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Lois Ireland The Homestead, c. 1944. Oil on canvas



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#### **About Us**

ASSOCIATION OF WISCONSIN ARTISTS (AWA), formerly named WRAA, is a non-profit membership organization begun in 1954. We promote visual art participation, education, appreciation, and recognition for our members and their communities.

#### Publications:

- Contour Notes
- www.wiscartists.org Newly designed and now able to accept registration, membership and online store payments.
- Timely Treasures, a pocket calendar (with events noted)

#### Programs, events and recognition:

- Wisconsin Regional Art Program (WRAP)
- Annual State Exhibit and Conference
- · Evening with the Arts
- Tiny Treasures Exhibit and Sale
- Statewide Teen Art Mentor Program (STAMP) for teens
- Bridging Generations (for ages 5 through 12 years old)
- Awards recognizing artistic excellence and service. Cash awards come from generous individuals, artists' families and arts organizations.

#### **Funding sources:**

- Tiny Treasures is an annual fund-raiser proceeds go to help with AWA operations
- Membership dues and Wisconsin Arts Board grants help support AWA's mission
- Three interest bearing endowments ensure that the mission of AWA continues well into the future..
- Individual and business contributions art related advertising sales

## Have something to share?

Send articles, member news, artistic happenings, etc., to the editor, Tamara Tsurkan: editor@wiscartists.org

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LOIS IRELAND, THE HOMESTEAD,
C. 1944. OIL ON CANVAS, 34¾ X 28½ INCHES.

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## A Letter from AWA President...



Jeanne Ferreira, AWA President

Did you know AWA has nearly 400 members?

AWA (a non profit) provides news, education, outreach and programs for young artists and WRAP, WRAP Workshops, and the Annual State Conference.

Membership questions?

Contact: Karen Cahill
membership@wiscartists.org.

Visit www.wiscartists.org to renew your membership online!

Last year at this time I declared a very optimistic theme for 2020. Well the universe had different plans. It has been a long slog but the good news is that we have moved to 2021 and we can only hope for better. I have to be much more careful with my theme this year since the universe handed me my lunch last year. Even with all the strife, I am proud to say that 2020 was a year of growth and many positive things happened for us. AWA supported UW-WRAP in implementing an incredibly successful and entertaining State Conference, and successfully took WRAP under our wing and affiliated with the UW Art Dept when the program lost its UW-DCS sponsor. Bridging Generations sponsored a successful event for the youngest of our artists, and let's not forget the great work done by our WRAP Coordinators putting the majority of our exhibits online. We did however miss a few things. STAMP was not a robust program in 2020, but even at that, we had a wonderful STAMP retrospective exhibit. I would say that we took our lemons and made lemonade.

The support of our members and the art community has been a constant comfort for us. We asked you to help support our efforts and you heard our call. From October and December donations totaled nearly \$11,000 to keep our programs going. This was in large part due to the generosity of a matching donation from the Doelers. We are so thankful to all of you.

So now, what is my new theme for this year? Let's go with a quote from Buddha, "What you imagine, you create." Let us all imagine a peaceful, fulfilling 2021 and let us create through our art the peace of mind we all deserve.

Be well,

Jeanne Ferreira

#### **WRAP News**

by Becky Herb

Happy New Year - I'm delighted that AWA and our hard working local coordinators and sponsors are able to provide you with many opportunities to exhibit your work and participate in WRAP workshops this year. Please note that the Monroe WRAP which was listed as TBA in the TT Calendar is now scheduled. See page 14.

Because of the ongoing Covid pandemic, many WRAPs this year will have non-traditional formats, some completely on-line and some a hybrid, with gallery exhibits and on-line workshops. It is uncertain when it will be safe to hold in person workshops, so contact your local coordinator or visit the AWA website wiscartists. org for the most up to date information.

Because AWA is now administering WRAP, all information and on-line registration is listed on

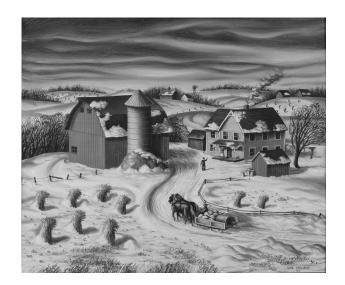
our website **wiscartists.org**. From the AWA homepage, click on WRAP and then Exhibits/ Workshops. Here you will find directions on how to enter a WRAP and a listing of all scheduled regional WRAPs. Click on the link for the WRAP you want to enter to start the on-line registration form. When you complete the form, pay the \$30 entry fee using a credit card. Questions about the registration process should be directed to Becky Herb at **wrap@wis-cartists**.org. You can also register by mailing a paper form and check to your coordinator.

