

Dear Artists and Friends,

We on the board of the Transparent Watercolor Society of America would like to reassure you that we are mindful of the current health crisis. We are, along with Kenosha Public Museum, monitoring the government restrictions and CDC guidelines.

Exhibition-

Kenosha Public Museum, though closed at this time, anticipates reopening on May 1st. Their staff will be available to take care of our exhibition. The timeline will remain the same as KPM reserves the three months of May, June and July to exhibit the 2020 TWSA Exhibition. We are unable to delay or reschedule.

If the 2020 artists are uncomfortable shipping their painting, TWSA supports their decision under these extraordinary circumstances. Their 2020 acceptance will stand. Their entry will be included online as well as in the catalog. Signature status will be given. Please contact Vicki or Jill if you did not receive the recent email sent or have any questions at TWSAexhibition@watercolors.org

As always, we will be giving close to 25,000 dollars in awards, Juror Kathleen Conover is available to drive to KPM and will select the awards from the paintings physically hung in the KPM gallery.

Our hope is even if the restrictions delay KPM's reopening, eventually the Museum will open prior to August 2nd and the general public will have the opportunity to view this fabulous exhibition.

Celebrate Watercolor Awards Dinner and Demos-

The Demo by Kathleen Conover and Awards Dinner are held on June 6th. Around May 6th, thirty days prior, we will make the decision with KPM whether to cancel or move forward. We will send out another eblast to verify. Please contact our dinner chair, Carlotta, if you are planning on attending so she can get a count. You can email her at twsadinner@watercolors.org Should it be cancelled, refunds will be sent out for those who have already paid.

Workshops-

Unfortunately, one of our jurors, the world-renowned Herman Pekel, was forced to cancel his trip here. His two workshops have been canceled. Traveling from Australia with the chance of quarantines both coming and going, nothing was certain. Refunds have been sent to the artists signed up for his workshop.

Fortunately, Kathleen Conover is still hanging in there with us! We will move forward and monitor. Her workshop is June 8-12 at KPM. Questions on workshops? workshops@watercolors.org

Please refer to the TWSA website at www.watercolors.org or contact us if you need help or have questions at info@watercolors.org

Transparent Watercolor Society of America's Board of Directors realize this is a very difficult time and it is hard to predict how the next few months will play out. We are keeping a positive and encouraged outlook as we try to navigate through the upcoming months. Our goal is to provide for our membership an opportunity to share what we, as a society bring to the table. Stay well and Thank You all.

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