

Pastel Talk



Reflections by Christine Mikesell-Bidwell

APAA 2011 Spring Juried Show Scheduled for April

Drop off paintings from 2:00 – 4:00 pm, April 14 (NEW TIME!)
Pick up paintings from 12:00 – 2:00 pm, April 28.

Exhibit runs Thursday, April 14th to Thursday, April 28th
Special Exhibition Gallery/Sedona Art Center.
Reception is Saturday, April 16th from 2:30 – 4:30.

Special Fall 2011 Workshop

We're very happy to announce that the APAA is hosting a plein air workshop by Lorenzo Chavez October 3-7, 2011.

Details are coming soon from Lee Borden.



NEXT MEETING:

April 3, 1:00-3:00pm
Program: Collin Fry and Johnson Yazzie
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Message from the President

Dear APAA Members,

It's show time! The spring juried show in Sedona is just around the corner..... although we have been involved with the jurying and judging since mid-January to take advantage of having our judge, Richard McKinley, here for the workshop. Having Richard as the judge brought out the largest number of applicants for one of our shows to date with just over 100 paintings submitted. Richard narrowed the field to 75 which he judged for awards face to face during the workshop week. The show will be hung April 14th and the awards will be announced at the reception on Saturday, April 16th. I am sure the show chairs are having a hard time keeping the award results to themselves! Please remember that if you are unable to deliver your painting to the gallery in Sedona on the 14th you are welcome to bring it to the April meeting. Someone will be able to take your painting and deliver it for you.

It goes without saying that the McKinley workshop was a great success.....and Mother Nature was very supportive with a beautiful week of sunny weather. Richard more than lived up to his reputation of being a gifted artist and teacher. However, the workshop committee has been

busy and the prospectus will be coming out soon for the Lorenzo Chavez workshop next fall. A proposal for a series of mini-workshops by our own members will be presented for approval at the April meeting. If you are interested in teaching please watch for the information. All of us will be watching for the resulting series of workshops to be announced. Plans are for at least one mini-workshop each month next meeting year.

Our wonderful treasurer, Ruth Philliben, has been working with the assistance of Lee Borden and Sharon Frey with the ASU free legal service to complete the paperwork for our non-profit status. If you are contacted by one of them for information needed for the application please support them in providing the information in a timely manner so we can finally get this taken care of and move forward with confidence about our status with the IRS.

We have a great program scheduled for the April meeting.....a two for one deal! Colin Fry will provide and discuss a handout on how to get published. Being published is a great way to build one's resume and gain exposure as an artist. The second presentation will be by Johnson Yazzie, a published



illustrator on illustrating for children's books. This meeting will be one not to be missed!

Finally.....but certainly of great importance.....our nominations committee has put together a great slate of nominations for positions for the upcoming year. The complete slate is provided for you in this newsletter. Please take a moment to review the nominations and come to the April 3rd meeting prepared to vote.

I am looking forward to seeing you at the April 3rd meeting.... and in the meantime.....keep painting!

Keep painting!

Karen

Karen Budan
President



March 2011 Meeting Minutes

The meeting was called to order by President Karen Budan. New members were introduced.

The February 2011 minutes were approved.

Treasurer Ruth Philliben presented the **Treasury Report**:

Feb Balance	12,178.83
Income	3,245.00
Expenses	6,690.93
End Balance	8,732.90

Ruth is in the process of getting 501(c)(3) status for APAA. After discussion a motion was passed to start the process of obtaining two APAA credit cards through Well Fargo for the President and Treasurer with preset limits.

Shows & Exhibits:

Richard McKinley has judged the Sedona Show paintings. Richard requested that we give out two Merit Awards in addition to those required by our by-laws. He felt they were earned due to the high quality of paintings and should be included in order of placings after third place and before honorable mention.

Since our by-laws do not consider points for merit awards, the Board passed a motion to give McKinley Merit

Awards 1 and 2 but not to award points.

There were some paintings submitted for judging that did not meet our framing requirements. An email will be sent out to all show participants reminding them to check their framing since any paintings not meeting framing requirements will not be hung in the show.

The Sedona Gallery will be open on Easter Sunday. Please contact Laura Black if you can provide Gallery coverage on that day.

Meeting Programs: Nothing to report.

Newsletter: Nothing to report.

Membership: Karen asked that as new members join they be informed we do not mail out our monthly newsletters because they are now available on our web site.

