



Waterworks

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Member News & Events

SEPTEMBER MEMBERS MEETING

Date: Sunday, Sep 18, 2022, 3 to 5 pm

Location: Bluebonnet Library
9200 Bluebonnet Blvd., Baton Rouge LA

Thanks to LWS Board Member, Theresa Beau-bouef for inviting C Bruce Hume, Local Louisiana Coffee Painting Artist to demo after our Members Meeting at the Bluebonnet Library on Sun. September 18, 2022. Bruce, raised in New Orleans and an avid coffee drinker will show us how he prepares different papers and paints using locally brewed New Orleans coffees! Come watch this fascinating and interesting event he has planned for us! Visit his Website at www.humeartstudio.com and Facebook at [CB Hume Louisiana Artist](#)



LWS ELECTION—Members Meeting

At the Members Meeting on Sunday, September 18, 2022, from **3:00 to 5:00pm** there will be one item for members to vote on. The LWS Nominating Committee has presented the 2022-23 slate of officers as follows:

ELECTIONS: 2022-2023 Slate of Officers

- ♦ Tracy Hebert - President
- ♦ Peggy Kirby - 1ST Vice President
- ♦ Cynthia Webb - 2ND Vice President
- ♦ Emily Efferson - Recording Secretary
- ♦ Rita Congemi - Corresponding Secretary
- ♦ Claudia LeJeune - Treasurer
- ♦ Margaret Hawkins - Director at Large North Shore
- ♦ Jan Wilken - Director at Large South Shore
- ♦ Joette LeBlanc - Director at Large Baton Rouge

There will be no nominations from the floor. The term of office is one year. With the exception of the treasurer and secretaries, all officers and board Members-at-Large may hold a position for two consecutive years.

Respectfully Submitted by the Nominating Committee:

Carol Creel, Kathy Stone, Jan Wilken

Note: Carol Creel MAL for BR expressed an interest in Workshop Chair

LWS EVENT

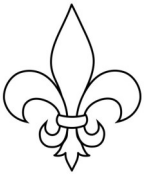
Thanks to LWS member Joette Leblanc for arranging the **“Paint-Out Event”** at the beautiful **Hilltop Arboretum** on **Thurs., September 22, 2022** from **9am to Noon** located at **11855 Highland Rd., Baton Rouge, LA.** Don't miss the opportunity to visit and paint at this lovely venue. Hilltop has a collection of more than 150 species of Southern native trees, shrubs, and wildflowers on the 14-acre property which is located just six miles south of the LSU campus. The property was purchased in 1929 by Emory Smith and his wife, Annette as a working farm and country retreat and became a part of LSU in 1981. Make sure you visit their website at: <https://lsu.edu/hilltop/> to see what these beautiful grounds have to offer.



President's Corner



Tracy Hebert LWS
President



How do I begin? Since becoming the interim President of LWS, I have scattered thoughts about the direction of this wonderful, creative, art-driven organization. I want to see cohesion and improvements in LWS going forward. It is a well-run organization with the help and good intentions of many members. However, our world as we see it has changed over the last several years making it difficult for a non-profit, volunteer-driven organization to cope with. What is the best way to begin these improvements? One of my answers to this is through change and conversation. Communication within the Board and communication between LWS members and the Board. We want to hear from you! We want to work with you! We want to include as many volunteers as we can in the workings of the organization. We have put together a list of needs that you as members can volunteer to help with. It is an opportunity to get more involved, get to know each other, support Louisiana Watercolor Society, and promote the art of watercolor. Take a look at the list in this newsletter and be on the lookout for an email with details about how you can volunteer. We want to try to provide more benefits to members and encourage even the watercolor dabbler! We also have a scheduled paint-out planned. I'm hoping to attend and to see some new faces there. It is on September 22nd. There is also an upcoming member's meeting and a fall juried member's exhibition. Look for the details in this newsletter.

As always keep your paints out, your paper wet, and your brushes dancing to the tune of what inspires your heart!

Yours truly,
Tracy Hebert LWS

Juried Member Show

LWS Christwood Exhibit-Atrium Gallery at Christwood

100 Christwood Blvd. Covington, LA 70433

Judge/Juror: Tracy Hebert LWS

Exhibit Dates

- **Oct 17:** Deadline to Enter Online—<https://louisianawatercolorsociety.org/entry-forms/winter-juried-show-forms/2022-juried-show-at-christwood/>
- **Oct. 25:** Check LWS website for Accepted Paintings
- **Nov 4:** Artist Drop Off /paintings –10am to Noon
- **Nov 5:** Hanging by Christwood /Judge Tracy Hebert
- **Nov 12:** Awards Reception (by Christwood) 4:30p to 6:30p
- **Jan 6:** Artist Pick-Up Paintings - 10am to Noon

Questions: Peggy Kirby, Show Chair:

cell: 504-905-5907 - email: peggyckirby@gmail.com

No commission taken on Sales at Christwood

Minimum FRAME Size Accepted in this Show is 16x20

Artist Walk and Talk at The Atrium Gallery at Christwood - Friday, December 2, 2022. 2:30 pm

