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Submit June newsletter items by MAY 24 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](mailto:treanorsally@gmail.com). These will have the most recent news and notices. In-person meetings of NFWS take place at Amherst Community Church (AMC), 77 Washington Highway, Snyder, NY 14226.

CALENDAR

May

Members Meeting
7:00 pm, Thurs, May 16
IN PERSON AT
Amherst Community Church
RICHARD STEPHENS

May 18, 2-4 pm
RECEPTION for
NFWS Spring Members
Transparent Watercolor
Exhibit
One Linwood Ave, Buffalo

June

4:00 pm, Tues, June 18
NFWS Board Mtg
Via Zoom

June

Members Meeting
7:00 pm, Thurs, June 20
In Person At
Amherst Community
Church
SHOW YOUR ART SHOW
With Critique by
JENNIFER KOURY
&
MARTY KUTAS

WATERBUCKET



Gigi's Boat

RICHARD STEPHENS

<https://www.raswatercolors.com/>

A native of Hot Springs, Arkansas, **Richard Stephens** earned a Bachelor's Degree in Art from the University of Central Arkansas. After serving in the Army as an illustrator, he began his professional career with a design firm in Little Rock, Arkansas. Three years later he opened his own graphic design studio in his hometown.

Richard rediscovered transparent watercolor in the early '90s. He quickly garnered a reputation for his confident, loose, impressionistic paintings. His works have won numerous awards and has been featured in numerous publications.

Although recognized for his landscape, architectural and figurative work Stephens feels the real subjects of most of his paintings are his brushwork and the light he tries to capture and amplify through value contrast and an unexpected color pallet. Richard states that through teaching, more than any other endeavor, he continues to learn.

MAY 2024



Greetings NFWS Members:

The month of May brings us so many gifts. We have abundant fresh flowers for subject matter, comfortable weather to paint plein air, our Spring Workshop (with Richard Stephens!), and our Member's Non-Juried Transparent Watercolor Exhibition.

Mid-May will be very busy, Even if you didn't sign up for the workshop, you will want to attend our in-person meeting on May 16th to see Richard Stephen's watercolor demonstration. Then Saturday, May 18th, will be our Artist Reception at WNY Artist Group Gallery, 1 Linwood Avenue in Buffalo. That week will be saturated with watercolor experiences.

Just a reminder....it's never too late to start looking ahead. What are you going to paint and submit for our Fall Exhibition? 😊

Keep those brushes wet!

Deb Meier, President
pleinpalettart@gmail.com

C L A S S E S

Deb Meier at the Jewish Community Center of Greater Buffalo. Benderson Bldg. **Adult Watercolor Session II**, Wednesdays, 10 am - noon.

Session III, Wednesdays, April 10- June 26. (no class on May 15 or June 12). The JCC Member price is \$182 and Community price is \$204. All materials (professional paper, paints, and brushes) are provided. Each class focuses on a watercolor technique and how to use it in a composition. **Studio in Art**, Thursdays, Next class starts April 11, noon - 2pm. Supplies not included. Register at <https://www.jccbuffalo.org/art-workshops> or Katie Wzontek at kwzontek@jccbuffalo.org 716.204.2084.

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

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

Sally Treanor, all levels, **via Zoom**, Mondays, 9:30-noon. Contact Sally by text or voice at 716-912-1451 or email at treanorsally@gmail.com. Technical instruction emphasizing the triadic approach to color. Check out Sally's YouTube channel for instructional videos @sallytreanor 54.

Sandra Tyler, beginning and intermediate watercolor in Perry and Wyoming, NY. Ph 585-689-3931.

Louise Vacco Contact: For classes 716-597-6371 or LouiseVacco@gmail.com.

Deanna Weinholtz: Zoom Online, Intermediate and Advanced Watercolor and Watermedia Classes. Color Theory, Composition and Perspective for all levels. www.deannaweinholtz.com. Contact Deanna: deaweinholtz@gmail.com or 716-863-6191.

Becky Wilson, beginning and intermediate level painters in Lockport. Phone 716-998-9052.

