

BWS NEWSLETTER

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"Summer Breeze" by Debbie Whalen
Watercolor on Ginwashi rice paper

Letter from the President - Diane Harmon

Thanks to all the generous people who donated their art work to The Children's Hunger Project. Altogether we collected 13 framed and 33 unframed pieces. The organization was overwhelmed with our generosity as was I. They have numerous fundraisers coming up and these will surely help. Please keep them in mind for next year so we can again contribute to this worthy cause.

For those of you who attended our general meeting, you know that we need more volunteers. I encourage you to take the plunge and offer to help. I have met so many great people since being on the board. It was a little intimidating at first, but there were so many helpful people to guide me that it became very rewarding.

Some of our volunteers have been in their positions for years. They need to move on to other positions, or take a needed break. They have selflessly given their time and energy to make us the wonderful organization we are today. I want them to know that they are appreciated.

One final thought: If so many wonderful people had not already volunteered their time and effort- where would we be today? Isn't it your turn? Diane Harmon

Holiday Breakfast

Grills Riverside (just north of Pineda Causeway on US#1)

Saturday 12/9 9AM.

Bring a ~\$10 gift, if you want to be part of the gift exchange.

\$10 deposit per meal. Member deposits will be exchanged for \$20 toward your meal*. Guest deposits will not be included in the \$20 exchange, but will get their \$10 back toward their meals. NO SHOW deposits will be considered a donation to BWS. This process is due to numerous no shows last year. Deposits need to be received by November 30. Mail to Diane Harmon, 6798 Sutro Heights, Viera, FL 32940 or Dorothy Koliba, 678 Danville Circle, Viera FL 32940. Join us for this social event! Relax and get to know your fellow members.

*net \$10 credit towards your breakfast from BWS

SPLASH OF WATERCOLOR 2018

The theme of the February 17 and 18 show is "World of Art". This summer BWS purchased new display panels which are much easier to move and will add a more professional look to the show. Kitchen duties for the weekend will be handled by Azan Shriners.

Please refer to the Prospectus which adds new opportunities for eligible artwork: "water-soluble media (no water-soluble oils, pastels, or encaustics). This includes aqueous acrylics and opaques. This applies to this show only, but may be accepted as a BWS guideline in the future by membership vote. This applies to this show only, but may be accepted as a BWS guideline in the future by membership vote This is the new direction of some local and regional Florida watercolor societies, including the Florida Watercolor, American Watercolor and National Watercolor Societies. This will be discussed at the March General meeting.

Please see the schedule of events for volunteer meetings. The three co-chairs are: Barbara Brennan, intoitaly@gmail.com, 321/266-9278; Dorothy Koliba, dekoliba@hotmail.com, 321/327-8490; and Karen Krosnick, gardenriter@hotmail.com, 386/337-0117. Contact Karen if you are interested in volunteering.

BWS EVENT SCHEDULE

No mini-workshops in Nov/Dec (holidays) or Feb (Splash)

Sun 12/3/17 2-4 pm	MIWA reception/awards, Merritt island Island Wildlife Refuge
Sat 12/9/17 9:00 am	Holiday Breakfast at Grills Riverside
Tue 12/12/17 5:30 pm	Splash Volunteers Meeting, 1429 Highland Ave, Eau Gallie
Tue 1/9/18 5:30 pm	Splash Volunteers Meeting, 1429 Highland
Sat 1/13/18 1-3:00 pm	General meeting and demo by Cindy Agan
Sun-Tue 1/14-16/2018	Cindy Agan 3-day workshop

Sat 1/20/18 9-noon Mini Workshop, Plein Air demo, Jan Farber and Barbara Rios
 Tue 1/30/18 5:30 pm Splash Volunteers Meeting, 1429 Highland
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 Fri 2/16/18 6-8 pm Splash Award Reception, Azan Shriner Temple
 Sat-Sun 2/17-18/18 Splash Member Show, Azan Shriner Temple
Mini Workshops are free to all current BWS Members. Non-members may attend one time for a \$5 fee. BWS needs members to demonstrate and inspire others by sharing their artistic knowledge. You will be rewarded with a warm, fuzzy feeling from members eager to learn, plus \$60 and reimbursement for materials. Possible subjects are using reference photos, editing photos, drawing, gesture drawing from a model, technique, mixing colors, new products, self-portraits using mirrors, collage, abstracts, composition, critique.

3-DAY WORKSHOP SCHEDULE FOR 2018

WHERE: AHF Hall, 535 Hammock Road, Melbourne Village ;WHEN: Sunday-Tuesday (dates below), 9 am - 4 pm; COST: BWS members \$225 Non-members \$340; FREE DEMO: for members at the General Meetings (Satellite Beach City Hall, 565 Cassia Blvd.) the Saturday prior to each Workshop; MATERIAL LIST AND SIGN-UP: www.BrevardWatercolorSociety.com; CONTACT: Jolene Bruce, jobarrybruce@yahoo.com



