



Sketchbook

DECEMBER 2021

HAPPY HOLIDAYS!

Nominations Committee

It's that time again – many thanks to Anna Don, Sue Rumsey, Rene Pearson, Nancy Schuller and Barbara Beamer for agreeing to meet with me while we decide who will be the best fit for a number of positions next year, including President. Thanks to Nancy Huber and Sue Ritz for providing lists of members with talents who might be just right.

It may seem that SAWG runs like clockwork without effort, but that would be absolutely false. MANY HANDS MAKE LIGHT WORK. The committee is meeting in early January and I'll be following up and calling you to do your fair share to keep our 54 year tradition alive and thriving. If you know you'd like to help, but don't know what's available, please send an email to me at kvampotic@gmail.com and tell me what areas interest you – computer? Social? Work from home only? Digital experience? Training? Finance? Learn to put on a show? No one in SAWG is left on his or her own. If you take on a position our commitment to you is that help is right there at every turn should it be needed.

I want to hear from EVERYONE. Everyone can contribute SOMETHING. Send me an email and let me know what the one thing YOU'd like to do to keep SAWG the strong vibrant community it is! What gives you joy? What can you contribute? Talk soon!

Submitted by — Karyn Vampotic

No December General Meeting

December is our time for family so there is no General Meeting in December, but mark your calendars for **January 10th, 2022 at 6:30 pm**. Premier Workshop artist Dan Wiemer will be giving us a demo.

Happy Holidays to all of you!



Clip and Save! MEETING SCHEDULE

December	NO Meeting			
January 10,	Monday	7-9pm	General Meeting	Dan Wiemer, Artist Demo
February 14,	Monday	7-9pm	General Meeting	Randy Hale, Artist Demo
March 14,	Monday	7-9pm	General Meeting	Steve Griggs, Artist Demo
April 11	Monday	7-9pm	General Meeting	TBD
May ?	Monday	7-9pm	General Meeting	Scholarship

NEXT GENERAL MEETING
Jan. 10
 Social 6:30pm
 Meeting 7pm
 St. Francis Church

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2021 - 22 WORKSHOP SCHEDULE
 Dan Wiemer
 Jan. 11-12, 13-14, 2022
 Randy Hale
 Feb. 14-15, 16-17, 2022
 Steve Griggs
 March 15-16, 17-18, 2022

ENJOY THE SEASON!

My wish for you is that you have a joyous holiday season especially now that you can be with family. No matter what holiday you celebrate, December is family time. Enjoy the season being with your friends and your loved ones.

Seventy-five members and guests gathered at the church for our November General meeting probably not for the meeting but to watch and hear Stephen Quiller give us a talk on composition. He was superb, and if you were fortunate enough to get in his workshop, I suspect you are now a Quiller groupie. I loved him giving us permission to use gouache in our paintings and show us how to do it for dramatic effects. I bet we will see some new kind of work in the upcoming exhibitions.

Now we can look forward to Dan Wiemer coming in January. What a perfect holiday gift that would be if your spouse gave you a gift of a 2-day workshop or even four days with Dan! Send them to the website link. Hint, hint, honey!

Once again, a generous donor gave us funds to cover the cost of the new computer and its software. Thank you. We all love SAWG, and we give in different ways, some give money, some offer time and some give their skills of teaching. I thank you all.

Speaking of donations, there are only ten days left to purchase your Jim Click tickets. See the article further along in this Sketchbook. Also, there are plenty of tote bags which make beautiful gifts. The proceeds benefit the Scholarship fund also.

Please remember that your submitted work for point shows cannot use reference photos from others without permission nor work you have done in virtual workshops or that you had help with in a real workshop. If you are unsure, please review our policy and guidelines or contact our VP of Shows for guidance.

Hope to see you on December 9th for the Holiday Show reception! Kathy and Kay have a beautiful fancy table ready to share. Think black, silver and sparkles. To make it fun, let's dress for the occasion.

President Kay

Remember - To submit any articles for the Sketchbook to Sandy Walker, walkersj@cox.net. Deadline is ALWAYS the 15th of each month.



Gallery NEWS!!!

