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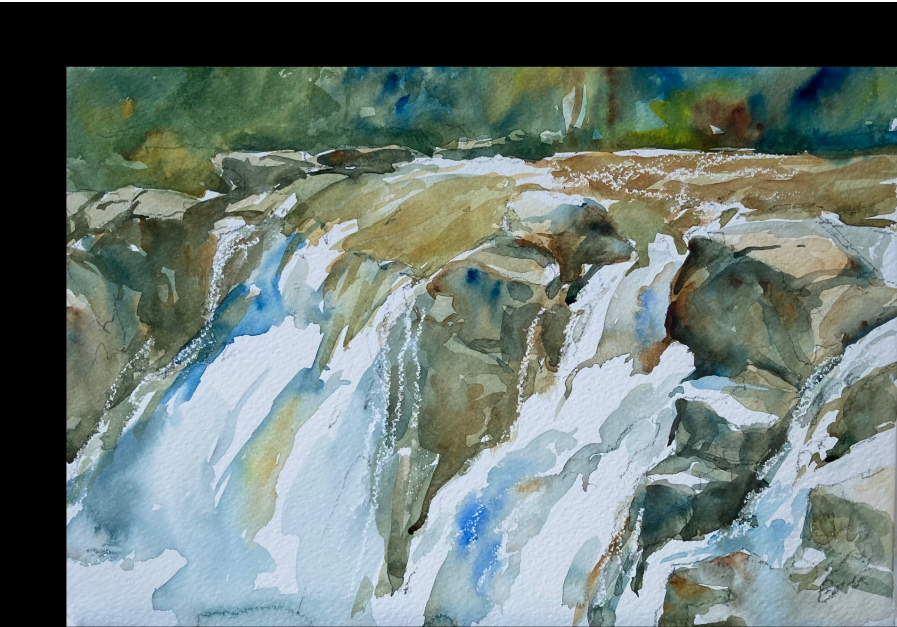
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JUNE MEMBERS MEETING WILL BE VIA ZOOM (THIS IS A CHANGE!)

Submit **September** newsletter items by **August 23** to treanorsally@gmail.com or US mail to **NFWS Waterbucket Editor, 756 Richmond Avenue, Buffalo, NY 14222**. To stay current, check our [web site at nfws.org](http://www.nfws.org) and always open anything that comes from **Carol Siracuse** and/or our **Mail Chimp Account**. These will have the most recent news and notices.

WATERBUCKET



ERIC W. SHUTE

June Guest Artist

Eric Shute was raised in upstate New York and at an early age began his artistic training at the Everson Museum of Art in Syracuse, New York. Eric holds degrees in Education from SUNY New Paltz, in Advertising and Illustration from Mohawk Community College, and a BFA from Syracuse University.

Mr. Shute spent the early part of his career in advertising working for major retailers but since earning his degree at Syracuse, he has worked as a full-time artist. Recently Mr. Shute was awarded the Loring Coleman Award: New England Watercolor Society Biennial, September 2018; received a Merit Fellowship and Residency in February of 2018 to Vermont Studio Center in Johnson, Vermont and was awarded a \$1000 cash prize for his watercolor submitted to the 33rd Annual Chelsea International Arts Competition sponsored by the Agora Gallery, NYC. In addition to his academic training, Mr. Shute studied painting technique with nationally recognized artists: Hong Nian Zhang, Richard Segalman, and Jenny Nelson.

He states: *My goal in watercolor is to capture the light of the scene and convey the unpredictable and spontaneous nature of the medium.*

From Fine Art News: With virtuoso brushstrokes, Eric W. Shute leads his viewer back to the simplest essence of nature. He studies his subjects, often en plein air, and succeeds in recreating through his art the almost lost connection to our agrarian beginnings. Though his paintings resound with a nineteenth century European light and color, the subjects are universal. He elevates the mundane to the level of a sublime understanding of our true connection to the earth. Frequently painting in watercolor, Shute's expert use of paint reaches a level of realism which is only attainable in the medium through consummate skill, in a manner reminiscent of Winslow Homer and Andrew Wyeth.

