



# WaterMedia

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## FOR SALE:

• Member, **ROSALIE GAGNON** has retired from painting and would like to sell a complete graphic display system to someone who could use it. If you do outdoor shows this would be great. Total for everything is \$550.00 (cash) Call the gallery if you want us to mail you the list or contact **Rosalie at: 401-568-4473.**

• Large Studio Easel: (Lobo #883200) is almost like new, solid oak and very adjustable. It holds canvases up to 66" high. It retails for \$360. Member, **ALITA MARKS** is willing to sell it for \$200. Contact her at: **401-624-6031** or **alita\_marks@hotmail.com**

• **NEEDED:** Gallery needs the volunteers who are gallery receptionists to contact the gallery for covering the Saturdays and Sundays this Sept. If you are in a small group show, you can sit during your show or before or after it. Call **401-726-1876**

## PRESIDENT'S CORNER

This summer has been a good one at RIWS. Our recent open juried shows have had lots of entries, our summer classes filled, our Quarterly meeting on August 6th was very well attended and everyone enjoyed the informative demonstration of Holbein's paint products. Congratulations to, **GAYLE SANGSTER**, our Member of the Quarter! Gayle has been an outstanding RIWS volunteer. Congratulations also go to **DAYDRE HAMILTON** for winning the People's Choice Award from our **115th Annual Artist Members' Show**. Please don't forget to fill out a ballot, naming your favorite painting for the Artists' Choice open show.

We recently did a mailing to businesses hoping to find sponsors for next year's open shows. Please help us by providing Kris with the names of potential businesses or individuals who you know to be art appreciators

who might be willing to make a donation.

We are also trying something new to help us increase our membership. Visit the website:

**www.livingsocial.com** and click on "what it's about" to view their different discounted offerings that change daily. You can save 50% or more on vacations, personal training, entertainment, etc. RIWS is offering a 50% discount to first time members (not renewing or current members). Tell your fellow artists and other friends and family that if they buy our promotion, they will have 4 months in which to redeem the certificate they print out of their purchase. Their dues will be good from the time they redeem them until Dec. 31, 2012. We will do an email blast to let you know the date the promotion will appear on their website.

*Enjoy what is left of summer!*

*Lisa G. Bailey*



## FROM THE DIRECTOR'S DESK

I have put together a bus trip to Williamstown, MA on Friday, Sept. 16, 2011 to see the Sterling and Francine Clark Art Institute. The Clark is an amazing museum and well worth your time to see. We will start the day with a docent tour of their permanent collection. Then you will have the rest of the morning to see the exhibit titled **Pissarro's People** and the exhibit **Romantic Nature: British and French Landscapes**. You can go up the hill to another building on their campus to see an amazing fiber art exhibit by African artist, El Anatsui. Please check out the Clark's website:

**<http://www.clarkart.edu/museum/exhibitions-future.cfm>**

We will enjoy our bag lunches outdoors in a nice space for that. Afterwards, plan on sketching or tak-

ing pictures of the scenery. From the top of the hill there is a view (overlook) where, on a clear day, you can see all the way to Vermont! Then later in the afternoon we will take the bus to the Williams College Museum, a unique teaching museum. Admission is free. Finally, the bus will take us to the Williams Inn for a dinner before we head home.

The bus company wants us to let them know how many are coming and pay them by September 1st, so please help me out and sign up now. Your guests are, of course, welcome. I will have to open this trip up to other arts groups on August 31st. if the bus isn't full (50). See the sign up form on the back page of this newsletter. It is also on our website, **www.riws.org**

Hopefully we will have a beautiful late summer day.

*Kris Occhino*



# Rhode Island Watercolor Society

## Adult Classes & Workshops

### Schedule Fall 2011

**Classes - 6 weeks, 5 weeks, 3 hrs, & 2.5 hrs**  
**Cost: \$80 Members**  
**\$95 Non-Members**

*There will be no classes held from October 3 to 7 because the Janet Rogers workshop will be using the studio.*

**The Wonders of Watercolor, 9:30 am – Noon**

**BJ Bjork**

**Mondays: 6 weeks**

**September 19 – November 7 (no class 10/3 or 10/10),  
Intermediate/Advanced Level**

Using a loose, direct approach, students will create a painting that is luminous and dramatic

**Painting from Photos, 10:00 am – 12:30 pm**

**Peg Gale**

**Tuesdays: September 27 – November 8, 6 weeks  
(no class 10/4)**

**Intermediate Level**

In addition to color, value and techniques, a strong emphasis will be placed on design.

**From Drawing to Painting, 10 am – 12:30 pm**

**Sue Klas Wright**

**Thursdays: September 29 – November 17, 6 weeks  
(no class 10/6 and 11/10)**

**Intermediate Level**

Students will plan their design with a drawing first and then use that foundation to create the painting.

