# **Central Pennsylvania Pastel Society**

President - Virginia Belser, Vice-President - Kim Gates Flick, Secretary - Peggy Klinger, Treasurer - Susan McCartney, Newsletter Editor - Jill Foster, Resource Officer - Jill Foster

#### Goals:

To promote fellowship among members

To raise public awareness of pastel as an artistic medium

To enhance creative painting with pastels

To offer educational activities that foster growth among members

# Quote of the Month

"If you hear a voice within you say 'you cannot paint', then by all means, paint and that voice will be silenced."

Vincent van Gogh

sent in by Roxanne Naydan

### **May Minutes**

These are the minutes from the May 1 meeting. They have not yet been approved. They will be voted on at the meeting in August. Click <u>here</u>.

### **Letter from the Editor**

The **slideshow theme** on the website for July/August is **"Favorite Subjects"**. Send in your jpegs during the last 2 weeks of June to <u>acraneart@gmail.com</u>. Be sure that your jpegs are at least 600-800 pixels in height.

**Kathleen Muffie-Witt** was the winner of the 120 half stick Sennelier set donated by Rochester Art Supply.

**Jill Foster** has a nice selection of pastel books and several DVDs that she would be willing **to loan** out to anyone interested. If you are interested in a certain book or DVD, email her to see if she has it. She also has copies of the <u>Pastel Journal</u> dating back to 1999.

If you are considering buying Elizabeth Mowry's new landscape book, you should know that it is a revision of her previous book, <u>The Pastelist's Year</u>, that was published in 2001.

Reminder: **News deadline** is the last Saturday of the month. That deadline gives me Sunday to finish up details on the newsletter before it is ready to be sent out. Both Anna Crane and I now have gmail email addresses. See bottom of newsletter.

# **Current News**

#### **Art Competition**

The UART company would like to inform CPPS members that their 2016 Online Pastel Show is now open to pastel artists (dry pastels only), and will end on June 17, 2016 at 11:59 pm. The company increased the cash prizes this year and are giving out gift certificates, UART paper and goodies, and much more. For information, go to <a href="www.uartpastelpaper.com/2016pastelshow">www.uartpastelpaper.com/2016pastelshow</a> for the requirements, fees, eligibility and prize details. All accepted pieces will be notified on June 28, 2016. All winners will be notified on July 7, 2016.

#### "Pastel Passions" Show Extended

The length of the Pastel Passions show at State College Framing Company has been extended until **June 24th.** Pickup dates have been changed to June 24 and 25th (Friday and Saturday.)

Both John and Jeffery of the SC Framing Co. said that they have had a wonderful response from the public. Keep spreading the word and encouraging your friends and collectors to stop by and see the show before it comes down.

### **Artist Spotlight**

**Jeanne McKinney's** painting "Rocks and Tidal Pools, Maine" has been accepted into The Pastel Painters Society of Cape Cod's Annual Exhibition "For Pastels Only on Cape Cod" 2016 at the Cultural Center of Cape Cod, South Yarmouth, MA. The

### **Future Workshops**

#### Desmond O' Hagan 2016 Workshop

In less than 60 days, Desmond O'Hagan will be with us. Have you signed up? We still have seats available. You can sign up for the full 3 days or for only one day, if you can't do the full workshop. You don't want to miss this rare opportunity. There is no special supply list. You already have everything you need so your only expense is the cost of the workshop itself. Don't delay, sign up today. If you need additional information, contact Judy Leasure at 757-941-4668 or leasure.judy@gmail.com. Hope to see you July 22-24 at the Best Western..

The fee for one day is \$175. Contact: Judy Leasure for any other information you might need,

When you call the Best Western Plus for a reservation, please say that you are attending the Central PA Pastel Society workshop to receive a special rate. Don't wait too long as there may be a cut off date for the special rate.

Click here for registration form.

#### 2017 Workshop

The Education Committee has decided to ask Bill Hosner to be the 2017 workshop guest artist. His acceptance and workshop dates have not yet been confirmed.

