

# ARIZONA WATERCOLOR ASSOCIATION

## January 2017

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### January 14th Workshop - Grace Haverty

Grace Haverty will give an all day workshop for AWA on Saturday, January 14, 2017 at the AAG Building in Phoenix. Grace always packs a wallop of talent into her instruction. Grace is adept at most of the mediums of art. She enjoys sketching and has honed her drawing expertise by carrying a sketch pad with her most of the time. This habit has proven invaluable in all her art endeavors.



I usually think of Grace as telling a story with her art piece. She handles still life, landscape, cityscape and figure work with equal skill. Her workshop is sure to provide a myriad of ideas and applications. Grace is an energetic and entertaining instructor. She is interested in others and what they seek in their art. She will untiringly encourage, inspire and reassure all who participate in her workshop. There is a reason why she is requested repeatedly as an instructor for AWA!!



Grace often has subject matter with her. For example, for her flower demonstrations and instruction, Grace will have gorgeous bouquets of flowers placed through- out the painting area. These displays excite the students and lend themselves to unique and beautiful paintings. Coupled with Grace's genuine connection to others, the workshop is sure to be a pinnacle experience for all participants.



- submitted by Liz Ramsey

### Calendar Overview

#### Next Meeting

##### January 12th -...

- \* Board Meeting - 5:15pm
- \* Socialize/ Fun Table 7:00pm
- \* General Meeting & Demo-7:30 PM

#### Workshops 2017

Jan 14, 2017 - Grace Haverty  
Feb 11 - Julie Gilbert Pollard  
March 11, - Stan Kurth  
April 12-15th - Juror Workshops with Birgit O'Connor

**Note: Send Articles or Member News updates** to Liz Ramsey at [lizramsey@cox.net](mailto:lizramsey@cox.net) or Mary Valesano at [mmvalesano@gmail.com](mailto:mmvalesano@gmail.com). The **due date** for the **February** newsletter will be **January 19th, 2017!**

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## ***President's Message***



### **Thankful for Art!**

Every Thanksgiving I read the editorial in the Wall Street Journal titled "The Desolate Wilderness" written in 1620 by Nathaniel Morton, keeper of the records of Plymouth Colony, based on the account of William Bradford, governor. As the pilgrims arrived in Plymouth, there were no houses, no towns, no friends to greet them and winter was upon them. This article reminds me of how blessed I am. I am thankful for the opportunity to be involved in and make art. Whether making or viewing art, we live in a valley that is rich with opportunities; all we have to do is say yes to art. I recently saw the exhibition by the Contemporary Watercolorists of Arizona at the Gammage Theater. This is a wonderful show and I recognized many of our AWA members! We are so fortunate to have this venue available to us for our spring show 2017. The prospectus will be out in January, and the show will hang for two months! So say yes to art and get out your paintbrushes!

Although there is no meeting in December, the Board continues to be busy doing the business of keeping our organization going. As you may be aware, we will no longer be printing the member handbook, however our commitment is to make the website current, and easily available to our members for viewing or printing. The member directory is updated on a regular basis and prints out on letter paper size. Also available are the bylaws, and standing rules (which describes criteria for entering AWA shows).

We have some wonderful opportunities for you to become involved in AWA at the board level next year. We have two board positions opening up for Member Workshops. The advantage of coordinating these workshops is that you get to attend them at no charge! If you are interested, please consider making yourself available for one of these positions.

Wishing everyone a wonderful Holiday Season and see you on January 12, 2017 for our next AWA meeting... Demonstration by Grace Haverty.

"Whether you think you can, or whether you think you can't, you're right." Henry Ford

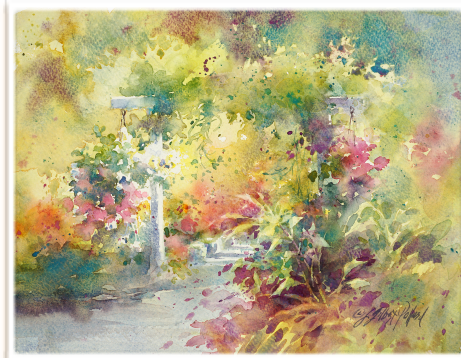
Ruth Philliben



## February 11th Workshop - Julie Gilbert Pollard - "Rock Gardens in Watercolor"



Phoenix artist, **Julie Gilbert Pollard**, paints in oil, watercolor and acrylic in a fluid, painterly manner. Her painting style, while representational, is colored with her own personal concept of reality. "The eye may see as a camera 'sees', but the mind's eye sees an altered, imagined image, what it wants and hopes to see. It's that illusive image, uniquely mine, along with a heightened sense of 'realness' that I try to express in my paintings. This world of ours is often a frightening and mysterious place, but it is filled with scenes and subjects that excite my eye and imagination! The magical allure of the natural world, and my reverence for it, compel me to attempt to capture its essence on canvas or paper."