**Expressive Watercolor,**

**Al Albrektson**

**Saturdays:**

**1st session: 6 weeks, October 8 – November 12**

**2nd session: 5 weeks, November 19 – Dec. 17**

**Intermediate/Advanced Level**

Each class begins with the instructor's demo, followed by participants painting with helpful suggestions. Students are encouraged to paint the essence of the subject. Each class closes with a critique.

**Not By Brush Alone, 1:30 pm – 4 pm**

**Ben Macomber**

**Tuesdays: October 11 – November 15, 6 weeks**

**All Levels Welcome**

**ALL MATERIALS ARE PROVIDED FOR NO ADDITIONAL FEE.**

Each week a different method of painting will be introduced without using a paint brush. Challenging, creative and fun!

**Elements of the Landscape, 10:00 am – 1 pm**

**Jerry Aissis**

**Wednesdays: October 12– November 9, 5 weeks  
Advanced Beginner/Intermediate Level**

Students incorporate elements of a landscape into a watercolor painting using photos or actual objects.

**Beginning Watercolor, 6:30 pm - 9 pm**

**Sara Willis**

**Thursday: 6 weeks**

**October 20– December 1**

The basics of watercolor will be covered in a structured format. A different technique will be demonstrated each week. Some drawing experience is helpful but not required.

**Monday Night Open Painting Studio, 6 pm - 9 pm**

**Monitors: Joan Croce and Mary Wojciechowski  
(RIWS Signature Members)**

**Begins September 12**

Join us on Monday nights for a drop-in session during the fall. Group "crit" around 8 pm with enough time to apply comments before 9 pm closing. Bring your own photos or still life set-up for this informal and fun evening of painting. Open to all.

Members: \$5 Non-Members: \$8: Pay as you go

#### NEW WORKSHOPS

**Painting the Landscape in Acrylic, 1:30 pm – 4 pm**

**Robin Wessman**

**Saturdays: 4 weeks**

**1st session: September 17 – October 15  
(no class October 8)**

**2nd session: October 29 – November 19**

**Cost per 4 week Session:**

**\$60 Members**

**\$75 Non-Members**

Emphasis will be on using light, color and composition in one's paintings to define form and create the illusion of space.

**Expressive Flowers, Faces & Figures in Watercolor  
Enroll soon!**

**Janet Rogers, AWS**

**2 day Session**

**BOTH SESSIONS ARE FULL. WAITING LIST ONLY!**

For more information, call the gallery at (401) 726-1876. A class will be cancelled if enough people have not enrolled by a week prior to start date. **Register early to avoid disappointment!** Refunds will be given (less a \$15 fee for classes and a \$25 fee for workshops) only if someone on a waiting list can fill your place. No refunds will be given once a class session has started. You will be contacted ONLY if a class is cancelled or full (your money will be returned). Otherwise, come to class with your painting supplies on the date and time scheduled. If a SASE (self-addressed, stamped envelope) is asked for, be sure to include it with your check and registration.

Mail check to: RI Watercolor Society, Slater Memorial Park, Armistice Blvd., Pawtucket, RI 02861

Fall 2011 Classes & Workshop	Class or Workshop:	Day:	Instructor:	Cost:
Name:				
Address:	Class or Workshop:	Day:	Instructor:	Cost:
Phone: (Home or Cell)	RIWS Member:	( ) Yes	( ) No:	
Email:	TOTAL AMOUNT ENCLOSED:			

- **CAROLE BERREN** won an Honorable Mention at the Cape Cod Art Association's Annual National Juried Show.
- **MARY KOSOWSKI** was selected to be one of eight artists in the prestigious annual 8 Visions show at the Attleboro Arts Museum. The show runs from August 12 – September 10, 2011.
- Please contact **HIROKO SHIKASHIO** if you would like to donate a painting for an exhibit to raise funds for the Japan Earthquake Hope Fund. 401-827-0645 or [hirokoart@gmail.com](mailto:hirokoart@gmail.com).
- **SHERRI SNYDER** was one of over 100 artists who participated in Festival Fete Providence City Art Festival on August 5, 2011.
- The following members participated in the RIWS paint out at Blithewold Gardens on June 22:  
**CHRISTINE BELANGER, SUE KLAS WRIGHT, ELINOR THOMPSON, SHERRI SNYDER, JIM SUMNER, NORMA SUMNER, TONI MARSHALL, ROBIN BECKWITH, JUDY OFCARCIK, BARBARA WALSH, LOIS KATZIFF AND MARY ELLEN DWYER.**
- **AL ALBREKTSON** had a painting accepted into the *New England Watercolor Society's 2011 Regional Exhibition* at Westfield State. The exhibit will be in the school's Downtown Gallery. September 14 – November 12, 2011  
 Delivery: September 10 and 12.  
 Opening Reception: Sunday, Sept. 25 from 1pm to 3pm  
 Pick up: November 13. Can someone help Al out by delivering his work? He will leave it at RIWS if that helps.
- **IMPORTANT:** Members with Work in the RIWS Bins or on the Gift Table: there is a new form that all **MUST** fill out when dropping off work or removing work from the gallery's bins and gift table. If you currently have work here, please stop in to check on its condition and fill out the new form.
- **NEW ARTIST MEMBERSHIP:** If you have gotten a painting into 3 different open juried shows in the last 5 years, you are eligible for Artist Membership. If you are an Associate Member now, you need to fill out a Renewal Membership form, send in \$25.00\* and list the shows you got into and the years of those shows on the form. We will research your entry to verify it.