Promotion: APAA now has several items from vendors to give as show awards. We are also looking for additional volunteers to assist Barbara Alford.

Arizona Art Supply has provided a \$25 gift certificate to be drawn for by members

present at each monthly meeting

Website: Nothing to report

Art Alliance: Nothing to report.

IAPS: Due to the IAPS Convention being held the first week in June the June meeting will be held the following Sunday.

Workshops: The mini workshop applications will be presented at the April meeting for final input before being sent out to potential instructors.

Scholarships: Nothing to report.

Library: Please bring all checked out items back by the June meeting.

Art Challenge: The current challenge is the word "book" or "books".

Juried/Signature: Nothing to report.

Artist of Month: Steve Porter for his painting of green apples.

Program: Richard McKinley gave the group a very entertaining and informative painting demo.

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March 2011 Meeting Minutes *cont.*

Other: The Pastel Society of New Mexico requested that APAA join Colorado and Texas in having a member serve as judge for their current signature members show. Liz Kenyon has graciously agreed to do it.

The 2011 nomination committee presented their current slate:

President: Karen Budan
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VP Shows: Ellen Harper, show coordinator

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Spring Co-chair: Rita Elkins & Linda Dellandre
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Education/Workshops: Lee Borden, Sharon Frey & Kay Verstraete
Librarian: Barbara McGuire & Joan Rand

A motion was passed to accept the current slate of Officers and Committee Chairpersons.

Artist of the Month

Steve Porter won Artist of the Month for March 2011 for his painting of green apples. Congrats, Steve!



New Members *continued*

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Member News & Accomplishments



Cheryl Saffro's painting "Feel the Wind" is one of five finalists in the 2011 IAPS Poster Competition. The winning painting will be announced at the IAPS Convention in Albuquerque, New Mexico on June 1st.



Julia Patterson's painting, "Garden Gate," was juried into the Randy Higbee Gallery's spring 6x6 Exhibit. Julia was

also accepted as a working artist at the new Easy Street Gallery in Carefree.

Curt Peifley has a piece in the Joy Of Art show at Prescott Mountain Artist Gallery Feb. 2011 until mid April 2011.

Christine Debrosky is also having an exhibition of her work at the Ian Russell gallery, in Prescott, starting in April. The subject of the body of work is a nostalgic look at classic cars, a departure from her usual landscapes. The beautifully renovated new space is on historic Whiskey Row, downtown.

Her landscape painting "Oak Creek Kiss" has been accepted in to the 25th annual PSWC "Pastels USA", to be held at the Haggin Museum, Stockton, CA.



Martha Goodrich had two paintings accepted into the 250th Anniversary of Veterinarian Medicine Show currently hanging at the AAA Gallery.



Linda Harrison-Parsons received an award for her pastel "By My Side" in the 250th Anniversary Show of Veterinarian Medicine. She also received 2nd place for "Feather" in the AZ Arts Alliance Spring Show. Both exhibits are being held at the AAA Gallery at the Pavilions at Talking Stick until April 3rd.



For the second year in a row, **Karen Budan** had a piece juried into the Pastel Society of the West Coast's International Pastel Exhibit, Pastels USA. The piece juried in is an 18 x 24 piece titled "Radishes." The show will be hung in the Haggin Museum in Stockton, CA from April 24th through June 19th. Karen is

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Member News & Accomplishments continued...

pursuing signature status with the PSWC and this gives her 2 out of the 3 required shows to be a signature member.

Karen has also been accepted as a Studio Artist by Xanadu Gallery in Scottsdale, AZ. Studio artists are listed on the Xanadu website and are promoted by the gallery although their work is not physically in the gallery itself. www.xanadugallery.com

Kathy Herranen had a feature article on her wind chimes in the April issue of *The Suit Magazine*. www.thesuitmagazine.com.

Sandi Ciaramitaro had a successful One Woman

Reception at a winery in New Mexico last week. She sold 4 paintings and one of the art collectors will be flying out to see her at the Botanical Gardens Show she is doing with SAL. You can also see Sandi's paintings at Banner Good Samaritan Hospital from now until May 6th and the Rio Grande Theatre in Las Cruces, New Mexico, until July.

Sue Hunter had two paintings accepted in the juried AAA Veterinary Show. She also had a painting accepted in the AAG show currently on display and the AWA show which will be hanging at the Burton Barr Library in April.

