



THE SOUTHERN ARIZONA WATERCOLOR GUILD

# Sketchbook

JULY/AUGUST 2018

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## FABULOUS 18-19 WORKSHOPS REGISTER SOON! (July 15)

**PAT WEAVER \* RANDY HALE  
LIAN QUAN ZHEN \* FEALING LIN**

Registration begins July 15 at noon! Be ready at your computer to sign up with a credit card deposit. SAWG members have priority until September. After that, registration is on a first-come basis. If you wish to pay at the gallery, we will be open for the next show on July 17.

Here is our exciting line-up of instructors this year:

November 13-16, 2018: we are hosting **PAT WEAVER**. "Watercolor: Direct and Spontaneous." Pat will be showing us how she creates her pet portraits as well as her landscapes. Join her for the first workshop of the season.

**RANDY HALE** is presenting 2 two-day classes: "Making a Splash with Watercolor" January 15-16 and January 17-18, 2019. Randy will show you how to paint with abandon! Now who wouldn't want to do that?

**LAIN QUAN ZHEN** is returning on February 12-15, 2019 to show us how "Watercolors Paint themselves" using only THREE primary colors.

March 12-15, 2019 brings a new portrait artist: **FEALING LIN** will present "Luminous Watercolor Portraiture." Check the emotion she presents in her portrait paintings.

Now that you have all that information, how many workshops are you signing up for? You only need a \$100 deposit per workshop to hold your place for these exciting instructors.



**NEW BROCHURES - HOT OFF THE PRESS!!  
NOW AVAILABLE AT THE GALLERY!**

Registration form is also available at the gallery and on the website.

## NEW MEETING AND WORKSHOP LOCATION!

**ST. FRANCIS IN THE FOOTHILLS UNITED  
METHODIST CHURCH  
4625 E. RIVER RD.**

The Celebration & Arts Center at St. Francis in the Foothills United Methodist Church at River and Swan will be our new home for meetings and workshops. Lots of well-lit parking is available near the brand new building. It should serve our guild well.



## CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR SAWG OFFICERS 2018-19

President...Blythe Strong  
VP Programs...Karen Vampotic  
Assistant...Carol Chambers  
VP Shows...Marti White  
Assistant...Bev Heasley

Secretary...Eledel Giddings  
Treasurer...Anna Don  
Past President...Nancy Holmberg  
Board Member at Large...Donna Lam

NEXT GENERAL  
MEETING  
MONDAY, SEPT. 10TH  
SOCIAL - 6:30pm  
ST. FRANCIS CHURCH  
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July 15!

### 2018-19 WORKSHOP SCHEDULE

November 13-16, 2018  
**Pat Weaver**  
January 15-16 & 17-18,  
2019  
**Randy Hale**  
February 12-15, 2019  
**Lian Quan Zhen**  
March 12-15, 2019  
**Fealing Lin**



Hot enough for ya? I love this time of year in Tucson, NOT for the soaring triple digit temperatures but for billowing clouds, shifting breezes, dazzling sunsets and squawking quail chicks that foretell the arrival of monsoon rains. What a refreshing change it is! Life-giving.

As does the desert, so SAWG experiences change. This summer, a new board begins the process of planning activities, shows, workshops and meetings for 2018-2019. Task Force groups are designing action plans for the gallery, guild communication and finance. At the same time, participants forge renewed commitment to SAWG through emerging friendships, projects and exhibits. Newly elected board members are learning our roles as we take on responsibilities and challenges to make our Guild even more responsive to our members and our mission. Toward that end, we seek your best ideas, your boundless energy and your breathtaking paintings.

