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Art & the Artist

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Newsletter for the Mid-Valley Arts League



Mark Wood

Demonstration and Workshop - Randy Hale

Masters in the Park - Saturday May 4th

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Deadline is the first Wednesday of the
month. If you have an event that takes
place in the first half of the month - be
sure to get it in the month before.

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE



Hello Members!

The Board had been discussing a couple of issues critical to our Organization moving forward and wanted to provide an opportunity for the greater Membership to brainstorm.

The great Japanese author Ryunosuke Satoro said, "Individually, we are one drop; together, we are an ocean."

So, we will be having a brainstorming session on May 29th to discuss how to expand our workshop offerings and reach other demographics in growing Mid Valley. Everyone is invited to join at Mary Archibald's residence starting at 5:00pm.

I am happy to announce that Monica Juarez is our new treasurer and will be taking over the bookkeeping tasks that Lee Johnson has been doing for us. Thank you Lee for all the hard effort you have provided.

MVAL just had a successful workshop with Carol Carter. We have some terrific demonstrators coming up as well, including Randy Hale, Jeanne Hyland and Pablo Ruben. Look for further information inside the newsletter.

And also, remember the scholarship auction. Advise all you think might have an interest to go to MVAL.ORG to find the link to the auction.

All the best,

John Byram
MVAL President

MEETING DATES

APRIL GENERAL MEETING

IN PERSON and ZOOM MEETING

April 17th, 2024 - 7:30 PM
Church of the Good Shepherd
400 W. Duarte Rd., Arcadia, CA 91007-6819

MAY BOARD MEETING

May 1st, 2024 - 7:00 PM
Virtual Meeting via Zoom._

MARCH DEMONSTRATION

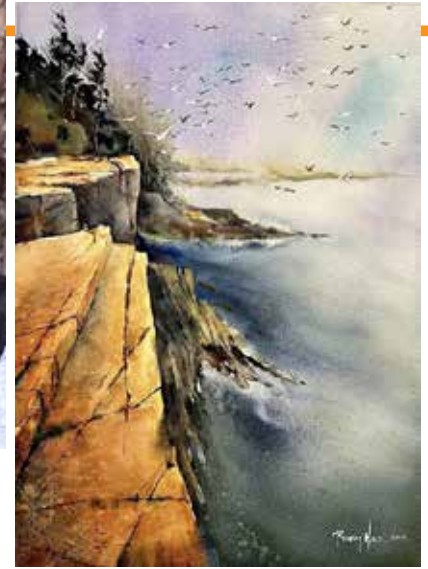
RANDY HALE

Western Watercolors

I've always thought watercolor is best served in splashy, spontaneous strokes. It yearns to be transparent and luminous. Fluidity is the hallmark of watercolor. But of equal importance is dramatic use of light and shadow. It's what provides definition, bringing form to life, creating an understated rhythm between the real and imagined. Above all, I like to leave some things undefined just enough for the viewer to bring their own experience into what they see as they interpret my work.

I am a Colorado artist, workshop instructor, signature member, and juror. I've had the good fortune of being able to conduct workshops for painters throughout the country.

My introduction to watercolor came about as an undergraduate art major at Principia College above St. Louis. My mentor and instructor was James Green, an original member of a coterie of notable watercolorists coming out of Choinard and Art Center in Los Angeles during the early 1930's. This group of painters were close friends and had great influence upon each other's work. They included such notable names as Robert Woods, Rex Brandt, Barse Miller, Milford Zornes and Millard Sheets (to name a few). These watercolorists were instrumental in creating a distinct style that has become known as the California school of watercolor. And one can easily recognize their influence in my own artistic work to this day.



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ZOOM MEETING

For those preferring to stay home.
You will receive an email before the meeting telling you how to log on ZOOM to attend. The meeting will be open for log-in starting around 7pm.

ART OF THE MONTH

Art of the Month is going back to being in person, at the meeting only.
Work may be framed or matted so that it can be displayed on an easel.

If you have an easel, floor or table style, PLEASE bring it.

There will be no theme this month.

- **Nikki Thomas** - *Art of the Month Chairman*
Artist of the month Chairman



Tomika Higuchi - Winner for March

SHOWS TO SEE

From Field to Frame:
The PAC6 Shows How It's Done

March 9 through July 7, 2024.