Julie is the author of two "best seller" North Light Books, "Watercolor Unleashed" (2013) and "Brilliant Color" (oil & acrylic, 2009). Due for release in April 2016, also North Light Books, is "Discover Oil

Painting". Nine popular North Light Books/ArtistsNetwork.tv

DVD videos and downloads (three "Watercolor Unleashed", four "Discover Oil Painting" and two "Acrylic Unleashed") are readily available NOW (go to [Julie's Shop page](#) or North Light Shop). Additional publications include articles in: Watercolor Artist (April 2013), The Artist's Magazine (May 2010 and September 1987), 100 Ways to Paint Landscapes, (International Artist, 2004) and Watercolor '92, Fall Issue. She currently writes Watercolor Unleashed! The Notebook (self-published "chapter-at-a-time binder-book" – 2009 through 2016, ongoing), available at Julie's Shop page.



She has given instruction in watercolor, oil and acrylic since 1985 in numerous venues such as

La Romita School of Art in Umbria, Italy, Cheap Joe's Art Workshops, North Carolina, Beach Art

Group, Panama City Beach, Florida, Saanich Peninsula Arts Center, Sidney, B.C., Canada,

Dillman's Creative Arts Foundation, Wisconsin and San Diego Watercolor Society, San Diego,

CA. Current venues include Quinlan Visual Arts Center, Gainesville, Georgia,

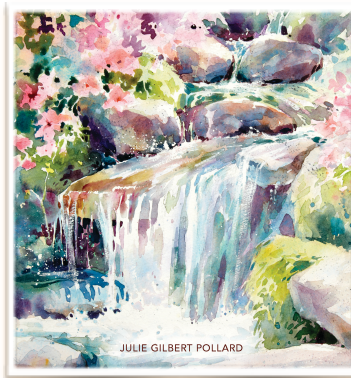
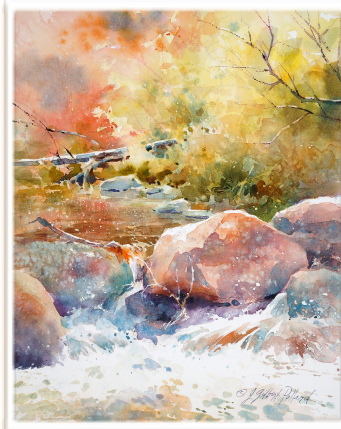
and in Arizona, Scottsdale Artists' School, Scottsdale, Shemer Art Center and Cynthia's Art Asylum in Phoenix, Mountain Artist Guild, Prescott, and Briar

Patch Inn, Sedona. (Complete listings and details can be found on her [Class & Workshop Schedule](#).) Her work is included in many private and corporate

collections across Arizona, the United States & around the world. Julie is represented in Arizona by Esprit Decor Gallery in Phoenix, Raku Gallery in

Jerome, Sedona Arts Center Gallery in Sedona and by Xanadu Studio Artists

in Scottsdale (online gallery).



**Join Julie on Saturday, February 11th, to paint "Rock Gardens in Watercolor". Interested persons should contact Candice Diaz [taydiaz@earthlink.net](mailto:taydiaz@earthlink.net) to sign up.**

-submitted by Candice Diaz

## ***“Thank You!” John Erwin***

On Saturday, November 12, 2016 John Erwin held his “Cityscapes, Parks and People” AWA Member One Day Workshop.



John had everyone who participated attempt to step out of their normal comfort zones and paint quickly with less controlled detail . We started the workshop with a quick lesson on 2 point perspective using a string and a paper clip.

We quickly moved on to painting freely with a lot of warm colors to create the autumn trees in a city park scene. A little salt was thrown in the wet paint to start creating some texture in the trees.