SOLD!

December is our busiest month for sales of art-work, if you entered the Holiday show remember when you sell a piece you can replace the piece. The same is true with your bin pieces and cards. We have a third rack for cards that needs to be filled up. If you want to bring cards in to sell you can find the form that you need to fill out on the Members Only page of the website.

Here's what's been happening with the website and gallery sales! In the month of November, we have sold many paintings, giclees and cards.

Website sales – We sold Sandy Walker's beautiful painting "Finish Line" off the website.

Bin Pieces – With the gallery doors open and the holidays coming we are selling giclee's and original artwork. We sold six original paintings and one giclee from the bins so far this month. Customers purchased pieces from Loisanne Keller, Del Marinello, and Kathy McLean.

Cards - We sold 10 sets of cards. Members who sold cards this month are Mary Bubla, Nancy Huber, Loisanne Keller, Kathy McLean, Kitty Sturrock, Carolyn Thurman and Victoria Wills.

Don't forget to purchase your **SAWG Tote Bags** for holiday gifts. All proceeds support our Scholarship program.

Congratulations to all our artists who sold pieces!

Submitted by — Sue Emer

Exhibit Opportunities!!! on our wonderful SAWG website!

As a member you can subscribe to **two** online programs to show your fabulous work.

"Featured Artist" as many as 15 images for a minimum of 3 mos. @ \$30 + tax.

"Paintings/Prints" as many as 15 images for a minimum of 3 mos. @\$15 + tax/

These programs allow anyone viewing the website to view your work as well as your bio and photo.

You can easily subscribe by going to the "Members Only" section of the site and on Web Rentals you will find all the procedures and Information. Take advantage of this great opportunity to display and sell your work.

Have a great December and Happy Holidays!

Submitted by — Del Marinello

Video Club

We have started our SAWG Video Club back up - hooray! Each session will be from 1 to 4 at the Gallery. Because of space considerations, we will be limited to the first four participants. To sign up, please email the coordinator, Kim Fernandez at kimfernandez72@gmail.com by November 20th. We will be watching the last video by Sterling Edwards: The Wooden Landscape.

For each meeting, we typically watch the video while taking notes and practicing along with the video, so bring your painting supplies and journal. Our meeting dates for this year and next spring are listed below, please note, we do not meet in the summer.

2021 - 11/22, 12/27

2022 - 1/24, 2/28/ 3/28, 4/25, 5/23

Thank you for your participation!

Submitted by Kim Fernandez



SAWG *Tote Bags*

Have you seen our new SAWG logo zippered tote bags? Check it out on the website under the donations tab or better yet, come to the gallery and buy one for yourself or several as gifts. All proceeds support our Scholarship fund. They are \$22 each or 5 for \$100.

The zippered totes are turquoise, 20" wide x 14" tall x 4" deep with 29.5" shoulder straps and front pockets for your water bottle and keys. It's perfect to carry your art supplies to classes, plein air painting, and to the gallery when you are docenting.

HURRY! They're selling FAST!

DVD LIBRARY

As your friendly DVD Librarian (or is that DVD-arian?), I'd like to remind you we have a ton of DVDs for you to borrow for one month for the princely sum of \$1.00 suggested donation per DVD.

You will find a complete list of the DVDs at the meetings AND on our website under the Members Only tab.

We have NEW DVDS!

- **Carolyn Homan: Watercolor, the Spirit of Spontaneity**
- **Chuck McLachlon: The Complete Watercolor Workshop DVD and On the Open Road DVD**
- **David Dunlop: Painting Landscapes in Watercolor**
- **Tom Jones: Frosty Morning DVD and Fire on the Mountain DVD (we have others of his, too)**
- **Kerrin McBride: Acrylic Painting: Stunning Abstract Landscape**
- **Susan Bourdet: Watercolor: Backyard Wildlife in Watercolor**

Remember, it's \$1.00 suggested donation per DVD (or you can always donate more!) and you get to keep it for one month.

Stop by my table at the monthly meeting to get your choice to use for the next month!

Submitted by: Karen Brungardt

*Now Showing!***COLOR**

My World!

