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Yvonne Joyner - **Member Workshop** - November 11th, 2017



Get ready to have a fun filled day painting Desert Blooms with Yvonne Joyner. Yvonne teaches a spontaneous painting style. The first part of the workshop will focus on a loose painting style detaching from the photo reference to design a "painting" and not a "copy". In the next phase, other materials such as water-soluble inks and color sticks will be introduced to encourage a more experimental and expressive interpretation of a desert bloom.

According to Yvonne, "Watercolor drips, flows and splashes, and has an element of surprise and excitement. We will interpret the subject by watching the paper and responding intuitively.



This is a fun, fresh and exciting approach without the pressure of trying to make a masterpiece. My goal is to capture the essence of the subject – the Light & Delight, without giving every detail in a photographic likeness. When the process is joyful, the result reflects it. Come splash with us." Yvonne has a degree in Fine Arts from Indiana University, where she was trained in oil



painting, ceramics & photography. After graduation, she worked as a professional potter and an art teacher before discovering a passion for watercolor 25 years ago. Yvonne's paintings have been shown in galleries in Scottsdale, AZ, Durango, CO and Sedona, AZ, where she has also been featured in one-woman shows and exhibitions. Being a long time resident of Scottsdale, AZ & an avid hiker, she enjoys painting the blooming desert, which continually inspires her. Another inspiration is the scenery of Colorado where she travels each summer to escape the desert heat. Her sister's garden in Indiana has also been the inspiration and source for many floral paintings and garden scenes.



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If you are interested or have any questions please contact either Mary Valesano at mmvalesano@gmail.com or Sally Gonzalez at AWAMemberWorkshops@gmail.com. Submitted by Mary Valesano, Chair, Member Workshops

Calendar Overview

Next Meeting

November 9th

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

Workshops 2017

Nov 11 Member Workshop with Yvonne Joyner
(wait list only)

Note: Send **Articles or Member News updates** to Liz Ramsey at lizramsey@cox.net or David Amsellem at damsell@mindspring.com. The **due date** for the **January** newsletter will be: **December 23, 2017!**

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President's Message



What an exciting time to be a watercolor artist! Whether you are a traditional watercolorist or love exploring a variety of styles & techniques, AWA has a workshop for you!

I recently attended the AWA workshop by Anne Abgott and this experience has me re-evaluating my palette! Anne is a self-acclaimed colorist who uses specific colors and color 'mingling' to produce vibrant paintings.

Every day at lunch she shared tips such as using photoshop to enhance your composition and clarify values in your painting, or advice about obtaining signature status in organizations.

Access to the artist and tips like these are one of the real added values of attending our workshops.

I am looking forward to our November member workshop by Yvonne Joyner titled "Desert Blooms"!

I am pleased to announce that we have members volunteering to help with our open positions. Linda Thiel will be working with the Exhibition team to secure Vendor Awards for our spring show. In addition, we have another member who is considering helping with membership and the newsletter! We will keep you informed as positions are filled. Keep in mind, we will begin recruiting board members for next year within the next few months.

We are still in need of members willing to take photographs at meetings and workshops. If you are a photographer, please consider helping out.

If you are new to our organization, please consider getting involved, whether by attending a workshop or volunteering to help.

"Creativity takes courage." Henri Matisse

Ruth Philliben, President

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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:

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Contact:

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Spring 2018 - Michael Rerdon

- 2-Day - April 11/12 2018
- 2-Day - April 13/14 2018

2 Day \$200 Member \$250.00 Non-Member

Total Amount \$ _____
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Sally Gonzalez
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Saturday NOV 11, 2017 - **Yvonne Joyner**: Blooms
(waitlist only)

Saturday JAN 13, 2018 - **Kim Johnson**: Portraits
(waitlist only)

Saturday FEB 10, 2018 - **Dyanne Locati**: Line / Design
Saturday MAR 10, 2018 - **Sherry Kimmel**: Collage

\$50 Members \$65 Non-members

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Check # _____

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.

Community Outreach

WOW! Thank you all who attended the October Meeting and donated to our Community Outreach project, Frank Elementary School located in Guadalupe. \$68.73 was received. A donation of one to three dollars by AWA members at each meeting they attend will help to buy the brushes and paints the School needs for their students. We ask that members who are unable to attend meetings to please send in a donation to our AWA treasurer, Melanie Harmen, Arizona Watercolor Association, PO Box 30693, Phoenix, AZ 85046. Please write AWA Community Outreach on the memo line on your checks. We are also accepting art supplies such as paper, Sharpies, crayons, paints, etc., items appropriate for students in K through 5.

We are approaching the end of this year so if you are considering giving a charitable tax deduction, please consider your very own AWA Community Outreach Committee Program. If you wish to donate directly to the school when you make out your income tax form next spring, the school's tax number is 866000480. Please let me know if you decide to do this. Your name will be kept confidential.