(\*You paid \$50 to be an Associate Member and Artist Membership is \$75.) Each year the gallery has a New Artists Members' Show. The next show will be from Jan. 29 – Feb. 16, 2012. Start planning now to submit 5 paintings to this show. There will be a coffee hour on Jan. 29, 2012 before the reception to allow new ARMs to meet one another and find out about exhibition opportunities, etc.



*Member of the Quarter:  
Gayle Sangster*



*Matt from Holbein doing his demo talk.*

**DATES TO REMEMBER**

- **Sept. 9 - 25: Pawtucket Arts Festival.** Artist, Alan Metnick, owner and president of Ten Trees Design Group, in Pawtucket has designed this year's festival poster called, *Mill Buildings, Pawtucket*. For information about the festival, visit their website: [www.PawtucketArtsFestival.org](http://www.PawtucketArtsFestival.org).
- **Sept. 16:** Bus Trip to Williamstown, MA. Sign up by August 31 to guarantee you and your guests have seats.
- **Sept. 18 - Oct. 6:** Reception on Sept. 18 from 1-4 pm - 6 person show: **ZILLA THOMAS, YVONNE M. NOLAN, LYNNE ATWOOD, CAROLE BERREN, KATHLEEN SIMPSON, and MARIETTA CLEASBY.**
- **Oct. 9 – Nov. 3:** 18th Annual National Watermedia Competition-Reception: Oct. 9 from 1 -4pm. Awards: 2pm

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[riwsgallery@verizon.net](mailto:riwsgallery@verizon.net)

**GRAPHICS:**

- Jan Fusco/J.A.Fusco Design, LTD.**  
[jan@jafuscodesign.com](mailto:jan@jafuscodesign.com)

**GALLERY HOURS:**

- Tuesday through Saturday  
10 AM to 4 PM:
- Sunday  
1 - 5 PM
- Closed Monday and Holidays

**DEADLINE FOR NEWSLETTER:**

- September 1, 2011
- Mail news items to:  
 Rhode Island Watercolor Society  
 Slater Memorial Park  
 Armistice Blvd.  
 Pawtucket, Rhode Island 02861  
 or email: **Kris Occhino at**  
[riwsgallery@verizon.net](mailto:riwsgallery@verizon.net)

**CONDOLENCES:**

Condolences go to the family of member, **HENRY BUDLONG**, who passed away on June 16. Henry was the father of member, **MARILYN DRUMMOND** and uncle of member, **Gail Armstrong**. You may read his obituary at: [www.murphyfuneralhomes.org](http://www.murphyfuneralhomes.org)





**YES! Sign me (us) up for the STERLING & CLARK ART INSTITUTE one day trip, September 16, 2011**

**PLEASE PRINT CLEARLY!!! ESPECIALLY YOUR EMAIL ADDRESS!**

First Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone# \_\_\_\_\_ Cell# \_\_\_\_\_

Email Address \_\_\_\_\_

Member  
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Dinner Choice (Choose one):

Baked New England Scrod  Pasta Primavera (w/veggies)

Roast NY Strip Steak, Dijonaise  Chicken Picatta

*\* All of the above dinners served with garden salad with apple cider vinaigrette and warm apple crisp with ice cream for dessert*



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**TOTAL AMOUNT OF TRIP ENCLOSED: \$ \_\_\_\_\_**

**Send this form plus check made payable to: Rhode Island Watercolor Society  
Write "Bus Trip" in the memo line**

Bus trip to Sterling & Clark Art Institute, Williamstown, MA.  
Friday, Sept. 16, 2011  
Cost: Members: \$75 Non-Members: \$80  
(includes bus driver's tip, transportation, & dinner at Williams Inn.  
(See *Director's Desk* for description)

- **URGENT!** Please see the enclosed Exhibition Request Form - Complete it and send it into the gallery by September 1, 2011 if you want to be in a small group (5 -6) show in 2012. This opportunity is open only to Artist and Signature Artist Members.
- **2011 Annual National Watermedia Competition:** Letters of acceptance and declination into this show have been mailed out. Please do not call the gallery.
- **WHO ARE YOU?:** The gallery wants to pay a commission to a member who uses the business name, Radix Studio, for a small sale done this year. Who are you?
- **Wanted:** Used Computer with current software.

Call Paula  
508-226-1230 or email:  
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