

Brush Strokes

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March/April 2022

Live Demo by Dan Wiemer

Thursday, March 10, 2022, at 7 p.m.

Hopkins Center for the Arts, first floor — masks required.

Demo will also be available on Zoom.

Dan Wiemer is obsessed with design, negative shape making, and the ruggedness of the north. His career path has evolved from graphic designer, to illustrator, to painter — which was the same career path of the Group of Seven, Canadian artists who Dan studied and admires.

Dan's hallmark is finding rhythm in the landscapes he paints. He achieves this rhythm by connecting highlight shapes with linked shadow shapes in an interesting way that creates movement and pathways for the eye. His technique uniquely

combines opaque acrylic with transparent watercolor that stylizes the landscape in a manner influenced by printmakers and batik artists — their approach to creating negative shapes is similar to Dan's process of constructing and distilling his scenes.

Dan is a past president of the Minnesota Watercolor Society and has painted in China, Puerto Rico, Scotland, Ireland, Canada and throughout the U.S. His awards include several 'best of shows' at Edina, Whitefish Bay, Dubuque, and Bayfield.

Please join us as we watch Dan create a fantastic landscape in his unique style!

www.danwiemer.com



"Borealis" by Dan Wiemer



"Boatyard" by Dan Wiemer



"Crown Jewels" by Dan Wiemer

March Meeting

From the President

Hello members and friends,

I hope everyone had a chance to go out and see an art exhibit during our cold months of winter. It's great to see what types of subjects get juried into a competitive exhibit, or what the body of work is in a one or multi person show. My method of observing an exhibit is to circle around the gallery rather quickly for a first impression of the pieces, and then circle again and look closely at the details and think about what may have inspired the artist to do the piece. Then I select my top three or four pieces as if I were the juror. I always leave inspired to work back in my studio.



I also hope everyone has a chance to see our monthly demonstration artists, either in-person, on zoom or the recorded youtube option. It's great to see how the artist approaches their work, and learn about the materials that they use. Their insights and experiences can be put to use in your journey with watercolor.

VOLUNTEERING FOR MNWS

Many years ago I was asked to volunteer for helping to organize my church's Habitat for Humanity involvement. The person that asked me was our assistant pastor. I said yes even though I had a lot of questions about it, and so began my first experience in volunteering. Two things I learned from the experience were:

Don't think that you need to have all the answers. I realized that my pastor was asking me to be part of a team that will discuss and answer questions and resolve issues.

Everyone that volunteers has something to offer. They need to be recognized and appreciated for that quality.

In serving as President on the MNWS board I am doing everything I can to see that these experiences are continued.

"Volunteer! Start where you are. Use what you have. Do what you can." — Arthur Ashe

If you want to help in leading this fantastic organization, step forward and speak with a board member. And when you get invited to volunteer, don't think too long, just jump in!

"There are three kinds of people: Those who make things happen, those who watch things happen, and those who say, 'what happened?'" — Casey Stengel

Thanks for reading, and happy painting,

Vic Perlbachs
President, MNWS

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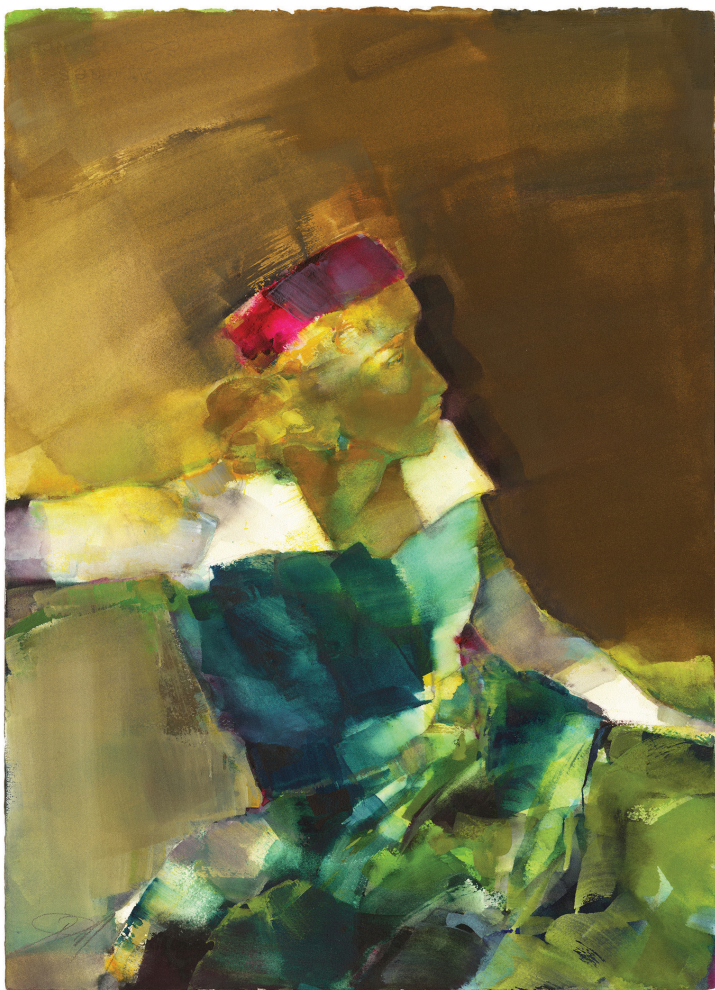
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"Observer" by Jeannie McGuire

Four Day Spring Workshop

Discover the freedom of an intuitive approach!

