

# WaterMedia

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## GALLERY NEWS

**Raymond Andreotti AWS Landscape Workshop, Friday, November 6.** There are only a few openings in this workshop with one of our most experienced teachers and artists. Don't miss the chance to study with Ray, a wonderful artist and teacher. Call the gallery if you are interested.

**Mark your Calendars: Our RIWS Holiday Party,** open to all members (you may bring one adult guest) will be on **Sunday, December 6 from 11-2.** This will be a pot-luck brunch (finger foods only please) and we will have a monotype demonstration by Signature Artist Richard Harrington. See how Richard gets some of his amazing effects. We hope to have a monotype workshop with Richard early next year, so come and get a preview! New members are especially encouraged to attend- this is a great chance to get to know some of us better.

**Signature Membership:** If you have been accepted into 3 of our national shows since 1997, please call the gallery and let us know the years you were accepted in our national show. Once this is verified by our membership committee, we will publish the names in the newsletter. We'd like to announce all the names at once, so please let us know the specifics of your acceptances ASAP. Thanks!

Instead of a little picture show at holiday time, this year we are having an open juried show **"Winter Wonderland", November 22-**

**December 23.** Any winter scene or theme done in watermedia would be welcome in this show.

Many thanks to those of you who have paid your dues early and especially to those of you who have made a donation. We appreciate your support!

**Pawtucket's Winter Wonderland** will be held the first three week-ends in December on Saturday & Sunday from 4-8. We could use a few volunteers who would be willing to gallery sit from 4-8:30 on those evenings. We will try to schedule two people at a time. **Please call if you can help-** we are running low on gallery-sitting volunteers this year. This is always a fun event- Santa will be downstairs- and it's a great way to get to know some new people. There are lots of people around and the park security is excellent.

**Board Member Sue Dion owns a frame shop in Uxbridge, MA called FrameSense.** Sue is offering any RIWS Artist Member a 20% discount on all framing and a 30% discount on framing for members who are part of a 3, 4 or 5 person show at RIWS in 2010. This is a fabulous deal. Check out Sue's website at [www.framesense.com](http://www.framesense.com). You may call Sue at 508-278-2768.

**Many heartfelt thanks to Paul George who donated a beautiful painting he did of our building while giving a workshop for us in June.** Sue Dion framed it beautifully and we are now selling raffle tickets: \$5 per ticket or 6 for \$25. The winning ticket will be drawn at our members' holiday party on December 6. You need not be present to win.

## President's Letter

With the busy holiday season fast approaching, it's time to renew your membership with RIWS by paying dues for 2010. With your renewal, you can look forward to making the most of great opportunities for exhibiting your paintings, improving your skills, sharing your news in our newsletter, and enjoying the camaraderie of like-minded artists through our artist demonstrations at our meetings. It is also a chance to update us with any changes with your mailing address, phone numbers and e-mail address for the annual directory of our members that we distribute strictly for the Society's use.

By now you've received your renewal applications and are aware that the RIWS is also in the midst of an end of year appeal campaign. In an effort to help meet our 2009 fund-raising goal of \$10,000 by the end of our fiscal year - December 31, 2009, I ask that you join us in this end of year appeal. This year, especially, it is more important than ever that we receive as much financial support from our community of members, patrons, and sponsors as possible to help off-set our operating costs, advance our mission, and continue the heritage of our wonderful Society.

As you consider making charitable gifts to close out this year, please think about making a donation to our Society at the level that is appropriate for you and your family. \$1 or \$1000, it doesn't matter because your donation definitely helps us getting one step closer to reaching our goal. What else can you do? Whether you live in the Southeastern New England area or outside of our region, you can still make an impact by spreading the word about what we're doing by encouraging others you encounter in your personal and professional life to visit the gallery, join in one of our programs, or become one of our donors or sponsors. All donations, whether a matching gift through your place of employment, stock options, or cash, are tax deductible and greatly appreciated.