Becky Herb, wrap@wiscartists.org

#### **Lois Ireland Tribute**

by Abigail Case

It is with great sadness that WRAP relays the news of Lois Ireland's passing on December 30, 2020. Ireland was born in 1928 in Waunakee. At the age of 14, her talent and passion for art brought her under John Steuart Curry's guidance. As a high school student, Ireland became the youngest member of Wisconsin's Rural Art Program (precursor to the Wisconsin Regional Art Program). Pieces of her unique regionalist work reside in the WRAP Permanent Collection, now held at the Museum of Wisconsin Art. Ireland's contributions to this program will always be remembered.



Lois Ireland, Homecoming, c. 1945. Oil on canvas,  $29\frac{1}{2} \times 35\frac{1}{2}$ 

To see Ireland's work go to:

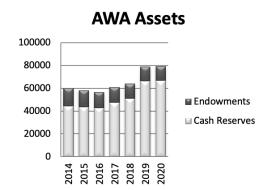
## 2020 AWA Annual Report

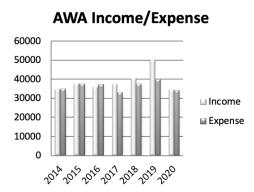
by Beverly Larson

As in the past, the AWA Board of Directors would like to share our financial condition and the benefits of membership in AWA. So many things have changed in the last year and AWA has many challenges to face in the coming year. AWA's financial condition has never been more important.

The Board managed an annual budget of nearly \$35,000 in 2020. Until October the AWA budget was entirely separate from the budgets for the WRAP regional workshops and the State Day Exhibit. Those budgets were handled by your local WRAP coordinators and the UW Division of Continuing Studies. AWA provided funds to the UW DCS to supplement their budget this year, but the UW decided to cut WRAP because of the pandemic's effect on their budget and AWA stepped up to assume the management of WRAP. Our income and expenses for 2020 show a mixture of UW managed WRAP and AWA managed WRAP.

AWA is the custodian of just over \$12,000 in endowments. Donated by current and past AWA members, the endowments are a way to continue to recognize and encourage Wisconsin's talented artists. These reserves and the interest they generate are used by AWA to fund specific State Day Awards named for these donors. The remainder of AWA assets are in cash reserves that are available for AWA operations and now to manage WRAP and fund the State Exhibit weekend activities.



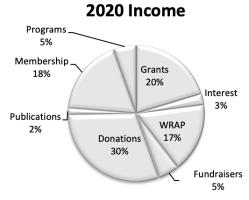


Board continues The to review operations to make sure that we make the most appropriate use of resources we AWA income was down considerably in 2020, mainly due to the pandemic. Income was also down from 2019 because we received a onetime donation of \$15,000 in 2019.

Expenses were down in 2020, again because of the pandemic. Expenses are also shifting with the advent of our new membership management software system Wild Apricot and as we assume management of WRAP.

#### Income

In 2020 AWA income was just under \$35,000. AWA income is derived primarily from membership dues,



program entry and registration fees, donations and grants. AWA now has just over 350 members, with most paying annual dues. Most of our donations are targeted for State Day Awards and are collected annually. In 2020 AWA launched a donation campaign to help us manage WRAP, collecting over \$5,100. WRAP Coordinator Terrence Doeler and his wife matched \$5,000 of that which will show in our 2021 Income.

We also receive grants from both the Wisconsin Arts Board and the Fond du Lac Area Foundation. The annual Fond du Lac Foundation Berkholtz Publication Fund grant is ongoing and targeted to support our publication of Contour Notes.

Our grant from the Wisconsin Arts Board is conditional—we must reapply for the grant every two years and report on our use of the grant moneys. In 2020 our annual grant was again \$2100.

