster753@msn.com, or Georganne Zaro at georgannezaro@gmail.com.

Maggie Metcalf
Community Outreach Volunteer



- Who:** Volunteers, YOU, and Maggie Metcalf plus Georganne Zaro
- What:** Assisting veterans with watercolor painting
- Where:** Martinez VA Hospital, 150 Muir Road, Martinez, CA 94553
- When:** Twice a month at 1:00 pm, day TBD (on Tuesdays or Wednesdays)
- How:** Call Maggie at (925) 849-5212 or Georganne at (925) 980-7722 for more info or to volunteer



Painting negative space was the concept for last month's Oakland veteran's watercolor gathering. The subject was a garden of white lilies. This lily project required a certain amount of drawing and decisions to create a composition. Michael Friedland, our leader, took the opportunity to demonstrate using resist instead of painting the negative space. He explained that wetting the brush with soap and water before using the resist allowed the painter to clean the brush after the resist was applied. Once the resist was dry, painting the green to dark green background was easy because there was no need to paint around the lilies.

For those who opted to paint the negative space, the process was wetting one section at a time with a light-toned wash, then charging into it with strong color creating the greens in the background. The whites of the lilies leaped forward to be shaded and shaped into buds and open flowers.

Regardless of how the background was painted, it needed to be dry before the buds and open lilies could be painted. For those using resist, it was removed with a rubber cement lifter. Painting the lilies and buds was accomplished with graded washes of pinks and greys leaving the white of the paper to be the white of the lilies.

These paintings took longer than usual, thus our critique was brief. However, the results are a dramatic contrast of whites and greens. We artists were generally pleased with the outcome, though a number were not finished, and planned to complete the painting at a later date.

This is the last time the group gathered at the Veteran Center; next month we will be back at the VA outpatient building on 21st Street.

Sheila Cain
Co-Director, Community Outreach



Main Street Arts Gallery

CWA Member Show Smaller Paintings

January 4–February 24, 2024

Entry Deadline

December 5, 2023

Awards

1st Place — \$150, 2nd Place — \$100, 3rd Place — \$75, and 4 Honorable Mentions — \$35

Show Calendar

(Save these Dates)

December 5	Entry deadline
December 9	Notification to accepted artists and posted on the CWA website
December 28	Deadline for receiving shipped paintings
January 4	Artwork drop-off at the Main Street Arts Gallery noon–1:00 pm, and hang show
January 5	Gallery show opens
January 13	Awards to artists at reception 4:00–7:00 pm, and posted on the CWA website
February 18	Exhibitors receive an email reminder about artwork pick-up
February 25	Show closes, and pick up paintings at the Main Street Arts Gallery 2:00–4:00 pm

To Enter

Log in to the Members home page at www.californiawatercolor.org. choose **Shows/Exhibitions**, then **Member Shows** and choose **Main Street**. Confirm your information, add your painting details and upload your images. Entry Fee is \$25 for one or two images, \$35 for three images.

Venue

Main Street Arts Gallery | 613 Main Street, Martinez, CA 94549

Questions

Email shows@californiawatercolor.org



Mailing Address

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Membership/Data Manager

Make changes to your address, phone number and email on the members home page, under membership when you're logged with a current membership account.
Email datamanager@californiawatercolor.org if you have trouble logging in.

Monthly ZOOM Meetings

are held the third Wednesday of each month from 7:00–9:00 pm, unless otherwise specified.
No meeting in December.

Newsletter Distribution

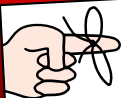
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CWA Photo Notice

CWA may be taking photos or videos at CWA events. Your presence at CWA events constitutes your "permission, consent and release" to be photographed without compensation whatsoever in perpetuity. Images may be used online and in print exclusively by CWA explicitly for publicity, information and promotion.

COVID-19 Notice

Please note that all future dates, workshops and events (CWA and Non-CWA) are subject to change due to Federal, State of California, and local COVID-19 restrictions.
Please confirm with any of the organizations or events listed in the newsletter before submitting artwork or making plans to attend a future event.



Plan Ahead!

Submissions for the newsletter must be received by the 15th of the month prior to publication!

**January Newsletter
Deadline is December 15th.**

Click here to make a submission.