I wish to thank our continuing members for the work you are already doing for SAWG. Hosting the Western Federation of Watercolor Artists took Herculean effort from everyone. Bravo! Thanks to each of you who came forward to meet, greet, and toast our guest artists. Special recognition goes to the project manager, Susan Morris and to each of the subcommittee chairs who gave tirelessly of their time. We can all be proud of SAWG and our southwestern hospitality! Aside from the Western Fed, our ongoing shows, projects, outreach and philanthropy takes every member. Our board members and committee chairs of last year gave us remarkable leadership to accomplish our goals. We are a better group because of your involvement and dedication. I hope you will continue to share resources with our incoming members.

If you are new to SAWG, welcome! We are delighted that you joined us. I hope that some of you will consider stepping into new jobs on committees or in helping with gallery shows. Think about working with experienced committee members or officers to learn how the organization works. Take a workshop! Enter a gallery show! Our guild is stronger when each of you takes part in building our future together.

Now, sit back and enjoy reading the latest newsletter. Isn't it gorgeous? Thank you, Sandy! Members recall that you may begin registering for workshops on July 15. Follow the directions in the online newsletter, workshop brochure and forms at the gallery, and under "Workshops" on the website for completing the registration form and sending in your deposit to hold your place.

I look forward to serving you as President of SAWG.

Cheers and happy painting!  
Blythe

Remember - To submit any articles for the Sketchbook to Sandy Walker, [walkersj@cox.net](mailto:walkersj@cox.net).  
Deadline is always the 15th of each month.

## SAWG's Western Fed Exhibit Was **TOTALLY AWESOME!**



**And just to prove the point, here are the totals:**

**Total Gallery Guests – 1029**

**Total Paintings sold – 12**

**Total income from sold art - \$10,725.00**

**Total Gallery income for June and July - \$12,625.00**

We hope many of you had a chance to visit the Exhibit, as it was truly stunning. The artwork was marvelous and the portable walls allowed for plenty of space to hang 99 paintings.

The other part of AWESOME can not be ignored! This wouldn't have happened without the enormous effort made by numerous SAWG members who were involved.

Michael Dutton and Judy Constantine worked with an intrepid group of framers to prep the artwork. The frames selected and the simple matting required by Western Fed assured that the emphasis would be on the ART for this show!

With expert guidance from spotter Al Tucci who was assisted by Chuck Albanese, half a dozen dedicated members hung the show.

Meanwhile, Sherry Matlack began to sign up docents for the Exhibit. Many thanks to all whose gift of time assured that our guests and patrons were well served.

Heather Hale and Sandra Montgomery did a lot to spread the word for us. For example, many visitors to the Gallery said they came because of the newspaper article. And, as awards were announced and paintings were sold, the activity was chronicled via the SAWG group set up by Heather on Facebook.

The promo materials prepared by Sandy Walker were incredible and distributed widely...again by SAWG members...to boost our visibility and attract Gallery visitors.

When all the Western Fed folks were in town, our own delegate, Susan Morris, kept them busy with meetings and events while the Gallery was prepped and refreshments were organized for a private reception. Kudos to Jenny Clark and Shannon Russell for a great job! Mariachi Luz provided the lively musical entertainment while guests admired the art and snacked on food from Guadalajara Grill.

All those paintings purchased, plus the sales of the beautiful Western Fed Catalogue, meant extra work for those who take care of SAWG's money – Carolyn Streed, Sue Rumsey, Nancy Holmberg and Anna Don coming in as our new treasurer. (There are plenty of catalogues still available at the Gallery)



As all good things must come to an end, so too the Exhibit came down on June 25th. Once again, Mike Dutton, Judy Constantine and the intrepid framers went to work removing all the frames! And now the shipping boxes have gone back to the delegates, paintings sold locally have been picked up, and paintings that were destined for new homes elsewhere have been shipped.