Program income is normally derived from registration fees for many of our special programs such as STAMP

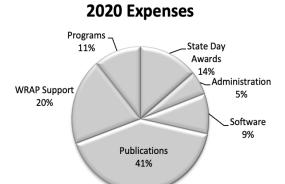
and Evening with the Arts, but both of those programs were cancelled because of the pandemic. Our State Day Tiny Treasures exhibit and sale is our major fundraising effort for the year. It provides income from both the entry fee and sales. Unfortunately, in 2020 entries were down over 40% and sales were down 60% due to the pandemic, with proceeds being less than half of what we normally see.

Since the UW Division of Continuing Education decided to end their support of WRAP, they let AWA keep the monies that we collected for this year's State Exhibit online sessions, amounting to over \$5,000. And since we're now managing WRAP, we've started receiving income from the local WRAP exhibits.

We also generate some income from the sale of our publications. Members have found the Timely Treasures pocket calendar to be a nice Christmas gift.

#### **Expenses**

AWA publications comprise the majority of our expenses. Included here is the printing, mailing and editing of Contour Notes and the State Exhibit Color Catalog; the cost to maintain the AWA website; and printing the Timely Treasures pocket calendar. The handy pocket calendar spotlights the wonderful entries in the Tiny Treasures competition and provides useful information on the date of WRAP sessions scheduled in the coming year, including when to drop off art.



Another major expense comes from the awards given on State Day. Although the State Exhibit was online in 2020, AWA still awarded nearly \$5,000 to State Day award winners. In 2020, we expect to host State Day in Madison, WI at the Pyle Center on the UW campus.

Program expense covers programs such as Tiny Treasures, Bridging Generations and STAMP. AWA presented nearly \$700 in awards for these programs in 2020.

We usually host "Evening with the Arts" each year before the annual State Day but that event was cancelled due to the pandemic.

In 2020 AWA provided over \$5,700 in support to the UW Division of Continuing Education in an attempt to keep WRAP solvent. Unfortunately, the pandemic took its toll on the UW budget and WRAP was cut anyway.

The Software category is the cost of maintaining Wild Apricot. Wild Apricot was originally installed to help manage our membership database and provide a means for members to pay online. It has done that, but it has also allowed AWA to sell Tiny Treasures online, accept online donations and allow online registration and payment for events which is especially applicable to WRAP.

Administrative expenses include the cost of professional services and other Board expenses.

#### **Lindroth Publication Fund**

As of 11/30/2020, the balance of the Lindroth Publication Fund was just over \$103,000. Since we've reached our goal, we are not actively soliciting donations for this fund.

#### **WRAP Endowment Fund**

Previously managed by the University of Wisconsin Foundation, the WRAP Endowment Fund is slightly over \$188,000 and now managed by the Fond du Lac Area Foundation. The interest from this fund will be available to supplement AWA's expenses for WRAP and State Day Weekend.

#### AWA SUPPORTS STATEWIDE BRIDGING GENERATIONS PROGRAMS

#### **Art Clubs Consider Applying for Bridging Generations Grant**

Bridging Generations Grant Application	
Dates of exhibit:	Reception dates/time:
Name of exhibit location:	Address City/State/Zip
Public viewing days/hours	
Name of Person or Organization coordinati	ng grant:
Print name of person completing application	n:Address:
Contact person phone:	email:
Please describe event:	
Why you feel a local youth exhibit is import	
I have reviewed the AWA grant Application	Guidelines for Youth Program Grants and agree to abide by terms.
I understand that completing this applicatio	n does not guarantee that materials or incentives will be granted.
Signature	_ Date

#### **Bridging Generations Guidelines**

- 1. "Bridging Generations in a Box" provisions: AWA will provide materials as follows: If needed for exhibit display standard mats size 11" by 14" with opening size 9 1/2" by 7 1/2", clear protective sleeve, and an achievement ribbon for each entrant up to 100. A coordinator incentive of \$150 is awarded to offset reception and/or hands on workshop art material expenses.
- 2. Please attach proposed expense budget. Include any materials and coordinator incentive listed above. If grant is approved, expenses will be reimbursed when receipts are presented for AWA Committee Chair and/or AWA Treasurer for review.
- 3. Allow 90 days for acceptance notification. Questions? Contact Rita Carpenter at bridginggenerations@wiscartists.org.

