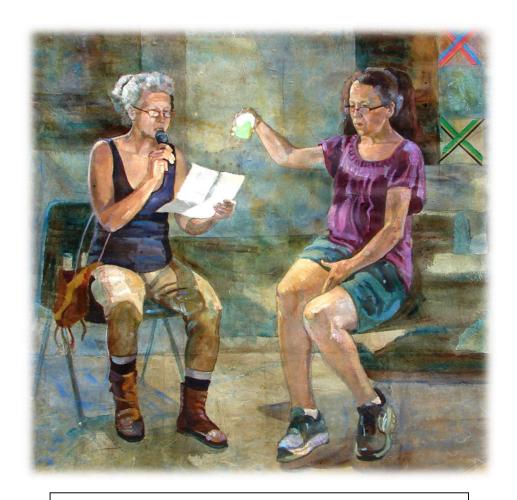


2018 Annual Report



68th Annual Best of Show "Late Night Presentation" – Dmitry Grudsky, SWA

The Year in Review

Fiscal Year 2018 – February 1, 2018 – January 31, 2019

The primary purpose of the Society of West-Coast Artists is to give instruction in and to promote and encourage the production, cultivation, exhibition and dissemination of Fine Art.

Demonstrations – San Francisco Chapter

February 2018 – Kay Duffy – How to Fix a Watercolor Painting



Kay Duffy will demonstrate a variety of techniques on how to fix your mistakes in watercolor paintings.

Kay has been painting for over 45 years and is an active member of the Allied Artists West, Santa Clara Valley Watercolor Society, Los Gatos Art Association, Saratoga Contemporary Artists, The National League of American Pen Women and a signature member of the Society of Western Artists. The City of Saratoga honored her by presenting one of her paintings to Saratoga's Sister City of Muko-shi in Japan. In 2005 the County of Santa Clara purchased a local vineyard painting to present to their Sister County of Florence, Italy. Visit her website at: www.kayduffywatercolors.com



"Sunflowers" - Kay Duffy

March 2018 – Joyce Barron Leopardo – Critique

Michigan born and educated, Joyce Barron Leopardo has lived in the San Francisco Bay Area for the past 39 years. Her work has been represented in the collections of Stanford and Mills Peninsula Hospitals plus many private collections in the United States and Europe. Joyce donates her time to both private and civic organizations for the arts. She has been juror and tutor and has received many awards

Professional Memberships are the American Watercolor Society, California Watercolor Association, Society of Western Artists, Santa Clara Valley Watercolor Society and San Diego Watercolor Society.





"My Favorite Chair" - Joyce Barron Leopardo

April 2018 – Ed Lucey – Oil Landscape





Ed Lucey will paint a landscape in oils with structures and perspective. Ed is a resident of Los Gatos and his early training and work was in industrial design. Having his own business allowed time for university teaching and developing his artwork. Ed has painted in watercolors, acrylics and now in oils. His subject matter centers around Central California where there is a wealth of source material from the ocean, through the wine country, the rolling hills, the urban setting of San Francisco and the high Sierra. He likes to show the brushwork or "structure" of the painting and rather than painting a subject as it is, he paints it as he would like it to be.

Ed is currently represented by The Los Gatos Museums Gallery in Los Gatos and Valley Art Center in Walnut Creek.

May 2018 - Denise Howard - Using Colored Pencils in Fine Art



Denise Howard grew up on a farm in rural Missouri. As soon as she could hold a pencil she started drawing everything, and her world revolved around her art until she finished college. She worked for several Silicon Valley companies for 25+ years.

Finally the urge to return to her art became too strong to ignore, so Denise began committing the time to pursue it as a second career and quickly began receiving local, national and international recognition for her realistic colored pencil and graphite work. She is a signature member of the Colored Pencil Society of America (CPSA) and the UK Colored Pencil Society (UKCPS), and has Master Pencil Artist Status (MPAS) with the Pencil Art Society (PAS). She is president of the northern California chapter of the CPSA.



"Faith's End" - Denise Howard

June 2018 – Floy Zittin – Bird Painting in Gouache and Watercolor

Floy Zittin has been fascinated with drawing and nature studies since childhood. Her Master's thesis in marine biology from University of the Pacific required learning scientific illustration techniques and this led to a career as a biological illustrator. She has worked on several textbooks and spent ten years creating illustrations of amphipods for the National Museum of Natural Sciences of Canada.

