

Nevada Watercolor Society

November 2023

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♥ *Membership meetings are held on the 2nd Wednesday of the month at 6:30 pm.
Spanish Oaks Clubhouse, 2201 Spanish Oaks Blvd., Las Vegas*

President's Message

Vina Curtis, interim president

After the passing of Wanda Drake, Cesar Ceballos and I agreed to split the duties of president until the nominating committee could identify a candidate. On behalf of all the members, I want to thank Cesar for his service to our Society. His busy art schedule and international travel plans have made it impossible for him to continue to serve.

As you know from the notice we sent out to all members, Sharon Menary's name has been put in nomination for president and we will be voting on candidates for that office at the November 8th meeting. Other names can be nominated from the floor, but the person has to have previously agreed to serve if nominated.

We are also in the process of updating the Bylaws and Standing Rules to present to the board in November for review and discussion before submitting the revised Bylaws to the entire membership for a vote, which will probably be early in 2024.

I am excited to collect your matted paintings for the Wetlands project at the November 8th meeting. The Reception at the Wetlands will be on Sunday, November 12th from 1:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m.

I hope to see you all at the November 8th meeting! We encourage you to come around 6:00 p.m. to get to know new members and have time to talk to members you may have not seen for a while before the meeting starts at 6:30 p.m.

Events-at-a-Glance

Board Meeting • Thurs, 11/2

- 7pm ZOOM, open to all members (BoD meetings are 1st Thursday of the month. Get ZOOM link from any board member.)

Fall Show • Sahara Library

- Show runs through 11/11

♥ Membership Meeting

11/8, 6:30pm, Spanish Oaks

- Wetlands paintings drop off
- Lin Pacific presents on children's book illustration and publishing
- Voting for president
- There will be munchies
- Come 30 min early to socialize

♥ Membership Meeting

12/13, 6:30pm, Spanish Oaks

- Potluck
- Painting gift exchange (min. 5x7, matted and wrapped)

Other Local Art Events

Boulder City Art Guild
Artists in Action Show

Nov 11-12, 9am-4pm

Boulder City Parks & Rec New Gym
900 Arizona St, Boulder City, NV

URGENT REMINDER: Drop off paintings at the meeting Wednesday, 11/8

President's 2023 Community Project: **Wetlands for the Holidays**

As the President's Community Project for the NVWS 2023–2024 year, we will be donating paintings by our membership to **Friends of the Wetlands**, a non-profit group that conducts educational programs for children of all ages. They may also elect to make greeting cards from these paintings.

We are hoping for at least 20–30 paintings so please consider donating more than one. This is a very important way for us to expand our profile, attract members and generate publicity for the Nevada Watercolor Society through the Friends of the Wetlands' website, mailings to all their members, and radio ads.

NVWS is providing 11" x 14" frames, so all paintings must be matted to fit that size. Drop off your matted and titled paintings along with a brief bio at the November 8 Membership Meeting.* Paintings will be framed and delivered to the Wetlands on November 11.

You may also donate a painting that you've already framed at 11" x 14" if it is in keeping with the Wetlands theme. Paintings will be sold by and on behalf of the Wetlands.

At the meeting, Vina will have postcards for members to pass out to friends compliments of Friends of the Wetlands. They will be sending them to their members as well and putting posters in libraries and on their website. This a very important project for them and they thank you for your participation.

The Friends of the Wetlands will be hosting a reception for us on Sunday, November 12 from 1:00 to 3:00 p.m. That will also be the soft opening for the show and sale that will run into December.

KEY REMINDERS:

Paintings must be Wetlands-themed, reflecting the flora, fauna, and/or wildlife that is found in the Wetlands.

Donations of more than one painting is encouraged!

NVWS will take care of the framing. All paintings must be matted to fit 11" x 14."

Friends of the Wetlands hosted reception is Sun, 11/12, 1–3pm.



Participants of the October 7 paint out at the Wetlands.

PAINTING CHECKLIST:

- Painting reflects Wetlands theme
- Painting is matted to fit 11" x 14" frame
- Painting is titled
- Brief bio emailed to Vina at vincur@cox.net (so she won't have to re-type it).

**If you have a painting but can't make the meeting, please call Vina Curtis at 725-724-5942 to make arrangements for an alternate drop-off*

Clark County Wetlands Park • 7050 Wetlands Park Lane • Las Vegas, NV 89122

November Meeting Presentation

Children's book illustration and publishing

Lin Pacific will be sharing her experience with book illustration and publishing at the NVWS November 8 meeting. She has many years of experience in painting portraits, animals, flowers, and abstracts in oils, acrylics, inks, and other mediums. She particularly loves watercolor because it is a fluid medium with beautiful possibilities and often carries a watercolor art bag with her so she can paint anywhere.

Lin is also an author and a poet. Among her published works are children's book titles, including six *Christopher Cat* books which feature her hand-drawn watercolor illustrations. Lin says creativity has sustained her throughout life, particularly through the rough patches. She is supported by her loving family and artist friends who help make this world a beautiful place.