## **Bridging Generations**

article and photos by Rita Carpenter

Bridging Generations workshop was held on November 3, 2020 by coordinator Rita Carpenter and instructor Vesile Yilmaz. The children's program was sponsored by AWA at Brookfield, Wisconsin Public Library.

Children ages 5 through 14 created Ebru-paper marbling. Nineteen

children attended in groups of four to six to allow safe social distancing.

Paint after grinding

All participants, instructors, and volunteers wore masks. Vesile opened with slideshow and reviewed the background history of Turkish Ebru Art which was followed by a handson opportunity to touch and feel so the participants could understand the process of grinding paints and using brushes made of horse hair.

Each child made 5-7 papers. Children selected one piece that was matted, labeled, photographed and placed in a clear protective sleeve. A library exhibit was not possible due to Covid.

A slideshow of participant's artwork and the steps of marbling can be viewed at

https://wiscartists.wildapricot.org/Youth-Programs.



Adding paint (which floats) on an aqueous solution



Ready for paper dip

#### **STAMP**

#### **CALL FOR ARTISTS!**



The **Statewide Teen Art Mentor Program** is calling for artists from 13-19 years of age, for STAMP's online regional exhibit.

Important STAMP dates:

- Entry forms due on March 26th
- Artwork due on April 9th
- Exhibit begins on April 15th
- Online artist recognition reception on May 6th

Please visit wiscartists.org or email president@wiscartists.org for more information!

## On Painting Woods

by Jeanne Gilbert. Photos by Howard and Jeanne Gilbert

My first suggestion would be to choose an area with value contrast (lights and darks). I like to lead into the darkest areas or (the opposite) a path that leads to light in the background.



Select your perimeter using your phone or camera lens. A rectangle cut out of a piece of paper works.

Woods too busy? Squint to clarify darks/lights. Simplify!



Too many trees? Pick your prize trees! Again, SIMPLIFY! Less essential tree trunks can be added later or lifted out later. Remember perspective. Color and contrast more muted as you retreat into the background.

That's the scoop on woods. Go for it!

## Making My Mistake Work

by Michael Cortese. Photos by Jackie and Michael Cortese

I was practicing composition and value on light weight watercolor paper. I find it helpful to avoid being afraid of failure when it comes to my art.

The photo on the right below, shows my mistake. I taped it down onto my desk and divided it into four sections with masking tape. The tape stuck to the paper and started to pull the top layer off. My studies were partially destroyed. However, I looked at them individually and saw some good things happening.



Oops! The masking tape tore my paper



"Pompeii" mixed media by Michael Cortese



Below on the left is a photo of one section with its title. I had a blast with this one even though the final product was compromised.

## On the Road with Elizabeth Sawyer-Kelly

by Teresa Vicars



Elizabeth Sawyer-Kelly Photo by Jolene Wochenske

Elizabeth grew up in Winston Salem, North Carolina. Her mother and grandmother were artists and encouraged her to take a lot of art classes. As a student she fell in love with competitive tennis and throughout her life enjoyed the sport. At age 50, she decided she needed something less demanding on her body. She started painting again.

She moved to Madison in 1988 working as a Faculty Associate in the Department of Economics teaching over 45,000 students. She loves teaching young people, with a soft spot for freshman. The pandemic challenged her to learn how to teach online in 8 days.

Elizabeth has taken local classes

in watercolor, quilting, sewing, and book making. The Artists Way book impacted her creativity. In 2016, she entered her first WRAP in Monroe, winning a State Award. This experience was encouraging. She met so many nice people.

When trying to decide which painting to exhibit in the State Show, she asked Helen Klebesadel's for advice. Helen suggested showing the piece that she might not be able to show elsewhere so Elizabeth chose a politically motivated piece.

Currently Elizabeth is the President of the Madison Watercolor Society, an active member of AWA and has won the cover contest for Contour Notes three times.



Drive to the End of the Earth II
Photo by Elizabeth Kelly



Poppies. Photo by Elizabeth Kelly

To see more of her art go to her website elizabethkellygallery.com

I'd like to finish with a quote from Elizabeth Sawyer-Kelly:

"Encourage people to make art; it's meaningful, fun, and a great way to connect with people."

