

Fall, 2015



At the Watercolor's Edge

The Texas Watercolor Society Newsletter

President's Message, by Mary Quiros

Summer has come to an end and the fall year has begun. Hopefully everyone had a chance to paint this summer, before we know it the date to send in our new entries will arrive.

I hope everyone will take the time to enter our 67th Annual Exhibition. It is going to be a spectacular year with our judge Frank Francese from Grand Junction, Colorado. He will judge the show on April 4th in New Braunfels, Texas. Please take advantage of the workshop given by Frank on April 5, 6, and 7 at the new Braunfels Art League. We will have a membership meeting on the 4th of April followed by a demonstration by Mr. Francese.

Betsy Moritz is ready to take your deposit for the workshop. You can contact her at twsworkshops@gmail.com

Please consider a donation towards awards. Any donation whether large or small is appreciated. Contact Awards Chairman Linda La Mantia at linda@stx.rr.com for your donations. Her address is:

Linda La Mantia
402 Nye,
Laredo, Texas, 78041

I look forward to meeting everyone in New Braunfels in 2016 and I wish everyone a wonderful Holiday Season.

—Mary Quiros TWS President, SWS, Watercolor USA, WAS-H, KWS



Important Dates, 2015-16

- Jan 1, 2016: Call for Entry for 2016
- January 2016: Board and Committee meeting
- March 1, 2016: Entries due to TWS for 67th Exhibit
- March 11, 2016: Accepted entries posted to website
- March 30, 2016, Deadline to receive shipped entries
- April 1, 2016: Hand delivered and crates due 9-10 AM. Hang show at New Braunfels Art League Gallery
- April 4, 2016: Juror selects award winners, 6:00PM juror workshop

Newsletter Editor Needed, by Marsha Reeves

Due to personal concerns, I am unable to continue as editor of *At the Watercolor's Edge*, the TWS newsletter. My last issue as editor will be the Winter, 2016 issue.

Do you know how to use Microsoft Publisher, or equivalent publishing software? You could be our next editor. These would be your duties:

*Collect information and put together 3 issues per year of the newsletter (Winter, Summer, and Fall). The pres-

ident and other board members can assist you in proofreading.

* Submit the completed newsletter to our website coordinator for publication

* Contact the Constant Contact person (right now that is Sue Kemp) so that a message is sent out to members that a new issue is ready on the website.

Each newsletter takes between 1-2 evenings to complete, depending on length. (this issue took one evening)

**Watercolor Workshop April 5-7, 2016
(Free Demonstration, April 4, 2016 @ 6 PM)**

"Nature, City & Beach"

Presented by:

Frank Francese

-NWS, TWS MASTER, WHS, WW, SDWS, WFWS, TWS, CWS-

http://www.ffrancese.com/Watercolor_Workshops.html



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Workshop Info:

- ◆ **Dates:** April 5, 6 & 7, 2016
- ◆ **Time:** 9am - 4pm (an hour break for lunch)
- ◆ **At:** New Braunfels Art League Gallery
239 W San Antonio St.
New Braunfels, TX 78130
- ◆ **Cost:** \$350.00 TWS members
\$400.00 non-members
- ◆ **Deposit:** \$100.00 to hold your space, remainder due 6 weeks before workshop starts.
Limit 20
- ◆ **Contact:** Betsy Moritz
~TWS Workshop Chair ~
Phone# (830) 336-3638
twsworkshops@gmail.com

BIOGRAPHY: Frank Francese

Frank Francese was born in Arizona in 1951 but has resided in Colorado for most of his life. He has been a professional artist since 1976 and achieved the groundwork for his profession while attending Western State College in Gunnison, CO. Watercolors came to the forefront of Francese's artistic work in 1983. His liquid style is unique and distinctive. Frank enjoys working on a very wet surface, letting the pure color mix itself on the paper. His shapes are large and loose, often disregarding fine detail. Frank uses abrupt color changes of the same value with the white of the watercolor paper to bring his paintings to life. The subject matter for Francese's watercolors is always varied, reflecting his national and international travels as well as local western Colorado scenes.

WORKSHOP DESCRIPTION: The signature of a Francese watercolor is his use of big shapes, color, color & more color! His style employs the use of large brushes and a wet-on-wet method where in much of the color mixing is accomplished on the paper. Frank's technique often produces brilliant, at other times subtle, and always unique shades of color. The only limits are the artist's imagination and willingness to experiment with every combination of color on his palette.