Lin's children's book titles, published through Marvelous Books, are [available on Amazon](#).



The Marvelous Christopher Cat, book series by Lin Pacific

Donating Art

As we move into the holiday season, don't forget that Hyrum Huskey is donating any of your individually standard sized hand-painted or printed **greeting cards or postcards**. Please help us with this community project to distribute cards to nursing homes and elder care settings.



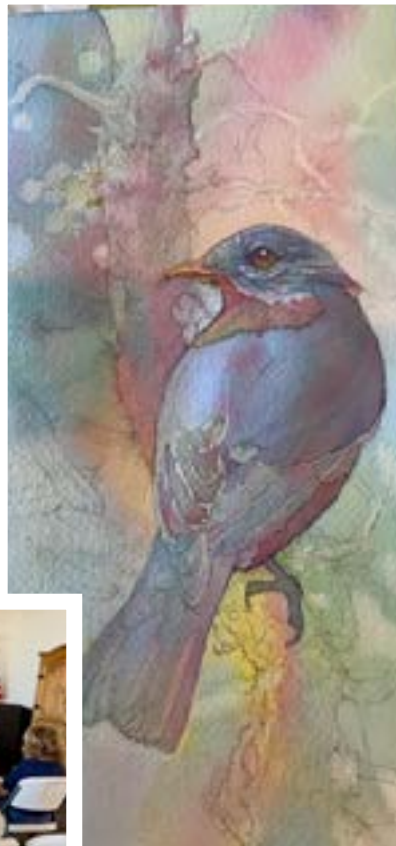
The annual December meeting painting exchange will be here soon so members may want to start thinking about it.

Each member brings an original painting that is at least 5" x 7", matted and wrapped. They then pick a number and it goes from there!

You don't have to submit a painting to come to the December meeting – there is a potluck that night too so feel free to come socialize and observe the game.



Jeannie Vodden Workshop & Demo



Thanks to Linda Smith and Sharon Menary for photography.



MEMBER SPOTLIGHT

Cesar Ceballos' works have been recognized through exhibitions at the state, national, and international levels. His works are described as Contemporary Figurative by Accademia d'Arte Contemporanea presso la Città

d'Arte Canale Monterano di Roma. Paintings shown here are currently on display in virtual and physical exhibits in Dresden, Germany, Pompano Beach, Florida, and the City Hall of Las Vegas Mayor's Chamber.



Enigma (22x30)



Rabbit's Good Habits (8x10)



House I Live In (8x11.5)



Illusion of an Ox with Arrow Tail (22x30)



Tower of Racial Diversity and Equality (12x18)



La Solfatara (22x30)



Lasting Peace (18x24)

Germany Exhibition:

Enigma, La Solfatara, Illusion of an Ox with Arrow Tail, Rabbit's Good Habits

Florida Exhibition:

Lasting Peace, House I Live In

Las Vegas Exhibition:

Tower of Racial Diversity and Equality

Watercolor Workshop Cruise with Linda Smith September 5 – 14, 2024 Aboard the Beautiful Celebrity Equinox



- **Delve** deeper into the enchanting world of watercolor art, with Linda as your guide.
- **Receive** engaging instruction that promises to take your painting skills to extraordinary new heights.
- **Paint en plein air** with Linda, and truly capture the essence of the destination through your artwork.

Day 1 – Embark Barcelona, Spain
Day 2 – At Sea – Studio Instruction
Day 3 – Provence, France – Plein Air
Day 4 – Nice, France – Plein Air
Day 5 – Santa Margherita, Italy – Plein Air
Day 6 – Florence, Italy – Plein Air
Day 7 – Florence, Italy – Free day
Day 8 – Sea Day – Studio Instruction
Day 9 – Naples, Italy – Free Day
Day 10 – Disembark Rome, Italy

Don't be Left on the Dock!

Visit the link below, or capture with your camera, the QR Code for complete information and to book your spot.

<https://trips.coastwisetravel.com/WatercolorWorkshop>

Cruise Host and Workshop Instructor: Linda Smith
www.LindaSmith.Vegas



Art Classes at the Mesquite Club

Please RSVP to ensure a space.

Wednesday mornings from 10:00 a.m. – noon
at the Mesquite Club, 702 E. St Louis Ave., Las
Vegas, NV 89104

There are two options:

1. Most days you work on your own, without a teacher, for \$10.
2. An invited teacher may conduct classes. Jan Schaeffer usually teaches once a month from 9 am– noon for \$20 a class.

The RSVP contact to ensure there is space is Sue Churchill. Please text her only at 702-704-0688. Payment is by cash at the time of class. There is limited space, so please RSVP.

Art Teachers & Classes

Looking for art instruction? [See the list of teachers on our website!](#)

If you are an art teacher who would like to be placed on that list, please send your contact information to Debbie Tomme at dktomme@gmail.com and we will post it on the website.