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Outstanding Outreach

September of this year had perhaps the most fruitful Outreach program in whole history of CWA. More than hundred art lovers were introduced to the various watercolor techniques in total of seven Outreach sessions in three different cities in one month!

Besides the ongoing semiweekly outreach for VA recreation therapy department in Martinez, which was taught by Sheila Cain and Victoria Bianco; a team of eight artists collaborated for an Open Studio event at Walt Disney Family Museum in San Francisco. Maria Batkova, Sheila Cain, Victoria Chiofalo, Joan Gombos, Iretta Hunter, Sue Johnston, Samantha McNally, and Irina Sztukowski presented various projects there. Bringing their talents and enthusiasm these artists gave instructions, painted alongside with museum guests, and promoted their love of watercolor. Together, all four sessions at the museum became a great mix of celebration of the Fall season, upcoming holidays, and the current exhibition Water to Paper, Paint to Sky. These Outreach sessions were held on the weekends between September 7 and 15.

On September 27, Irina Sztukowski with assistance of her husband organized a watercolor lesson for 36 students of Western Christian School in Hanford, CA. Irina instructed young artists how to paint a colorful landscape with the water reflections in watercolor. When the first project with Wet-On-Wet landscape was completed, brave artists fearlessly moved into an illustrative assignment. Within an hour of the lesson, each child ended up with an artwork ready to be framed and a cute greeting card. Everyone had lots of fun. The learning process was a pure enjoyment, and all students' creations were colorful, unique and beautiful. Supplies for this lesson were provided by CWA.

To Volunteer, contact outreach@californiawatercolor.org