Floy's husband's studies took her to British Columbia. After returning to California, Floy became active in the art community of the Bay Area. Her paintings have won numerous awards in national shows and have been accepted twice into the prestigious "Birds in Art" exhibition at the Leigh Yawkey Woodson Art Museum in Wausau. Her works can be seen at: www.floyzittin.com.





"Goldfinch and Thistles" - Floy Zittin

September 2018 – Dmitry Grudsky, SWA – Collage Techniques with Mixed Media and Rice Paper



"Tunes" - Dmitry Grudsky SWA

Dmitry Grudsky was educated in Russia and holds a Masters Degree in Fine Arts from the Tashkent Art Institute. This intensive training exposed him to a broad range of artistic styles, building on a strong foundation in classical Western European art traditions with stylistic infusions from Asia Minor.

Dmitry is a Signature Member of SWA and has won numerous awards with our organization. His mixed media painting won "Best of Show" in this year's annual exhibit. His website is located at: https://www.grudsky.net



October 2018 – Martha Castillo – Techniques in Clay Printing





"Purple Mountain" - Martha Castillo

Martha Castillo's life reflects many facets of the arts. Starting with classical ballet as a young girl, she later discovered a passion for theatre, along with ceramics, collage, and the visual arts. She holds a BFA in theatre arts, and a Master's degree in Art Therapy.

In the mid 70's, Martha embarked on an exploration of ceramics as a sculpture medium, and continued her studies in England where she lived for seven years. In 1993, Martha returned to California. She focused for a time on collage and mixed media, and continued her studies of various other art techniques. During an investigation into fine art printmaking, she was introduced to Mitch Lyons and his innovative new technique, clay monoprint, or "clayprinting". Now working almost exclusively in this medium, she also enjoys teaching clayprint workshops, both at her studio, and other venues

November 2018 – Kat Bergman – Acrylic Abstract



Kat Bergman will do a demonstration on her techniques for creating an acrylic abstract painting.

Kat studied art history and design at a local college, as she raised her young family of two boys.

Kat worked in the Silicon Valley electronics industry for many years as a silk-screener, and later as a Quality Director. Throughout her life, Kat continued to paint, sculpt, and draw. For a number of years, she had a small business at home printing her original pen and ink drawings on glass and shirts. After a few years away from art making, she began painting again in 2009, and has continued to paint regularly ever since.



January 2019 – H Momo Zhou – Portrait in Oil using Photo



"I seek a feeling that might woosh past in a second. But that second of emotion combines a complex faint taste of sweetness, bitterness, happiness, and sadness. That is the precious moment that I want to capture and share. It is a kind of natural beauty that I thirst for. Not glorious or fancy, just something simple, something pure. I think of my style and my work as a combination of romanticism, realism and impressionism. I paint from life whenever possible and work diligently to capture its nuances. "

Momo's website is http://mopaintings.com/



June 2018 - Denise McGill - Collage



I paint all the time. I like to think of myself as bilingual. My first language is art. After that is English. I love art. I'd rather paint than eat! I am an illustrator for children's books and children's magazines. Love all things pertaining to children. I have a Bachelor or Fine Arts from American Intercontinental University. Working on a Master's Degree from Academy of Art University in San Francisco.



September 2018 – Ma Ly - Acrylic



I am a classical realist artist located in Clovis, $C\Delta$

Born in Laos, of Hmong origin, I lived for over 30 years in France. Largely self-taught artist, I have settled in Fresno in 2008, specializing in realistic artwork.

My art is primarily oil portraiture on canvas but I work equally in acrylic, pastel, graphite pencil and gouache upon request.



October 2018 – Trowzers Akimbo – Painting Portrait in Oil



I was born in downtown Los Angeles, but raised in the coastal community of Venice, CA. My mother's an artist and so was my maternal grandfather, so when, as a toddler, I showed a propensity for drawing and painting, I found lots of extended family support.

Genetic gifts, creative support, and cultural influences culminated in the best of higher educations at CalArts, where I had a hell of a lot of fun, met life-long friends and received my BFA.