As the Exhibit Manager for WFWS43, I want all of you who were involved to know that I admire your dedication and I truly appreciate what you have done to make our turn to host the Western Fed Exhibit an outstanding success. **Thank you!**

Submitted by: Nancy S. Huber, WFWS43 Exhibit Manager



**COMING SOON...**

## 2018-19 Show Schedule

### Community Outreach Show

JULY 17, 2018 – AUGUST 19, 2018  
RECEPTION, THURSDAY, JULY 19, 5-7PM

### Regional Juried Show

AUGUST 21, 2018 – SEPTEMBER 30, 2018  
RECEPTION, THURSDAY, AUGUST 30, 5-7PM

### All Members' Show

OCTOBER 2, 2018 – NOVEMBER 4, 2018  
RECEPTION, THURSDAY, OCTOBER 11, 5-7PM

### Color My World Show

NOVEMBER 6, 2018 – DECEMBER 2, 2018  
RECEPTION, THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 15, 5-7PM

### Holiday Show

DECEMBER 4, 2018 – JANUARY 6, 2019  
RECEPTION, THURSDAY, DECEMBER 6, 5-7PM

### Annual Show

JANUARY 8, 2019 – FEBRUARY 3, 2019  
RECEPTION, THURSDAY, JANUARY 17, 5-7PM

### Signature Show

FEBRUARY 5, 2019 – MARCH 3, 2019  
RECEPTION, THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 14, 5-7PM

### Fiesta Sonora

MARCH 5, 2019 – MARCH 31, 2019  
RECEPTION, THURSDAY, MARCH 14, 5-7PM

### Experimental Show

APRIL 2, 2019 – APRIL 28, 2019  
RECEPTION, THURSDAY, APRIL 11, 5-7PM

## PIESTA SONORA WEST

The Fiesta Sonora West show at the Desert Museum wrapped up its long run on July 2. It was a beautiful show, with much positive feedback from visitors and staff alike. The exhibit was viewed by hundreds of people, and one painting sold: "King of the Hill" by Karen Brungardt. Many people picked up the SAWG materials, and we will certainly get more memberships as a result of our show.

Submitted by: Judy Constantine

## Summer Shows

SAWG has two shows scheduled for the summer months.

### July 19 – August 19

A Summer Outreach Show –

### "Young At Art"

– an exhibit of student art

This show will run from July 19 – August 19 with a reception on Sunday afternoon, July 22, 2-4pm. The show will be in the front gallery and the walls in the middle gallery are available to rent for our members. Just let Marti White know that you want space in the middle gallery for your work. An eblast went out with information about costs and Marti will be happy to resend that to you if you missed it. The walls will be available as soon as Western Fed is out of the gallery. Intake for the student show is July 7. The workshop room walls will have volunteer winners artwork for both shows.

### August 23 – September 30

A Regional Show –

### "Share Our Walls"

– a juried exhibit of artwork from area arts organizations

Artists from all disciplines have been invited to submit work for this show in any medium that will hang on the wall. SAWG members are welcome to join in this show which will be juried by Kyle Johnston, a Tucson artist who has been actively involved in the organization and leadership of "Heart of Tucson." A Call to Artists and an Entry Form are available on the website. Five cash prizes will be awarded. The show runs from August 23 through September 30 with a reception on Thursday, August 30. This show is an effort to reach out to the greater Tucson art community and offer our wall to showcase the work of all the many arts organizations in our community. Please support this with your own work and encourage artists you know who do not work in water media to take part in the exhibit.

We are trying something new this summer. Your support and encouragement in these efforts will be greatly appreciated. You may be called on to docent during this time. **Please say YES!**

# The **NEW** SAWG Video Club

NEW! Join the SAWG Video Club! Members of THE CLUB will meet at the gallery every 4th Monday at 1pm, beginning in October, to watch part of a watercolor skill video for 15 minutes – then paint for 15 minutes – then watch another segment and paint for another 15 minutes, copying the technique in the chosen video with time to chat and socialize. Club members will vote on a \$5.00 yearly membership fee (which would go towards purchase of another video), choice of video each month and which Monday of the month the Club will meet. If members wish to bring snacks, that would be a great treat! Open to all members. Snack, chat and paint! What could be better? If you haven't joined yet, just email Karyn Vampotic at robespierre@comcast.net and she'll put you on the list for updates.



