



July / August 2014

Brushstrokes

From Our President

FROM THE CVWG PRESIDENT,

DEAR CVWG MEMBERS,

I HOPE EVERYONE IS ENJOYING THEIR SUMMER. MANY OF YOU HAVE A VACATION TO LOOK FORWARD TO OR A CHANGE IN THE RHYTHM OF LIFE. DURING JULY AND AUGUST YOU COULD TRY SOME OF THE IDEAS CVWG'S PROGRAM PRESENTERS SHARED:

- LARA CALL GASTINGER DEMONSTRATED HOW SHE RECORDS AND DETAILS BOTANICAL PLANTS IN A SMALL SKETCHBOOK. SHE CREATES A JOURNAL WITH DESCRIPTIONS, SKETCHES, AND PAINTINGS OF THE PLANTS SHE ENCOUNTERS, CAPTURING THE STRUCTURE OF THE PLANTS.
- ROBIN POTEET SHARED HER HOMEMADE SKETCHBOOKS WHICH CAN BE MADE WITH 1 LARGE SHEET OF WATERCOLOR PAPER FOLDED INTO 9 SECTIONS COVERED BY 2 SCRAP PIECES OF MATBOARD AND BOUND AT STAPLES FOR A FEW DOLLARS. SHE TAKES THEM ON TRIPS WITH A PEN, PENCIL AND A WATERCOLOR PAINT SET – CHANGING UP EACH PAGE, EX. A MAP THEN A CASTLE THEN A SUNSET. SPILLS, MISTAKES ADD TO THE OVERALL CHARM OF THE BOOK.
- PEG SHERIDAN TAUGHT US TO FIND THE SUBJECT OF OUR SKETCH AND NOTE THE SHADED AREAS. ADD WATERCOLOR WET ON DRY AND WORK FROM THE SKY TO THE GROUND, PICKING UP THE PAPER AND TILTING TO ALLOW COLORS TO MIX. WORKING QUICKLY ON SITE, HELPS TO CAPTURE THE MOMENT.

AT SUMMER'S END, CVWG WILL HOST OUR ANNUAL WATERCOLOR SHOW AT MCGUFFEY. THIS SHOW IS ONE OF THE BEST WATERCOLOR SHOWS IN THE STATE. THE DAY OF THE EVENT IS REMARKABLE WITH A PRESENTATION FROM THE JUROR, ANNOUNCEMENT OF THE AWARDS, AND WONDERFUL RECEPTION ON SEPTEMBER'S FIRST FRIDAY.

ALL THIS HAPPENS MAGICALLY BECAUSE MEMBERS OF CVWG VOLUNTEER THEIR TIME TO MAKE THIS EVENT MEMORABLE. A BIG THANK YOU TO OUR ANNUAL SHOW CHAIRPERSON, PAM ROLAND, FOR A REMARKABLE JOB. HER RIGHT HAND WOMEN ARE CAROLYN YAGER, COMPUTER GURU AND JUDY ELY, EXCEPTIONAL RECEPTION CHAIR.

JULIA KINDRED,
CVWG PRESIDENT

Meetings are held at the Cavalier Inn, on the fourth Monday at 1:00pm. Except for May, meeting is third Monday.

**July 28 Courthouse Show
change over 10 to 11:30am.
Concierge Service 10 to
11:00am.**

July 28 12:30pm Social;
1:00pm Meeting: Animals in
Watercolor with Julie Read

August 25 12:30pm Social;
1:00pm Meeting: Critique
with Barbara Buhr

**September 5 Opening of
CVWG 2014 Annual Show
at McGuffey Art Center**

September 22 12:30pm Social
1:00pm Meeting: Abstracting
Landscapes with Anne
Holland

**October 27 Courthouse
change over 10 to 11:30 am.
Concierge Service 10 to 11:00
am.**

October 27 12:30 Social
1:00pm Meeting: Elaine
Nunnally

Member News

Chee Kludt Ricketts will offer a **CVWG Workshop October 28 - 31**. The workshop will be held at Zehmer Hall, UVa. The cost is \$295 CVWG members, \$330 nonmembers. Reserve your space with a \$50 deposit. Send your deposit with your address, phone number and email address to Patricia Travers, 33 Pembroke Court, Keswick, VA 22947

Need Arts Supplies? Call Ginny Paul 974-6029 Metal frame sections, complete air brush, etc.

Canopy Tent. Please call **Anne D. Hopper**, 293-6042, terreroigestudio@earthlink.net

Central Virginia Watercolor Guild Judged Courthouse Show 2014 Juror's statement printed here by request:

Mark Collins stated, "I am honored by the invitation to serve as juror for the Central Virginia Watercolor Guilds Member's Show. The task was complex. I was impressed by the variety of styles represented and supports chosen. This created a dynamic and pleasing show. The joy of the painting process, as well as the reward of presenting final products, was evident. Paintings chosen for awards stood out largely because of the attention they commanded in the space. Strong compositions, values and bold use of color made some paintings "leap" off the wall. Other paintings has a quiet presences that demanded more careful and thoughtful consideration. In the end, the award selections were my favorites when I judged them on a dreary, rainy day. On a sunny day, the results may have been different. This illustrates the fickleness of judges and judging, the random nature of the juried results of any competition. I salute everyone for taking the risk to present their best work and share their artistic journey with others. Thank you for the many visual delights that demonstrate the vibrancy of the Guild."

Judith Ely has completed two murals on the walls at Chestnut Oak Winery near Barboursville. The tasting room will open soon where the murals are located.

Sue Rosen had two paintings accepted into the American Landscape Show at Staunton- Augusta Art Center. The exhibit will be at the Augusta Health Center through the end of July.

See **Peg Sheridan's** website for class information and a free lesson. www.pegsheridan.com

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