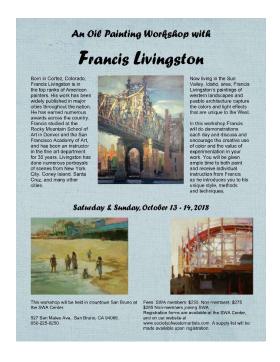


September 2018 – William Dunn – 2 day Watercolor Workshop



Learn how to plan and compose a painting for maximum impact and visual effect. Learn how to tap into your creative spirit and unlock your potential for full expression of who you can be as an artist. Daily demonstrations will help guide you on techniques and ways to improve as an artist. Along with watercolor skills and techniques: drawing, effective use of values and color and getting the most out of your brushes will be emphasized. Visit Bill's website at: www.williamdunnstudio.com

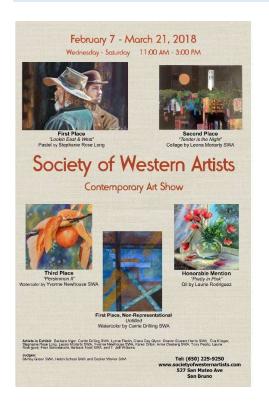
October 2018 – Francis Livingston – 2 day Oil Painting Workshop

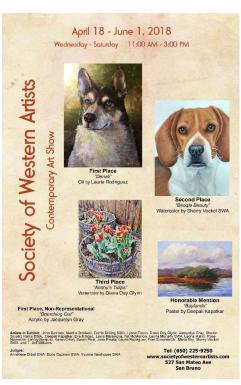


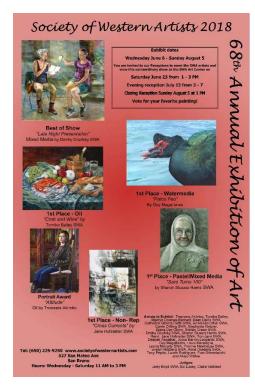
In this workshop Francis will do demonstrations each day and discuss and encourage the creative use of color and the value of experimentation in your work.

You will be given ample time to both paint and receive individual instruction from Francis as he introduces you to his unique style, methods and techniques.

Member Exhibits - San Francisco Chapter













January 26, 2018 – Annual Elections & Paint Collaboration

One painting, 4 artists
Linda Lamb, Maxine Fargason, Carol
McFarland and Denise McGill



February 24, 2018 - Silent Auction

March 31 - May 19, 2018 - Spring Show



Best of Show –
"Leader of the Pack" by Ron Jarvi





1st Place Oil – "Attitude" by Trowzers Akimbo

April 28, 2018 – Paint-In at The Door Gallery



Shirlee Rehart



Ron Jarvi



Maxine Fargason

June 29 – July 1, 2018 – Summer Show at Ziveli Winery









November 17 2018 – Potluck





SWA is on YouTube

SWA now has its own YouTube channel with short videos of some of our past artist demonstrations. To find the channel, type Society of Western Artists in the YouTube search and you'll see the videos completed so far. Please subscribe to our channel and you'll be notified when a new video is uploaded.















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The SOCIETY OF WESTERN ARTISTS, a non-profit arts society is dedicated to art shows and art education. Members of SWA are ...

Society of Western Artists presents Donald Neff, Snow Scene in Oils

Painter Donald Neff demonstrates his techniques for painting a snowy landscape in oils at the Society of Western Artists in San ...

Society of Western Artists presents Joyce Barron Leopardo, SWA - Abstract Painting in Watercolor

Joyce Barron Leopardo demonstrates her techniques for creating an abstract painting with watercolor at the Society of Western \dots

<u>Society of Western Artists presents Laurie Johnson Lepkowska - a Portrait Painting Demonstration</u>

Laurie Johnson Lepkowska Portrait Painting in Oils - Demonstration at Society of Western Artists September 2017.

Society of Western Artists presents Helen Scheel, Pastel Painting Demonstration

Pastel painting techniques at Society of Western Artists' monthly artist demonstration.

About the Society of Western Artists, a non-profit arts society in San Bruno, CA

A non-profit art education society for artists and non-artists provides art exhibitions/competitions, artist demonstrations and art \dots

Society of Western Artists presents Doug Dawson PSA, IAPS, Pastel Painting Workshop Slideshow 2011

Society of Western Artists hosted Doug Dawson PSA-MP, IAPS for a 3-day pastel painting workshop in 2011. Music credit: ...

San Mateo County High School Exhibit – March 23 – 30, 2018

Each year SWA hosts an exhibit for a local high school at our Art Center in San Bruno. In 2018, the show was for Aragon, Burlingame, Capuchino, Hillsdale, Mills, Peninsula, and San Mateo High Schools.

Skyline College Exhibit - April 4 - April 12, 2018

In 2018 SWA also hosted a show for our local college.