What draws you to a work of art? Is it the color? The subject? The mood? Or is it something you can't quite explain? Join artists **Laura Mitchell LWS, Peggy Kirby, and Rita Congemi** as they share their expertise on the qualities of great art. Walk with them through the Christwood Show, admire the paintings, and learn whether there really are magic elements of great art. Read more at: <https://louisianawatercolorsociety.org/wp-content/uploads/2022/08/Artist-Walk-and-Talk-2.pdf>



Tracy Hebert LWS, Juror and Judge - Christwood Exhibit was born and raised in Port Allen, LA. Taking art classes at a young age paved the way for her art journey many years later. After raising a family and running a

small embroidery and screen-printing business for 20 years she decided once again to pick up a paintbrush. Watercolor was one of her favorite mediums and was convinced to enter her work in a local art show by a persistent sister-in-law. After winning Best of Show, she decided to enter several other local and international watercolor exhibitions. Tracy is a signature member of LWS, a member of several watercolor societies, Baton Rouge Art League, and Associated Women of the Arts and has won numerous exhibitions. She teaches local and online classes and workshops. Currently, painting is a creative outlet that helps relieve the stress of daily life which includes caring for her elderly father who has Alzheimer's. Currently, she paints in a realistic style of people "doing real life" things that tell a story. Animals and their near-human-like emotions are another of Tracy's favorite subjects. She chooses her subjects by taking pictures of the things that inspire her, looking over those photos, and the one that makes her look again and again is the one she will sketch and possibly paint.

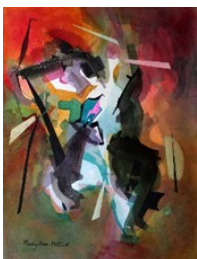
Member Congratulations

Congratulations goes out to seventeen (17) LWS Members who were accepted into the Art Guild of Louisiana, 52nd Annual National River Road Show at the Louisiana State Archives in Baton Rouge, Louisiana. The Exhibit is on display from Aug 3rd thru Sep 29th. The Awards Reception will be on Sep 15th from 5 to 7pm. LWS members selected are: **Judi Betts LWS, Monica Bishara LWS, Marilynne Bradley LWS, Carol Creel LWS, Kathleen Durdin, Emily Efferson, Cheri Fry LWS, Barbara W. Hayes, Tracy Hebert LWS, Ellen Jenkins, Michele Tabor Kimbrough, Deigo Largaia, Pio Lyons LWS-M, Jo McWilliams, Patricia Ryan, Leah Schwartzman, Don Taylor LWS**

Congratulations to **Annie Strack** who won 3rd place award in the 2nd Annual **Olde Stone Village Plein Air** in Sewell, New Jersey. Her paintings were also juried into the **Green Mountain Watercolor 10th National Exhibit, Hawaii Watercolor Society International Exhibit, Montana Watercolor Society 40th National Exhibit, Alaska Watercolor Society 48th National Exhibit, Georgia Watercolor Society Annual Juried Members Exhibit, and Kentucky Watercolor Society 45th National Exhibit**. She earned **Signature Membership in Hawaii Watercolor Society**. [She was the President of the Awards Jury for the Annual International Dinard Plein Air Festival in Brittany, France.](#) She also has a solo show of her watercolor paintings at the Heggan Library Gallery in Washington Township, New Jersey in December.



Endeavor



Awakening



Odyssey

Congratulations to **Nancy Dias** for being accepted into the **Florida WC Society 2022 51st Annual Exhibition** by Juror Mark Mehaffey for her painting **Endeavor**. The show will run from Sep 4 to Nov 14 at the Visual Arts Center in Punta Gorda, FL. She was also thrilled to learn her painting **Awakening** was juried into the **GWS Georgia WC Society's Member Show** by Juror Lynn Pratt earned her signature status in GWS. The show will run from Aug 11 to Oct 1 at the Quinlan Visual Arts Center in Gainesville, GA. Nancy also received the Sheila Varn Memorial Award for her painting **Odyssey** from the **Tallahassee Watercolor Society** at their awards reception on May 27.



Congratulations to the LWS members who placed at the Oak Knoll Country Club Exhibit. From left to right are **Peggy Kirby, Emily Efferson, Carol Creel LWS, Kathy Stone, LWS-M Jonathan Vizina, Diego Largaia, and (not present) Pio Lyons LWS-M**

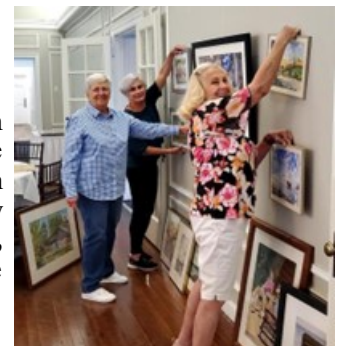
Congratulations to members **Carol Creel LWS** and **Margaret Hawkins** who sold paintings at the **Oak Knoll Exhibit**. Both were purchased by **Eric Johnson** (standing with **Claudia LeJeune LWS**). Carol sold her painting **"Orange Peel"** and Margaret sold her painting **"A Sunday in Spring"**.

