

PROSPECTUS for the

153rd ANNUAL INTERNATIONAL EXHIBITION of the American Watercolor Society

The Salmagundi Club New York City

April 6 – April 25, 2020

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AMERICAN WATERCOLOR SOCIETY, INC.

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Exhibition Dates April 6 - April 25, 2020

The Annual Exhibition of the American Watercolor Society is juried by Signature Members who have been elected by the AWS membership. It is the purpose of the Society to promote the art of painting in water media and to exhibit works from the best contemporary watercolor artists.

ELIGIBILITY

The Annual Exhibition is open to all artists working in water media on paper (Yupo is permitted). No other surfaces accepted.

- · Watercolor, Acrylic, Casein, Gouache, Egg tempera
- No collage, pastels, digital images, any form of print or reproductions.
- Artist's original work only. No class work. No work done under supervision. No copies or likenesses of another artist's work including published source or reference work not attributable to the artist.
- One entry per artist.
- · No work previously exhibited with the American Watercolor Society may be submitted.
- Maximum frame size is 44" in any direction.
- Minimum **image** size is **140** square inches (multiply height x width).

ENTRY PROCEDURES SUBMIT ONE METHOD ONLY: ONLINE (Preferred) or BY MAIL

ABOUT YOUR DIGITAL IMAGE (Online and Mail):

- Digital file must be in JPG format, file size up to 3.5MB.
- For best presentation, resolution should be 300 DPI.
- Minimum of 1800 pixels on the longer side.
- Image must be correctly oriented (vertical or horizontal).
- Show only the image, no frame or mat.
- No digital enhancement is allowed.
- File name on CD must include the artist's name in this format: (smith_jane.jpg)

TO SUBMIT YOUR ENTRY ONLINE:

- Go to the AWS web site to review the instructions for online entry.
- If you do not already have one, you must create an AWS online account. Online entries require a valid email address
- If you submitted an entry in the last five years, online or not, you already have an AWS online account.
- If you already have one DO NOT create a new one.
- If you need help logging in or have other questions contact the AWS New York office (212.206.8986).
- You need NOT send a printed copy of your entry or a selfaddressed envelope.

ENTRIES MUST BE SUBMITTED ONLINE OR POSTMARKED NO LATER THAN NOVEMBER 15, 2019

NO CHANGES MAY BE MADE AFTER ACCEPTANCE

ENTRY FEES:

Signature Member	\$20
Associate Member	\$30
Non-Member	\$60
Lifetime/Honorary Members	no fee

If your dues are not current you must enter as a Non-Member.

If you want to join or renew your membership please do so *before* submitting your entry. Have a question about your Membership status? Call the AWS office (212.206.8986).

TO SUBMIT YOUR ENTRY BY MAIL:



- Digital images must be submitted on a CD or DVD.
- Label your CD using permanent marker, as shown on the left.
- If you do not provide an email address on the entry form at the bottom of the last page, you must include a stamped (US First Class), self-addressed envelope for notification. (email preferred)
- There is no need to enclose a printed copy of your entry.
- CDs will not be returned.

CD ENTRY MAILING ADDRESS:

AMERICAN WATERCOLOR SOCIETY Submissions Department 17520 Doctor Bird Road Sandy Spring, MD 20860 USA

Do NOT mail entries to the AWS office in New York.

LIABILITY

All artists whose work is selected for exhibition will receive instructions for shipping and delivery in the **Acceptance Notice.** Although the utmost care will be taken in handling works of art, AWS and/or AWS's representatives and the Salmagundi Club will not be responsible for damage or loss, whatever the cause. Accepted artists release AWS, AWS's representatives, DAD Trucking and/or the Salmagundi Club from all liability with respect to loss or damage to the artist's works of art. It is suggested that artists carry their own insurance, in proper limits. Submitting a work of art to this exhibition shall constitute an agreement on the part of the artist to comply fully with the conditions and terms set forth in this Prospectus as well as in the Acceptance Form.

EXHIBITION - PROCEDURES AND REGULATIONS

All paintings become subject to the procedures and regulations of the AWS upon receipt in New York. No painting received for exhibition, either in the New York Exhibition or the Traveling Exhibition, may be removed for any reason prior to the end of the exhibition(s). The **Traveling Exhibition**, consisting of 40 paintings, will be selected by the Jury of Awards for a nationwide tour of museums and galleries. All paintings for which **Permission to Travel** has been granted by the artists are eligible for selection. Both the New York Exhibition and the Traveling Exhibition are handled by professionals and all due care is taken to insure the safety of every painting. All work accepted for exhibition will be included in the 153rd Annual Exhibition Catalog. All exhibiting artists, whether AWS members or not, will receive a copy of the catalog. Images of accepted work may be used by AWS in print/web promotional ads.