## Summer and Fall WRAP Exhibits and Workshops 2020

by Mary Ann Inman via regional coordinators



Terry Doeler

**Prairie du Sac online exhibit/workshop** was held on June 7, 2020 by coordinator Terry Doeler. Angela Johnson facilitated. Eighteen artists displayed 42 pieces. The juror/presenter Diana Cavallero, Madison, WI, gave a presentation on landscape painting, with slides illustrating examples of composition, value and color. Then she displayed examples that she had painted with watercolor using photo references and discussed the modifications she made to make an interesting composition. After that, she critiqued many pieces of art. Feedback was unanimously positive.

**Lac du Flambeau online exhibit/workshop** was held on October 9th, 2020 hosted by coordinator Sarah Thompson and sponsored by Dillman's Creative Arts Foundation. Twenty-four artists entered. The entire exhibit had 68 diverse works of art. A portion of the show included students from a High School. Dillman's also gave out awards to artists, including Best in Show and Most Creative. The juror/presenter Janet Nunn, of Denver, CO, a renowned liquid watercolor artist, provided critiques and a demonstration. This workshop will be discontinued in 2021.



Sarah Thompson



Christine Friedrich

**Woodruff online exhibit/workshop** was held on August 15, 2020 hosted by coordinator Christine Friedrich sponsored by the Lakeland Art League. Nineteen artists entered. The juror/presenter Jason Childs, Tomahawk, WI, provided critiques and his topic was "Looking as Listening," a short workshop on drawing mindfully. In this workshop Childs presented the similarities between the practices of mindfulness meditation and observational drawing. He demonstrated how artists of all skill levels develop a patient, open approach to drawing (recreating) their subjects.

**Fond du Lac store-front/online exhibit** had 25 artists entered from Florida and California, as well as Princeton, Mayville, Green Lake, Oakfield, Campbellsport, Mt. Calvary, St. Cloud, Brownsville, Lomira and Fond du Lac. The exhibit was displayed in windows at the Gallery and Frame Shop in Fond du Lac. Thanks to Julie Balson for providing the venue and the work she did to make it a safe and virtual show. The judge was Alice Tzaikais, a local artist and art teacher. Helen Klebesadel presented online.



**Bob Gustafson** 

View at https://www.galleryframe.net/post/wrap-show-at-gallery-frame-shop.



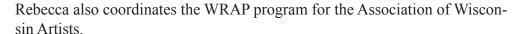
Patrick Plunkett

Wausau written critique and gallery exhibit was displayed at the Center of the Visual Arts during October 2020 and hosted by coordinators Patrick Plunkett and Lynn Block. The exhibit was sponsored by the Wisconsin Valley Art Association. Twelve artists entered. The artwork was viewed by Lynn Block and the judge at the Center of the Visual Arts. The juror/presenter Diana Osypowski, Schofield, WI, provided written critiques for the 33 artworks displayed.



Lynn Block

**Sun Prairie online exhibit/workshop** was held on November 7, 2020, hosted by coordinator Rebecca Herb. Sixteen artists displayed 42 pieces. The juror/presenter, Maria Amalia Wood, gave a presentation on her art and the process of making the handmade paper she uses to create many of her artworks. Her socially engaged art practice is informed by her experience as an immigrant from Honduras. Maria Amalia also critiqued one painting by each artist.





Rebecca Herb



Bill Mitchell

Platteville online exhibit/critique was held virtually on November 7. Of the five artists who entered work, four participated in the virtual critique and discussion led by juror Mary Bergs who offered professional observations, suggestions and encouragement. All the artists offered insight to the creation and process of their works. There was one first time WRAP participant. The artworks ranged from mixed media to drawing and painting with a wide range of styles and techniques. Bill Mitchell is the WRAP Coordinator for Platteville.

Beloit online/gallery exhibit featured a virtual show and a modified "walk-through" live show. Twenty-nine artists exhibited work. The November 28th virtual workshop was attended by approximately 22 artists plus two AWA officers. Frank Juarez of Sheboygan was the speaker and judge. He talked about his involvement in the important statewide art happenings and his personal art work. After a short break he critiqued art and announced the Honorable Mention and State Event Awards. It was well received. Jerry Sveum coordinated the event.



Jerry Sveum

## **WRAP Workshops**

State Award recipients in WRAPs listed below will be eligible to exhibit in Madison in August-September, 2021.