November 2 - December 5*Congratulations!**to all who were juried in and to our award winners!*

The Color My World show was fabulous, and a special treat to us all, as it was our first point show since the re-opening of our gallery. Our judge, Stephen Quiller was exceptional, and did a great job of conveying his reasons for his selection of award winners and in fact, he also spent time answering individual artists' questions as well. It was an exciting and learning experience for all. Our awardees are:

Best of Show: "Paso de los Incas" by Virginia Vovchuk**Award of Excellence: "Prince Mine" by Sue Emer****Award of Merit: "The Mauvelous Grand Canyon" by Kat Manton-Jones****Award of Merit: "Abandoned" by Loisanne Keller****Honorable Mention: "Canoeing at Needles" by Kathy McLean****Honorable Mention: "Relaxing on the Forbidden Couch" by Sue Ritz**

True to the name, this show, and the reception was a celebration of color in art. Thank you to all the teams that worked hard to make this show extra special. Thanks to the check-in and hanging crews, to the docents who present the show each day in the gallery, and to the team that hosted a colorful, delicious, and festive reception for us all. May we have many more!

*"Color is a power which directly influences the soul" — Wassily Kandinsky**Submitted by Show Chairs, Tracy Lynn Ross and Kathy McLean*

**Remember the NEW gallery hours are
Tuesday through Sunday 11-4.**

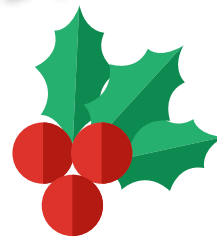


**All Members People's
Choice Award Winner:
Guadalupe De la Torre
for 'Big Enough'.**



Upcoming Shows!

HOLIDAY Show



December 7 - January 2

200 Paintings under \$200!

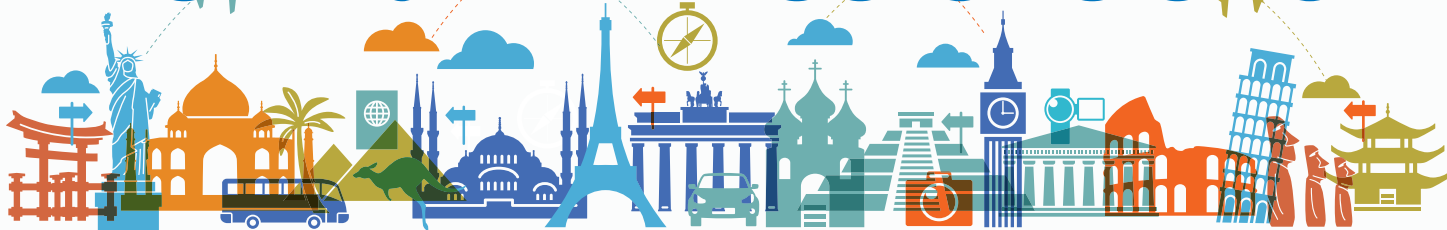
The entries are in, the acknowledgement-of-receipt emails have been sent and now it is time for check-in on Monday, Dec 6 for the Holiday Show. We will have a stunning group of paintings to see and buy for your holiday gifts on opening day, December 7. Bring your friends and family by the gallery while you are out shopping.

This is a unique show where the entrants may replace a painting when one of theirs has been sold plus, the guidelines are not as stringent. The art size just needs to be 16x20 or less and priced less than \$200. We often have to rearrange the paintings on the walls to eliminate big gaps because pieces fly out the door. Let's wish our entrants much success on selling their fun pieces of original art.

Submitted by — Tad Lamb, VP of Shows

Enter Now!

LASTING IMPRESSIONS SHOW



JANUARY 4 – FEBRUARY 6, 2022

In Gallery & Online

Juror and Awards Judge: Dan Wiemer

Entry Deadline - December 17, 2021

Reception: January 13th 5-7PM

A new year and an all-new show, Lasting Impressions, will begin SAWG's online show schedule for 2022. This show is inviting us to share our memorable experiences in our artwork. The theme is open to anything that has left an impression on you. Please visit the Show Resources page on the website under the Gallery tab to help you with entering all SAWG shows.