CINDY AGAN 1/14-16/18
 REALISTIC CHILDREN PORTRAITS

Cindy is an internationally published watercolor, portrait artist, author, juror and teacher. She is the author of the instructional book and video "Painting Watercolors that Sparkle with Life". She is self-taught and prefers realism in all mediums. She uses a realistic approach to painting using warm colors on her palette. She applies watercolor paint with numerous glazes and high concentrates of pigment to achieve more intense and vibrant color. This workshop is designed for all levels of ability but some experience in watercolor is helpful. cindyaganart@gmail.com

or www.cindyaganart.com

TERESA KIRK 3/18-20/2018

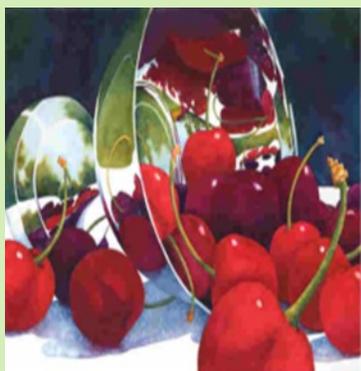
BEAUTY OF THE MARK



As an Artist we have our own language of mark making which is unique to ourselves. Come with me while we explore the "Beauty of the Mark", building upon a mark making process that we would not have thought of in a traditional approach. Exercises that will operate as catalysts to allow our own unique marks to appear and be that surprise element in our work. New possibilities that will open up as we play with transparent to opaque paints, different formats and design. Anything goes: landscapes, still life, figurative work or abstract, this workshop will engage your intuitive creativity. Demos, group discussion and constructive critiques are a part of this workshop. teresakirk.com

SUE ARCHER 5/13-15/2018

COMMANDING COLOR



Sue has designed a course designed to inspire creativity by learning to "see" and experience different aspects of color theory and painting light on objects. Combining her enjoyment of the intricate process of drawing with the wet on wet techniques of watercolor is how she approaches her painting. sue-archer-watercolors.com

DON ANDREWS 11/11-13/2018

Landscape Color and Composition



Don is a nationally known artist, author and instructor. He will focus on major visual concerns such as light, color, granulation, organizing nature and utilizing negative space. His teaching style encourages a relaxed and fun environment. donandrewsstudio.com



Debbie Whalen—Spotlight Artist

I grew up and raised my family in Maryland. After retiring from a career in interior design, I moved to FL in 2008. Seeking a new creative outlet, about four years ago, I began painting with my sister, Phyllis Marple, and her group at Courtyard Studio in Eau Gallie. Having never painted before, I felt quite intimidated being surrounded by so much talent. My first attempt at watercolor Batik was a disaster, but I persevered with encouragement from the group and their willingness to share their knowledge.

I joined BWS soon after and have enjoyed meeting members and the mini workshops. Volunteering as a 2017 Splash Co-Chair gave me an opportunity to meet and get to know many of the members. I also joined the Courtyard Studio to become even more involved with the art community. At the Eau Gallie Friday Art Walk (first Friday of each month), I enjoy meeting and talking with local art lovers.

My journey into watercolor continues as I learn more and more, by painting with friends and taking classes and workshops. I am so inspired by the many wonderful artists in our community. I encourage anyone who is new to painting to find a group to paint with on a regular basis. Take classes and take advantage of BWS mini workshops and 3-day workshops. I love learning something new and applying that to my paintings. When something I have created is appealing to someone else, it is truly rewarding. From my first disastrous Batik to the current day, I have learned a lot and can see improvement. I am so happy to have found a new way to express my creativity. Paint me happy!

Bits and Pieces

Way to Go!!

Barbara Brennan, one of the three co-chairs of Splash 2018, has agreed to take over as Webmaster. Now that's a Type A volunteer! Many, many thanks to Cindy McKee for her dedication to BWS as Webmaster for several years.

What is the Value your \$45 BWS membership fee?

- Quarterly Newsletter
- Website with all BWS news, upcoming events, artist opportunities, and your own website link option
- Entry opportunity in MIWA/BWS annual juried show. (Merritt Island Wildlife Association)
- Affordable rates for acclaimed guest artist workshops
- Plein air group painting jaunts during cool months
- Free admission to exciting mini-workshops
- Opportunity to enter your work in Splash of Watercolor, our popular annual juried show
- Attendance at opening reception of Splash to meet the artists, great artwork and awards
- Free watercolor demos by renowned artists. Guests are welcome to attend demos for a \$5 fee.
- email event updates and BWS invitations
- Exhibiting options available
- Invitations to BWS trips and social functions
- Chances to meet fellow artists and art enthusiasts
- Introducing the next generation of artists to watercolor as a medium through volunteering, our local programs and scholarships
- Art show for students of BWS teachers as part of Splash of Watercolor
- And much more!!

Membership fee is only \$45/year for an individual and \$50/year for a family membership. Student membership is \$25/year with student ID. Approximate Value of membership Discounts on four 3-day workshops conducted by acclaimed artists \$460; Value of four hours of free demos by renowned artists \$60; Value of eight four-hour mini workshops @\$25 each \$200; Splash Reception (artist and guest) \$50; Holiday Party \$10;

Subtotal \$780, PLUS Friendship, Fun and Encouragement PRICELESS!!

Prepared by Pat Bowlds, Membership Chair

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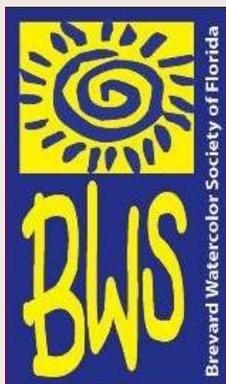
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