High School Art Scholarships

In 2009, SWA received a donation from the Joseph and Helen Hakl Trust of \$29,000. The funds were given on the condition that the interest on the funds would be used to grant art scholarships for local high school seniors. Each year SWA awards two art scholarships — one for a San Mateo County student and one for a Fresno area student. One of the local high schools is chosen on a rotating basis and the school's art teacher selects the deserving student.

In 2018, the San Francisco Chapter awarded the scholarship to Celina De Leon from Capuchino High School.

The San Joaquin Valley Chapter awarded the scholarship to Angel Lesnikowski.





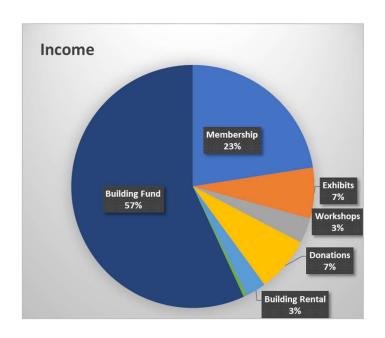


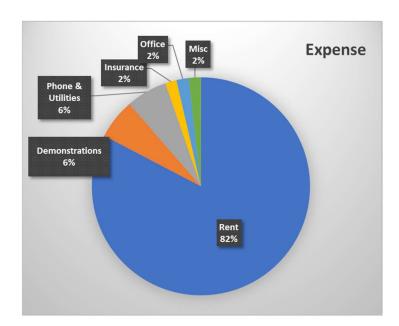
Angel Lesnikowski and 2 of her paintings

Financial Summary

Year-end January 31, 2019

Income		Expenses		
Membership	\$ 6,332	Rent	\$ 24,670	
Exhibits	\$ 1,900	Demonstrations	\$	1,775
Workshops	\$ 950	Phone & Utilities	\$	1,820
Donations	\$ 2,066	Insurance	\$	500
Building Rental	\$ 754	Office	\$	540
Misc	\$ 132	Misc	\$	537
Building Fund	\$ 16,000			
Totals	\$ 28,134	Totals	\$ 29,841	





Assets

Building Fund

In 1968 SWA did an Analytical Report to explore the ability of SWA to purchase a building and consolidate the various functions into a single location and formed a committee to look into the possibilities. In 1987 the membership determined that the Building Fund donations and income from the Building Fund would not be sufficient in the near future to acquire a building. It was the business judgement of the Society that in lieu of purchasing a building, a portion of income from the fund could be used for rent on real property. The Building Fund cannot be used for other purposes. Currently, the Building Fund is invested with Morgan Stanley.

The current value of the Building Fund as of January 31, 2019 is \$171,754.72.

Memorial Fund

The Memorial Fund consists of many donations made to SWA to honor loved ones and to support future artists by awarding prizes at SWA's Annual Exhibit. Most of the donations specify that the prize money be taken from the interest earned on the donated money, maintaining the principal. A few of the donations specify the type of award, such as watercolor, oil or pastel.

These are the memorials:

Brooks, Gretzner, Langton – Albert D. Brooks, Harold Gretzer, Hubert J. Langton Ellen Frank Chan, SWA Marjorie Close

Marjorie Close Elliot
Margaret and Walter Keane

Tom Leighton

Barbara Oglove

Neva Rall

Cecelia Pollard

Cornelia Hanel Malley

Vickie Lavorini

Ed Hawkins

Joan Lenfest

Fischer Trust

Moira Lukas

Miscellaneous others

Margaret D. H. Keane (born Peggy Doris Hawkins, September 15, 1927) is an American artist. Creator of the "big-eyed waifs," Keane is famous for drawing paintings with big eyes. Age 90, currently living in Napa, CA.



Joan Lenfest (May 8, 1914 – July 19, 2005) Joan was born in Chicago where she received her PhD at Loyola University, attended the Chicago Art Institute and Illinois Institute of Technology and San Francisco State University when she moved to San Francisco in 1950. She was affiliated with the Society of Western Artists, Marin Society of Artists and the National League of American Pen Women.

The current value of the Memorial Fund as of January 31, 2019 is \$ 153,219.63.

In addition to our Memorial Fund, we receive yearly donations for our Annual Exhibit prizes to honor the following:

Anna Klumpke Jade Fon Chip Mar Helen & Eric Barron Family



Anna Elizabeth Klumpke, (October 28, 1856 - February 9, 1942) was an American portrait and genre painter born in San Francisco, California, United States. She is perhaps best known for her portraits of famous women including Elizabeth Cady Stanton and Rosa Bonheur . en.wikipedia.org

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