

March 2010

the waterbucket



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NANCY HESSLINK MILLER

Nancy Miller, demonstrator for March, has studied at SUNY Binghamton, LaSalle Extension University, Waligur-Doering Gallery, Chautauqua Institution and watercolor workshops with Margaret Martin, Bill Gates, Sally Caswell, Don Getz, Christopher Schink, Gerald Brommer. She has won awards in numerous juried shows, including Allentown Art Festival, NFWS, Hamburg, East Aurora. In 2001, Nancy joined the staff at Meibohm Fine Arts in East Aurora where she has learned much about designing and producing custom framing. Presentation of a piece of artwork is an important element and is in fact, an art in itself.

FROM THE VICE-PRESIDENT

Dear NFWS members,

As the new vice president of NFWS whose job it is to alert the media to our existence, our meetings, shows and workshops, I send out press releases monthly and trust that they will find their way to newspapers and/or internet pages and inform an interested community. When I look for them in print, I don't always find them. So it was with pleasure that I received a phone call before the last meeting from an artist interested in trying watercolor herself and on behalf of her friend who had just moved back to the area. She had learned about us from the Amherst Bee. Halleluia! Sometimes the bread does come back upon the waters! Judy Egner showed up at the meeting, and I hope to see her back next month with her friend.

As I was telling her about our group, I was reminded what a valuable resource NFWS is, providing a friendly, supportive and encouraging haven for artists and would-be artists who otherwise might toil in isolation. I know that every month I get re-energized by the demonstrations, comforted by the commiserations, and enthused, even a little proud, hearing news of our members' successes.

Can we make it even better? It would be great to hear from some of the newer members who might have suggestions about what they are looking for and some new ways to share that information. At the last meeting, a comprehensive list of watercolor classes available in the area was proposed. I think that would be so useful. If you see a need we can fill, let us know at a meeting or by e-mail, and we will try to fill it. See you at the next meeting!

Anne Gayley, Vice President
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CLASSES

Calling All Watercolor Teachers: We are currently updating our **NFWS Member Watercolor Teacher Directory** for our website. If you would like to be posted on our website as a watercolor teacher, please submit the following brief information to Sheila Reigh (692-6966), sreigh@roadrunner.com or 120 Ellicott Creek Road #12, Tonawanda, NY 14150: name, phone number and/or email address, and instruction level(s). Class specifics should still be forwarded to waterbucketeditor@juno.com by the 23rd of the month prior to the start of your classes.

Rita Argen Auerbach will conduct a watercolor workshop *Plein Air Painting & Picnic in the Park* Saturday, May 8, 10:30 AM - 2:30 PM at the Burchfield Penney Art Center with inspiration from the exhibition *Heatwaves in a Swamp: The Paintings of Charles Burchfield* on view. Open to all levels of painters. All materials will be provided, however bring your own folding chair and your own lunch. Fee: \$55 BPAC members, \$65 non members. Registration: Katie Kelly 716-878-3216, kellymc@buffalostate.edu

Rita Argen Auerbach will offer four one-day Watercolor Workshops in Chautauqua Institution Special Studies Program, Wednesdays July 7, 21, August 4, 18. Hours: 9:00 AM - 1:15 PM. All levels of painters are invited to a full immersion working from a variety of Chautauqua themed subjects following a demonstration. Personal instruction throughout the day will be concluded with a group critique. Limited to 15. Classes are held in the Chautauqua Women's Club located on the lakefront. Fee: \$95.00. Registration begins April 1 www.ciweb.org or 716 357 6250

Lorna Berlin, AWS will have a series of classes in the Amherst area. Come for one or more. Call 716-633-9450 for further details.