New 2011-2012 APAA show

chairs: Don Rantz and Liz Kenyon will be co-chairs of next year's Fall Juried Show. Rita Elkins and Linda Dellandre will be co-chairs for the Spring Show.

Linda Dellandre is the featured artist at Sedona Arts Center upstairs gallery the month of April. 10 new paintings will be coming in. The first week of April is very busy there with a reception at APAP Fri., 4/1, and her featured reception for "First Friday" art walk. During the APAA reception, Linda will also be providing a pastel demonstration upstairs on the street level to lure some people to the pastel show as well!



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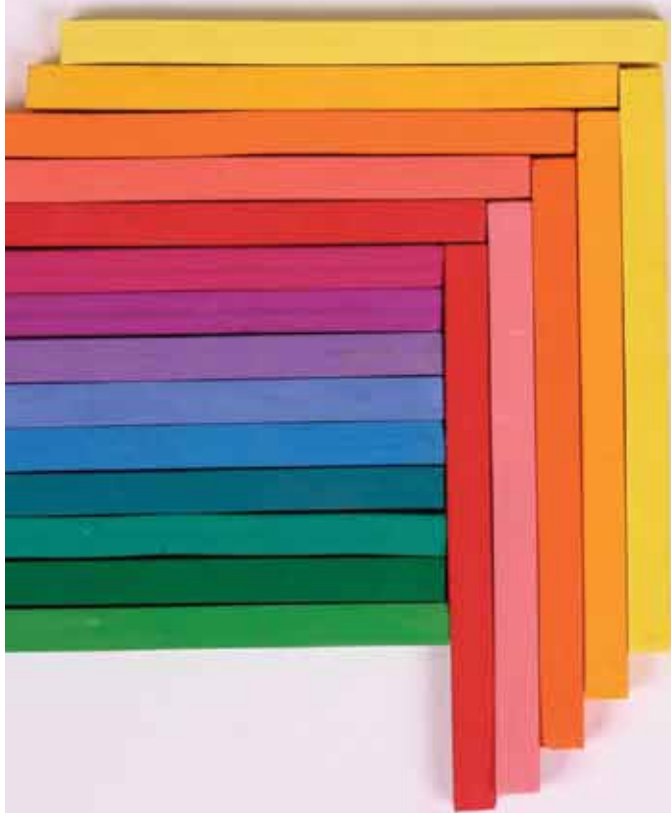
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Shows/Exhibits

Kennebunk, ME, **Pastel Painters of Maine** 12th International Juried Exhibit for Pastels only. Deadline April 15, 2011. Exhibit June 16- July 16, 2011, Heartwood College of Art, Kennebunk, ME, digital entries only, Juror: Liz Haywood Sullivan, Terry Ludwig, juror of awards, Prospectus: www.pastelpaintersofmaine.com or contact Caren Micheal 207-854-2378.

Pastel Society of America's 39th Annual Open Juried Exhibition at the National Arts Club, New York City Soft Pastels only, digital entries only, Deadline June 3, 2011, Prospectus: www.pastelsocietyofamerica.org , or SASE #10 to The Pastel Society of America, 15 Gramercy Park South, New York, NY 10003.

Pastel Society of New Hampshire Third Annual National Juried Exhibit, Sept 10 through Oct 29, 2011, Discover Portsmouth Center Gallery, Portsmouth, NH, Deadline July 13, 2011, Juror of Selection Michael Chesley Johnson, PSA, Juror of awards, Terri ford, PSA, Soft Pastels only, up to 3 digital entries, www.pastelsocietynh.com or SASE to Sally Shea, 33, Pebble beach Dr. Bedford, NH 03110

The Artist's Magazine's 28th Annual Art competition Compete and Win in 5 Categories! All entries must be **postmarked no later than April 15, 2011**. Visit www.artistsmagazine.com for complete guidelines and to enter online.

Classes/Workshops

Life Drawing Classes George Palovich, the former curator of the West Valley Art Museum, is now offering Life Drawing classes every Tuesday at 6:30 pm. Email him at tripal42@cox.net for details.

Arizona Artists Guild is offering Open Drawing Sessions, Thursdays beginning June 3rd. 9:30-12:30 AM, 10.00 fee for members and non-members, 5.00 fee for college students with ID. The Guild is also offering Open Studio Sessions with a \$5 suggested donation for artists who wish to work on paintings in a studio setting. AAG Building is on 7th Ave. just south of the intersection of 7th Ave. and Union Hills.

