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TWSA is recognized as the preeminent transparent watercolor society. The society offers services and education and endeavors to further recognize, expand awards and exposure to an ever-growing membership of professionals, amateurs, students and patrons.

Fall E-Newsletter 2023



PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Hello Friends of TWSA!

We have lots of exciting news to share in this Fall Newsletter. The *47th Transparent Watercolor Society of America Juried Exhibition* was held May 6 through August 6 at the beautiful Kenosha Public Museum located on Lake Michigan. There were over 51,000 visitors to KPM during that time! We want to thank our jurors, Michael Holter and Laurie Goldstein-Warren for selecting 79 amazing works of art for the exhibition. Both were a joy to work with and taught workshops that were creative and inspiring. Watch the gallery walk video by Michael and Laurie as well as their demonstration videos, on the TWSA [YouTube channel](#)- or our website homepage.

Many thanks to the staff and administration at the Kenosha Public Museum for their professional installation of the Exhibition and their assistance with the juror's demos, *Celebrate Watercolor Awards Dinner*, and workshops.

The TWSA Board deserves a big, huge Thank You for working tirelessly to make sure all our events are well organized and run smoothly. We truly are a great team!

We were very happy with the response received for the TWSA 1st Online Member Exhibition. This fabulous Exhibition can be viewed on our website now through October 31st. Read more below from Sheryl, Exhibition Chair.

In anticipation of 2024, we are thrilled to announce Birgit O'Connor and Stephen Zhang, TWSA as our esteemed jurors for the *48th Transparent Watercolor Society of America Juried Exhibition* and workshop instructors.

DATES TO REMEMBER STARTING NOVEMBER 1st!

- CaFE' opens [Call for Entry](#) for the *48th Transparent Watercolor Society of America Juried Exhibition*
- An e-blast will be sent with a direct link to the TWSA Call for Entry on CaFE' and more information.

- Registration begins for Birgit O'Connor and Stephen Zhang, TWSA workshops on our [website](#).
- 2024 Membership dues are payable November 1 through January 31. If you are entering the Exhibition, you may pay your dues along with entry fees on CaFE' or you may pay your dues on our [website](#) if you are not entering the Exhibition. Also, we offer a Lifetime Membership on our website.

I'm honored to be the new President of TWSA and happy to announce that Carlotta Miller is the new Vice President and will also, continue as Workshop Chair. We look forward to serving the membership and if there are any questions or comments, please feel free to send us an email.

Linda Marasco - President
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Call for Entries
the Transparent Watercolor Society of America
48th Annual Exhibition
 May 4 to August 4, 2024
 Kenosha Public Museum, WI
OVER \$25,000 in CASH AWARDS
 online entries only at www.CallForEntry.org

Entry Dates
 November 1, 2023-
 January 31, 2024

Jurors and June workshop presenters:
 Birgit O'Connor
 Stephen Zhang, TWSA



Birgit O'Connor

June 5-7 Dynamic Flowers
 June 10-12, Portraits and
 Figures, Expressive and Loose

Stephen Zhang

June 5-7 Portrait,
 Fast and Slow
 June 10-12 Landscape,
 Through Mind's Eye

for more info go to www.watercolors.org

2023 Exhibition News

The TWSA Inaugural 2023 Online Member Exhibition was a wonderfully successful endeavor! We received hundreds of entries and the juror, Laurie Goldstein Warren selected 75 to be in this exhibition. The participation allowed us to add more awards than expected, much to our delight!

If you were unable to read our previous eblast with the list of award winners, please go to the [website](#). View the Online Exhibition and see who won the awards. Congratulations to all those juried in!

TWSA hopes to continue to offer this exhibition annually.

In the meantime, get ready for.....

The Transparent Watercolor Society of America's 48th Annual Exhibition

Call for Entry Opens on November 1st, 2023

An eblast will be sent with the new prospectus and all the information.

It's time to use those creative gray cells and splash some paint on paper!

As always, if you have questions, please feel free to email me via exhibition@watercolors.org

Sheryl Fletcher Coon
Exhibition Chair

**There were six paintings sold in the 2023 TWSA Exhibition .
Congratulations are in order!**

Robert Jeffery, TWSA- *The Republic*
Jerry Smith, TWSA - *Heartland Passage*
John Salminen, TWSA DM, - *Chicago Symphony*
Han In Huang Wong - *The Flying Cranes*
Megan Ripke - *Up and Over*
Stephen Zhang TWSA, - *Market Day*

Attention: Skyledge Award Winners, Art Teachers/Workshop Instructors and TWSA Members

TWSA has a surplus of previous Exhibition Catalogs that are for sale at very reduced prices.

- The current exhibition year catalog sells for \$15.
- The previous exhibition catalogs are \$5 each.
- A random assortment of previous exhibition catalogs sell for 6 for \$10 or 15 for \$20. Great for teaching!

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What's new at watercolors.org?

Check out our updated calendar, 2023 online Exhibition and, come November 1st, go to our homepage to link to the Call for Entry to our 48th Annual National Exhibition. Until then, enjoy painting!
Gayle McManamon, Website Chair

Celebrate Watercolor 2023 47th Annual Awards Dinner Celebrating 2023 Awards



John Salminen, 2023 Syledge Award winner with Linda Christiansen,
Michael Holter



Julie Skoda, Jill Witty, with Susan Stuller receiving TWSA Master Status



Julie Skoda, Jill Witty with Robert Jeffery qualifying for TWSA Letters



Julie Skoda, Jill Witty with Sylvia Aruffo qualifying for TWSA Letters



Eileen Neill 2023 Georgia O'Keefe
Award of Merit



Lana Privitera 2023 Edgar A Whitney
Memorial Award



Peter Jablokow 2023 Maurice
Prendergast Award of Merit



Jerry Smith 2023 Morris Watercolor
Guild Award of Merit



Christine Misencik-Bunn 2023
"Chevy" Chevillon Memorial Award

Julie Skoda, Cindy & Michael Holter



Julie Skoda, President



Megan Ripke 2023 Lakes Region
Watercolor Guild Award of Merit



2023 Awards Dinner



Sheryl Fletcher Coon,
Exhibition Chair

CALENDAR

September 15 - October 31, 2023

1st Annual Member Online Juried Exhibition will be displayed on TWSA [website](#).

After October 31, 2023

Online Exhibition will be moved to TWSA YouTube Channel

November 1, 2023 - January 31, 2024

Call for Entry through CaFE", www.callforentry.org

Pay Membership Dues for 2024

January 31, 2024

Deadline for Entries and Membership Dues

1st Week of March

Notifications sent via CaFE'

May 4, 2024

48th Transparent Watercolor Society of America Juried Exhibition Opens

Kenosha Public Museum, 5500 1st Avenue, Kenosha WI

June 5-7, 2024

Workshop:

Birgit O'Connor, "Dynamic Flowers"

Stephen Zhang, TWSA "Portrait, Fast and Slow"

June 8, 2024

Celebrate Watercolor:

Demos and Awards Dinner

June 10-12, 2024

Birgit O'Connor - "Portraits and figures, Expressive and loose"

Stephen Zhang, TWSA - "Landscape, Through Mind's Eye"

August 4, 2024

48th TWSA Exhibition Closes

Second week of August

Paintings packed and returned

TWSA Member News

Robert Jeffery will be having a Solo Exhibit October 6 - 29th at the Robbin Gallery in Robbinsdale, MN. Opening reception Friday October 6th, 5:30 - 7:30 pm

We would love to hear from you! Please send your news of awards and achievements and exhibitions to Peter Jablokow

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