John Erwin’s enthusiasm and fun style of teaching was contagious as we then created groups of “little” people standing in front of the trees.

John’s number one advice on painting these people in the scene were to make sure we painted long legs and not make heads too big for the bodies. All was done rather abstractly while staying away from too much detail and worry. Black ink was then used sparingly to suggest some tree trunks and branches and add interest to the scene.

John also demonstrated painting two city scenes. The first city waterscape used only one color, “Paynes Gray”, to create a rich monotone painting. The second demonstration was a multi-colored cityscape. The workshop attendees then could decide which scene to recreate in their own style. Last but not least, everyone was given a piece of plexi plastic with the “Albertian Veil” 3 point perspective lines drawn on it. This perspective point of view dates back to the 15th century and proves quite useful when painting tight alley ways in city scenes.

A big thank you to John Erwin for a fun filled workshop day!

*-submitted by Pam Root*

### **WELCOME NEW AWA MEMBERS**

***Grisel Cordova  
Estaban Curiel  
Jazmin Martinez  
Paulina Ramos***

### ***Member News!!***

***Jim Fox is now an AWA Signature and Silver  
Signature member.***

***Please congratulate this hardworking AWA  
member on his recent accomplishment!***



## ***ASU ART STUDENTS RECEIVE THE DEL CECIL SCHOLARSHIP AWARDS!***

Congratulations are in order for three ASU Art Students who have won Scholarship Awards from the Arizona Watercolor Association's—Del Decil Scholarship Program! All three Art Students were awarded \$1,000 for the spring college semester (2017) at Arizona State University. During AWA's Monthly Meeting on November 10th, all three students received their framed Award Certificates and complimentary AWA MEMBERSHIP CARDS (with all rights and privileges) for one year. These Students are: ***Estaban Curiel*** (ASU Junior), ***Jazmin Martinez*** (ASU Senior) and ***Paulina Ramos*** (ASU Junior).

The Students displayed their Water Media Art Work for all AWA Members and Guests. During the enjoyable evening, each Art Student recipient thanked the Members for the award and gave a brief explanation and interpretation of their displayed art. In order to be considered, all three University Students submitted their applications, resumes and one-to-three works of art by the October 31st deadline.

Their art works were juried, along with all other applicants by several 'Award-Winning' AWA Fine Artists. Then they were notified of their accomplishment and Congratulated! During the November Meeting, the Art Students' Presentations were quite impressive. Their passion, tenacity and enthusiasm for their art work, along with their outstanding talent was thoroughly enjoyed by all members and guests! It was a reminder for all of us in attendance about the important place that AWA's Del Decil Scholarship Program plays in financially assisting and enriching college art students' water media skills and encouraging further interest in our media! And we can all be involved by supporting the Raffle Table selections at every Monthly Meeting—and purchasing tickets!

Thanks to all for your strong continued support of this AWA Program!

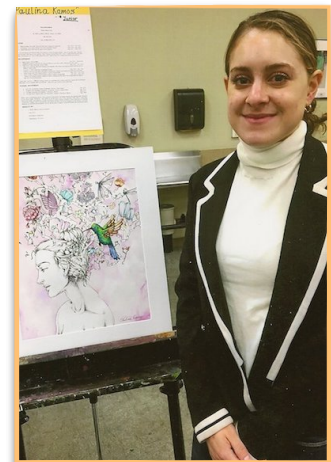
*-submitted by Janet Rodgers*



Estaban Curiel



Jazmin Martinez



Paulina Ramos

## ***Calendar of Events***

### **January -Happy New Year!!**

- 12th - AWA General Meeting: 7pm - Meet and Greet; 7:30pm General Meeting and demo by Grace Haverty
- 14th - AWA Member workshop - 9am to 4pm -with Grace Haverty - "Flowers"

### **February**

- 9th - AWA Meeting: 7pm - Meet and Greet; 7:30pm General Meeting and demo by Julie Gilbert Pollard
- 11th AWA Member Workshop - 9am to 4pm - with Julie Gilbert Pollard; "Rock Gardens in Watercolor"

### **March**

- 9th -AWA Meeting: 7pm - Meet and Greet; 7:30pm General Meeting and demo by Stan Kurth
- 11th -AWA Member Workshop - 9am to 4pm - with Stan Kurth; "Freedom in Watermedia"