SALES

The AWS welcomes more than 3,000 visitors to its Annual Exhibition each year and is noted for its outstanding quality and professionalism. The AWS always acts in your best interest, answering questions about artists and their techniques, styles and materials.

Copies of the artist's statement and bio are given with every sale and both are available in a binder for the interest and information of the visitors as well as the many students and teachers in attendance. If you are accepted, consider this when preparing these documents.

- All paintings will be considered for sale at the price set forth by the artist unless marked NFS (Not for Sale) or
 0 (zero). Prices may not be changed or withdrawn once submitted.
- Any painting sold in the New York Exhibition or Traveling Exhibition is subject to a 35% donation to the AWS.

SIGNATURE MEMBERSHIP

Any artist who has exhibited in two previous AWS Exhibitions may apply for Signature Membership. Write to Jim McFarlane, President Emeritus, AWS, 47 Fifth Avenue, New York, NY 10003, for details. Please specify the two years you were accepted. NO APPLICATIONS FOR SIGNATURE MEMBERSHIP FOR THE 2020 SEASON WILL BE ACCEPTED AFTER NOVEMBER 1, 2019. **Signature Candidates should NOT submit entries online.** The November 15 deadline for submission is also applicable to Candidates for Signature Membership.

SUSTAINING ASSOCIATE MEMBERSHIP

Information and applications for Sustaining Associate Membership may be downloaded from our website or obtained by writing to the American Watercolor Society, 47 Fifth Avenue, New York, NY 10003. Kindly include a self-addressed envelope with first class postage. In addition to a reduced Exhibition entry fee, benefits of Associate Membership include all announcements of AWS activities, the twice yearly Newsletter, Prospectus, printed Catalog of the Annual Exhibition (where you will be listed as an Associate Member) invitations to the opening reception, Watercolor Demonstration Evening and annual dinner.

AWARDS

Estimated \$50,000 in Cash and Medal Awards

JURY OF SELECTION

Antonio Masi, Chair
Susan Avis Murphy Carla O'Connor
George Politis* Donna Zagotta

EXHIBITION CALENDAR

Entries Open Tuesday, September 3, 2019
Entries Close Friday, November 15, 2019
Jury of Selection Tuesday, January 7, 2020

Acceptance Notice After January 10 by email or mail or Check Website for List of Accepted Exhibitors

Declined Notice After January 13 by email or mail

Receiving Dates Shipped Work due at DAD Trucking by

Friday, February 14, 2020

Hand-Delivered Work to Salmagundi Club, Friday, February 21, Between 10 AM and 2 PM

Jury of Awards Sunday, February 23, 2020

Notice of Awards After February 28 - NO CALLS PLEASE

Exhibition Opens Monday, April 6, 1 PM Opening Reception Tuesday, April 7, 6 to 8 PM

Watercolor Evening I Thursday, April 16, 6 to 8 PM (Tim Saternow) Watercolor Evening II Thursday, April 23, 6 to 8 PM (Lynn McLain)

Annual Meeting Friday, April 24 at 4 PM

Cocktails, Awards Dinner Friday, April 24 at 5 PM to finish Exhibition Closes Saturday, April 25 at 5 PM

Return of Hand-

Delivered Work Monday, April 27 from 11 AM to 2 PM**

JURY OF AWARDS

Tim Saternow, Chair Jean Grastorf Cathy Hegman

CD ENTRY PROCEDURES CHECKLIST

Remember to:

- Complete the Entry Form at the bottom of this page in its entirety and include it with your CD
- 2. Label your CD according to the diagram on page 2 and place it in a protective mailer
- Include a check for your entry fee: \$60 (Non-Member), \$30 (Associate Member) or \$20 (Signature Member)

AMERICAN WATERCOLOR SOCIETY COMPLETE AND SAVE FOR YOUR RECORDS

Title	Price	
Image Sizex	Frame Sizex	
Date Entered	_Insurance Value	
Shipped by		
Tracking Number		

FOR ENTRIES BY MAIL: COMPLETE THE ENTRY FORM BELOW IN FULL AND RETURN

Be sure to include the correct entry fee and, if no email, a self-addressed stamped (first class US postage) envelope.

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Title	Medium		
Artist	Image Size		
		Height x Width	
Address	Framed Size _	Framed Size	
		Height x Width	
City/State/Zip	Country		
Price			
Email (print clearly)	Phone		

MEMBERSHIP STATUS (CIRCLE ONE): Signature Sustaining Associate

Non-Member Lifetime/Honorary Member

If your 2020 dues are not current you must enter as a Non-Member.

If you need to renew your membership or want to join please do so before submitting your entry.

^{*}Invited International Juror

^{**}You are responsible for notifying your agent of pick up date.