Questions, Comments? Contact Diane at awadiane@gmail.com. Together we can give back to our community and inspire budding artists.

Thank you, Diane Parnitzke, Chair and Sherry Kimmel, Co-chair.

Submitted by: Diane Parnitzke, Community Outreach Chair and Sherry Kimmel, co-Chair.

Calendar of Events

November - 2017

Thursday 11/09: AWA Board Meeting 5:15 - 7:00, Social time 7:00 - 7:30, General Meeting 7:30 - 8:00
WFWS slide show. Demonstration by Yvonne Joyner 8:00 - 9:00 PM

Saturday 11/11: AWA One Day Workshop 9:00 AM - 4:00 PM by Yvonne Joyner **(waitlist only)**

December - 2017

Friday 12/01: Entry deadline to get completed form, digital image, and entry fee for WFWS. Ted Nutall will be the juror.

Happy Holidays

January - 2018

Date to be determined Spring AWA Membership Exhibition

Thursday 01/11: AWA Board Meeting 5:15 - 7:00, Social time 7:00 - 7:30, General Meeting 7:30 - 8:00
Demonstration by Kim Johnson-Nechtman 8:00 - 9:00 PM

Saturday 01/13: AWA One Day Workshop 9:00 AM - 4:00 PM - Kim Johnson-Nechtman **(waitlist only)**

Kim Johnson Workshop –Saturday, January 13, 2018

Kim Johnson discovered her love for the creative process at a young age. Kim's masterful use of glazes and washes, wet and dry technique, and positive and negative space breathes life into pieces focused on the human and animal experiences.

Kim is a master at painting colorful portraits! This subject matter can be intimidating, but Kim will show you how to let go of that fear! Throw out those old, outdated rules for painting portraits in watercolor! In the January workshop, Kim will help us:

Learn how to use color, cross lines, connect shapes of your subject to your background and where to use soft and hard edges;

Breathe life into your subject matter using positive and negative shapes and by using glazes of color; and

Watch skin tones come alive as you improve your color selection for skin tones.

Kim is a signature member of The American Watercolor Society, The National Watercolor Society, Watercolor West, The San Diego Watercolor Society, The Transparent Watercolor Society of America, The Western Federation of Watercolor Societies, and the Arizona Watercolor Association.

Her award winning work is enjoyed by both corporate offices and private collectors.

Currently, Kim's workshop is full and is "waitlist only". Interested artists should contact Sally Gonzalez at AWAMemberWorkshops@gmail.com .

-Submitted by Mary Valesano
Chair, Member Workshops

Thank You Anne Abgott!



Recently, Anne Abgott was in town for four days of watercolor instruction. Workshop participants learned how to Mingle, Mingle, And Mingle! Anne is known for her beautiful colorful shadows, bold color choices and lively backgrounds. Anne shared her many tips and tricks including how to regain the white of the paper, how to connect shapes using color, how to soften busy areas, and how to breathe life into an average painting using gold or silver gesso. Anne also shared her many tips on manipulating an average photo using technology to produce a "wow" painting. Anne even worked through the lunch break sharing ideas for affordable art mementos and gifts, how to create your own tracing papers and how to create an interesting still life. The week was topped off with a fun, casual dinner with Anne! One could say this was truly "mingling" of a different kind!

Thank You, Anne for a wonderful week!

AZ Art Alliance "Enriching Life Through Art"

Exhibits:

The "ART in pARTnership III" Reception on Oct. 14th at Holland Gallery was a lovely affair featuring some great food, wine, and a beautiful flower-filled pumpkin centerpiece. The reception was jam-packed! Everyone had a great time chatting, eating, and enjoying the fantastic and diverse artwork. A couple of pieces were sold during the evening. Congratulations to the AWA Artists (Kelly Boren, Melanie Harman, Deana Katz, Jean Rossman) juried into this Exhibit, one of our best yet!

Congratulations to John Fontana, Past President of the Art Alliance, on his induction into the Arizona Veterans Hall of Fame. John manages our Veterans' Outreach Program, "The Art of Healing", which has earned statewide recognition and provided art instruction to thousands of veterans dealing with the wounds of war. The veterans' program has grown to include several locations and has put the Art Alliance at the forefront of Arizona Veterans' Outreach.

John wishes to thank all those who have volunteered countless hours with "The Art of Healing". Your dedication to this worthwhile program is much appreciated!

Please check our website (www.azartalliance.com) for more info on any of our Outreach Programs, for monthly Newsletters, Calls to Artists....and more!

Submitted by: Judy Delmonico-Roll, AZ Art Alliance Rep

Member News

Please submit your news to **Liz Ramsey** lizramsey@cox.net by **DEC 23** for the upcoming **JANUARY** newsletter.



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General Meetings - AAG Art Center
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2nd Thurs. of the Month
Fun Table 7:00PM
Meeting 7:30 -9:30 PM

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