### **New Mexico Workshop**

There will be a 14-day Plein Air Painting workshop with Barbara Danser, founder of the New Hampshire Pastel Society, in Taos, Chimayo, Ghost Ranch, and Santa Fe, New Mexico September 17-30, 2016. For more information and brochure call <u>603-313-3535</u> or email bd@danserart.com

### **Meet your Members**

No member "bios" were sent in. Column will be discontinued if there is no further interest.

### **New and Signature Members**

No new members at this time.

## **By-Law Summary for New and Current Members**

- 1. Read the by-laws as they are the rules that govern the Society. The by-laws can be accessed by clicking on the Resources button on our website Home page.
- 2. Ask for a current membership list from the president or the treasurer.
- 3. There is a 2 month wait before a new member can exhibit with the Society.
- 4. **Signature membership** is attained by having three different paintings being juried into three different shows over a three year period. As soon as your dues are paid, you are considered a full member and the three year period begins. Save proof to submit to the president (acceptance letters, show brochures)
- 5. Dues are to be paid in November and no later than the end of December.
- 6. Meetings are at 1:30 pm the second Sunday in February, May, August and November. Meetings are currently held in the Best Western Plus, Premiere Drive, State College, PA
- 7. Paintings for shows must be properly wired, have a neutral mat and be at least 80% pastel.
- 8. Any news you have about yourself being juried into shows or having shows, please share by emailing the newsletter editor
- 9. The Society email list is confidential and should not be submitted through forwards, etc. to outsiders.
- 10. Elections are held during the November meeting.

The above list is a brief summary of some of the by-laws to help you get acquainted.

Also note: group emails are sent out by the president and not individual members.

A complete set of by-laws can be read on the CPPS website. Welcome to the Central Pennsylvania Pastel Society

### **Lending Library**

DVD - A Studio Session with Richard McKinley2-disc set - not available

DVD – In The Cedar Grove At Point Lobos by Albert Handell

DVD – Early Spring by Albert Handell

DVD - Painting with Pastel by Greg Biolchini just returned

DVD - Plein Air with Pastel by Greg Biolchini just returned

THE ART OF PASTEL PAINTING by Alan Flattmann

Very good book ranging from beginner to advanced methods and techniques

PURE COLOR (autographed by Robert Carsten)

A compilation of the best of pastel paintings.

THE PASTEL BOOK by Bill Creevy(autographed by Bill Creevy)

This book covers materials, techniques, strokes, values, etc.

THE POWER OF PASTEL by Christine Swann

This is a book about painting portraits..

THE LETTERS OF VINCENT VAN GOGH

Includes a memoir written by his sister-in-law

THE ARTIST'S WAY by Julie Cameron

Discovering/Recovering your creativity

PAINTING WITH PASTELS by Maggie Price

Techniques to master pastels

100 KEYS TO GREAT PASTEL PAINTINGS by Miranda Fellows just added

List of things to do; a quick read!

Email Susan Nicholas Gephart to check out an item. snicholasart@gmail.com

### **Art Shows to Enter**

**St. Augustine Art Association** - Nature and Wildlife Exhibition. Deadline June 6. Contact: www.staaa.org

Pastel Society of America - Enduring Brilliance. Entry due June

14. Contact:psaoffice@pastelsocietyofamerica.org

OnlineJuriedShows.com has an array of art shows that our members are eligible to enter. Check it out. Sierra Pastel Society(August 16); Pastel Society of the West Coast(July 27); Pastel Society of the Southwest(August 5); Pastel Society of New Hampshire(September 3)

Pastel 100 competition - early bird deadline: August

1. Information:www.artistsnetwork.com/pastel-journal-competition

CT Pastel Society - "Renaissance in Pastel" - Deadline: August 3 -

Contact:ctpastelsociety.org

Pastel Society of Northern Florida - Deadline August 12 -

Contact:pastelsocietyofnorthernflorida.org

# **Meeting Dates**

August 14 November 13

Best Western Plus Premiere Drive State College, PA

Send newsletter information to: <a href="mailto:jfosterfineart@gmail.com">jfosterfineart@gmail.com</a>

Send Website items to our webmaster, <a href="mailto:acraneart@gmail.com">acraneart@gmail.com</a> website: <a href="mailto:www.centralpapastel.com">www.centralpapastel.com</a>