

FAIRBANKS WATERCOLOR SOCIETY – NEWSLETTER – November 15, - 2017

MEETING, In the Blue Room. 3rd Floor Civic Center Bldg. @ Pioneer Park, Airport Rd., November 15, 2017 6:30pm for Refreshments, meeting at 7:00pm

REFRESHMENTS: Here is the list for this month's meeting. Ellen Brown, Cheryl Heral, Shelly Showalter, Melanie Werdon. We so appreciate our refreshments!! Thank you!
If you are on the list and for some reason you aren't able to come Wednesday evening, please call Marj at 457-4661 and let her know so she can call another member.

FROM THE PRESIDENT'S FOCAL POINT:

Hello Artist Friends,

I believe that our November meeting will be wonderful and productive, as was our previous one with Sue Englebrecht. We even had to bring extra tables and chairs to the Blue Room, that's how popular it was!
Thank you, Sue!

We should also plan to stay a little longer at the meeting, as we want to maximize the free learning experiences provided by FWS, short announcements about members having shows and classes, and painting experiences are always encouraged.

Thank you Tom Nixon for being our presenter for the group with an interesting topic on drawing; "The Unit of One". So, please bring your sharp pencil, 9x12 sketch book to draw in and take a notes.

Also bring your unfinished paintings for a friendly critique in the break time, (if you feel like).

On October 29th we successfully submitted FWS portfolio for 2019 Portfolio Review Group Show in 2019. Congratulations to all who submitted the images!

Huge THANK YOU going to Cheryl Berrong, it would not be possible without you!

Nelda Nixon for editing our website in-time before deadline! By the way we had to change our domain name to: www.fairbankswatercolor.com (from .org) so, please check it out. And Elena Savostianova for putting it all together, we love having her as our web mistress. Now, we have to keep our fingers crossed that we will be considered for a Group Show in 2019.

As we talked about in the last meeting, we would like to select new committees to work more efficient and effective. We already have Website, Facebook, Hospitality and Workshop committees.

Still need: Historian, Blogger, Instagram, Young Artist and Special Events (like Labor Day Paint Out) and Housekeeping committee.

We also need new places to paint/sketch on location to be better painters and to overcome our fears of clean, brand new white piece of paper or people watching over your shoulder when you are painting on location. Sound familiar?

If you have one or all of these fears, I encourage you to take advantage and come to Wedgewood's Antique Cars Museum on November 14 at 10 AM to take a FREE tour of Museum. Bring your sketch book so we can show the folks how we would draw antique cars, style and fashion. You won't regret it. Please bring your friend or two. They will enjoy it as well.

Looking forward to seeing you at the meeting!

Vladimir Zhikhartsev, President

BECKY'S CORNER

Greetings and salutations, oh mighty artists! What a fun time we had at the October meeting! SUSAN ENGLEBRECHT provided a lesson on Negative Space Painting that was great! We all had fun practicing the technique and adding it to our paintbox of knowledge. Thank you, Susan!

And a big thank you to TOM NIXON, who will be giving a drawing lesson at the November 15 meeting. Drawing is instrumental in creating a good painting! Come out and play!

From my corner of the studio to yours, that's the scoop! Short and sweet, just like me!

Becky Anderson, VP

And speaking of the Bear Gallery....

BIG NEWS! VLADIMIR ZHIKHARTSEV 'S solo art show at the BEAR GALLERY opened on the First Friday of November on the 3rd. How exciting! Congratulations on a wonderful show, Vladimir.

ELLEN BROWN - AIRPORT PROJECT! Please put this info in next newsletter. Watercolor society might get to decorate the area in Fairbanks International Airport at the dinosaur play area at the foot of the escalators/ stairs where arriving passengers come down. Submit a Painting to our president, Vladimir, who will give them to the airport manager. He will decide whether to have this take place or not.

When: January Meeting of FWS January 17, 2018

Size of submission to Vladimir- Your choice

Suggestion: Make a quick trip to airport – see the area.

Finished painting: Acrylic paint

(Nelda Suggests – Perhaps a paint-in on a day before Jan. 17th, for those of us who haven't used acrylic paint. Vladimir volunteered to teach us how to paint with acrylic! Would be fun!! And possibly productive... Maybe a Mon., Tues, Wed.)