The Santa Paula Art Museum is located at:
117 North 10th Street
Santa Paula, CA. 93060
Phone: (805) 525-5554

Hours:
Wednesday through Saturday. 10am – 4pm
Sunday. 12pm – 4pm
Closed Monday and Tuesday

Admission
Adults \$4.00
Seniors. \$3.00
Students and Members Free

ARTIST'S NEWS

Light & Literature II

Dilmit Singh

April 13 - May 24
Crain Art Gallery'
Crowell Library
1890 Huntington Drive
San Marino, CA 91108

Original Oils & Watercolors
Original and print Greeting Cards

Opening Reception, April 13, 2-4PM

NEW MEMBER

Monica Juarez
Azusa CA

Monica is our new bookkeeper.
She doesn't have a background in art, but she is very interested and has decided to join our league so that she can learn more!

Monica's hobbies are traveling, hiking and biking riding.

ON THE COVER

The cover this month was painted by lifetime member **Mark Wood.**

DEMONSTRATORS NEEDED

Yosemite Sierra Artists are looking for artists who would be interested in doing demos for our art club,
-Yosemite Sierra Artists, located in northern CA., via Zoom.

Would you put the word out to your demonstrators and members to see if they are interested?

We pay \$150-.
Please contact Wendy Denton, our Demonstrator Chair and let her know.
wendydenton@sti.net

Vicki Thomas - MVAL Lifetime Member

THURSDAYS IN PLEIN AIR

To confirm or ask questions
Call Lynne Fearman (626) 355-7562 cell: (626) 487-6566
Bring lunch or take a chance there will be a place to buy.

If you are on Facebook, join the
"Thursdays in Plein Air" Facebook Page.

The Facebook page will keep you updated on any changes and connected with the other painters!

Meet at the designated location at 9:00am and paint till 12:00.

At noon we gather for lunch and sharing of sketches and paintings. After lunch is the critique/share.

The critiques are informative and instructional.

In the event of rain the paint-out will be canceled.

We have done our best to give accurate directions. Since we are based in San Gabriel, our directions stem from there.

It is each person's responsibility to carry a map, GPS, or double check direction.

Bring a folding chair, hat, bug spray, and umbrella if you have one. We will cancel in case of rain or very high heat.

APR 11th - HOLLYWOOD FOREST LAWN

Take the 134 Fwy to the Forest Lawn Off Ramp. Meet at the Messo-American Garden, Near the Hall of Presidents at the top.

APR 18th - THE RICHARDSON HOUSE, SIERRA MADRE

167 E. Mira Monte Ave. Bring lunch.

APRIL 25th - LACY PARK IN SAN MARINO,

1485 Virginia Rd, San Marino, CA 91108.

Meet at the EAST END of the park. Bring lunch..

MAY 2nd - E. WALDO WARD FARM

273 E. Highland Ave., Sierra Madre. Park on the street

Bring a lunch.

MAY 9th - SOUTH PASADENA LIBRARY

1100 Oxley St., South Pasadena

MAY 16th - TBD

MAY 23rd - RIALTO THEATER, SOUTH PASADENA

1023 Fair Oaks Ave., South Pasadena

MAY 30TH - DEUKMEJIAN WILDERNESS PARK,

La Crescenta/Glendale. 3429 Markridge Rd., Glendale

There will be a forced left at Markridge, continue 100 feet to park entrance on your right. Bring a lunch. **JUNE 6th - PECK ROAD PARK, EL MONTE**

Take Myrtle Ave south continuing onto Peck Road just south of Live Oak, entrance on right. Bring a lunch.

JUNE 13th - LAKE BALBOA, ENCINO

6300 Balboa Blvd., Encino. Bring a lunch.

JUNE 20th - TBD

JUNE 27th - DESCANSO GARDENS, LA CANADA

1418 Descanso Dr, meet at the cafe for lunch.



EIGHTEENTH ANNUAL MASTERS IN THE PARK

Join us for a day of fine art, live music in a spectacular, peaceful and private setting

Sat. May 4, 2024, 10am – 3pm, Maranatha High School, Pasadena

This is the one day a year when artists are allowed to paint in this private, secret, venue with expansive gardens, old trees, streams, fountains, waterfalls, koi pond, modern & classic architecture.