CWA Member Show Colors — Subdued or Wild

November 2–December 22, 2023

Congratulations to the award winners of the Colors — Subdued or Wild CWA Member Show

1st Place

Soccer Star by Sheila Cain

2nd Place

Maison Sauvage Paris by Carol Husslein

3rd Place

Stone House with Flowers by Kathleen Stumpfel

Honorable Mentions

Lake Anza by Bernie Stein

Ready to Eat by Glenyse Henschel

Out West by Jeff Ishikawa

foggy-drizzly-bay-monday by Michael Friedland

Thank you to our Juror of Awards for this show

Sydney Tang

Thank you to all the participating artists, and to the San Ramon City Hall Gallery

Your contributions are essential to the success of this CWA show and are greatly appreciated!!

Show closes, and pick up of paintings at the gallery on December 22

Venue

San Ramon City Hall Gallery
7000 Bollinger Canyon Road
San Ramon, California 94583

Questions

Email shows@californiawatercolor.org



CALIFORNIA WATERCOLOR ASSOCIATION 2024 WATERCOLOR WORKSHOP SERIES



Andy Evansen A Valued Approach to Watercolor 3-Day Online Workshop February 7-9, 2024 All Levels



CWA Members \$350 Non-Members \$410

There seems to be a never-ending quest to loosen up in watercolor and it's probably the most common goal of students. To loosen up it is imperative to have a clear vision of what you want to accomplish with your painting and then execute it quickly. This class will give you the tools and confidence to do just that.

Artist's website at evansenartstudio.com



Dongfeng Li Painting Portraits and Landscapes with an Eye Towards the Emotional Experience of the Subject 4-Day In-Person Workshop February 26-29, 2024 Intermediate to Advanced



CWA Members \$475 Non-Members \$540

Dongfeng's paintings share the experience of an intimate relationship between the viewer and the portrait subject by focusing their gaze to communicate feelings and life experiences.

Artist's website at www.dongfengli.com



Michael Holter Watercolor Impressionism, Landscapes and Cityscapes 3-Day Online Workshop April 24-26, 2024 All Skill Levels



CWA Members \$250 Non-Members \$310

Michael's work is impressionistic. He likes to represent people or places and allow the painting to evolve from a recognizable structure. The challenge is to make the representation interesting... perhaps believable, with looseness and a painterly quality that makes it unique and expressive.

Artist's website at michaelholter.com



Carolyn Lord Plein Air Watercolor at the EBRP Botanical Garden 3-Day In-Person Workshop May 17-19, 2024 All Skill Levels



CWA Members \$375 Non-Members \$435

The portability and vibrancy of watercolor make it ideal for plein air painting! This three-day workshop will be held outdoors in Tilden Regional Park Botanic Garden in the hills east of Berkeley, California.

Artist's website at carolynlord.com

Click here for Tilden Regional Park Botanic Garden website.



Bethanie Murguia Drawing and Painting with a Children's Book Illustrator 2-Day In-Person Workshop September 28-29, 2024 All Skill Levels



CWA Members \$225 Non-Members \$285

We'll explore the world of children's book illustration by learning how words and images work together, creating characters, and focusing on conveying emotion with drawings and paintings. We'll experiment with different tools for creating lines and pair those with painting, culminating in students creating sequential art to tell a short story.

Artist's website at aquapup.com



Dale Laitinen Shapeshifting the Western Landscape 4-Day In-Person Workshop October 20-23, 2024 Intermediate to Advanced



CWA Members \$400 Non-Members \$460

A painting rich with shapes, colors, and details, complete to the final brushstroke belies its beginnings in observation, sketching, composition, and ultimately washes of color that bring it to life. Painting, especially watermedia requires an unending enthusiasm for experimentation and a hands-on approach to the discipline.

Artist's website at dalelaitinen.com

CWA strives to provide our students with some of the best workshops with the top professional artists of our time. Please join in the fun. We look forward to meeting you. In-Person Workshops will be held at the Danville Ranch Clubhouse, 1895 Ridgeland Circle, Danville, CA 94526, except for the Carolyn Lord Workshop which will be held at Tilden Regional Park Botanic Garden. For full workshop descriptions, pricing, and online registration, go to <http://www.californiawatercolor.org/classes.php>. To request additional information, go to www.californiawatercolor.org/contact.php and choose **Workshops** from the **Recipient** drop-down menu.