JUNE 2022



C A L E N D A R

June Members Meeting
Via Zoom (Change)
7:00 pm, Thurs, June 16
Eric W. Shute

This is the last issue of
Waterbucket until
September 2022

September Members
Meeting
Amherst Community
Church
7:00 pm, Thurs, Sept. 15
Sheila Reigh

All current NFWS
Members will receive an
invitation to each Zoom
Members Meeting

Dear Fellow artists,

It was with great caution that the NFWS board has decided to cancel our June "Show your Art" program. After having to cancel our May workshop because of the number of Covid cases among the participants and a fear of spreading it even more, we worried the same could happen in June. Luckily, our great demo organizer, Mike Killelea, was able to find us a wonderful replacement: Eric Shute, a former Buffalonian who now lives in Syracuse. So we will be doing a Zoom demo on June 16th at 7 p.m. I hope you will be able to join us either live or through our YouTube channel.

This has been another up and down year for all of us. I am sure most of us miss meeting in person. But we have been so lucky to have so many people in the organization with the expertise and the willingness to help us pull off Zoom demos. For some of our demonstrators we have been their introduction to Zoom and I am so grateful to our folks who helped them work through the kinks and to all of you who have remained loyal to NFWS.

In addition to the Zoom moderators, Carol Siracuse and Sue Dewey, we have had the help of so many others. We managed to have a Zoom workshop in October under the leadership of Betty Stanton and Becky Leahey. Jennifer Koury, Dawn Northwood and Louise Vacco put a great deal of work into trying to make our spring workshop happen, but Covid did it in. Both of our exhibits went forward which would not have happened without Deb Meier, Martha Rogala, and Janet Ide. Carol Siracuse kept our website up-to-date and provided us with the Zoom help. Linda Scarafia Davis has maintained our YouTube channel. Sally Treanor has done the Waterbucket with help from Sue Liddell and Sherryl Perez. Plus I have had the advice and help from so many people on the board. What a wonderful group of people. Thanks to all of you.

I hope we can reconvene in the fall in person, but we will monitor the situation as the summer progresses.

Ann Sessions
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C L A S S E S

Audrey Kay Dowling, beginner and intermediate classes, at her Gallery in Westfield, NY. Phone 716-753-0134 or akdowling80@gmail.com.

Gord Jones, CSPWC SCA, beginner/intermediate watercolour in Haliburton Ontario. Contact <https://www.watercoloursbygordjones.com>, gordonjones44@gmail.com or ph. 905-966-7193.

Jennifer Koury: teaches Fundamentals of Drawing and Expressive at the Springville Center for the Arts: Each session is independent. Call 716.592.9038. She also teaches at the **International Center for Watercolor at the Burchfield Penney Art Center**

International Center for Watercolor at the Burchfield Penney Art Center (BPAC) To register, contact **Kathy Gaye Shiroki** at 716-878-3549 or shirokkg@buffalostate.edu, or download from the website www.BurchfieldPenney.org/Watercolor.

Check for current and future offerings

Deb Meier Adult Paint Night at the JCC, 2640 North Forest Rd. in Getzville, NY. **Tuesday, June 14th**, 6-8pm, Fresh Blossoms, experiment with multiple flowers to create a loose floral still life with an atmospheric background. Cost is \$36 for members, \$48 for guests. All supplies are included. Class will take place in the Omanut Building behind the JCC. Contact Deb at 716-316-1029 or pleinpaletteart@gmail.com

Dan Meyer, all levels in Williamsville, Clarence and Akron. Call 716-633-6282, cell 716-380-3554 or email dmeyer101@verizon.net.

Sherryl Perez teaches beginner and intermediate students in person in Wheatfield on Wednesdays. Info at Sherryl@sherrylperez.com, 716-807-8227, or <https://www.sherrylperez.com/>

Sheila Reigh, beginner and intermediate watercolor, Town of Tonawanda Senior Center for members 60+. Contact Sheila 716-930-3305 or sreigh@verizon.net.