Premier Workshops

WIEMER! • HALE! • GRIGGS!

Workshops!

Come for the fun! Come for the learning!

Come for being together again safely!

If you missed Quiller's workshop, there are three more chances to gather together (masked) for a wonderful learning community experience. January, February and March see SAWG's most flexible, affordable and convenient set of workshops yet.

Registration is still open for all three, but don't wait and be left out. Take one or more two day workshops, or enjoy the full 4 day experience. Sign up and put a deposit down as a holiday gift to yourself! Don't you deserve it? Go to SAWG's website at: www.southernazwatercolorguild.com and click on

Workshops – follow the easy directions. If the price is still out of reach, consider applying for a subsidy from our Angel Fund. We don't want anyone left out.

Carolyn Streed is the co-chair of Dan Wiemer's workshops. If you'd like to be a host, a two day workshop will only cost you a total of \$100! All four days? \$200. Contact Carolyn if interested in hosting: cstreed85710@gmail.com. Joyce Becker is co-chairing Randy Hale's workshops – there MAY be an opening for a host for the last two days in his February class. Email her at joyceJGB@comcast.net for the

same prices. Your last chance is with the amazing Steve Griggs, co-chaired by new member, Joan Considine, in March. Contact Joan if interested in hosting a two day or four day workshop with Steve Griggs at jconsidine11@aol.com. The co-chairs will explain the responsibilities of the hosts.

All details and supply lists are on the website at registration. Come for the fun, for the learning – to be in the company of other artists, doing what we all love.

Submitted by: Karyn Vampotic/Workshops

Sign up Today!



QUILLER Recap!

Stephen Quiller's workshop was a feast. The comments say it all: "Excellent presentation," "Super introduction to Quiller's Color Theory with plenty of working time and instructor feedback," "The instructor was excellent and it was great to see him paint with such enthusiasm," "The demos were great," "Excellent environment, helpful staff, good assortment of snacks!" Steve's presentations were clear, informative and his input into the students' work so helpful. There was a joyous camaraderie as we gathered together, safely masked, each at our own full table and enjoying chatting, painting. Learning and sharing the experience in a beautiful setting. Take a look at the variety of paintings done by the students and demos by Steve in the workshop.



(Quiller Demos)



PUBLICITY

SAWG set up a booth at **Rillito Park Farmers' Market** on Sunday Nov 7th, and hung our colorful banner so all could see. A team of Sue Mahon, Tad Lamb and myself represented the Guild. We displayed several paintings donated by Barbara Beamer and Judy Constantine for a raffle. We got 51 people to sign up. We will draw seven names from that pile of participants. The winners are to pick up their painting at the SAWG Gallery. The most popular question at the market was, where is your gallery? Do you teach art? Many people were interested in buying the paintings we displayed. We encouraged them to visit our Gallery. We handed out our show cards, Guild brochures and workshop brochures. It was great fun visiting with the people.

Our next venture is **The Steam Pump Ranch Farmer's Market in Oro Valley**, 10901 N Oracle Rd., Saturday Dec 4th, 9am - 1pm. We need volunteers and paintings for the raffle. Karen Brungardt will head our team at the event. Contact Karen to volunteer. Donated art can be originals or prints, matted and in plastic sleeves. Let them be bright, colorful and eye-catching, any size.

Many thanks to our computer savvy, Publicity team member **Sue Hildreth**, who has consistently and efficiently posted our monthly show news in media outlets — AZ Daily Star, Tucson Weekly, Zocalo, KXCI radio, KUAT radio, KUAT, KOLD, KVOA, KGUN TV, Trip Advisor, Yelp and more. Postings by SAWG members' art on our website and social media Facebook and Instagram pages has kept our guild and gallery out there. Please post your art and mention SAWG.

Another Publicity team member, **Risa Waldt** has worked hard to supply resorts and libraries, art stores, art schools, any public venue, with our show cards. We reach visitors at The Doubletree Inn, La Ventana Resort, Westward Look, La Paloma, Tanque Verde Guest Ranch, Dove Mountain Resort, Viscount Suites, and more. Thanks to all members who have delivered show cards. It's all worth the effort when people come into the gallery and say, "I saw your listing, saw you on Yelp, got your show card at the library, or the hotel had your card in their Things to do in Tucson display."