## STILL MORE FOR YOUR MEMBERSHIP!

**Four free Member programs coming your way in the upcoming exciting SAWG season.**

These programs are restricted to the first 15 members to RSVP. RSVP dates are listed with each program. RSVP directly to Karyn Vampotic at robespierre@comcast.net. RSVP is required due to limited materials, so mark your calendars!

**Each program will be held on a Monday from 1 – 2:30 (an additional 5pm – 6:30pm same day possible if there is interest).**

**September 17th: Basic Pastel** – Karyn Vampotic will bring a variety of pastels and papers for everyone to try their hand at this versatile medium. Topics: what is pastel? What are the different types and their uses? What kind of papers are used? Using watercolor as an underpainting for a pastel painting. RSVP begins August 17th and ends September 10th.

**November 19th: The Nuts and Bolts of Entering a SAWG show** – all of your questions answered as Marti White takes you step by step on how to enter juried and nonjuried shows. RSVP begins October 19th and ends November 12th.

**January 21st: Framing on the Cheap** – Karyn Vampotic and Mike Dutton will show you how to use a \$3.00 - \$12 thrift store frame to show off your masterpiece. Participants will bring a small painting they want framed. All of the rest of the supplies, including frames will be provided. Step by step you'll learn how to maximize profit from the sale of a painting by minimizing upfront costs. Go home with a framed painting! RSVP begins December 21st and ends January 14th.

**March 17th: Downtown Gallery Tour** – join a caravan of cars to selected studios of artists located downtown with easy parking. This is a chance to see what other fabulous artists, working in a variety of media are creating. (Daytime only.) RSVP begins February 17th and ends March 10th.

**Pump up the excitement! Make sure your membership is current so that you can join in the fun! Be quick – first 15 only for each Program. RSVP a firm requirement.**



## Clip and Save! MEETING SCHEDULE

September 10,	Monday	7-9pm	General Meeting	
October 8,	Monday	7-9pm	General Meeting	
November 12,	Monday	7-9pm	General Meeting	Pat Weaver, Artist Demo
December	TBD			
January 14,	Monday	7-9pm	General Meeting	Randy Hale, Artist Demo
February 11,	Monday	7-9pm	General Meeting	Liam Zhen, Artist Demo
March 11,	Monday	7-9pm	General Meeting	Fealing Lin, Artist Demo
April TBD				
May TBD				

## American Frame Discount

If our members use the code ALLIANCE2018 when they place an order, they should get the discount.



## Task Force Charges Forward!

*As you heard us say in our May Sketchbook report, Thriving Requires Action! SAWG is taking action!*

The Focus Group to study the state of affairs within SAWG has transformed into a goal-oriented Task Force. Working closely with the Board of Directors, we are addressing 3 areas that we found can use some tweaking: engaging existing and new members, communicating more seamlessly, and using our beautiful Gallery more fully. If these are goals you are interested in contributing to, please join us! We will meet again on July 16 at 1pm at the Gallery. **For more information, contact the committee chair, Jamili Omar at Jamili.wordsmith@gmail.com. We hope to see you there!**

### GALLERY NEWS

## DOCENT ORIENTATION

**FOR: NEW MEMBERS, OR RENEWING MEMBERS IN NEED OF A REFRESHER**

**SIGN UP FOR DOCENT ORIENTATION SO THAT YOU CAN ENJOY WORKING AT THE SAWG GALLERY. IT IS A GREAT WAY TO GET TO KNOW THE GALLERY, THE ORGANIZATION AND OTHER MEMBERS.**

You can get more information about docent orientation on the website under shows/resources/docent information.

The currently scheduled orientation sessions are **July 18, and 28 at 1pm**. There will be dates in August and September. These dates and times will be announced in July. If necessary a date can be worked out to accommodate your schedule. Just let us know if none of the dates scheduled work for you.