In the Footsteps of Frederic Church, with **Evelyn Dunphy**, first Visiting Artist in the history of Baxter State Park. *Plein Air* painting workshops at *Rhodora*, Frederic Church's

camp on Millinocket Lake. Stunning views of Katahdin, comfortable rustic camps, small groups with lots of individual attention. An unforgettable experience in a historic setting. Demonstrations in watercolor. Aug. 12-15, Sept. 2-5, Sept. 30-Oct. 3. Everything included: Private cabin \$635, screened, enclosable lean-to's \$605, shared room in main camp \$575. To register or for information, contact Evelyn Dunphy at 207-443-5045 or artist@evelyndunphy.com. Website: www.evelyndunphy.com

Julie McIndoo offers watercolor painting classes at Art Dialogue Gallery, One Linwood Avenue, Tuesday mornings, 10:00 am - 12:00 noon. Each 5 week session fee is \$50. Call 337-2531 (home) or 479-3552 (cell) to sign up.

Michael McMahon will be offering a 6-week watercolor course, *Watercolor for Adults* on Saturdays 3/13/10 thru 4/17/10 at the Red Brick School House @ 145 North 4th Street, Lewiston, NY 14092. \$60/6 weeks. Questions: Call Michael at (716) 434-0401.

Sheila Reigh teaches 6-week sessions of beginner and intermediate watercolor classes YEAR-ROUND at the Town of Tonawanda Senior Center, 291 Ensminger Road, 14150 (874-3266) to residents of Ken-Ton 60 years and older. Become a Sr. Center member today and sign up! Contact Sheila @ 692-6966 or email sreigh@roadrunner.com.

BULLETIN BOARD

A transparent watercolor by **Carol Koziol-Clark** has been accepted for Impact Artists' Gallery 2010 Spring National Exhibition, March 3-April 2. Reception is Saturday, March 6, 2-4 pm at Tri-Main Center, Suite 545, 2495 Main Street. Buffalo. Carol has also had a watercolor accepted by the WNY Artists Group Traditional Works Show now on view at Art Dialogue Gallery, One Linwood Ave. Buffalo.

Catherine O'Neill will have a featured article in the spring issue of Watercolor Magazine, which will be available mid-March.

The Lewiston Public Library will be hosting an opening reception March 31st for **Jody**

Ziehm's permanent installation, *Animals Everywhere are Reading and Doors are Opening*. A unique project of watercolors painted on doors. A link to an audio slide show of the installation can be found on Jody's website, www.jodyziehm.com. The Library is located at 305 South 8th Street Lewiston, NY.

NFWS News

Looking for an MS Word-literate **Waterbucket co-editor!** For info, call Mary Hardegen, 648-1539 or Sally Treanor, 912-1451.

EVENTS

Call for Work: Solo Art Exhibition. You are invited to participate in a drawing for a solo exhibition of your art at the Market Street Art Center! The exhibition will be held February 2011 in our upstairs gallery. Registration will be accepted from February 1 through April 1, 2010 at a cost of \$20 per entry. For more info, go to: http://www.marketstreetartcenter.org/pdfs/CallforArtistsSoloExhibitDrawing_.pdf

The **Southern Colorado Water Societies** invite you to be a part of their first national water color exhibition, *Aquarius National*. For information, go to www.scws.us

Nancy Miller/March Artist Statement



Nancy's love of the outdoors is the inspiration for most of her watercolor paintings. She states: "I feel connected to nature and try to impart a sense of reverence for it in my work. Although most of my paintings are realistic, I am more concerned with creating an engaging piece than about reproducing a subject photo-realistically. At times, allowing the spontaneity of the medium to take over gives exciting, unexpected results. I feel that watercolor can produce a unique clarity, vitality and luminosity unlike any other medium. Using transparent watercolor to explore the shapes, colors and textures all around me, or in my imagination, is a wonderful lifelong challenge."



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Calendar

Board MeetingThursday, March 11 6:30 PM
Members' Meeting (**Nancy Miller**)Thursday, March 18 7:00 PM
Next Board MeetingThursday, April 8 6:30 PM
Next Members' MeetingThursday, April 15 7:00 PM

Members' meetings are held at Amherst Community Church, 77 Washington Highway, Snyder. February Board meeting is at **Joan Hoffsummer's residence, 72 North Park Ave., Buffalo 14216**. Submit newsletter news items via post mail to NFWS, Waterbucket Editor, 756 Richmond Avenue, Buffalo, NY 14222 or e-mail: waterbucketeditor@juno.com. **The copy deadline for the April issue is March 23, 2010.**