Member News

BELVEDERE TIBURON LIBRARY ART GALLERY PRESENTS

CONTEMPORARY WATERCOLORS



Sheila H. Cain - "Veneita and Beau"

Exhibition – November 16, 2023 – January 11, 2024

Belvedere Tiburon Library – 1501 Tiburon Blvd. Tiburon, CA



beltibrary.org/art

Contemporary Watercolors: Pushing Boundaries

Showcasing 27 artists and their unique water-based designs. Come see the exhibition at the Library Art Gallery from November 16, 2023–January 11, 2024.

Sheila H. Cain, CWA

Sheila's painting, *Veneita and Beau*, is showcased in the exhibition poster.

Nine CWA Artists Accepted into the Exhibition!

Congratulations to the nine CWA Artists accepted into the Contemporary Watercolors exhibition at the Belvedere Tiburon Library Gallery: Arlynn Bloom, Sally Baker, Sheila H. Cain, Margaret Fago, Michael Friedland, Ayris Hatton, Pat Moseuk, Katherine Peper, and Bernie Stein.

The Belvedere Tiburon Library Gallery is located at 1501 Tiburon Boulevard in Tiburon, California. The library is open Monday–Thursday 9:00 am–7:00 pm, and Friday–Sunday 10:00 am–5:00 pm.

Library website at www.beltibrary.org



Park Street Morning by David Savellano

David Savellano, MCWA

Alameda and Beyond — Watercolors by David Savellano will be on display from November 3–December 16, 2023. The exhibition is at the Frank Bette Center for the Arts at 1601 Paru St. in Alameda, California. Hours are Friday–Sunday 11:00 am–5:00 pm. Join David at the reception on December 2, 2023, from 3:00–5:00 pm.

FrankBetteCenter.org

Artist's website at www.davidsavellano.com

The CWA Board of Directors has voted to award Outstanding Achievement Membership to

Pat Lauer

in appreciation of all her excellent work on the National Exhibition over many years.

Congratulations Pat,
you are appreciated and will be missed by the National Committee.

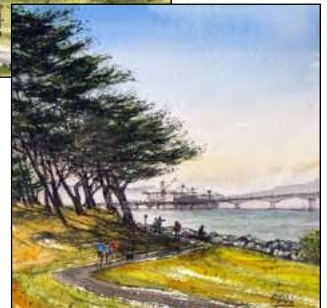


Briones Park, and Emeryville Marina
by Bernie Stein

Bernie Stein

Bernie's painting, *Briones Park*, was selected by Joseph Zbukvic, the juror for the San Diego Watercolor Society, to be in their 7th Annual Plein Air Exhibition, running from November 24–December 31, 2023. It will be on the SDWS website at www.sdws.org.

His painting, *Emeryville Marina*, will be in the Laguna Plein Air Painters 4th Annual LPAPA Squared show, which will run from December 7–31, 2023. The show will be online at the LPAPA website at lpapa.org/art-shows.





CWA Board of Directors

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CWA Board Slate 2024

— General Membership Vote —
 Motion, Seconded, Passed from the
 General Meeting on November 15, 2023.
 Welcome new and returning
 Board Members!

CWA Support Personnel

Bookkeeper	Melissa Alva
Membership/Data Manager/ Webmaster	Adrienne Hefter
Newsletter Editor	Patricia Rosa

CWA Volunteer Committees

Audio Visual Set Up	VOLUNTEER NEEDED
Community Outreach	Sheila Cain Maggie Metcalf
Co-Video Librarians	Joe Tringali (Chair) Barb Bochenek Madeline Shelby
Co-Hospitality	Susan Scolnick Jean Holmes Sharon Hopkins
Mail Distribution	Carol Husslein
Panel Rental	Carol Husslein
Plein Air	VOLUNTEER NEEDED
Workshop Registrar	Pat Wai

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Show News

Call for Art – Watercolor Only (Gouache included)



at the aRt Cottage in Concord

This exhibit will be during January and February. Entry is open on the aRt Cottage website. All entries are usually accepted, there's lots of room! Enter as many as you like. It's \$20 to enter each painting for the two-month show. [Click here](#) to enter the painting details then you can pay with a check or cash at receiving.

aRt Cottage | 2238 Mt. Diablo Street, Concord, CA 94520
 (925) 956-3342 | artcottageconcord@gmail.com

EXPRESSIONS! 2024

CALL FOR ENTRIES!

submissions Dec. 8 - Jan. 10
exhibition Feb. 16 - 23, 2024

oil & acrylic	sculpture & 3d
watercolor	mixed media
pastel & drawing	graphic arts
glass	photography

SmarterEntry.com/CallsForEntry/TAL
 more info: TracyArtLeague.org

CWA Member Resources



Watch Us on YouTube!

