



WATERMEDIA

FEBRUARY 2019



"Wanna Play" by Karen Powell of Chicago, IL

LOVING THE WORLD THAT SURROUNDS YOU

We've made it into a new year all together, and the RIWS welcomes you to celebrate ringing 2019 in with a wide variety of workshops, classes, shows and local events to kick it off right.

From now until Febtuary 15th, come in and enjoy a selection works of our Joint SALON DES REFUSES // NEW ARTIST AND NEW SIGNATURE MEMBER show! These groupings feature both artists who were unable to participate in the 2018 Juried National Show (giving them the spotlight they deserve!) as well as artists who have recently advanced in their RIWS membership title from active exhibition participation. Late February welcomes in the COLRSCAPE exhibition, where hues pigments and tones across the color spectrum are the strue stars of the show. In between show receptions, sign up for our upcoming classes, including Wet on Wet Techniques with Evelyn Bernal, and Florals in Alcohol in with Mary Wojciechowski.

As we take the time to appreciate the varieties of colors and vibrance that surrounds us in nature and art, let us take the time this month to appreciate the beautiful differences in the people that surround us. February's RIWS newsletter provides an upcoming schedule for local exhibitions centralized around Black History Month and the civil rights movement, to truly inspire us to love the world that surrounds us.

- Sasha Pacek, Gallery Coordinator

FROM THE DIRECTOR

I want to dive right in to what the Rhode Island Watercolor Society is up to.

With the start of 2019 we have some of our usual classes and workshops coming up. Evelyn Bernal is teaching her famous wet on wet class and Mary Wojciechowski is teaching two separate alcohol ink workshops. One is going to be focused specifically on flowers, and the other is going to be focused on landscapes. If it were me, I'd take both!

In addition, RIWS is looking into running some online classes as well, for those that prefer to work in the comfort of their own studio. We'll have more information on that as we work out the logistics, but in the meantime, feel free to reach out to us with any thoughts, concerns or ideas you might have for online classes. In that same vein, we have a new tutorial on how to enter all of our call for entries! It's quick and easy so I encourage you to check that out on our website if you haven't already.

Finally, keep an eye out in your inbox for some upcoming rebranding meetings. RIWS has some big plans on the horizon, but we want YOU to be a part of all our decision making. RIWS belongs to our members, and it's essential that we build on that culture of responsibility. So I encourage all members to come out and share your thoughts or just listen in on our new rebranding initiatives. Keep an eye on our website for any changes to the schedule or upcoming programming. And if you haven't already, renew that membership!

-Sam Green, Gallery Director

EVENTS, CLASSES & MORE



THE NEW ENGLAND WATERCOLOR SOCIETY

Fostering Excellence in Aqua Media since 1885.

2019 Signature Members Show February 6 - March 3, 2019



Reception & Awards

Saturday, February 9, 2:00-4:00pm

Exhibit Location

The Guild of Boston Artists
162 Newbury Street
Boston, Massachusetts 02116

Gallery Hours

Tuesday-Saturday, **10:30am-5:30pm**
Sunday, **12:00-4:00pm**, Closed Mondays

Exhibit Juror

Cindy Baron, AWS

Evelyn Bernal

Wet on Wet Techniques in Watercolor

February 15th - March 23rd, 2019

Fridays mornings from 10AM - 1PM

Check online for more
information at www.riws.org

Mary Wojciechowski's Alcohol Ink Floral Workshop

March 9th, 2019

10:30 AM - 3:30 PM

*All levels welcome! Sign up + more information at
www.riws.org*

COLORSCAPE

FEBRUARY 16TH - MARCH 15TH, 2019
RECEPTION FEBRUARY 16TH FROM 2 - 4

DATES TO REMEMBER

February 16	Colorscape Opening Reception
February 16 - March 15	Colorscape Exhibition Dates
February 15 - March 23	Evelyn Bernal: Wet on Wet Techniques
March 15 - March 22	Colorscape Artwork Pickup
March 9	Mary Wojciechowski: 1 Day Alcohol Ink Floral Workshop
February 27 - March 9	Artist Member Show Drop-Off
March 16 - April 12	Artist Member Show Exhibiton Dates
March 16	Artist Member Show Opening Reception



OTHER LOCAL CENTERS AND INSTITUTIONS

Present - May 31	“The Body as Site of” feat. Akujixxv, Devyn Galindo, Panteha Abareshi and Caroline Hicks at the Center for Study of Race and Ethnicity in America
Present - March 3	“Bona Drag: An Incomplete History of Drag and Cross-Gender Performance in Film and Video Art”, RISD Museum
February 6 - March 9	“2019 Signature Member Show”, New England Watercolor Society

COMMUNITY ART EVENTS

CIVIL RIGHTS ARE HUMAN RIGHTS

FROM NOW UNTIL FEBRUARY 28TH, 2019

“The exhibition presents a powerful exploration of contemporary civil disobedience in light of life on the streets of cities across the USA. Through the large mixed media collage paintings created by Jordan Seaberry in dynamic counterpoint with Pamela Chatterton-Purdy’s stunning traditional icon-styled paintings, celebrating and remembering the individuals who dedicated and often gave their lives in the fight for Civil Rights from the 1960’s to the present, the exhibit demands civil discourse over our continued struggle with human rights and human dignity as a nation and as a world. It calls to question and begs for activism in light of generations of street violence, school violence and hate crimes over race, ethnicity, gender and sexuality.” -Official URI Exhibition Description.

URI Feinstein Providence Campus 1st and 2nd Floor Lobby Gallery
80 Washington Street, Providence RI 02903, Monday - Thursday 9-9, Saturday 9-4, Closed Sundays

RIWS NEWSLETTER INFORMATION

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