I gave notice to resign from Publicity Chair effective January 2022. Let the spirit of rotation happen. Anyone interested, please contact President, Kay Sullivan. It's a fun position!

Submitted by — Sandra Montgomery



More...A Happy Trade of Services!

SAWG invested \$50 to the Tucson Airport Visitor's Centre, to place our Gallery Show Cards in their kiosks: Car Rental area, Executive Lounge, International Lounge, Baggage area, Information Desk, more. I talked with Victoria Hult, the Chair of the Visitors Centre who handles the Kiosks.

Victoria asked me if SAWG would teach a basic watercolor class to her 4-H club. The members are ages eight to twelve. I told her we could not have a class at the gallery but if she had a location, maybe work something out. I decided to step up. Victoria offered to purchase paint, palettes, paper, brushes, etc. I offered to bring my own, if she would purchase the good Arches for the students. There would be eight 10-year-olds. I brought all my materials and met the kids at their Church, Mt Zion Lutheran, Sunday Nov 21, 2021. The kids were excited, interested and polite. I showed them a quick contour drawing lesson, handed out pieces of watercolor paper, 5" x 7" and gave them each a Styrofoam plate with Red, Blue and Yellow watercolor paint on it. We set up my colorful quail painting, plus photos of quail for the subject.

I showed them how red and yellow mixed together makes orange, and sprayed the paper to watch the colors run. Finally we drew the Quail, with three baby chicks and topknot on each. Such fun!

Three and a half hours later, they all walked out with their paper of the drawing, the color wash, and a 8" x 10" of their final quail painting. The parents popped in for the last 30 minutes.

Victoria has been leading the 4-H group for years and all the kids had asked about watercolor, to do a project for the county fair in the spring. I handed out Art Gallery Show Cards for the kids and parents, invited them all to visit our gallery to see our paintings.

As a kid, I remember my 4-H days and the many things I was exposed to, from animal husbandry, art, sewing, cooking, more. I was happy to spend my Sunday afternoon showing the students watercolor.

Victoria appreciated my efforts and said she would place our Show Cards in the airport kiosks for the next few months at **no charge**.

This participation by members, such as working a farmers' market, volunteering to teach a watercolor class, painting plein air while docenting really attracts Guild attention. Please remember to reach out to friends, family, clubs, and community to post on social media, to introduce our Guild and Art Gallery.

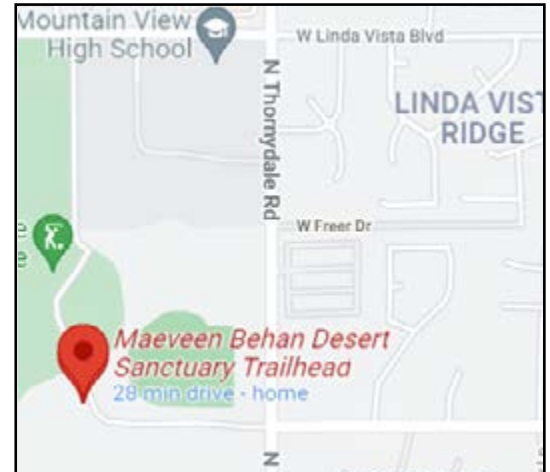
Submitted by — Sandra Montgomery



SAWG members and interested artists...