#### **RICHLAND CENTER**

Entry and payment due: Saturday, March 6, 2021 (3 piece limit)

Pay on-line or make check payable to RAAC (Richland Area Arts Council)

Artwork due: March 6, 2021, e-mail files to Ricki Bishop

at rickibishop@yahoo.com

Workshop: Saturday, March 27, 2021, on-line

Coordinator: Sally Probasco, 4914 Marathon Dr., Madison,

WI 53705, (608) 231-3037, sallyprobasco@gmail.com

#### **MADISON**

Entry and payment due: Sunday, February 28, 2021 (2 piece limit)

Pay on-line or make check payable to Rebecca Herb

Artwork due: Feb. 28, 2021, e-mail files to

wrap@wiscartists.org

Workshop: Saturday, April 3, 2021, 9 am - 3 pm, on-line Coordinators: Rebecca Herb, 5806 Anchorage Ave,

Madison WI 53705, (608) 467-8594, wrap@wiscartists.org

C.K. Chang, (608) 833-1485, ckhakka7601@yahoo.com Wendy Crone, wendresearch@gmail.com

Charles Stinger, stinger@buffalo.edu

Patricia Stinger, pmfreres@gmail.com

#### **PORTAGE**

Entry and payment due: Monday, March 1, 2021 (2 piece limit).

Pay on-line or make check payable to Portage Center for the Arts (PCA)

<u>Artwork due: Photos:</u> March 1, 2021, e-mail files to info@portagecenterforthearts.com, <u>Artwork</u>: Wed. April 7, 2021, 12-3 pm, PCA

Workshop: Wed. April 7, 2021, 12-3 pm, PCA

Coordinator: Heidi Royal, Portage Center for the Arts,

PO Box 866, Portage WI 53901, (608) 742-5655,

info@portagecenterforthearts.com

#### **JANESVILLE**

Entry and payment due: Friday, March 12, 2021 (2 piece limit)

Pay on-line or make check payable to Janesville Art League

Mail any paper entries and checks to Mary Ann Inman, 316 Church St., Clinton, WI 53525, (608) 295-9779, inman\_ma@yahoo.com

<u>Artwork due</u>: March 12, 2021, e-mail files to Mary Ann <u>Workshop</u>: Saturday, April 10, 2021, 9:30am-3pm,

on-line

Coordinator: Arra Lasse, (608) 751-8308,

arralasse@gmail.com

#### **MONROE**

Entry and payment due: Friday, March 5, 2021 (2 piece limit)

Pay on-line or make check payable to Monroe Arts Center

<u>Artwork Due</u>: Friday, March 12, 2021, 10 am-5 pm <u>Exhibit Location</u>: Monroe Arts Center, 1315 11th Street, Monroe, WI 53566

<u>Workshop</u>: Saturday, April 17, 2021, on-line, times TBA <u>Coordinator</u>: Sarah Witke, PO Box 472, Monroe, WI 53566, (608) 325-5700, switke@monroeartscenter.com or info@monroeartscenter.com

#### **CAMBRIDGE**

Entry and payment due: Monday, April 19, 2021 (2 piece limit)

Pay on-line or make check payable to Jill Jensen Artwork due: May 1, 2021, 9:00 - 9:30 am (bring easels) Workshop: Saturday, May 1, 2021, 9 am - 3 pm Location: Lake Ripley Country Club, W9575 US 12, Cambridge, WI 53523

<u>Coordinator</u>: Jill Jensen, W8849 Deer Run Trail, Cambridge, WI 53523, jilljensen6540@yahoo.com, (847) 275-6540

#### WAUNAKEE

Entry and payment due: Wednesday, April 28, 2021

Pay on-line or make check payable to Village of Waunakee

<u>Artwork due:</u> Photos: April 28, 2021, e-mail files to kwest@waunakee.com;

Artwork: Saturday, May 1, 2021, 10am-12 noon, Waunakee Public Library, 201 N. Madison St., Waunakee, WI 53597, bring own easels, 2 piece limit

Workshop: Saturday, May 15, 2021, 10am–3pm,

on-line or hybrid at library

 $\underline{Coordinators} \hbox{:} \ Todd \ Schmidt, \ tschmidt@waunakee.$ 

com

Kylie West, kwest@waunakee.com 500 W. Main Street Waunakee, WI 53597 (608) 850-2182