ONE MORE THING!

If you have old art supplies that are safe for children (no lead), how about the Children's Museum for their activities: Mary Ann Borchert sent along this note:

Thought of FWS when I saw this. We might want to put something in the FWS newsletter periodically about donating stuff to the Children's Museum. (you might have done it before, but I don't remember seeing it) Mary Ann I didn't, so this is late, but am sure they need things all the time.

Donations Needed

We are always looking for arts and crafts supplies at the Fairbanks Children's Museum! For September, we're most in-need of supplies for our Imagineering Lab, specifically:

white board markers

cotton balls

flour

buttons

toilet paper tubes

We're also always looking for **donations** of "picture books" and "first books" for our Reading Nook!

CALL FOR ART: North Pole Grange Gallery

Art turn in: Wednesday, November 15th at the North Pole Grange Gallery, 2 to 5 PM. (Our Meeting day!)

Show: Friday November 17th at the North Pole Grange Gallery, 5 to 9 PM.

November's show will be our eleventh annual "Teeny Weenie Art Show". Artists may submit original framed work, prints of originals, or photography. The work itself should be smaller than 8 x 10 inches. Moderate pricing has stimulated sales in past. Other small items such as jewelry, ceramics, glass, hand painted ornaments, shrink wrapped copies of your original work, etc. will also be welcome for the show. Christmas Cards also sell well.

At this show we allow purchasers to take the items with them at the time of purchase. We would like to have replacement items available to fill wall and table space. We encourage artists to bring more than eight hanging items so that we can adjust to circumstances at the show.

We will also need a few volunteers to assist hanging the show after turn in.

Contact Daniella (712-7599) or John (322-0623) to reserve wall or table space.

MULTIPLE FRAME AVAILABILITY: Deb Mutchler of Salcha have over a 100 frames. All different sizes, from 8x10 to 20x40, wood and metal, that she would like to sell. Time to clean them out. You could buy the lot or, one or two. Call her, 488-3543

CLASSES BEING OFFERED:

Vladimir Zhikhartsev November-December Classes Schedule:

Intermediate Watercolor Class - Fridays: Nov. 10, 17, 24; December 8, 15, 22, 29 10am – 4pm
Beginner Watercolor Class - Saturdays: November 11, 18, 25 December 16, 23, 30 - 10am-4pm
Kids (9 – 13yo) Watercolor Class – Sundays: Nov. 12, 19, 26 December 10, 17, 24 – 2pm -4pm
To sign up call: h.455-4423 or c.699-5588
email: vladimir@acsalaska.net
www.vladimirzhikhartsev.com

TOM NIXON Teaches adult, beginner and intermediate classes. If you are interested in any of his classes or would like a private lesson, contact him at 456-3329 or tnnixon@alaska.net or friend him on Facebook at Tom Nixon, Fairbanks, Alaska. He loves Facebook!

HOUSEKEEPING

We are going to be asking for a person to head up the Housekeeping Committee-could be a year to year basis. You would be in charge of the set-ups and take down of the room, getting to the meeting a little early, and perhaps having a helper or two of your choice. The officers have been doing this, but have other concerns getting things going for the meeting.

Thanks to all who have helped set up and take down chairs and tables for the FWS meetings. Many hands made light work. Keep up the great work! We always strive to leave the room a little better than we found it.

Here is a REMINDER ABOUT “Blurbs (or) Advertising for your First Friday Shows/Exhibit!!” It is extremely important for you to send me your blurb for your own First Friday Exhibit. It should go along with your planning to hang your show. Put in on your checklist. All I need is your **name**, **where** it is, the **address**, a **title** (if you have one) of the show, the **times of the reception**, and **how long** it will hang. I can edit it and add a little now and then. It is one way you can advertise your own show.

I love doing the **Tickler** (ie: Tickling your memory for First Friday stops!) for our members and even other folks. Usually I only send it out once, so remembering after you get your tickler is too late! Just send a couple sentences the Monday or Tuesday before First Friday of your show. I send the tickler out on Wednesday afternoon or evening... Thanks, NN

It is almost time for dues.... The New Year means dues are due. \$20 on January 1st, I will have the green sheets with me at the meeting...

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