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January 2021

President's Message

The "Same Old Same Old" is not going to happen! We have been experiencing wild rides these past nine months, and don't wish to repeat them! But, there have been many beneficial "first-time experiences" in our lives. We have met the challenge of learning new technology to keep in communication with each other, and work from home. We have figured out how to do many things without touching, while doing the face-mask thing. Oh my!

Pandemics that occurred in the past greatly affected societies, here and abroad. The Renaissance of Art and Science was sparked by the Bubonic Plague in Europe centuries ago. And now, during our COVID-19 Pandemic, we creative artists will find NEW ways to express ourselves to learn and grow. I am grateful to have the opportunity to help you do this through the Annapolis Watercolor Club.

Each monthly meeting we bring you artists that demonstrate their talent on Zoom. We have had workshops, Plein Air events, and art exhibits. Our AWC members and patrons from many states continue to increase each month. Please invite friends to join us! Everyone will enjoy so many amazing events that are scheduled for 2021!

Calendar

January

- 5,6 **Pam Wenger Workshop "Quick Sketch Portraits" Sold Out!**
- 7 Board Meeting - 7:00pm
- 13 **Monthly Members Meeting 6:30 - 8:30**

Featured artist
Carolyn Marshall Wright
doing a demonstration

February

- 4 Board Meeting - 7:00pm
- 10 **Monthly Members Meeting 6:30-8:30**

Surprise trip to Paris, France to meet Alex Hillkurtz

- 18 Kathy Dennin-Maegher Workshop 9:30 AM - 3:00 PM

March

- 4 Board Meeting
- 10 **Monthly Members Meeting 6:30 - 8:30**
More Surprises

time to enjoy the holidays with family and friends. We will see you in 2021!

Stay strong, healthy and enjoy the holidays,
Happy painting!



Monthly Meeting

Wednesday, January 13, 2021 6:30-8:30pm

Connie presents Members Artwork Salon at 6:30 pm
President Linda Luke gives updates at 7:00 pm

Live Demonstration begins at 7:15 pm with
our guest artist
Carolyn Marshall Wright



Carolyn remains fascinated by the medium of watercolor and how it conveys such luminosity and light. As a growing artist, she became intrigued by abstract images, and began working with acrylics and collage as she further explored color and structure. Still, for a number of years, her abstract acrylic work remained separate and distinct from her representational watercolor. However, several years ago, she began to meld the abstract with the representational, utilizing the full panoply of techniques learned from painting with each medium. Now she creates paintings that are luminous with vibrant color, confident in composition and expressive

Treasurer's Report

December 18, 2020

Checking: \$9,627.75

Savings: \$5,038.39

Total: \$14,666.14

Sheryl Paris,
Treasurer

Membership

"Happy Holidays to everyone.

Thank you to all who paid their dues early. Hopefully we can soon meet again at our monthly meeting in Maryland Hall!" Stay warm and cozy.

Don't forget to pay your dues for the New Year 2021, before December 31st in order to not have a lapse in your club communications.

In order to renew your membership or apply as a new member, please click on



Thank You Mick McAndrews!

We saw the true **MAGIC of WATERCOLOR** while watching you paint! You not only educated but entertained us at our December Member Meeting. We were held captive, while you gave us hints on how we could bring mystery and magic, into our own work through various methods. You paint loose washes, not taking things too seriously; keeping the application loose without concern for details.

Your running narrative was full of fun expressions: "Keep the landscape loose - it can blend into the sky - don't take it seriously." "When painting the building, leave some white area - don't paint details - let the viewer decide what is there." As Mick painted the pier pilings, he went "boom" as he brought down the brush (rough rendering, brush not full of paint). He stated it "helps if you say 'boom'....Mick used the trick of creating the mast and ropes on the ship by pulling up paint from the painted ship with the use of a credit card edge. As he brought our eyes around the composition, he stated it was important to have the different parts "connect". Mick didn't paint too many details during the demo. He stated he may "add more jewelry" at another time (details). Funny!

Mick helped us learn that it is all about "story telling" - and the

membership form and click on

PayPal to pay your dues

<https://annapoliswatercolorclub.org/pay-dues/>

OR

To Pay by Check:

Please click on the link above

(in red), print the

membership form, fill it

out and mail it with your check

made payable to **AWC to:**

Karen DeGraffenreid, 1023

Boom Court, Annapolis, MD

21401

**Karen DeGraffenreid,
Membership Chair**

Sunshine Club

Happy New Year to Annapolis Watercolor Club members, your friends and your families. What a year 2020 has been!

As a Club, we have tried to keep in touch with everyone and the Sunshine Club is part of attempting to bring some cheer and sunshine into darker days. With many people alone during the cold winter months ahead, please don't hesitate to let me know their details and a cheering Jacquie Lawson card will be sent to them. Whether

Connie Robinson, Art Salon



WATERCOLOR LIVE!