Jody Ziehm Check for her schedule at the Carnegie Art Center, 240 Goundry Street, N. Ton. jodyziehm@yahoo.com or text Jody at 716-940-3442

N O T E S

Audrey Dowling, Karen Foegen, Sharon Fundalinski, Janet Ide, Jean Jain, Wendy Caldwell Maloney, Deb Meier, JoAnn Mileham, Marie Prince, Audrey Ross Sanders, and Carol Case Syracuse are NFWS members who have been juried into The Modern Works Exhibition of the 28th Annual WNYAG Members Exhibition At Artists Group Gallery, One Linwood Ave, Buffalo. It will run through May 10, 2024. *Cont'd Next Column*

N O T E W O R T H Y

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Audrey Dowling's Fibrous Textures of the Woods 1, Hand Colored Block Print was juried into "Different Fibers", the inaugural Juried Fiber Art Exhibit, Show: April 12- April 27 at The Arts Council for Wyoming County, 31 South Main Street, Perry, NY.

David Gardner's painting *Backpack Boy* was Juried into the 83rd WSA National Exhibition of the Watercolor Society of Alabama.

Kathleen Giles' painting, *Life is a Reflection of Youth*, has been accepted into WATERCOLOR USA. And her oil, *Midnight Peony*, was juried into American Women Artists.

Karen Harris has a painting in The Philadelphia National Juried Member's Show and in the Arts Center Of Yates County. She is also exhibiting at View in Old Forge in The Central New York Adirondack Show and the CNYWS Signature Show, and in the CNYWS All Member's Show in the Atrium in Syracuse."

Judith Haynes Levins has a painting in the Central Adirondack Art Show held at View Arts Center in Old Forge NY, thru May 25. The exhibit coincides with the CNYWS Signature member exhibit.

Our President, **Deb Meier**, has been written about in the April 2024 issue of the [Jewish Journal](#).

Dan Meyer's new exhibit, *The Nature of Things*, is at The Art Gallery at Montabaur Heights, 4530 Ransom Road, Clarence, on the Brothers of Mercy Wellness Campus, thru June 30, 11am-3 pm daily.

Sue Murphy's *Carriage Ride* was juried into the Philadelphia Water Color Society's Annual Member Show. She is also featured in the CNYWS Show at the Atrium and the Cazenovia Library for the CWS Member Show. Also, multi-talented **Sue** is branching out into Pysanky, traditional Batik eggs.

Steve Sidare's painting, *Collage*, is featured on the postcard for the Fine Art League's 71st Annual Spring Juried Show at the Carnegie Center

Annie Strack's painting, *Toes in the Water*, was juried into Society of Watercolor Artists International Exhibit. She has also been juried into the Watercolor USA Honor Society National Exhibit, Colorado Watercolor Society 33rd National Exhibition, Southern Watercolor Society 47th National Exhibit, and Illinois Watercolor Society 40th International Exhibition.

Jody Ziehm demonstrated a painting of Venice, Italy for the Batavia Art Society.

N F W S N E W S

ART STUFF SWAP

Start sorting now through your Art Books/Magazines/Supplies for our Art Trading and Giving exchange at the September Meeting. This is your chance to reduce clutter and help your colleagues. Whatever members leave behind will be contributed to a deserving organization. **Sandy Ludwig** (simcha343@gmail.com) is chairperson. Let her know your suggestions for a recipient. In the past, we've given to an Alzheimer's Program and to high school art teachers.

May Members Meeting. RICHARD STEPHENS

Guest Demonstrator
IN PERSON
AT AMHERST COMMUNITY CHURCH
7:00 pm, MAY 16.

Don't forget to watch the video of **Shelley Prior's** April demonstration for NFWS Members
[Go to the YouTube link on the NFWS website.](#)

LAST MONTH'S YouTube snapshot
4.3K total subscribers
4.9K views
1.4K hours watch time

Kathleen Giles in person and online. For Schedule and videos, go to <https://www.kgilesstudio.com/>

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

International Center for Watercolor at the Burchfield Penney Art Center. For listings of their continual programs, <https://burchfieldpenney.org/events/> or contact Kathy Gaye Shiroki at 716-878-3549 or shirokkg@buffalostate.edu.

Jennifer Koury. jkouryillustration@verizon.net or 716-655-5798. At the Roycroft Campus, 21 South Grove St, East Aurora.

Plein Air Painting at Historic Olmsted Camp in Sardinia, New York, Tuesday, May 21, 9 AM to 2 PM. Contact Cassie: 716-592-9038.