#### WAUKESHA/OCONOMOWOC

Entry and payment due: Saturday, March 27, 2021 Pay on-line or make check payable to Waukesha Creative Arts League (WCAL)

Artwork due: Saturday, April 10, 2021, 10-11 am, (3 piece limit)

Workshop: Saturday, May 22, 2021, 9 am - 3 pm Location: Oconomowoc Art Center, 641 E. Forest

St., Oconomowoc, WI 53066

<u>Coordinator</u>: Jan Wood, S63 W14860 Garden Terrace, Muskego, WI 53150, (414) 315-1190, jnesswood@gmail.com

#### **WAUTOMA**

Entry and payment due: Sunday, May 23, 2021
Pay on-line or make check payable to The Rural
Rembrandt Art Club and mail to Ginny Jungwirth,
2904 Oakwood Lane, Oshkosh, WI 54904
Artwork due: June 5, 2021, 8 am (bring easels.)
Workshop: Saturday, June 5, 2021, 10am-3pm
Location: Waushara/Wautoma Senior Citizens
Building

W8220 Cottonville Ave, Wautoma, WI, 54982 <u>Coordinator</u>: Pat Spear, P.O. Box 263, Wild Rose, WI 54984, (773) 633-9759, patspear@uniontel.net

#### **EAGLE RIVER**

Entry and payment due: Friday, April 16, 2021 Pay on-line or make check payable to Headwaters Art League

<u>Artwork Due</u>: Saturday, May 1, 2021, 10 am <u>Workshop</u>: Saturday, June 5, 2021, 10 am - 2 pm <u>Location</u>: Olson Memorial Library, 203 N. Main St.,

Eagle River, WI 54521

Coordinator: Sandie Pauly, P.O. Box 238, Land O'Lakes, WI 54540 (715) 547-3135,

sandiepauly2@aol.com

#### PRAIRIE DU SAC

Entry and payment due: Saturday, May 1, 2021 (2 piece limit)

Pay on-line or make check payable to Terrence Doeler

Artwork Due: Sunday, May 16, 2021, 10 am - 12 noon Workshop: Saturday, June 26, 2021, 9 am to 3 pm. Location: River Arts Center, Sauk-Prairie High School, 105 9th St., Prairie du Sac, WI 53578 Coordinator: Terrence Doeler, 4919 Tonyawatha Trail, Monona, WI 53716, (608) 221-9849, doeler@charter.net

#### **WHITEWATER**

Entry and payment date: Sunday May 23, 2021 Pay on-line or make check payable to WAA (Whitewater Arts Alliance)

<u>Artwork due</u>: Sunday, May 30, 2021, 4-6 pm <u>Workshop</u>: Sunday, June 27, 2021, time TBA <u>Location</u>: Cultural Arts Center, 402 E Main St, Whitewater, WI 53190

<u>Coordinator</u>: Taylor McDarison, WAA, P.O.Box 311, Whitewater, WI 53190 (262) 472-0204, wwartsalliance@gmail.com

#### RHINELANDER

Entry and payment due: Friday, May 28, 2021 Pay on-line or make check payable to Nicolet College <u>Artwork due</u>: Friday, May 28, 2021, e-mail files to artgallery@nicoletcollege.edu

Workshop: Saturday, July 10, 2021, on-line Coordinator: Lisa Sage, PO Box 518, Rhinelander, WI 54501, (715) 365-4556, artgallery@nicoletcollege.edu

#### **Book Review: The Secret Lives of Color**

by Hannah Pinkerton, book by Kassia St.Clair



Flipping through this book is a joy; colors fly off the pages. Reading stories of colors, hues and dyes is fascinating. Kassia St.Clair tells history, science, and art of seventy-five colors from white to black. This is not a book to read in one sitting. The fun is in reading about Heliotrope, Rosso corsa, Celadon, or Mummy on different days. Here are two colors I learned about.

LEAD WHITE was manufactured around 2,300 B.C. It was versatile and opaque. However it had a deadly flaw. Workers making the pigment became sick. Women died from using it as a skin foundation to whiten their faces.

GAMBOGE is solidified sap from trees found in Cambodia. Trees were milked into hollow bamboo tubes. It took a year to fill a tube with hardened sap. Lumps of this were used as pigment in Japan and China for centuries. It was expensive and required patience to make. It was replaced around 1926 with aureolin, an artificial yellow.