Did you miss a general meeting demo? Want to go back and review part of a demo again? Watch now on YouTube.

Check out our YouTube Channel and subscribe to get notified of our latest demos from your favorite artists! Don't forget to subscribe to the channel!

Thank you, and enjoy!



CWA Michael Holter Demo



CWA Stephen Berry Demo



CWA 50th National Art Show at the Harrington Gallery



CWA 50th National Show 2020



CWA Roland Lee Demo



CWA Leslie Wilson Demo

And More!



Click here to go to the CWA YouTube Channel, and don't forget to click the subscribe button!

<https://www.youtube.com/c/CaliforniaWatercolorAssociation>



CWA Video Library

Staying engaged and creative is easy...just go to the CWA website and view the library catalog, note the video that you are interested in, and send Madeline the catalog number in an email and she will check to see if it's available. She will let you know about its availability and mail it to you if available. It is your responsibility to return the video 30 days after receiving. It can be dropped off at Madeline's home or mailed. All you need to do is pay postage.

[Click here to view our entire catalog.](#)

It can also be found by going to our website and clicking the **About Us Tab** and following the link to **Video Library**.

Checking out a video will be simple, please follow the steps below:

- 1) You must be a Member
- 2) Once you find a video that you are interested in, note the **Catalog Abstract Number**.
- 3) Email me at madlnshelby@aol.com, with the **Catalog Abstract Number** and I will check its availability. I will send you a verification if it is available or let you know if it is checked out.
- 4) If the video is available we will mail it to your home via USPS. Your address on your membership records will be used for shipping.
Please log in and make sure your address information is up-to-date.
- 5) Your rental period is for 30 days. You are responsible to return the video to me. You are responsible for return shipping costs.

Return Address:
Madeline Shelby
482 Broadmoor Blvd.
San Leandro, CA 94577

6) Members who return videos after 30 days must pay a \$5.00 Late Fee. Lost videos must be replaced at the video replacement value.

We are excited to offer this service and hope it will lead to your creative enjoyment.

Madeline Shelby



2023/2024 CWA Calendar

ZOOM General Meetings & Demos

December 2023 — Winter Break

NO MEETING

January 17, 2024	Dongfeng Li
February 21, 2024 (6:00 pm)	Andy Evansen
March 20, 2024	Michael Holter
April 17, 2024	Carolyn Lord
May 15, 2024	Hugh Mossman
June 19, 2024	TBD
July 2024	Summer Break—NO MEETING
August 21, 2024	Bethanie Murguia
September 18, 2024	Dale Laitinen
October 16, 2024	TBD
November 20, 2024	TBD
December 2024	Winter Break—NO MEETING

Go to **Monthly Meetings** under the **About Us** tab at www.californiawatercolor.org for updates.

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January 10–March 9, 2024

CWA Member Shows

Colors — Subdued or Wild

City Hall Gallery, San Ramon

November 2–December 22, 2023

Smaller Paintings

Main Street Arts Gallery

January 4–February 24, 2024

Welcome New Members

Carolyn Bealmeear, Alison Berry, Lindy Edward,
Celine Gossage, Christine McKinley,
Jaladhi Pujara, Alice Jean (A.J.), Sujit Sudhi

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CWA 2024 Workshop Series

February 7–9, 2024 **Andy Evansen**
A Valued Approach to Watercolor (ZOOM)

February 26–29, 2024 **Dongfeng Li**
Painting Portraits and Landscapes with an Eye Towards
the Emotional Experience of the Subject (LIVE)

April 24–26, 2024 **Michael Holter**
Watercolor Impressionism,
Landscapes and Cityscapes (ZOOM)

May 17–19, 2024 **Carolyn Lord**
Plein Air Watercolor at
the EBRP Botanical Garden (LIVE)

September 28–29, 2024 **Bethanie Murguia**
Two Days of Play: Drawing and Painting with a
Children's Book Illustrator (LIVE)

October 20–23, 2024 **Dale Laitinen**
Shapeshifting the Western Landscape (LIVE)

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DON'T MISS IT!

Community Outreach Art Supplies Sale

at **GREAT SAVINGS** to our **CWA Members!**

Click [here](#) to download the spreadsheet
with currently available items.

To purchase contact Sheila at sheilahillcain@gmail.com
or Georganne at georgannezaro@gmail.com.

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