You can RSVP for docent orientation by calling or emailing **Kitty Sturrock. kittysturrock@gmail.com 262-893-4982**

*The Aprons are popular!*  
**They are going FAST!**  
 The proceeds of the \$20 cost of the new aprons goes directly to the scholarship fund! You can pick one up at the gallery while supplies last!



## REMINDER!

The center gallery walls are available for rent during the month of July – August 20. You may hang your work after Western Fed is down and out of the gallery and before the Young at Art show is hung on July 16. It should be available to hang by June 29 or 30th. The Young at Art Show will open to the public on July 19 and come down on August 20. You may rent a whole wall or a partial wall. Perhaps you can find a friend to share the wall with you. The fee chart and sizes of the walls is attached to this email. If you have any questions or would like to reserve a wall, please contact Marti White at 520-955-3522 or email her at whitemarti4@gmail.com. Your fee can be mailed to the gallery or dropped off by June 25.

Marti White, VP of Shows

Don't forget!! **Jim Click Raffle Tickets** will be on sale at each meeting. Enter to win one of THREE GREAT PRIZES!! Grand Prize: 2018 Jeep Grand Cherokee Summit, 2nd Prize: Two round-trip, first class airline tickets to almost anywhere in the world or 3rd Prize: \$5,000 cash!!. Tickets are one for \$25 or 5 for \$100. The best part (besides winning) is that every dime of your purchase stays with and supports SAWG!! Karyn Vampotic will be at the back of the room of each meeting for your purchase of tickets! **Drawing is December 13th.**

**As of: June 1, 2018 —  
 Bank Balances: SAWG**

Wells Fargo Bank:	Restricted Accounts:
General Fund Checking .....\$25,609	Scholarship Checking..... \$ 7,344
General Fund Savings .....\$28,777	Western Fed.....\$21,660
Total.....\$54,386	Hollander Scholarship.....\$11,591
	Total.....\$40,595



# MEMBERSHIP NEWS!

## WELCOME NEW MEMBERS!

Kari Skinner  
 Lisa Bagshaw  
 Nancy Johnson  
 Kathleen Hudson  
 Albert Carlon  
 Emily Amadia King  
 Kay Mitman  
 Rachael Lamb  
 Brian Bauman  
 Kathleen McLean  
 Sharon Galto  
 Roxanne Hamilton

**REMINDER**  
 Member News  
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 Seat  
 Announcements

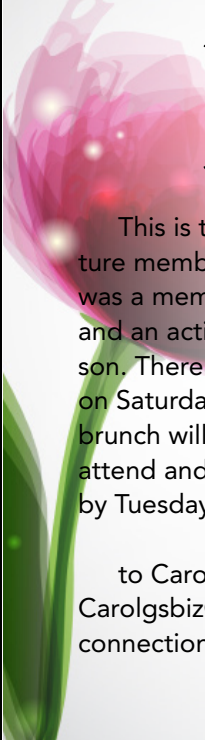
## NEW SIGNATURE MEMBER

Lori Levon

*Please remember to turn in your form once you reach a new status. We'll help when needed, but it's up to you to track your point shows. For more details CHECK online under Membership.*

# Membership Renewals are Due **NOW!**

Forms are available on line and in the Gallery. Our membership year begins on June 1st. If you have not renew, you are not eligible for shows or workshops and your information will not be included in the Directory. **ACT NOW!!!**



## Remembrance ... In Sympathy

This is to inform you of the death of former Signature member of SAWG, Carol Davisson Culbertson. She was a member of the Tucson High School Class of 1952 and an active member of many organizations in Tucson. There will be a Celebration of Life honoring Carol on Saturday, June 16, 2018, at the Arizona Inn. A light brunch will be served at 10:00 am. Friends are invited to attend and shared memories are welcome. Please RSVP by Tuesday, June 12,

to Carol Gaudette at (520)325-4136 or email to Carolgsbiz@comcast.net. Indicate your name and your connection to Carol Culbertson in your RSVP.