Keep this book near your art table for a color fix.

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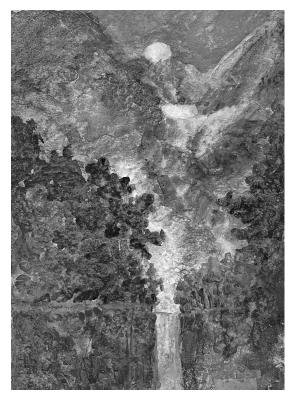
### **True Confession**

By Mary Ann Inman

**As a beginner:** I copied. Back then, it didn't matter because my painting skills were so bad that images weren't recognizable. I learned how to draw in high school. However, painting wasn't taught. I remember that I ruined many sketches with watercolor. They turned into mud.

As a young mother, I sketched outdoors. After I ruined my third sketch of the Shopiere Dam, I burst into tears. My husband consoled me by telling me, "It is only a piece of paper."

Later, I painted with a group in the basement of a local church. I learned how to trace images to practice and enrolled in a few affordable watercolor classes. Eventually, my copies moved from a mess to recognizable. The church ladies encouraged me to enter my first WRAP. I received an honorable mention. I was thrilled!



"Lunar Light" mixed media by Mary Ann Inman

However, my joy quickly turned into embarrassment. Somebody behind me whispered, "That is a copy. I think I saw those cows on a calendar." The woman next to her hushed her. The goal of WRAP has been to educate which motivated me to pen this article.

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**Maturing as an artist:** Eventually, I enrolled in college classes in Janesville and learned how to paint photo realism. Students shot still life photos in class. The professor approved all compositions. Then students projected their original photos onto a full sheet of watercolor paper. We didn't deviate from the photo. Students spent the semester painting one piece. One of my paintings was accepted into a juried national watercolor society.

Feeling confident, I enrolled in classes at UW Whitewater and was disappointed when two professors reviewed my portfolio. One suggested that I pursue a career as a photographer because my camera could capture similar images. That was painful for me to hear! In hindsight, it was helpful. Today, my artwork is original. I choose to create from my imagination and it has been a delightful experience.

"Art is about readiness to accept the truth." - UW Whitewater Professor Emerita John Wildenberg

## **WRAP ENTRY FORM**

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The Art Club/Association I belong to is:

- 1. Enclose (but don't attach) an ID label for each TINY TREASURE.
- **2.** Entered piece must be original in concept and design, appropriate for all ages and not entered in previous years. No decorated kits are acceptable. **Size must be exactly 2½" x 3½"** (portrait or landscape oriented) unmatted, unframed. Depth not to exceed 1". *Decorated kits are not acceptable. AWA reserves the right to decline entries.*
- **3.** Competition is open to adults and teens at least 14 years old (calculate age as of July 10, 2021). You do NOT need to be a AWA member to participate.
- **4.** Mail your TINY TREASURE(s), **1** registration form, & \$10.00 entry fee and ID label for each TINY TREASURE. Entries must be RECEIVED by July 10, 2021. **Make your check (CHECKS ONLY)** payable to AWA.
- **5.** Remember to indicate on the ID label if you are donating your TINY TREASURE to AWA Buy-it-Now fundraiser. You can pick up your Not-For-Sale, purchased, or unsold piece(s) on September 25 from 1 to 3pm at the Pyle Center. If not picked up, pieces will be returned by mail. There is a \$4.50 charge to mail matted pieces, otherwise they will be returned unmatted.

#### **Cash Awards:**

1st Place \$150 2nd Place \$125 3rd Place \$100 Best Title \$10 \$50 to Art Club/Association with the most Tiny Treasures entered. NEW: \$25 Awards for the 12 Tiny Treasures featured in AWA's Timely Treasures 2022 pocket calendar. Winners will be notified by phone before July 31, 2021.

Questions? Contact Sherry Ackerman at (608) 445-2517 or tinytreasures@wiscartists.org

#### Artwork to be received May 1 to July 10, 2021

Complete only 1 Entry Form and mail with check, TINY TREASURE(s) & ID labels to:

Sherry Ackerman, 1205 N Parkview St., Cottage Grove, WI 53527

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Kaci Koltz, Packwaukee, WI

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