

# Dates To Remember

- July**  
**Now through July 16th:** Special Arrangements: Open Juried Show- Water Media  
**July 4th & 5th:** **CLOSED for the 4th of July weekend**  
**July 10th:** Deadline for the August Newsletter  
**July 12th:** Hollis Machala Gallery Sitting from 12 - 4pm  
**July 15th:** **Deadline for the RIWS National Watermedia Competition Submissions**  
**July 18th:** Reception for the RIWS Member Group Show from 4 - 6pm  
**July 19th:** Zilla Thomas & Hollis Machala Gallery Sitting from 12 - 4pm  
**July 26th:** Zilla Thomas Gallery Sitting from 12 - 4pm

**Deadline for August Newsletter:  
 July 10th**

## Member Announcements

Congratulations to our members who were accepted into the New England Watercolor Society's 2015 Regional Juried Exhibition, open July 8th - August 1st!  
 Accepted members include:  
**Pat Cahalan, Mary Callahan, Judith Freeman Clark, Lois Erhartic, Wendy Hale, Becky Haletky, Robert Y.C. Hsiung, Margaret Khorey, Sue Klas Wright, Andrew Kusmin, Bill Lane, Donna MacLure, Sally Meding, Joan Murphy, Thomas Rebek, Nan Rumpf, Kristin Stashenko, and Elinor Thompson.**

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# WaterMedia

The Official Newsletter of the Rhode Island Watercolor Society  
 July 2015

*Congratulations to the winners of the Special Arrangements Open Juried Show!*



*First Place:  
 "Cherries and Paisley"  
 by Donna MacLure*



*Second Place:  
 "Bird's Nest Wreath"  
 by Lynnette Torres*



*Third Place:  
 "Flora's Fedora Arrangement"  
 by Al Albrektson*

*Honorable mentions from left to right:  
 "Becky's Kitchen" by Becky Haletky  
 "An Apple A Day" by Bill Turner  
 "Fall Reflection" by Doug Hart*

## President's Corner

It is summer and it is time for our annual fundraiser. Last year our "1000 Works on Paper" event was a great night. We raised over \$6000 which is our most successful fundraiser. The gala night saw a lot of people thrilled with the chance to buy original paintings. This year we hope to make the event even better.

Not only we look to our members for paintings to donate to the show, but we want your ideas on what else we can do to make our event a success.

Fundraising is a top goal of our gallery. It is also required for us to stay in our operating budget. If you have any business contacts who would like to

purchase ad space in our event program, be a sponsor, or donate a raffle item, please let them know about our event and our society. You, the members, are our greatest resource.

I hope you find the time to paint a few items, and to attend the gala to enjoy our gallery and all the artwork on display.

Jackie Habig  
 President

P.S. A special CONGRATULATIONS to Lori on her marriage on June 21st!

## Director's Corner

Summer is officially here and we have some great exhibits in the coming months! This month, RIWS will have our first Member Group Show of the year! This show will feature artwork by Nina Ackmann, Pat Cahalan, Naoko Kanno-Nagl, Hollis Machala & Zilla Thomas. Please show them your support by attending their opening reception, which is on Saturday, July 18th from 4-6pm. You can read more about each artist inside this newsletter. FYI: Upon the suggestion from a few members at this year's Annual Member Meeting in April, RIWS will be shortening all opening receptions to 2 hours. Saturday receptions will now be from 4pm-6pm and Sunday receptions will be from 2pm-4pm.

an affordable price! So please look through your sketch books and donate as much art as you can spare. It can be a drawing in pencil, pen & ink, or a small watercolor painting, as long as it's on paper, with a size restriction of 9 x 12" or smaller. This show is a fundraiser, which means all proceeds from the art sold during this exhibition will go directly to RIWS to support the funding of our non-profit organization, and continue our ongoing tradition of free admission to the gallery to view 15 art exhibitions per year, as well as offering low cost art classes and workshops taught by award winning watercolor artists.

We also have our 1,000 Works on Paper Fundraiser next month (August 15 - Sept 10) and we are currently accepting donations of small works on paper. This exhibit is open to all artists! You do not have to be a member to participate. All pieces donated will be accepted and hung during this exhibition and sold for \$20 each, giving all artists the opportunity to show their work in an art gallery, and allowing the local community the chance to purchase an original piece of artwork at

Last year, we received a little over 600 works on paper for this fundraiser. With your help, we hope to reach our goal of 1,000! Please spread the word to all the artists you know! **You can drop off (or mail) your artwork to the gallery from now - August 13th.** All exhibiting artists will receive a half price discounted ticket to the Catered Fundraiser Party on August 15th!

Lori Estrella-Auger  
 Gallery Director



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