Don't forget also to mark your calendars now as we celebrate the coming of winter with our Winter Wonderland opening reception on November 22nd and our Holiday party on December 6th. Joining us for the party will be our guest demonstrator, Richard Harrington, who will work his magic with watercolor and mono printing. I am always amazed on how many interesting visual effects Richard brings to this technique. I hope that you will come out, have a good time with your fellow members, and enjoy Richard's exciting presentation.

Finally, your Board of Directors and I wish to commend those members who have served on our various committees over this past year. No one gets paid and the contributions made really do add to the success and accolades we all share with each opportunity for shows, meetings, and activities that the Society sponsors. We can't do it without YOU!

Thanks so much for your time, hard work, and generosity and Best Wishes for a Happy Thanksgiving!

Rick Cardoza

## RIWS Paint-outs

Thanks so much to all who joined our Paint Outs this past season and helped to make our time painting together both productive and a lot of fun. It's not too soon to look ahead to next year's season, so if you have a favorite site to suggest for a future outing in Rhode Island or southern Massachusetts please contact our Paint-Out coordinator Rick Cardoza, 508-883-8250, email [rick.cardoza@yahoo.com](mailto:rick.cardoza@yahoo.com).

## Our 2010 Exhibition Schedule is enclosed.

Keep it in a handy place for frequent reference. It's not too early to start planning for our 1<sup>st</sup> open show of the year "Flower Fantasy".

## Monday evening open studio, 6:00-9:00pm:

this is an ongoing studio for members and non-members alike. There is no instruction- this is a time to paint together with other artists and to

learn from each other. People start painting at 6:00 and continue until 8:00 when there is a friendly and constructive group critique. There is enough time after this to apply some of the comments, if you wish, before the 9:00pm closing. The charge is minimal: \$5 per night for members and \$8 for non-members. You do not need to pre-register, just drop in. If you give us your email address, someone from the group will be in touch from time to time, with announcements of any changes to the schedule.

## NEWS OF MEMBERS

**JOHN M. MISHLER** received a Second Prize (Prints & Graphics) at the recent 81<sup>st</sup> Annual International juried Exhibition, sponsored by the Art Association of Harrisburg (PA). In addition, his works were accepted into the following national/international shows:  
Annual Juried Photography and Graphics Exhibition (Salmagundi Club, NYC), 98<sup>th</sup> Annual Exhibition of American Watercolor (Taos National Society of Watercolorists). Lastly, he was one of two jurors of selection for the Aquamedia category of this year's Audubon Artists Annual Exhibition, held in NYC.

**ANTONIA MARSHALL** won an Honorable Mention with her painting "Vintage Hats" at the New England Watercolor Society's Regional Juried Exhibition. The exhibition is hosted by The Art Complex Museum, 189 Alden Road, Duxbury, MA and runs through January 24, 2010. Antonia now has earned Signature Membership in the New England Watercolor Society.

Life Member **HELEN PIERCE** was recognized in Who's Who (Cambridge, MA) as a VIP Professional Artist & Educator.

Many thanks to **Joanne Noonan of Eastern Art & Frame in Providence** for giving us mats to

use in our classes. We appreciate their continuing support.

## UPCOMING SHOWS

**November 1-19:** Tricia Marcaccio, Chris Tarter, Lisa Bailey

**Nov 22-Dec 23: "Winter Wonderland" Open Juried Show**

**January 10-28:** Portsmouth Art Guild Members' Show

## DATES TO REMEMBER

**Oct 30 & 31-** Pick up from National Show

**November 3-15:** Drop off for "Winter Wonderland" Open Juried Show

**November 6:** Ray Andreotti AWS Workshop  
**December 5 & 6, 4-8:30:** Pawtucket's Winter Wonderland

**December 6, 11-2:** RIWS Holiday Party

**December 11 & 12, 4-8:30:** Pawtucket's Winter Wonderland

**December 19 & 20, 4-8:30:** Pawtucket's Winter Wonderland

**December 23:** Pick up from "Winter Wonderland"

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2009 RIWS National Watermedia Show Winners  
Left to Right: Robert Hsiung, Al Albrectson,  
June Morse, Sally Sawyer Mitchell, and Marla  
Greenfield.