



Shenandoah Valley Watercolor Society

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President Donna Detrich opened the meeting and thanked Brenda Hounshell for the refreshments. Donna also provided the minutes in the absence of the Secretary. No Treasurer's Report was given.

Jim Bomberger, Director of Exhibits, reported that the SVWS Members' Show at VMRC continues to be viewed daily and enjoyed by all. There have been seventeen sales at this time. The Viewers' Choice and Members' Choice awards will be given and posted on October 15<sup>th</sup>.

In honor of the 30<sup>th</sup> year celebration for SVWS, donations continue to be accepted for a one-time scholarship and/or grant to promote our mission statement: *"To promote an interest in watercolor, to offer support and encouragement to watercolorists, to offer educational opportunities to members of the Society and to the general public."*

At the Board meeting there was a long discussion about the changes that SVWS has made over the past 30 years. Brenda Hounshell and Janet Kuller are updating the information on the Signature Member process and the Specifications for Exhibiting to reflect our current status with both documents. The Board will review and approve these documents by mid-November at the latest. Once they are approved, the documents will be sent to all members via email to read and ask questions before the December monthly meeting. At the December meeting the documents will be voted on for approval.

The November 3<sup>rd</sup> meeting is the SVWS annual celebration dinner. The Board will be hosting the dinner. Members are asked to bring a dish to share with the group. The main dish, drinks, and paper products will be supplied. Spouses and guests are welcome! A brief meeting will be held to vote in the slate of officers and to announce the winners from the Members' Show for Viewer's Choice and Members' Choice. There is a Christmas card contest with four categories: Landscape (trees), Humor, Religious and Decorations. After the contest, Donna will be collecting cards from those of you who are willing to share your card for the Art Council from which to choose their Holiday Card.

Due to circumstances the October 22<sup>nd</sup> paint-out has been cancelled. The JMU Arboretum paint-out will be on October 18<sup>th</sup> Pat Martin is coordinating. Please remember that there is a \$5 fee which coordinators need to collect for the paint-outs; this fee goes directly to support SVWS.

Meetings are at  
7PM on the 1<sup>st</sup>  
Thursday at  
Westside Baptist  
Church, 715 W  
Wolfe St.,  
Harrisonburg, VA

A short business  
meeting is followed  
by refreshments  
and a critique of  
members'  
paintings. Guests  
are always  
welcome.

### Calendar of Events

#### Oasis

Ongoing show of  
Members' work

#### Paint-Out

JMU Arboretum 3<sup>rd</sup>  
Wednesday 10 a.m.

**November 3<sup>rd</sup>**  
Annual Celebration  
Dinner

**Annual  
Members Show  
VMRC**  
Show ends  
November 4th

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Are you interested in a 3-4 day workshop this coming year? The workshop would bring in a well-known artist as the presenter just as the society has done in the past. This would serve to increase our skills and to provide income for the Society as well. Bring names of artists with whom you would like to study for the consideration of the group. Let your wishes be known!

Sign up for bringing snacks for the coming year. To help members remember when they have signed up, names for the coming monthly meeting will be posted in the monthly newsletter prior to the monthly meeting.

There was one sale at OASIS, none at Hardesty Higgins or Taste of Thai.

For First Friday Downtown Harrisonburg on October 3<sup>rd</sup>, Barbara Gautcher, Allen Berkshire and Brenda Hounshell each had opening nights to individual shows which will be up for the month. Barbara is showing at 292 North Liberty Street; Allen is showing at 141 Bruce Street (upstairs) and Brenda is showing at 83 South Main.

Peg Sheridan participated in the Bath County Plein Air Paint-Out. Both Susan Rosen and Brenda Hounshell were in the Central Virginia Watercolor Guild Show and sold their paintings. Susan is also showing at King William Museum in Abingdon VA. Janet Kuller won first place in the VECCA show and has an individual show at Lord Fairfax College.

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**Peg Sheridan** offers many classes. Please check her website <http://www.pegsheridan.com/>

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For more on SVWS news and events please call Donna Detrich at 540-908-0489.

#### 2016 Calendar of Meetings and Events

<b>November Meeting:</b> Holiday Celebration/Election of Officers	<b>December Meeting:</b> Mini Lesson: Cool versus warm colors	
<b>November 5<sup>th</sup></b> – SVWS Members' Show pickup of paintings	<b>December 5<sup>th</sup></b> – Gallery Day	
<b>February and August</b> are months for prospective new Signature Members to be critiqued. The President needs a letter requesting Signature Membership status review at least a month prior to the month of critique.		