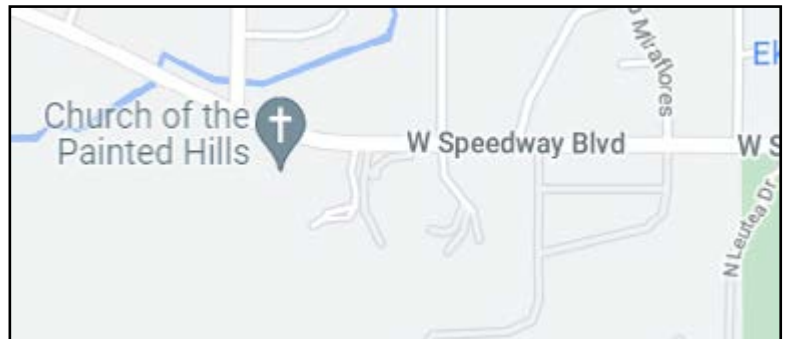
MAEVEEN BEEHAN DESERT SANCTUARY

SAWG members and interested artists. Please join us for a sketch hike at Maeveen Beehan Desert Sanctuary (9101 N Thornydale Rd, Tucson, AZ 85742). Friday, **December 10th** at 9:00 a.m. We'll meet at the far parking lot. Contact Kat Manton-Jones for more details. (520) 822-6732



PAINTED HILLS TRAILHEAD

SAWG members and interested artists. Please join us for a sketch hike at Painted Hills Trailhead (3590 W Anklam Rd, Tucson, AZ 85745). Friday, **December 31st** at 9:00 a.m. We'll meet in the parking lot. Contact Kat Manton-Jones for more details. (520) 822-6732



WESTERN FED

Call for Entries – WFWS47 2022 Exhibition Notice

We have been informed by the New Mexico Watercolor Society delegation that they have received far fewer entries than is normal by this time of year.

Please consider entering your paintings into this storied exhibition this year. You never know you just may be accepted — wouldn't that be great! The Western Federation Watercolor Society 47th Annual Exhibition is being hosted by the New Mexico Watercolor Society this year.

Call for Entries!!! Deadline is January 10, 2022

You will find the most current prospectus for this show on our SAWG website under Future Shows - WFWS tab. Please read the Prospectus closely and follow the outline for submittal of your work. The New Mexico Watercolor Guild has elected to use the online website ArtCall for entering your paintings as did Utah last year. Your painting image and entry fees will go to NMWS directly once you have submitted through ArtCall.

Please contact **Dennis Garrison** cowboyart@outlook.com or **Susan Morris** susan5@cox.net if you have questions.



November Greetings!!!

As of 31 October, we have 295 new and renewing members, 265 are paid memberships, the remaining are honorary or Patron members. When compared to 2020 recruiting, October 2020 Membership was 302 Members with 260 paid members. We have 44 new members this season, nine of whom joined in September.

Lets all welcome **Carmen Bubar, Maureen Culver, Imelda Cuyugan, Desiree De La Mater, Nicole Gilbert, Ginger Greenblatt, Pamela Prideaux, Linda Wojtowicz, and Douglas Yoes.**

Submitted by Sue Ritz- Membership Admin



Diana Mc Broom and Tim Bhajjan received their Signature certificates

AV Team:

AV Team successfully executed support for another General Meeting! We also supported the Steve Quiller workshop. Now we need one of the hosts for each of the next workshops to attend training so we can ensure everyone continues to have a quality AV experience. If you are hosting a workshop, please contact Sue Ritz. If you would like to join the AV Team please contact Sue Ritz!

Framer's Corner...

Framer's Corner has been going great! We had a big day in October with over \$1,600 in gross sales. But now Mike and I are looking forward to some extras. We are planning a two-day mini workshop for next year. These will be held on Saturdays, one week apart. The first day will be designing and choosing materials, measurements, and practice mat cutting. The second Saturday will be spent framing artworks that the students have brought in. Mike is committed to sharing his skill with all of us so that we can become skilled in matting and framing our own works. Watch for these classes in the New Year.

JIM CLICK 2021 RAFFLE

GET YOUR JIM CLICK RAFFLE TICKETS TODAY!

Down to the Wire!

We are down to the wire on getting your Jim Click raffle tickets! They are \$25 each or buy five for \$100. The entire purchase price goes into the scholarship fund. Click here to go to our donation page on the SAWG website: southernazwatercolorguild.com/donations.php.

We must take our purchased ticket stubs to Jim Click on December 10th so you have only nine days to get your entries in the for big drawing which will be held on December 17th. Hurry and get them so the Scholarship committee will have lots of funds for award winners in 2022 and beyond.

The "Fun Raising" committee thanks you for your continued support!

Submitted by: Kay Sullivan