Workshop Application Form:

*Mail check payable to "Texas Watercolor Society"

*Name: _____

c/o Betsy Moritz, TWS Workshop Chair

*Address: _____

764 Rio Brazos Drive

Cell Phone #: _____

Boerne, TX 78006

*Email: _____

*TWS Member? YES or NO

Members in the News— Kudos and Travels

Frances Ashley Hall : Frances' painting *Three Roses* has been accepted in the national Watercolor Society 2015 Member Exhibition, and will be on display at the NWS Gallery in San Pedro, CA through July 31st. It will also be included in *North Light Publications Splash 17: Inspiring Subjects*, due out in 2016.

Sue Kemp received an award for *Being Picasso* in the 52nd annual Southwestern Watercolor Society show. The juror was Mike Bailey.

Laurin McCracken, TWS, had two watercolors (*Stereopticon* and *Churchill Cigars*) selected to be included in the Beijing Biennale 2015, which ran from Sept 24-Oct 15. Stereopticon received a further accolade by being one of only ten of the 683 artworks in the show purchased by the National Museum of Art of china for their permanent collection. Laurin is a sponsor of the USA Award for an Artist under 30 Years of Age at the Schenzhen International Watercolor Biennale(SIWB)2015, in Shenzhen, China. His watercolor *Still Life with Tea* was one of 233 artworks selected among 3,779 entries for acceptance in the show, which will open Dec. 7, 2015, and close on Jan 10, 2016. After the close of the Biennale, the 233 artworks will travel for a year in a six-city traveling exhibition.

Opening the day before the SIWB at the Louhu Art Museum (also in Shenzhen, China), is the National Watercolor Society international Small Image Exchange Exhibit 2015-16, a joint exhibition of NWS and SIWB, which includes 100 paintings by NWS members and an equal number by Chinese watercolorists. Laurin's watercolor *Bottles on Wooden Box* will be representing NWS.

Laurin will also have 10 watercolors in a group show at Cassidy Bayou Art and Culture Center in Sumner, Mississippi, opening Dec. 5, 2015.

Betty Jameson had a painting accepted into the 47th Watercolor West International Exhibition at the City of Brea Gallery in Brea Ca from Oct. 17-Dec 12, 2015. Betty also had a painting accepted into the ISEA (International Society of Experimental Artists) show at the Dennis Museum, Traverse city, Missouri, September 20-Nov. 29, 2015. Betty Jameson has a painting accepted into the Kansas city Watercolor Society's national Exhibition at the Wichita Center for the Arts, Wichita Kansas, Nov 20, 2015-Jan 3, 2016. Betty has also been named as a Signature Member in the national Collage Society. Congratulations, Betty!



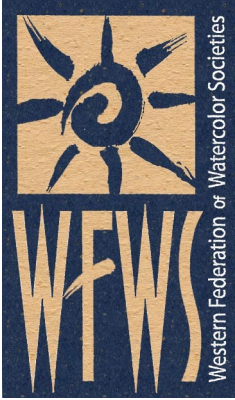
In Memoriam, Nicholas Simmons

It is with great sadness that TWS has learned of the death of artist Nicholas Simmons this past October.

Nicholas was a stunning artist, engaging speaker, and giving teacher whose support and advice helped many artists.

It will be a duller, less colorful world without you, Nick!

WESTERN FEDERATION OF WATERCOLOR SOCIETIES (WFWS)



One of the perks for being a member of the Texas Watercolor Society is automatic eligibility to enter the WFWS Annual Exhibition. WFWS is one of the premier societies composed of 12 state and regional watercolor organizations. Being accepted into one of the yearly exhibitions is an honor but is only available to those who are members of one of its societies. Its catalog is recognized as one of the best in the country.

Our new WFWS Delegate is Robin H Roberts-Walker, former TWS President. Robin will send out a call for entries for WFS on Constant contact—more than once. The deadline for entry is January 8, 2016.

The venue for the 2017 Exhibit is the Denton, Texas visual Arts Center. Soon Warren will be the judge, and she will also do a workshop.



Robin H. Roberts-Walker
robin@robinhroberts.com

WFWS is on the web at:
www.wfws.org



Upcoming Shows and Due Dates:

American signature Exhibition, Nov. 15

Transparent Watercolor society Jan 15, 2016

American watercolor society: Nov. 15

Western Federation of Watercolor Societies: Jan 8, 2016

WAS-H International Exhibit: Jan 15, 2016

A NOTE FROM THE EDITOR. . .

At the Watercolor's Edge is published three times a year: Summer, Fall, and Winter. We publish articles about the Texas Watercolor Society and its members. Although notices about member given workshops are given priority over workshops given by non-members, we try to publish information about all opportunities open to our members.

When submitting material to *At the Watercolor's Edge*, please keep the following in mind:

Images need to be submitted in jpeg form. Articles can be submitted in the body of an email, or in a WORD document. Files submitted in web-page format or other very large formats will not be used.

Please submit all articles intended for publication in *At the Watercolor's Edge* to me at

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Remember to send your best "Member News" items.

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