



***APS Newsletter***

***April. 2021***

*Pastelists capture the world's beauty  
guided by their unique skills and love of painting*

### **From the President**

Hello APS Artists,

In 2008 the Arkansas Pastel Society chose to support the Thea Foundation by a donation to their scholarship program in the amount of \$500. This donation has continued and increased over the years to the current \$1000 we now donate each year to support Thea Foundation. Our donation helps to promote the importance of the arts and creative learning as a vital and enriching part of a student's education

The Scholarship program has resulted in nearly \$2 million in scholarships to Arkansas high schools seniors, Thea's Art Closet program which has resulted in more than \$1.5 million in art supplies to hundreds of underfunded schools across the state, and Thea's Arts Reconstruction program provides continuing professional development training to public school teachers in new visual arts mediums.

Happy Painting!

Nancy Martin

### **May Meeting Program**

Paul Leopoulos, Thea's Founder and past executive director, will be our speaker for the May 4th meeting. He is very excited to have the opportunity to speak to us about the work they are doing and how our donation helps to support their programs. Paul is an enthusiastic speaker and I am sure you will enjoy hearing him. **Zoom in and join us at 6 p.m. on Tuesday, May 4th.**

**Save The Date**  
**Karen Margulis Mini-Workshop**  
**Painting Wildflowers**  
**August 14, 9 a.m. - Noon**



Back by popular demand for a second mini-workshop is Karen Margulis!!!! This workshop will focus on painting wildflowers- a subject she is well known for in the pastel world. Again this will be available only through APS via You Tube Livestream. Make your reservations today!

If you would like to view Karen's work, you can visit her website at <http://karenmargulis.com>. Karen will be judging our national show this year and will also be doing our in person workshop prior to the show.

We will send out a link to every person who signs up prior to the workshop. You will need the internet in order to view the workshop. Prices are \$25 for APS members and \$35 for nonmembers. You must be current in your dues for the 2021 year in order to sign up at the member rate.

Any questions about the workshop can be directed to Debbie Strobel ([Debbie.strobel@icloud.com](mailto:Debbie.strobel@icloud.com)) or Susan Hurst ([susandeehurst68@gmail.com](mailto:susandeehurst68@gmail.com)).

Name \_\_\_\_\_  
Phone# \_\_\_\_\_  
Email address  
(required) \_\_\_\_\_  
Member Rate (\$25) \_\_\_\_\_  
Nonmember (35) \_\_\_\_\_

Please fill out this form and return to mini workshop chairman:  
Susan Hurst 9 Roanne Court Little Rock, Arkansas 72211

If you need to join or renew your membership, you may return the membership application to Susan Hurst with this form. Susan will confirm your membership and give you the membership rate. Then send the form on to our Membership Chairman, Anne Paret.

### **Karen Margulis November 4-Day Workshop**

We also have a tentative location for the workshop at the Parrish Hall of Holy Souls Church. It is a huge room with lots of space! Debbie Strobel will be sending out a flyer about the workshop sometime this summer. We will offer our APS members the first chance to sign up before opening it up to others.

### **New Committee Chairs**

Anne Parat will serve as chair for the upcoming Karen Margulis workshop that runs in conjunction with our 2021 national show. Anne also serves as our 2021 membership committee chair.

Ray Anderson will now serve as the APS Webmaster. Any items you have that need to be posted on our website will now go to Ray. Ray also serves as the APS Newsletter committee chair..

### **Sunshine Committee**

Gerry DeLongchamp who is the Sunshine Committee chair has requested cards from artists who are willing to create greeting cards. These cards are sent to members who need some sunshine in their lives. Normally we would give them to Gerry during the meetings but with Zoom meetings not that's not possible. Gerry would like to receive them at her home.

## National Show Location Secured!

We are happy to announce that our National Show in November will open as scheduled Nov. 12th at the ACANSA Gallery in North Little Rock. This gallery, at 413 Main St., is right in the heart of the Argenta Arts District. It will be a great location for our show to be seen by many, many visitors. It will stay up through the November and December Art Walks, as well other holiday events in Argenta including the lighting of the huge tree in Argenta Plaza. As always, we will need help with various jobs for the show, Debbie Strobel will be putting out requests for that in the next few months.



## Mary Ann Stafford News and Sale

Mary Ann has had two paintings accepted into the Small Works Competition in Mena, and entered five into the NCA new show in Fairfield Bay. She's recently, completed two commissions, and has three more to work on!

Incidentally, she would like to sell some of her pastel books and sanded papers she doesn't need anymore for **great discounts**. If anyone is interested, please call her to set up an appointment!

### New Members

The following are the names and locations of three new APS members: Tina Lake, Russellville, Jenni Duncan, Little Rock, and Dale Wintroath, Little Rock. Jenni and Dale both came from the LifeQuest pastel class.

### Contributors

Thanks to everyone who submitted items for this month's newsletter. Your help in creating an interesting and informative newsletter is much appreciated.

### Calendar of Events

<b>May 4, 2021</b>	<b>Monthly Meeting 6:00 – 7:30 p.m.</b>
<b>June 1, 2021</b>	<b>Monthly Meeting 6:00 – 7:30 p.m.</b>
<b>August 3, 2021</b>	<b>Monthly Meeting 6:00 – 7:30 p.m.</b>
<b>August 14, 2021</b>	<b>Karen Margulis Livestream 9:00 am – 12:00 pm</b>
<b>September 7, 2021</b>	<b>Monthly Meeting 6:00 – 7:30 p.m.</b>
<b>October 5, 2021</b>	<b>Monthly Meeting 6:00 – 7:30 p.m.</b>
<b>November 8-11, 2021</b>	<b>Karen Margulis Workshop 9:00 am -4:30 pm</b>
<b>November 9, 2021</b>	<b>Monthly Meeting -Demo By Karen Margulis 6:00 – 7:30 p.m.</b>
<b>December 2021</b>	<b>Monthly Meeting – Christmas Party</b>

**ARKANSAS PASTEL SOCIETY MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION**

**(Please print legibly)**

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Phone(Home) \_\_\_\_\_ (Work) \_\_\_\_\_

(Cell) \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail \_\_\_\_\_

Web Site \_\_\_\_\_

New Member ( ) Renewal ( ) I am willing to serve:

\_\_\_ as an officer, \_\_\_ on a committee, \_\_\_ help with a show, \_\_\_ other

Signature \_\_\_\_\_

Mail completed form with annual membership fee of \$25 to:

Arkansas Pastel Society

Anne Parat, Membership Chairperson

807 Shea Drive

Little Rock, Arkansas 72205

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\*\*\*\*\* Check received by Chairperson:

Membership paid through: