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## **President's Letter**

I am so excited that fall is here! Without a doubt, this is my favorite time of year.

I have been busy changing my home interior to reflect my love for all things fall. I love incorporating the color orange into my home, my wardrobe, my paintings and even my food selections. Orange is such a warm and inviting color.

I truly hope that you enjoyed Pam Wenger's portrait demonstration at our last Members Meeting on October 11th. When her demonstration is released on You-Tube it will be up for 30 days. I hope you will take our challenge and see if you can paint a portrait similar to what Pam showed us in her demonstration. You will have a sketch to work with and all you need to do is enjoy the process. When you have completed your portrait, please do not hesitate to submit it for one of our Zoom Art Salons. We would love to see what you learned, and Pam Wenger would enjoy it also.

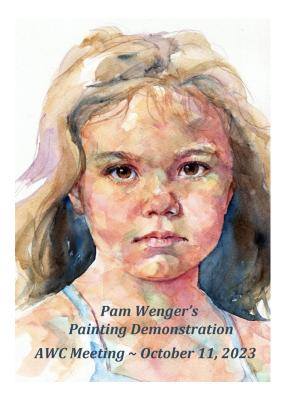
As we prepare for our Holiday Party on December 5<sup>th</sup> at Seelos Hall, please make sure to go online and RSVP prior to our deadline. This will allow us get a good headcount in order to provide some tasty treats for everyone to enjoy. We also hope you will take our Art Salon challenge, and bring a special painting for our Holiday gala. (Read details below in this newsletter regarding the Holiday Party.)

I apologize for this brief newsletter, but unfortunately, I have caught the flu and am paying the price.

I do look forward to seeing you all on November 8th for our Members Meeting on Zoom. I will enjoy introducing you to Shannon Kelly, one of our AWC members and a watercolor teacher in Atlanta.

Have fun Trick or Treating with the kids or attending your Fall Harvest Festival!

Don't forget to paint! Juanita Green, President



Thank you, **Pam Wenger,** for the wonderful painting demonstration at our Zoom Meeting on October 11th.

It was a pleasure seeing your colorful process of painting a portrait.

We look forward to a workshop with you some time in the future.

Connie uploaded the video of Pam's demo on October 30 to the AWC YouTube channel. If you missed the meeting and presentation, you can view it through November 30th at: https://youtu.be/0FEzZynBdJk

#### November 8th - Zoom Meeting (You will receive an email invitation with a Zoom link the morning of November 8th)

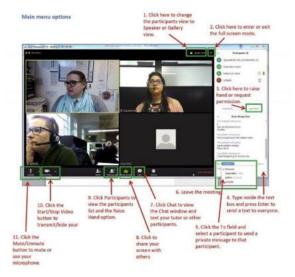
6:30 pm Art Salon with Andrea Naft

### 7:00 pm Juanita Green will host our General Meeting

### 7:15 pm Painting Demonstration by Shannon Kelly

## **ZOOM HELP**

If you are having difficulty working with the Zoom screen during our AWC meetings, here are some visual hints. If you want to print out these functions, click <u>here</u> for the .pdf





Descriptions are for students in a college classroom, but functions are the same for AWC Zoom meetings and demos

## ART SALON WITH ANDREA NAFT

Thank you to all who participated in the October Salon with their paintings and comments in the chat. Please consider sending paintings for the next Zoom Art Salon which will be on Wednesday, November 8, at 6:30. It will be hosted by Andrea Naft.

Please send cropped jpegs of your work to our PowerPoint Master, Shannon Kelly at <u>skelly823@gmail.com</u>. Due date to email paintings is Sunday, November 5th.

Be sure to include the title, size, watercolor media, and a description about the painting which can include something about your process, questions, and what you felt were the most successful parts of the painting.



#### PAINTING DEMONSTRATION BY SHANNON KELLY November 8th at Zoom Members' Meeting



**Shannon Kelly** 

Shannon Kelly is an Atlanta-based watercolor artist with a hyper-realistic style. She has worked as a public school teacher for 12 years before taking the leap into teaching and making art for a living.

She finds joy in painting people and animals and is drawn to exploring how nature infringes into the developed spaces in Atlanta. Through her art, she strives to capture flashes of wonder -- that quiet moment when one witnesses astonishing beauty and feels "rooted in the now."

Shannon is currently an Artist In Residence at Arts Beacon in the Grant Park neighborhood of Atlana, where she teaches watercolor classes to teens and adults. You can find her artwork under the name **Daisy Lions Studio**. Here is the link to her website:

https://daisylions.weebly.com/#/

Note: Shannon was our Featured Artist in the January 2020 AWC newsletter. See her sample art work below.





## **AWC WEBSITE**

Misplaced your AWC newsletter? Having trouble finding it in your email? Just bookmark the AWC website, <u>https://annapoliswatercolorclub.org</u>, and you can always find it. The link to the newsletter is right on the home page, in a format viewable in your web browser or in pdf format that you can print or download. All the information about meetings, exhibits, plein air events, or workshops that is included in the newsletter can also be found on the website, and you will need to visit the website to register for these events. If you have a friend who is interested in joining, the membership form can also be found on the website.

Liz Grimes, Website Administrator

## **EXHIBITS**



Our "Brushstrokes" exhibit will be at the *Woods Memorial Presbyterian Church* in Severna Park for a few more days, till November 6. If you haven't had the opportunity to go see it, I encourage you to do so. It's a lovely exhibit in a beautiful, uplifting gallery setting. Thanks to those of you who were able to come to the casual Meet and Greet on October 8. The members of the congregation enjoyed talking with the artists.

If you have paintings on display in the gallery, please come and pick them up on the morning of Monday, November 6 between 9:00 and 10:00. Please arrive no later than 10:00 as the next exhibit is to be installed that same day. The address is 611 Baltimore Annapolis Boulevard, Severna Park.

Our final exhibit of the year will be a return to the gallery at *Ginger Cove*. The dates for this exhibit are Saturday, November 25 through Friday, January 12, 2024. The AWC website is open for entries now and the deadline for entering is November 6 (same day as pick up at Woods Church). There is a \$10.00 per person entry fee. There will be room for two paintings per artist. There is no reception or commission, and sales are arranged between the buyer and artist.

**Please deliver paintings on Saturday, November 25 between 9:00 and 10:00.** Please keep in mind that this is during Thanksgiving weekend so you might need to make arrangements with a friend to deliver for you. Pick up will be on Friday, January 12, between 9:00 and 11:00. While Ginger Cove is a private residence, visitors are always welcome to stop in to enjoy the exhibit. Just stop at the front desk and ask the attendant to direct you or your guests to the gallery. The address is 4000 River Crescent Drive, Annapolis.

Joan Machinchick, Exhibits Chair (photos below are from the Woods Memorial Church exhibit)



Linda Luke and Karen Degraffenreid (with Karen's painting)



Carolyn Councell and Marietta Schreiber (with Carolyn's painting)

# What Are Our AWC Members Up To?

Quiet Waters Exhibit Some of our AWC members are showing their paintings at the Quiet Waters "Arts Aweigh" exhibit, which runs through November 12th. Stop by and enjoy the art!





Joan Machinchick (with her painting), and Connie Robinson at the Opening, Oct 22nd



Annette Uroskie with two of her paintings that were sold at the Opening



Mildred Anderson with her painting



When: December 5th, 12-4 pm

Where: Seelos Hall at St. John Neumann Church, 620 N. Bestgate Rd, Annapolis MD 21401, where we had our September meeting. (See below.)

**Details:** Join us for the Annapolis Watercolor Club's annual Holiday Party Luncheon. There will be decorations, a white elephant gift exchange, live piano music, and a holiday themed Art Salon. There will also be a catered lunch to include: petite sandwiches, charcuterie boards, and crudite platters.

What to Bring: Your favorite dessert to share, a holiday themed painting for the Art Salon, and a white elephant gift.

Charity Donation: Each year the AWC gives to a local charity. This year we are giving to a charity affiliated with St. Mary's Church in Annapolis: Our Lady of Guadalupe Ministry. For some years, the ministry has supported the needy local Hispanic population, and immigrants from other countries. You are encouraged to bring a wrapped art gift to our holiday party for children or young adults. Or, give a monetary donation on the St. Mary's Church web site: <u>https://www.paypal.com/donate/?hosted\_button\_id=2JGGH3XS2WSX8</u>

R.S.V.P. via the AWC website no later than NOVEMBER 24th https://annapoliswatercolorclub.org/event-5445682





#### Art feeds the soul ...

My deep dive into watercolor began in 2018 after retiring as a school teacher. Although I have never attended art school, I can't really say that I'm selftaught because I am learning from so many wonderful artists who have become teachers and mentors both in person and online. Some of my favorites are Thomas Schaller, Joseph Zbukvic, Ann Blockley, Chen Chung Wei and Jasmine Huang, and I have a special place in my heart for the artists I have the privilege of painting with up front and personal who have become good friends and mentors over the last few years.

I also love to paint outdoors with my husband, Mike, and am very grateful for the Annapolis Watercolor Club and the many opportunities that they offer that are helping me to learn and grow as an artist.

In addition to membership with AWC, I am a juried member of the Working Artists Forum in Easton, MD, an associate member of the Baltimore Watercolor Society, a member of the Kent Island Federation of Arts (KIFA), and frequently paint with some wonderful people known as the West River Artists.

My first solo exhibit was in the Garden Gallery at Quiet Waters last year, and I was surprised and humbled to receive honorable mentions in two recent shows at KIFA. If you are interested in seeing more of my paintings I invite you to visit <u>watercolorsbypamelachase.com</u>.





## **SUNSHINE CLUB**

As the days get shorter, please let us know of any member that may need an extra boost of Sunshine. Our Sunshine Club is here to send a beautiful Jacquie Lawson e-card to any member that may need a little boost or a "Hip Hip Hooray" for a job well done. Please, if you, or someone you know would benefit from our e-cards, please send their name, email and occasion to <u>sunshine.AWC.dw@gmail.com</u> and an appropriate card will be sent without delay.

Thank You, Dina Weavers, Sunshine Club Chair

#### AWC CALENDAR 2023-24 (click here to print copy)

#### **MEETINGS:**

#### November

- 2 7:00 Board Meeting
- 8 6:30: Art Salon by Andrea Naft
  7:15 Members Meeting
  7:15 Art Demonstration TBD

#### December

- 1 7:00 pm Board Meeting
- 5 12-4 pm Holiday Party at Seelos Hall

#### **EXHIBITS:**

**2023 Woods Memorial Church** Sept. 17 to Nov 6th

**2023-24 Ginger Cove** Nov 25, 2022 to Jan 24, 2024

HOLIDAY PARTY - Dec 5th in person at Seelos Hall, 12 - 4 pm

## **TREASURER'S REPORT**

Our financial status as of October 19, 2023: Checking 5,044.79 Savings 11,259.79

Savings	11,259.79
Total	\$16,304.58

Sheryl Paris, Treasurer

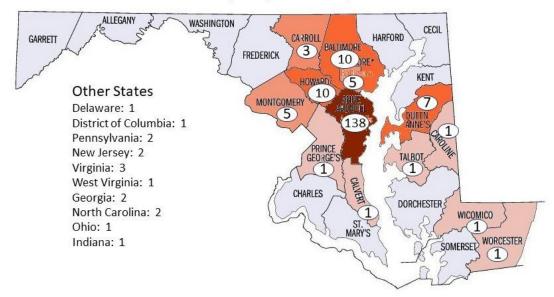
## **MEMBERSHIP**

Where do our members come from? Since we started presenting our membership meetings on Zoom in 2020, we have been able to invite widely-known demonstrators with no geographical restrictions, and our membership has grown significantly. We have also gained members from outside the local area.

For several years prior to 2020, membership was averaging around 150 members. It is now just over 200. We have members from 11 states including the District of Columbia, and one member from the United Kingdom (admittedly, recently relocated there from Annapolis). Within Maryland, 12 counties plus Baltimore City are represented. At the same time, we retain a local identity. A full two-thirds of our membership is from Anne Arundel county, and in fact, one-third have an Annapolis zip code. We plan to continue presenting most of our meetings on Zoom, with in-person meetings once a quarter. We plan to record the in-person demonstrations to make them available to those who are unable to attend, and we hope our membership will continue to expand both locally and afar.

Liz Grimes

#### Members by Maryland County



## Do you have an article to submit?

Any friends having an art exhibit? Did you read something art related to share? Send the article or link to Connie Robinson, Newsletter Editor, constancejr@comcast.net

## **IMPORTANT MESSAGE**

## OPEN POSITIONS FOR BOARD MEMBERS AND CHAIRS

As noted below, we have FIVE volunteer positions open. Please consider serving a two-year term for one of these fun jobs!

#### TREASURER EXHIBITS CHAIR HOSPITALITY CHAIR PLEIN AIR / SKETCHING CHAIR PUBLICITY AND PROGRAM CHAIR

Email our President, Juanita Green, for more information about any of these positions. <u>Juanitagreen640@yahoo.com</u> Or email the person in the job at the present time.

## **BOARD MEMBERS AND CHAIRS**

#### **ELECTED BOARD MEMBERS**

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Vice President, Eileen Hempel 503.758.5479, eileeng2413@gmail.com

Immediate Past President, Linda Luke 410.476.7770 lindalukewatercolor@gmail.com

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Plein Air/Journal Sketching (open)

Publicity & Program Coordinator (open)

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Sunshine Club, Dina Wevers 443.597.2381, high-strung@comcast.net

Webmaster, Liz Grimes, 410.456.2560, lizgrimes@comcast.net

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