The Annapolis Watercolor Club
 Is A Sponsor Of This Event
 Please Use The Link Below To Register

RARE ONLINE ART CONFERENCE

Power Packed Three Day Agenda

January 28 - 30, 2021, with an optional
 Beginner's Day on January 27, 2021

Instruction from over 24 of the
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- Critiques
- Rountables
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members to know they are not alone. Include the person's full name, email address, phone number and the reason for the card. If the recipient is seriously ill, include next of kin if known. Please accept my apologies for the incorrect email address in December's Newsletter. The correct address is:

junepoole@mac.com

June Poole, Sunshine Club

Members News

This section contains some of our club's artists' shows and teaching information. More information and photos are located at "Gallery" and "Members Posting" on our website:

annapoliswatercolorclub.org

Annette Uroskie

Please go to our Annapolis Watercolor Club website to see the beautiful paintings by Annette Uroskie.

<https://annapoliswatercolorclub.org/member-postings/>

"Bermuda Wildflowers Fantasy" won 2nd place in the Baltimore Watercolor Society juried show at Delphine Arts Center in Frederick, MD. The beautiful face painting is named "Water Fairie's Pearls".

[each registration.](#)

https://www.watercolorlive.com/wcl2021?affiliate_id=2750758

[Note that each package price - offers either 7 day, 60 day or 1 year replay access](#)



January Zoom Art Salon

Remember Maryland Hall for the Creative Arts?

We used to have our AWC meetings at Maryland Hall, and prior to the meeting our members would bring their recent paintings, or work in process. Then we asked our visitors to leave encouraging comments on ledge paper, and critique the art work.

Since March this year, we have not been able to meet and critique in person. However, you can email me a .jpg of your current work and I will show it on our Zoom January 13th Art Salon! Please send the photo by Monday, January 11th, with the TITLE, SIZE and a little back story of why and how you created your paintings. Please forward to: Constancejr@comcast.net.

HAVE A WONDERFUL HOLIDAY

Karen DeGraffenreid

"Stemming Perspectives"

Nov. 3rd - Dec. 30th

The Gallery at Maryland Theatre for the Performing Arts (MTPA)

3 Park Place Suite 4

Annapolis, MD 21401

410-626-6055

Learning Opportunities

AWC President Linda Luke, is currently teaching watercolor classes via Zoom, which are sponsored by Maryland Hall in Annapolis, MD.

Click here for details: <https://www.marylandhall.org/classes/adult/>

AWC members, please send Juanita information about any classes that you are teaching to be included here!

SEEKING HELP WITH THE NEWSLETTER

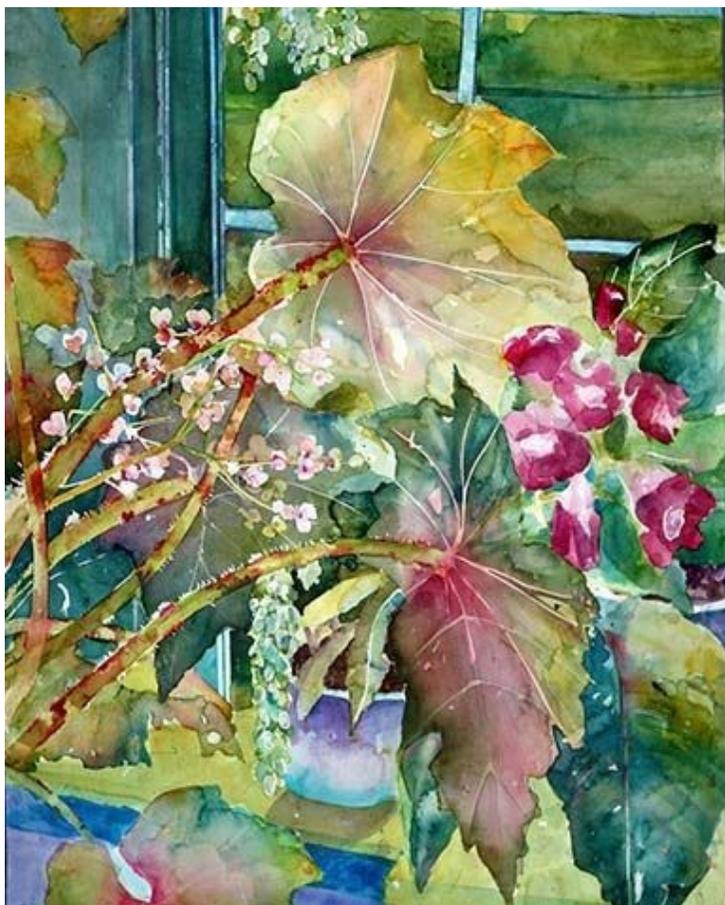
Our wonderful AWC member and graphic designer, Catherine Dolch is unable to continue as our AWC Newsletter Editor. We need someone among our many

Exhibits

GINGER COVE EXHIBIT

Our Ginger Cove exhibit was successfully (and safely) delivered on November 11, despite the heavy rain that morning, and has been artfully installed by the Ginger Cove Exhibit Committee. It will remain through January 8, 2021. I understand there have been a couple of sales. I will pick up all the work and will notify the exhibitors when to pick up their paintings from me. Again, the Covid protocols are in place so no one will be permitted into the building to pick up their own work.