Jeannie McGuire Figurative Design Watercolor Workshop

At the Minnetonka Center for the Arts

2240 North Shore Drive, Wayzata, MN 55391-9347

Workshop Dates and Times:

Wednesday April 20th – Saturday April 23rd, 2022.

From 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. CST

Registration Fees:

\$550 for Members, \$600 for Non-Members.

Payment via Paypal

Cancellation Fees:

\$25.00 up to March 15th, No refund will be issued after March 15th

Deadline:

Tuesday March 15th, 2022

To register or be put on a wait list go to:

<https://www.minnesotawatercolors.com/event/jeannie-mcguire-workshop/>

*** All Registrants are required to be fully vaccinated.

Questions contact:

Nancy Webert or Kelly Kastner at

workshops@minnesotawatercolors.com



Currently there are Board opportunities for:

Vice President. Contact Vic Perlbachs at vperlbachs@gmail.com

Hospitality. Contact Vic Perlbachs at vperlbachs@gmail.com Coordinate treats for our in-person meetings, help set up information tables.

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Treasurer. Contact Hadji Bensfield at blessedbygod123@aol.com Position opens up 2023.

Workshop Co-Chair. Contact Nancy Webert or nwebert99@gmail.com Position opens up 2023.

Spring Show

SPRING FORTH

2022 Spring Juried Exhibition

Monday April 25th – Friday, May 20th

Minnetonka Center for the Arts

2240 North Shore Drive, Wayzata, MN 55391-9347

Please join us live on Zoom for our virtual opening of Spring Forth on Monday, April 25th at 6:30 p.m.!



2021 Emrich Stordahl award winner, Darlene Mowry "Fragrant Beauty"

Have your favorite snacks and beverages ready, sit back, and enjoy our Zoom opening!

Due to the current Covid restrictions at the Minnetonka Center for the Arts, our opening for the 2022 spring juried exhibition will be on Zoom. Look for an email from MNWS for the link to join the Zoom meeting. Be sure to check your promotions or spam folders if you don't see it. Feel free to share the link so family and friends can watch as well.

The Zoom meeting will begin on Monday, April 25th

at 6:30 p.m. with a live discussion with our juror, Richard Kochenash. After he presents the awards, we will congratulate the winners and then finish up with a short Q & A with Richard. The award winners may collect their ribbons and prizes on May 21st during the artwork pick up time at the art center.

Be sure to visit the Minnetonka Center for the Arts where you can view the paintings in-person and vote for the People's Choice award. There will be in-person voting only at the gallery this year. The People's Choice award will be announced at the end of the show on our website. A virtual presentation of Spring Forth will be available online as well.



2021 Best in Show award winner, Anne Legeros "Gentle Winds are Blowing"

Gallery information

Minnetonka Center for the Arts

2240 North Shore Drive

Wayzata, MN 55391-9347

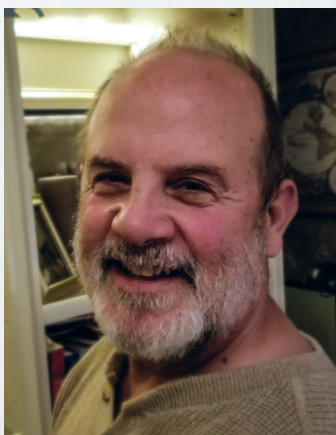
The Laura H. Miles gallery

Hours:

9 a.m. - 4 p.m. Monday - Saturday

Closed Sundays

- The shop is open for purchases at the front desk.
- The cafe is currently closed due to Covid.
- Well fitted masks are required to enter — no scarves or buffs.



Virtual Opening Reception with Richard Kochenash on Zoom

Juror Richard Kochenash will present the awards for the spring show, Spring Forth! Following the awards there will be a short Q & A with Richard.

Questions?

Email us at

mnwsjuriedshow@gmail.com



"Benoit" by Richard Kochenash



"Ostrich" by Richard Kochenash

Fall Show

2022 Fall Member Exhibition: *Fall into Color*

Tentative Dates: Friday, September 30 — Monday, November 7
White Bear Center for the Arts, 4971 Long Ave, White Bear Lake 55110

Planning is underway for this year's show titled Fall into Color.
More information will be available in early summer. Please contact
Karen Stuhlfeier at stuhlfeier@gmail.com or Lori Murphy-Graefing at
lolomarie4art@gmail.com with any questions.