Congratulations to **Jan Wilken LWS** who was selected **2021-2022 Artist of the Year** for the Jefferson Art Guild (JAG) at its recent **Installation Banquet**. For the first time, since co-founding JAG in 1996, Jan received this honor and said "You see, Persistence pays off".



Volunteers Hanging the Oak Knoll Exhibit

A huge thank you to all who volunteered with Take-In and helped **Kathy Stone, Installation Chair** hang the Oak Knoll Exhibit. It was a lot of work but loads of fun too. *Left to right standing, Jan Wilken LWS, Tracy Hebert LWS, Kathy Stone, LWS-M, Clare Peskay, Margaret Hawkins, Seated in front, Claudia LeJeune LWS, Emily Efferson.*



LWS NEEDS YOUR HELP

LWS VOLUNTEERS NEEDED



LWS is an **all-volunteer-driven** organization. There are many ways our members can help us run more smoothly by doing small jobs as well as large ones. Being a board member is not required to help out on a committee. **Would you like to get involved?** We will have a detailed list at the **Members Meeting on September 18, 2022, 3-5 pm at the Bluebonnet Library in Baton Rouge**, but in the meantime check out the list below and if you see a spot where you think you might fit in or want to help in any way, email us at: President@LouisianaWatercolorSociety.org. We welcome your feedback!



INTERNATIONAL EXHIBITION:

Award Sponsors – Assist Exhibition Chairperson with soliciting awards (mostly online requests)

Hanging – Assist in take-in, hanging, and/or takedown (a great behind-the-scenes learning experience)

Reception – Help the Hospitality Committee set up and maintain the food and drink tables.

Juror Workshop – Assist Workshop Chairperson with setting up and taking down on workshop days (See **WORKSHOPS**) below).

Certificates & Awards – Print and mail about 2 dozen certificates (awards & new signature).

Mailing Painting Tubes – For foreign artists who used the frame rental option: Pick up their mailing tube from Daryl & Son's Frame Shop, fill out and complete customs form, and mail the tube back to the artist at the post office. We had 3 return shipping tubes in 2022.



INTERNATIONAL CATALOG: *(Currently, the Catalog is developed using the Microsoft Publisher Program, therefore experience using this program is essential, but we're open to using other programs or suggestions).*

Assist in setting up the annual International Exhibition Catalog. *Note: Publisher is no longer available on Macs.*

QUARTERLY NEWSLETTER: *(Currently, the Newsletter is developed using the Microsoft Publisher Program, therefore experience using this program is essential, but we're open to using other programs or suggestions).*

Content – Assistance in gathering and organizing information from members and other sources. Be a backup on the newsletter details. Assistance with Proofing for errors and contents.

Social Media Scans – Assist with Social Media scanning looking for members who may have won awards so we can recognize them in the newsletter.

Copies - Black & White (size 11x17), **Address Labels and Mailing:** Print B&W copies and fold at local printing office (i.e., Office Depot) for about 22 members without email capabilities. Print address labels and bring to Post Office for mailing. Printing and Postage will be reimbursed by the Treasurer.



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ALL SHOWS/ EXHIBITS:



Review entries in the LWS Dropbox – Check for compliance with rules. Add names to untitled jpegs.



Excel Lists – Convert show entry data into lists that can be used to check in paintings or make title cards for shows. (MS Excel computer program knowledge is necessary)

Proofing entry data – Compare show entry data with Dropbox images to make sure that all images arrived in Dropbox. Sometimes an image is missing and must be uploaded to the Dropbox manually.



Collect and Deliver Artwork in your area – (*This can consist of several members*) **Member Shows** are in Hammond, Covington, and Baton Rouge. **West Bank member liaison** convenient to Algiers, Belle Chase, Gretna, Harvey, Marrero, and Westwego to collect and deliver artwork to and from member shows. **Member liaison** convenient to Luling, Houma, Lafitte, La-Place, Destrehan, and south locations to collect and deliver artwork to and from member shows.



WORKSHOPS:

Transportation – Assist in providing transportation for out-of-town instructors upon arrival and at various times throughout their stay.

Hosting – Host out-of-town Instructor by providing lodging at the host's home during the workshop

Setup/Takedown – Assisting Workshop Chair with workshop venue room set-up, and clean-up at conclusion of the workshop.

Instructor Lunch – Assist in providing lunch and beverages for the instructor during the workshop.



PUBLICITY:

Press Releases – Send via email press releases and photos to the newspaper for all LWS events.

Facebook and Instagram – Assist in updating and gathering information for the LWS Facebook and Instagram page.

Photographer – Assist with taking photos at LWS events, collecting photos from members, and submitting them for publicity purposes.



MEMBER MEETINGS/EVENTS

Demos: Assist in finding speakers to give demonstrations for member events and meetings.

Events: Assist in setting up and finding locations for Plein Aire events



MEMBER RECRUITING: Join and assist a committee in recruiting new members.

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Calendar

Sep. 18: **Members Meeting 3pm to 5pm**

Sep. 22: **Paint Out-Hill Top Arboretum 9a to Noon**

Jan 1, 2023: **Pay Member Dues**

***Winter Newsletter Deadline: Nov. 15, 2022**

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