Student models will be available for artists to paint.



A \$10 Donation is requested, proceeds of which will go towards MVAL's Student Scholarship Fund to encourage promising young artists. Raffle funds will also go toward this worthy cause. FREE admission for Children, students and Ambassador residents.

family. Bring your lunch & drink or you may purchase them at the Ralphs on Green St, which is within easy walking distance.

Critique Session: At around 2:30 pm everyone enjoys this lively, humorous session on the patio where Master Artists will briefly discuss their paintings from the day. At this time raffle winners will be announced and gifts handed out.



This is a relaxed, informal event where attendees are free to move about among the artists, observing their process and asking questions. Plan to stay the entire day enjoying fine art & music with friends &

2024 Plein Air Masters

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| Danny Folkman | gouache |
| Virginia Hein | wc |
| Chuck Kovacic | oil |
| Fealing Lin | wc |
| Marciano Martinez | wc |
| Richard Martinez | wc |
| Pete Morris | wc |
| Fernando Perez | oil |
| John Pitblado | wc |
| Wei Jason Situ | oil |
| Joseph Stoddard | wc |
| Sunny Apinchapong-Yang | oil |
| Lin Hua Zheng | oil |



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Bring your portable chair to comfortably watch the artists.

Ambassador Estates Residents are welcome to attend for free.

Open Painting opportunity is available for attendees to bring their art gear to paint/sketch along with the Masters.

Masks will be optional at this spacious, outdoor event. Safe distancing will be requested. Clean & accessible restrooms on site.

Free Parking: Convenient, covered parking is available, located under MHS's sports field off Saint John Avenue. Turn right into the parking area. The stairs at the southwest corner of the parking lot will lead you to the registration table.

Maranatha HS is located at **169 So St John Ave in Pasadena**, near the 210 and 134 interchange.



Master Artists volunteer their time and talents to make this MVAL event a success. Come join us this year to meet, watch and learn from your favorite artist.



“Painting Watercolor Reflections”

Online Workshop with International artist, Pablo Ruben

June 20 & 27, 2024

In this workshop, we will learn how to paint two different sorts of water reflections and the basic knowledge needed to paint these kinds of subjects, such as the combinations of pigment load and moisture content.

The workshop will cover:

- An exercise of painting a landscape with calm waters, puddles, or lake, during which we will practice how to paint a big gradated wash as applied to water scenes.
- A second exercise of painting a waterscape to learn how to paint water in movement and waves.





PABLO RUBEN LOPEZ SANZ

Award-winning Spanish watercolor artist, Pablo Ruben, is renowned for his paintings of waterscapes. He has been painting for over 20 years. He has taught watercolor courses all over the world, e.g., in Seattle, Mexico, Vancouver (Canada), France, Italy, Brazil, Moscow, China, etc., and is currently on the faculty of the Terracotta platform and the Matrius artist mentoring program. He runs his own school in Spain. He teaches in English and Spanish.

Pablo has been juried into exhibitions in international events, including the National Watercolor Society (USA, "High Wind Medal" award at the 147th & 153rd Int'l Exhibitions; W&N award at the 152nd Int'l Exhibition); the San Diego Watercolor Society (Awarded Signature Membership 2014; Second Prize, Signature Members; Instructors Award; and the Board of Directors Award at the 38th Int'l Exhibition); Fabriano in Aquarello; and many others in different countries. Pablo is an active participant in painting competitions in Spain, winning awards countless times. Pablo's paintings are in public collections in Spain and in private collections in many countries.

REGISTRATION

Please use this form to register for the workshop.

This two-day workshop is for all levels, but experience with the watercolor medium is desirable.

PC/iPad/Phone and Internet access will be needed.

Fee: \$125 MVAL Members /
\$150 NonMembers.

No Refunds after June 15, 2024

**Pablo Ruben Online Workshop,
"Painting Water Reflections"**

June 20 (Thur) & 27 (Thur), 2024

8:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.

Name: _____

Address: _____

City/ZIP

Phone: _____

E-Mail: _____

Enclosed is my check for: \$ _____

Check one: MVAL Member Non Member

Mail to: MVAL c/o Liza Carrillo, 418
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