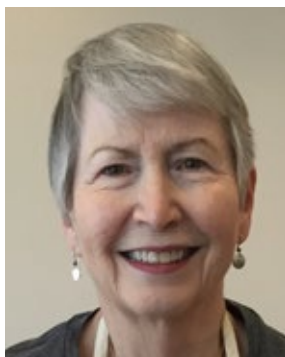


Highlights



This month's Palette is dedicated to one of the improvements the Board has been making toward bettering the services we are able to provide for our members. I am turning over the column to the unsung hero of all things related to our database, April Rimpo, our incredible Database Manager and Wild Apricot Guru, who works tirelessly to keep our membership stats, dues notices, event registrations and online payments on track and who will introduce our new payment system.

Sherry

President's
Palette

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads 'Sherry Murell'.

Changes are Coming to Improve Your Experience Making Payments to BWS

The Board of Governors believes our responsibility is to provide the best services we can to our membership. Our Mission Statement says our purpose is "to encourage, educate, and promote professional excellence in the creation and development of original works of art, executed in water-based media." Since January 2012 we've been able to make it easier for our members to register for our exhibitions, art programs, workshop and pay dues by adopting Wild Apricot as our membership management service. This service allows us to offer more events more efficiently, which means we offer more opportunities to our membership to increase their professional excellence. Since we adopted Wild Apricot, we have seen countless art associations across the country also adopt Wild Apricot.

Recently Wild Apricot adopted a new payment service that we evaluated and decided would provide benefit to all of us. Currently we've been using PayPal for payment collection; it allows you to use a credit card or pay through a PayPal account. Some of our membership has had trouble making payments through this system. It also does not allow us to automatically reimburse you directly to your PayPal account or credit card for refunds. Instead we issue reimbursements via check; not the quickest solution. *(Continued)*

Upcoming Events

David Lobenberg Workshop

Hawthorn Center
Columbia, MD

June 4-7, 2019 (Registration full)

An Evening with David Lobenberg

Hawthorn Center
Columbia, MD

June 5, 2019

Plein Air With Diane Gibson

Cromwell Valley Park
Towson, MD

June 12, 2019

Mid-Atlantic Regional Watercolor Exhibition

BlackRock Center for the Arts
Germantown, MD

June 8-July 13, 2019

Reception: June 23

Plein Air Exhibit

Irvine Nature Center
Owings Mills, MD

July 1-August 30, 2019

Entry Deadline: June 16

Associate & Signature Exhibit

Kentlands Mansion
Gaithersburg, MD

November 2019

(Details TBA)

With the new Wild Apricot Payments, we believe the payment process will occur more quickly, reducing the number of failed payments due to transaction timeouts. We'll also be able to more easily track your payments and automatically reimburse you when you need to cancel from one of our events. Our reimbursement policies on cancellation fees will not change, but reimbursements will occur more quickly.

We plan to transition from PayPal to the new Wild Apricot Payments system in early July so we can benefit from these improvements. If any invoices are outstanding at that time, they will remain valid and allow payment to be completed either through the new system with credit card or by check. PayPal will no longer be a payment option after the transition. You will not need a new account with the payment service. Credit card transactions handled by the new Wild Apricot Payments system will continue to be safe and secure.

Certainly, if you encounter any issues with the new system, we'll want you to contact us so we can investigate a solution. You can contact me or the Program, Workshop, or Exhibit manager to report problems if you encounter them.

April Rimpo

BWS Membership Database Manager

Opportunities

Pittsburgh Watercolor Society

"Aqueous Open" 73rd Annual International Exhibition
Spinning Plate Gallery
Pittsburgh, PA
pittsburghwatercolorssociety.com
Entry Deadline: July 1, 2019

Kentucky Watercolor Society

2019 Aqueous USA Exhibition
Actors Theatre of Louisville
Louisville, KY
kentuckywatercolorssociety.com/
Entry Deadline: July 1, 2019

Harford Artists' Association

Pictures at an Exhibition
Harford Artists' Gallery
Bel Air, MD
artinharford.org

Entry Deadline: Early Bird July 1, Regular August 1, 2019

Sponsors Come Through for BWS

This year the sponsors have been very generous sending cash, merchandise and samples for the Mid-Atlantic Exhibition. The cash and merchandise will be awarded to the Mid-Atlantic winners at the reception and awards ceremony on Sunday, June 23, 2-4pm at the BlackRock Center for the Arts. The samples will be given at the awards ceremony while supplies last.

Princeton Artists Brush Co has sent us 100 size 10 round brushes of their new Aqua Elite brush line. Princeton's president Howard Kaufman would like to get some feedback on his new brush so please contact him at Howard@princetonbrush.com.

Golden Artists Colors, Inc. has sent us paint and share cards of their QoR paint.

Savoir-Faire, a importer or of art supplies, has sent us small Fabriano paper samples.

When you come to the desk to pick up your BWS member's copy of the Mid-Atlantic catalogue, ask for your samples. We do not have enough samples for everyone, so remember they are available while supplies last.

When companies support us it is nice to let them know we appreciate what they have done. When you go to either Plaza in Towson or Dick Blick in Baltimore, let the manager know you are a BWS member and you like their store not only for the products they carry but also for their generous support of the Mid-Atlantic.

Our Corporate Sponsors:

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Mid-Atlantic Regional Watercolor Exhibition

The entry deadline has passed.

