

Fantastic “Fix-It” Demo

We packed the house for the Stan Miller “Fix-It” demonstration this month!

Stan presented a fascinating talk and demonstrated how to improve fifteen member paintings. He emphasized “loving the whole thing” and not overworking the point of interest while not thinking through the rest of the piece. He stated authoritative communication of intention with a decided style, connectedness, balance and originality are important. Accurate drawing, values, composition, mood and universal subject are all more important than color and technique. Stan encouraged painters to, “Move away from recipes.”



President’s Corner

Spokane Watercolor Society members are really excited about getting together to encourage each other and learn how to improve painting skills.

The *Spokane Watercolor Society* Board is hard at work to provide opportunities to grow as watercolor artists.

Please continue to send us your ideas and suggestions, and invite your watercolor friends to visit us online or in person to check out what they’re missing!

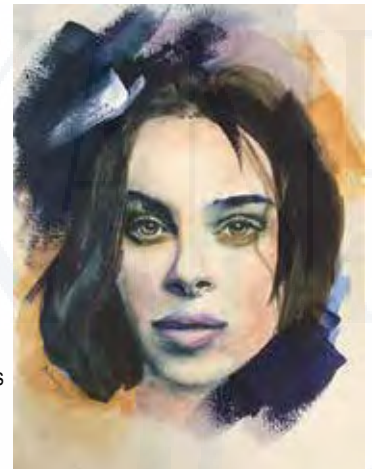


Left: Stan uses L-mats to crop for best composition

Right Top: Kim Gardell

Right Center: Mark Besserman's painting after Stan made some background changes.

Right Bottom: “Fix-It” submission by Diana Postlewait. A few simple changes in value and shading made it pop.



Upcoming Events

The SWS MEMBERSHIP SHOW 2019 is approaching quickly on April 5th. Members can sell matted small paintings and cards on the opening night. See show prospectus for details. Volunteers are needed for the show. You can sign up on the club website or contact Amalia Fisch to offer to help. The RON STOCKE WORKSHOP happening on June 6-8 at Spokane Art Supply and registration is now open to the public. The Plein Air group outings are the last Friday of each month. Please join us for some fun on location painting. The SPRING JURIED SHOW APRIL 2020 venue will be Barrister's Winery! A huge thanks to Gay Witherspoon for arranging for this lovely venue. Club members have elected for a landscape workshop by FaceBook survey vote. We are searching for the right



juror/artist. Please participate in the FaceBook surveys to vote for your favorite potential artists.



Top Left: "Gloria Fox painting plein air at Anthony's Restaurant.

Bottom Left: Great turnout for February Plein Air at Anthony's Restaurant!

Top Right: Bobbie Weiber

Bottom Right: Joy Gruenewald paints plein air at Anthony's Restaurant.

Getting Connected

Exciting things are happening on our WEBSITE and *Spokane Watercolor Society* FACEBOOK page! Get plugged in to enjoy all the benefits. New things are coming like 'artist's pages' where you as a member can display some of your works and utilize the club address for business cards.

Next Meeting

On Wednesday the 16th, at 6:00 pm at Spokane Art Supply, we will be critiquing each other's recent works by a watercolor rubric. This is a great opportunity to get feedback on your Member Show piece. (So you can be thinking ahead, the rubric for the critique is attached.)

Reminder

We love to acknowledge sponsors who make donations as awards. If you received a tablet of paper as a door prize at the December meeting, please make a comment and send it to Bobbie Weiber. (Please check club roster on website for her email address.)



On A Sad Note

We will greatly miss member and friend Bonnie Whinnen who recently passed away.





MONTHLY CHALLENGES

March 2019	-----Challenge
April 2019	-----Laughter
May 2019	-----Hope
June 2019	-----Pollination

SPOKANE WATERCOLOR SOCIETY

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Monthly (except July, August) on the 2nd Wednesday 6-8:30 pm or SATURDAYS at 10am - 12noon
 All meetings are held at **Spokane Art Supply** at 1303 N Monroe St, Spokane, WA 99201

MARCH 2019

WEDNESDAY the 13th- 6pm Spokane Art Supply, *Spokane Watercolor Society* Wednesday meeting. Guided Group Critique. You may bring your matted, priced, bagged small paintings and cards for the Spokane Watercolor Society Membership Show 2019 to this meeting. Challenge: "Challenge"

MONDAY the 25th-SPOKANE WATERCOLOR SOCIETY MEMBERSHIP SHOW 2019 entry form DEADLINE.

FRIDAY the 29th-12-4pm Plein Air group outing, location To be announced. Outings are the last Friday of each month at noon.

APRIL 2019

FRIDAY the 5th-29th SPOKANE WATERCOLOR SOCIETY MEMBERSHIP SHOW 2019 at the Inland Northwest Land Conservancy (INLC) Community Building lobby, 35 West Main Ave, Spokane WA (between Browne and Division),

FRIDAY the 5th-10:30-11:30am Art delivery to Community Building at 35 W. Main Ave., Spokane.

FRIDAY the 5th- 5-8pm RECEPTION for opening night of Member Show

WEDNESDAY the 10th- 6pm Spokane Art Supply, *Spokane Watercolor Society* Wednesday meeting. Plein Air set-up/Ron Stocke preview. Challenge: "Laughter"

FRIDAY the 26th-12-4pm Plein Air group outing, location To be announced. Outings are the last Friday of each month at noon.

TUESDAY the 30th - 10-11:30 SPOKANE WATERCOLOR SOCIETY MEMBERSHIP SHOW 2019 Art retrieval.

MAY 2019

WEDNESDAY the 8th 6pm Spokane Art Supply *Spokane Watercolor Society* Wednesday meeting 2018 Grant Presentations (from BIRGIT O'CONNOR WORKSHOP) Challenge: "Hope"

FRIDAY the 31st- 12-4 Plein Air group outing, location To be announced. Plein Air outings are the last Friday of the month at noon.

JUNE 2019

THURSDAY the 6th – 8th Spokane Art Supply, RON STOCKE WORKSHOP Go to website for more information and registration details. Website is listed at the foot of all newsletter pages.

WEDNESDAY the 12th- 6pm Spokane Art Supply *Spokane Watercolor Society* Wednesday meeting. Challenge "Pollination"

FRIDAY the 28th-12-4pm Plein Air group outing, location To be announced. Outings are the last Friday of each month at noon.

Events in the Works

SPRING JURIED SHOW APRIL 2020, at Barrister's Winery