Deanna Weinholtz offers Zoom Online Classes and On-Site Workshops at Buffalo and Erie County Botanical Gardens. Intermediate and Advanced Watercolor Classes www.deannaweinholtz.com or buffalogardens.com

Becky Wilson, beginning and intermediate level painters in Lockport. Phone 716-998-9052. <https://www.watercolorsbybecky.net>

Join **Jody Ziehm** for 3 glorious day of plein air watercolor painting: Tuesday June 7 Linwood Gardens; Tuesday June 28 Wilson Harbor; Monday July 18 Cottage Gardens. Contact Jody at Ph. 716-731-4856, c. 716-940-3442 or jodyziehm@yahoo.com

N O T E W O R T H Y

Seth Brauchler has his first solo exhibition at Buffalo Art Movement Lab (BAM Lab), 255 Great Arrow Ave., Suite 200, Buffalo, 'til August 12th. Here's a link:

<https://www.bam716.com/exhibitions/sanctuaryes/>

Michael Cancilla was the featured artisan at the Roycroft Inn for the East Aurora Art Walk on May 6th.

One of two of **Mary Beth Cunningham**'s paintings in the Spring show was chosen as the cover of the 2022 Niagara Frontier Watercolor Society Show's Program!

Tom Dalbo received an Honorable Mention Award at The Fine Arts League of Buffalo 69th Annual Spring Juried Members' Gallery Exhibition.

Ric Feeney has illustrated a new book by Author Lyn Barrett. Titled *DID, Unpacked a Parable*, Barrett shared her journey from trauma to truth.

Kathy Giles has finished her painting *Tears For Ukraine II* for the Fabriano Prize just in time to enter it. It is transparent watercolor on Fabriano 140 lb. Cold Press bright white. She was nominated by **George Politis**.

Carol Siracuse will be the guest presenter at East Aurora Art Society's June 9th meeting.

E. Jane Stoddard was accepted into The Society of Watercolor Artists, the Mid-Atlantic Regional Watercolor Exhibit, the Catherine Lorillard Wolfe 125 Anniversary Juried Exhibit, the Rhode Island National, Louisiana International, won a Merit award with Golden Hour and was included in online Associates show for AWS.

We sadly share the news that NFWS Founding Member, **Pat Fortunato**, passed away on May 30, 2022. She was an amazing artist, an inspiration, a source of good humor, and a friend full of fun. To send condolences to her family, write to her daughter, Susan Fortunato, 223 Brantwood Rd., Buffalo, NY 14226.

N F W S N E W S

AWARD WINNERS SPRING 2022 MEMBERS EXHIBITION OF TRANSPARENT WATERCOLOR

- 1st Prize, **Jody Ziehm**,
Vespas
- 2nd Prize, **E. Jane Stoddard**,
Waiting in the Shadows
- 3rd Prize, **Barbara Fox**, *Aurora*
- Honorable Mention, **Vicki O'Reilly**,
The Guide
- Honorable Mention, **Martha Rogala**,
Rocks in Acadia
- Board of Directors Award, **Timothy Kerr**,
Snowy Creek
- Margaret Martin Award, **Beverly DiPalma**,
Mimosas in NYC
- Judge's Choice, **Kathy Armstrong**,
Mrs. Bea, Honey Vendor
- Judge's Choice, **Robert Bemisderfer**,
Moody Monday
- Judge's Choice, **Mary Beth Cunningham**,
Popsicle Summer
- Judge's Choice, **Louise Vacco**,
Schmitts Farm

COME JOIN US!

Skip Lawrence's zoom demonstration for NFWS on May 19, is posted on our Niagara Frontier Watercolor Society YouTube Channel.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=TwVw14qJZPk&t=164s>

And speaking of our very own channel:
[Niagara Frontier Watercolor Society YouTube](#)

1,000 subscribers to our NFWS YouTube
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2,579 Views, 27.4K Minutes Watched
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