Drop-off: Monday, June 3, 10am-2pm
Exhibition: June 8- July 13, Mon-Sat, 10am-5pm
Community Art Day: Saturday, June 15, 9:30-1:30
Reception & Award Ceremony: Sunday, June 23, 2-4pm
Pick-up: Monday, July 15, 9am-noon

Questions: Sharon Green, BWSMidAtl@gmail.com

BlackRock Center for the Arts
12901 Town Commons Dr.
Germantown, MD 20874

Member News

Sally Davies was awarded the 2019 Maryland State Arts Council Individual Artist Award for Painting. The IAA Awards Ceremony will be on Sat., June 8, as the concluding event of the first Maryland Arts Summit at University of Maryland Baltimore County. Her painting "Inner Thoughts" won the Juror's choice award at the Maryland Federation of Art's Spring exhibit, and "Spiral Swirl Staircase" was selected for *Splash 21*.

Lily Kak was awarded First Prize for "Daughter's Wedding" (*below*) in the watercolor category at the April 2019 Exhibit of the Women's Club of Chevy Chase.



Mary Eggers is curator for "Artists in Exile: Art as Fabric for Healing" a series of exhibits featuring the art of Iraqi refugee artists. The fifth exhibit will be at IA&A at Hillyer, June 7-30, 2019, in Washington DC. The exhibit is enabled by commonhumanity.org. For more information contact Mary at eggsm@ix.netcom.com.

Lois Ward Wolford's painting "Navigating NY" has been accepted into the 2019 Adirondacks National Exhibition of American Watercolors. Her painting "Three for Breakfast" has been selected for publication in *Splash 21: Capturing Mood, The Best in Watercolor*.

J. M. Littleton is teaching a Realistic Watercolor Workshop at River Tree Arts in Kennebunk, Maine, July 27-28, 2019. The Littleton School of Art is offering both lessons and board in Portland, ME. For more info, 410-828-1198, welles21@verizon.net.

Denny Clarke had two entries, "Lobster" and "Quiet Harbor," juried into the West Virginia exhibition to be held in Parkersburg, WV from May 15 to June 15.

Linda J. Sherman's painting "Silver Lake" was accepted by juror Carol Carter for the Texas Watercolor Society's 70th annual exhibition from May 29 to August 15. The exhibit will be held at the Kelso Art Center, University of the Incarnate Word in San Antonio, Texas.

April Rimpo's painting "Percussion: A Serious Business" was selected for *Splash 21: Capturing Mood*. "Making Tortillas" was selected for the Missouri Watercolor Society's 2019 International Juried Show. "The Perfect Ride" was selected for the Pikes Peak International Watermedia Exhibition. April also received an Honorable Mention for "construction Rhythms" in the Illinois Watercolor Society's 35th National Exhibition.

Sharon Green, Shirley Apple Jenkins, Bonnie Sybert, Carolyn Murphy, Lois Wolford, and Darlene Wolinski have an exhibit of their watercolor group "Complementary Colors" at Irvine Nature Center in Owings Mills, MD through June 29.

Plein Air Exhibit

Irvine Nature Center
11201 Garrison Forest Rd.
Owings Mills, MD 21117

Exhibit for BWS Signature Members. Subject matter is limited to work that is conceived and executed by direct observation during outdoor painting (plein air). Paintings should be of outdoor themes, no nudes please. The size limit for work is 21" x 15".

Exhibit dates: July 1-August 30, 2019
Registration deadline: June 16, 2019 (or until full)
Drop off: Sunday, June 30, 10am-11am
Pick up: Sunday, September 1, 10am-11am

Registration fee: \$10
Gallery commission is 20% on all sales
Register online at bws.wildapricot.org
or by check made out to BWS mailed to
David Drown, 9752 Gudel Dr., Ellicott City, MD 21042

Please note that your membership must be current in order to register. No refunds (except in the case of event being cancelled). Please read the exhibit rules and regulations at bws.wildapricot.org that apply to all Member Exhibits.

BWS now has additional drop-off and pick-up locations and times for this exhibit. Please contact the coordinators below for assistance.

Those living in Western Montgomery, Frederick, Washington county and points South and West of D.C. may contact Janet Belich at janetbelich@gmail.com, 301-367-1527

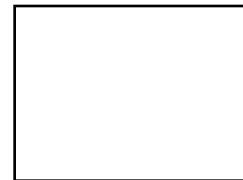
Those living in Eastern Montgomery, Howard, Carol and Eastern Frederick counties may contact David Drown at davdrown@comcast.net, 410-971-9769

Those living in the Annapolis area may contact Kay Fuller at kfuller432@aol.com, 202-999-9093

For any questions, contact David Drown, davdrown@comcast.net, 410-971-9769



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 For member event registration and directory, go to bws.wildapricot.org

Member News

BWS members may submit a 60-word announcement gratis to be listed under the heading "Member News." Images will be included as space allows. Submissions are due by the 15th of the month preceding publication date, and may be edited for length or clarity. Please e-mail (preferred) your submissions to the Editor at joanna@joannabarnum.com or mail to Joanna Barnum, 21 Haven Ave., Abingdon, MD 21009

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Quarter Page (3 1/2w x 4 3/4h) \$50

Business Card (3 1/2w x 2 1/4h) \$25

Contact the Newsletter Editor at joanna@joannabarnum.com for details.

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