### **April**

- 12th - 14th - 3 Day Juror Workshop - 9am to 4pm -with Birgit O'Connor
- 13th - AWA General Meeting 7pm - Meet and Greet; 7:30pm General Meeting and demo by Birgit O'Connor
- 15th - 1 Day Juror Workshop - 9am to 4pm -with Birgit O'Connor

### **May**

- 11th - AWA Meeting: 7pm - Meet and Greet; 7:30pm General Meeting

## **AZ Art Alliance**

*"Enriching Life Through Art"*

### **Exhibitions:**

"Interpretations II" at WHAM West Gallery – March 1 – 30, 2017

Please check our website ([azartalliance.com](http://azartalliance.com)) for details. The WHAM West Gallery, in Surprise, is a lovely facility that enjoys great community support.

### **Marketing:**

We are contracting with a marketing consultant to take the Alliance to the next level in regards to marketing, fundraising, sponsorships and grants.

Amazon Smile – The Art Alliance is already enrolled in this program. Shoppers may designate the Art Alliance as their charity, so that a portion of any Amazon Smile purchase goes to the Alliance. Please go to [www.smile.amazon.com](http://www.smile.amazon.com) to register.

### **AZ Art Alliance Website:**

Ads on Facebook – We plan to start buying ads on Facebook with the objective of increasing traffic to our website.

Juried AZ Art Alliance Artists can, for a nominal fee, have their artwork featured on the Online Gallery of Juried Artists at the Alliance website....a great way to exhibit your artwork to a world-wide audience!

2017 Quarterly Rep Meetings Schedule: Wednesdays January 25, April 26, July 26, & October 25. Meetings are held at the AAG Building, 18411 N. 7th Ave., Phoenix 85023 beginning at 9:30am. All are welcome to attend.

### **AZ Art Alliance Wants YOU:**

We are in need of some volunteers to fill the following positions: Treasurer (greatly simplified position since we contract with a bookkeeper), Graphic Artist, & Newsletter Editor. If you can help, please contact Alliance President Mike Brady at [mbrady@azartalliance.com](mailto:mbrady@azartalliance.com). Share your skills and make a difference!

- submitted by Judy Delmonico-Roll

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## Workshop Registration Form

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_  
Email: \_\_\_\_\_ Member : \_\_\_\_ Yes \_\_\_\_ No  
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Please complete form and mail with your check Payable to: AZ Watercolor to the appropriate chairperson:

Juror Workshops are held at the  
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### **Contact:**

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### **Spring 2017 - Birgit O'Connor**

- 3-Day - April 12, 13, 14
- 1-Day - April 15

1 Day \$75 Member    \$90.00 Non-Member  
3 Day \$235 Member    \$275 Non-Member

Total Amount \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
Check # \_\_\_\_\_

Member Workshops are held at the  
Arizona Artists Guild Building 9am–4pm  
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### **Feb 11, 2017 - Julie Gilbert Pollard - "Rock Gardens in Watercolor"**

### **Mar 11, 2017 - Stan Kurth - "Freedom in Watermedia"**

\$50 Members    \$65 Non-members

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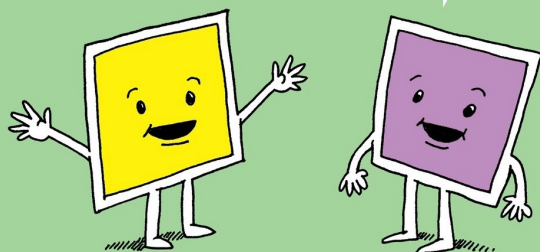
## ***AWA Mission Statement***

Arizona Watercolor Association (AWA), is an Arizona based non-profit corporation that promotes and advances the art of painting in water-soluble media and the promotion of public awareness and interest in watercolor mediums by way of education, exhibitions and other organized events. Watercolor includes any work created in water media on paper, illustration board, watercolor board or synthetic papers that are not varnished.



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Complimentary Colors

## Tip of the Month

*“For luminous color,  
mix your **paints** on your **paper**  
not on you palette!!”*

-Kim Johnson-Nechtman



**How about sharing this month's  
newsletter with at least one artist  
friend who is not currently a  
member of AWA?**

**Just forward this e-mail version to  
show them what is happening at  
AWA and how they could become a  
member.**

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