## Botanical Art Opportunity

The Tucson Botanical Gardens is welcoming a world touring exhibit on tree paintings next January through April. This is a major event! Ashley Pedersen, Director of Education at the botanical gardens, would like input on classes and events that you would like to have to correlate with this exhibit. You can provide your input by email to: [education1@tucsonbotanical.org](mailto:education1@tucsonbotanical.org) or; [education1@tucsonbotanical.org](mailto:education1@tucsonbotanical.org). Or you can be part of the focus group by replying to that email.

"Tucson Botanical Gardens will proudly host Out of the Woods: Celebrating Trees in Public Gardens, a botanical art exhibit, from January 25-April 13, 2019. This exhibit has inspired us to seek out other ways the Tucson Botanical Gardens can support botanical art activities in our community. I am not an artist, so I'm looking for help to determine what kinds of programs (such as workshops, ongoing classes, exhibits, lectures, and discussion groups) would best meet the needs of our local art community."

Do you remember some of the gorgeous floral paintings at our Western Fed Exhibit? Here's an opportunity to get involved in more like them. What do you think? Shall we ask for a watercolor botanical workshop?

*Submitted by: Sue Hildreth*

## PAINT OUTS

# Plein Air Outings

Please contact Martha Pancratz for more information: Martha Pancratz is at [marthalouise1@icloud.com](mailto:marthalouise1@icloud.com).



### WHAT TO BRING:

Sun hat, sunscreen, and bug repellent — along with your painting gear, paint stool, water for painting and drinking, and a sack lunch.

# Workshops 2017-2018

It's time to look ahead to the coming group of artists beginning in November this year. Registration begins July 15 on the SAWG website with preference for members until Sept. 1.

This outstanding group of transparent watercolor artists are all on their way!! Below are the dates they are coming, Workshop titles, and skill levels. Check the SAWG website under workshops for more information.

**Take a few minutes now to preview these amazing artists.  
When July 15 comes, they are sure to fill up quickly!**

## Pat Weaver

November 13-16, 2018

\$395 SAWG Members • \$495 Non-Members

“Watercolor Simplified”

All Skill Levels (maximum of 20)



## Lian Quan Zhen

February 12-15, 2019

\$395 SAWG Members • \$495 Non-Members

“Watercolor Paint Themselves”

All Levels (maximum of 22)



## Randy Hale

**TWO Sessions!** January 15 & 16,

January 17 & 18, 2019

\$225 SAWG Members •

\$275 Non-Members per session

“Making a Splash with Watercolor”

All Skill Levels (maximum of 18)



## Fealing Lin

March 12-15, 2019

\$395 SAWG Members • \$495 Non-Members

“Luminous Watercolor Portraiture”

Intermediate to Advanced Skill Levels (maximum of 25)



## **UPDATE!** Ted Nuttall Workshop April 30-May 4, 2018

We heard from several artists that this was the best workshop they ever attended. Ted was so informative. In the morning he talked about and showed slides of both his and other artists work. He said when he started he emulated Charles Reid's style until he found his own “sloppy dot” style.

He works from photos to capture the moment. Think about how to interpret rather than copy photos. His talks each day covered such topics as light, for dramatic paintings, expression for emotion, using color in every shape of the painting and composition to create balance.

He spent quite a bit of time with each student. We all left the workshop full of new ideas and inspiration to get into our studios to paint.

*Submitted by: Renee Pearson and Shannon Russell*



# Angel Fund

SAWG's Angel Fund helps members who need financial assistance with dues or workshop fees, who might not otherwise be able to participate in SAWG or SAWG activities. The Angel Fund is defined by a specific Angel Fund Policy and funded by your donations and our general fund.