Art 4 Shelter is back in 2022

This year's event will include both in-person and virtual art sale events, including:

- Friday, May 13: First Look Luncheon
- Friday, May 13: Evening art sale
- Saturday, May 14: Family

ART 4 SHELTER
BUY ART. GIVE SHELTER.

Art 4 Shelter is a annual art sale with 100 percent of the proceeds benefitting Simpson Housing Services in Minneapolis, a non-profit organization that houses, supports and advocates for people experiencing homelessness.

This year's art show will be at Glass House — 145 Holden Street N., Mpls. on Friday, May 13 and Saturday, May 14.

Art 4 Shelter is currently accepting art submissions!

- The deadline to submit artwork is April 25, 2022
- Visit art4shelter.org for submission guidelines, forms and updates

Art 4 Shelter welcomes all artists to participate and only accepts original art.

- Paintings, drawings, photography, handmade prints, mixed media, and collage
- Artwork must be 5"x7" or 8"x10" and on heavy paper
- Sign and print name on the back of each piece not the front

“A great way
to celebrate
Spring while
helping others.”

Membership Renewals Are Due May 1st!

MNWS Annual Membership year is May 1st through April 30th of the following year.

by Anne Bendt, Membership Chairperson

With almost 350 members, the Minnesota Watercolor Society (MNWS) is one of the largest associations of watercolor artists in the Midwest. Since its inception in 1983, MNWS membership has mushroomed with artists looking for educational information, support and encouragement. Monthly meetings, a newsletter, workshops, demonstrations, "paintouts" and exhibits provide a wealth of opportunities for artists to learn and grow. MNWS also maintains an excellent library of books for member use.

Renewals can be completed in one of the following ways:

1. Online Payments accepted via PayPal or check the MNWS website at: www.minnesotawatercolors.com/join/
2. Mail your check with the completed Registration Form to:
Anne Bendt, MNWS Membership Chairperson
1120 Tonkawa Rd, Long Lake, MN 55356-9240

Please update your Member Profile at:
<http://www.minnesotawatercolors.com/member-registration/>

Membership Renewal fees are:

- Students \$20
- Seniors 65+ \$30
- Single \$35
- Couple/Family \$45

Any artist, from beginner to advanced, is welcome to join the supportive environment of MNWS.

Questions: Contact Anne Bendt at: abendt12@gmail.com



Minnesota Watercolor Society Renewal/Membership Application 2022 Form

Name _____ ☐ Renewal ☐ New Member

Address _____ City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Phone (____) _____ - _____ Email _____

☐ Single Member \$35 ☐ Couple/Family \$45 ☐ Seniors (65+) \$30 ☐ Student \$20

☐ Check here if you would like to be called for volunteer opportunities.

☐ Check here to remove your name from exhibition award donors' mail list of artists product information.

US MAIL REGISTRATION: Checks only. Send registration to:

Anne Bendt, MNWS Membership Chairperson, 1120 Tonkawa Rd, Long Lake, MN 55356-9240



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*"To further the development of the
watercolor artist by providing a
supportive environment with education,
exhibition opportunities, promotion
of public appreciation and
greater visibility of the art."*

Minnesota Watercolor Society Mission Statement

*To become a member of the MNWS please visit our website at
<http://www.minnesotawatercolors.com/join/>*

MNWS CALENDAR

Be up to date and check our facebook page for current member happenings at
www.facebook.com/groups/MinnesotaWatercolors

WELCOME!

MNWS

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**We have 321 current
paid members**

Programs are held the second Thursday of the month at 7 p.m. September–May only. Usually at Hopkins Center for the Arts 1111 Mainstreet, Hopkins, MN 55343. Check our website for locations that may vary.

March 10 at 7:00 p.m

Demo Artist: Dan Wiemer
Hopkins Center for the Arts
Watch Dan create a fantastic
landscape in his unique style.



April 20–23

Spring Workshop, Jeannie McGuire
Minnetonka Center for the Arts



April 25 – May 20

Spring Forth, Spring Juried
Exhibition
Minnetonka Center for the Arts

April 25 at 6:30 p.m.

Virtual Reception via Zoom



October 21–22

Fall Workshop, Kim Johnson

NorthStar Watermedia Society News

March 14 – April 9

NorthStar Watermedia Society 2022
Member Exhibition Re-awakening
Wildwood Library in Mahtomedi
Also viewable virtually.

March 17 at 5:30 p.m.

Artists Reception
NorthStar Watermedia Society 2022
Member Exhibition Re-awakening
Wildwood Library in Mahtomedi
Also viewable virtually.

April 14 at 7:00 p.m.

Kent Estey demo artist via Zoom

April 21 at 6:30 p.m.

Duane Barnhart demo artist
Rose Room at John Rose Oval in Roseville
and via Zoom at 7:00 p.m.

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