Joan Machinchick, Exhibits Chair



publishing our digital newsletter each month. As you know, we collect articles about workshops, exhibits, meetings, etc. to share with our members. We use MailChimp to publish the newsletter, and instructions will be shared.

Please contact our President, Linda Luke, to find out how you can help.

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Juanita Green, Newsletter

returns for A

2 Day Online Workshop

Title: Exploring Watercolor

Date: March 30 & 31, 2021

for more details go to our website below:

<https://annapoliswatercolorclub.org/special-event/>

Price \$100.00 for AWC members

\$120.00 for non-members

To reserve your spot in this workshop go to the website above and:

Fill out our registration form for this workshop and submit it, along with your check made payable to

Annapolis Watercolor Club to:

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Workshops



"It is Safe to Come Out Yet?"

Webmaster

If there is any truth to the myth of the 'tortured artist', this has been the year to test it! Perhaps some great art has come out of this year of misfortune. There has been a silver lining for AWC to be sure. We have continued our monthly meetings with higher attendance than ever; we have had some great exhibits, even if they had to be partially virtual; and we are offering a record number of workshops, all well attended. All of this would not have happened without such a strong team on the board, and it has been energizing and encouraging to



Artist: Kathy Dennin-Maegher

Title: "Fawn" of Subtle Color

Date: February 18, 2021

Online Platform: Zoom

Time 9:15 AM - 9:30 AM for Log-on time

9:30 AM - 3:00 PM Class Time,

with 30 minute breaker for lunch

Practice Zoom Log-on session:

February 16, 2021, 7-7:30 PM

Price: \$50.00 for current AWC members,

\$60.00 for non-members.

Please go to Annapolis Water Color Club website:

<https://annapoliswatercolorclub.org/workshops/>

to workshops and read more about the workshop and

to reserve your spot in class.

**Holiday Donations to:
The Annapolis Light House
Homeless Shelter**

by Connie Robinson

Last year our members were very generous in giving art gifts to the Annapolis Light House Homeless Shelter. They were

changes we have enjoyed while in isolation will continue in 2021 but without the isolation!

We introduced on-line payments for membership and events about a year ago, and it has been working well. Look for more improvements in the website and other communications as we move forward. Feel free to contact me with suggestions (or corrections) at any time. Have a safe and healthy holiday season, and let's look forward to a better year in 2021!

Liz Grimes, AWC Webmaster

Publicity

It has been a pleasure working with President Linda Luke, each of our chair persons and many of you within our club. It's been virtual but also very real!

I joined our club in March, just as things were beginning to shut down due to Covid-19. Linda said it was going to be a wild ride but I had no idea what she meant. She was not kidding and I'm still spinning from all that I've been learning and doing.

I have learned that Linda is not only charismatic and charming; she's innovative, forward thinking and will do whatever is required to get a job done. I am amazed at the opportunities that she has

Since the COVID is getting in the way of attending any AWC meetings or holiday parties, this year we will not be collecting gifts to donate to the shelter. After discussing some ideas with the Administrator at the Shelter, we consider these the best options for you to consider for making a donation:

- 1.) [Make a monetary donation directly on their website](#), and you have an option to list AWC as the organization you represent. Or, you can just make it a personal donation.
- 2.) Pick some items that are immediately needed on their Wish List to purchase. These items can be purchased online using Instacart/Prime Pantry and via our Amazon Wish List for delivery directly to the Center (with masks, of course). <https://annapolislighthouse.org/get-involved/needs/>
- 3.) It is entirely up to you how you want to support this worthy organization to end homelessness.



Meet "Teddy"

by AWC member: Sharon Kopstein

You may have seen him in the December Members Meeting

world. Her countless hours spent learning how to use special camera equipment to provide our members with AWC meetings and workshops, demonstrates her incredible stamina and dedication to each of us. I can't think of any place I'd rather be at this time.

Linda keeps repeating that people are looking for a "soft place to land". What's not to love about feeling included, while also learning and painting! We don't get to go back and relive experiences, so let's create some new ones together! Pick up those paint brushes and **Let's Get Painting!** We might not be able to change the world, but we can certainly make it a prettier place!

During this time of year, I Wish You Love, Peace and Joy!

Juanita Green, Publicity





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