BRIO Fine Arts Center has expanded to 4 new geographical locations:
1. FC - Foothills Holland Community Center 34250 N. 60th St. Building B - Mesquite Room, Scottsdale, AZ 85266.

2. FH - Fountain Hills Community Center 13001 N. La Montana Drive, fountain Hills, AZ 85268.

3. NV - New Vision Center 18010 N. Tatum Blvd. Phoenix, AZ 85032.

4. WA - Working Artist Studio Scottsdale Executive Plaza 6350 E. Thomas Rd. #230, Scottsdale, AZ 85251 Located on the NW corner of 64th Street and Thomas.

The BRIO website www.briofinearts.com lists its class schedule and course descriptions.

Christine Debrosky is offering Sedona Impressions, a workshop set in Arizona's spectacular Red Rock country, April 14-17, 2011. This four day plein air workshop, in pastel or oil, is designed to capture the light and color that is unique to this beautiful region. Cost of tuition is \$420. To register, please send an e-mail to s-scape@swiftaz.net.

Christine is also offering a workshop in the Hudson Valley of NY at the Woodstock School of Art, July 26-29th. This plein air workshop will take place in the historic Catskill mountains. Both workshops are open to all, and more info is posted at www.christinedebrosky.com

Michael Chesley Johnson
January 2010 - April 2011:



Plein Air Painting Workshops in Sedona, Arizona, with APAA member Michael Chesley Johnson PSA MPAC PSNM. Traditional workshops; advanced topic workshops (this year's topic, Large Format painting); mentoring workshops. For all media. \$300. For details, visit [www. PaintSedona.com](http://www.PaintSedona.com).

Donna Stenger is offering pastel classes for the spring at:

- Shemer Art Center, 602-262-4727 www.shemerartcenterandmuseum.org
Pastel Wed. 12:30-3:30
Plein air workshop, Sat. April 16, 9-noon
Mat Cutting workshop, Sat. April 30, 1-3pm
- Phoenix Center for the Arts www.phoenix.gov/recreation
Painting with Dry Pastel Tues. 5:30-8:30
- The Artery Building 623 E.

Indian School Rd. dsart89@gmail.com. Thursdays and Saturdays 9:30-12:30 ongoing.

Liz Kenyon: Scottsdale Artist School, Monday evenings 6:30-9:30 June 6-27 (See SAS website for pricing beginning April 11th). Garden Art: cultivating your color choices.

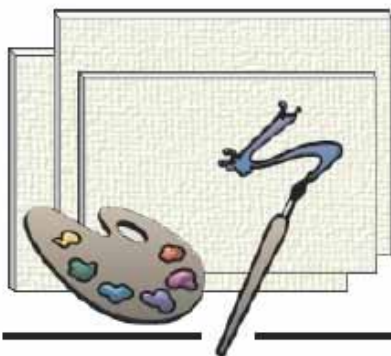
Other Opportunities

Phippen Gallery's 36th Annual Western Art Show & Sale. May 29-31, 2011, includes the 7th Annual Miniatures Show and Sale (May 1-31, 2011). For info: www.Phippenartmuseum.org or (928) 778 1385

Arizona Plein Air Painters Juried Members Show in Sedona. March 31-April 13th, 2011. Watch for the prospectus coming soon for

this exciting show in Sedona. The show will run for two weeks this year so make you plans to come up and participate in all the activities and to help us sit and sell at the gallery. For info: www.arizonapleinairpainters.com.

Michael Chesley Johnson is offering his **550 sq foot studio gallery** for rent on Sedona's Gallery Row in Creekside Plaza. Available April to November. Escape the heat as space is on Oak Creek below the towering sycamores. If you wish, this could be an ongoing arrangement. For more details and pictures go to www.pumphousegallery.com. Rent is \$750 per month, includes utilities and basic internet. 575-267-2450 or mcj.painter@gmail.com.



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The Upcoming Year

MONTH	ACTIVITIES	PROGRAM
April 3	Artist of the Month	Collin Fry presentation: How to Get Published, a handout/discussion session and Johnson Yazzie, published illustrator, on Children's Book Illustration.
April 15-28	Spring 2011 Juried Show	Sedona Art Center Community Gallery 15 Art Barn Rd, Sedona, AZ
May 1	Artist of the Month	Cycle 3 Art Challenge Discussion
June 12	Artist of the Year	Judith Spitz Demonstration



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