



Newsletter: May, 2015

President's Message – Debbie Strobel

Many thanks to Shirley Anderson for stepping in at the last minute (literally) to replace Cathy Spann and lead our meeting. Cathy caught a bug the day before the meeting and we were scrambling to find a program replacement. Thanks to Shirley, we had a great one! She showed us how to do a value study on Multimedia Pastel Board and cover it with clear gesso for texture. Then the pastels are applied after that dries. It is a technique she learned from Richard McKinley. Cathy is planning on doing her talk on Abstracts at the June meeting.

Please sign up for the mini-workshop in June!!!! It is on Reflections and sounds like something really unique. You can invite artists of any medium to this one, as everyone needs to understand how reflections work. And remember these workshops are going to be the main way that we raise money for the prizes for our national show.

Your board met this Saturday and we are finalizing plans for the rest of the year. With our national show and workshop coming up, it is an exciting time to be a member of APS.

Unfortunately I will be missing the June meeting. I hate to miss hearing Cathy, but I'm excited that the reason is I will be attending IAPS in Albuquerque, NM for the first time! Shirley is also attending, and we will be giving you a report on what we learn at the August meeting (because there is no meeting in July).

Keep painting so you will have work ready for Garvan Gardens and for the national show!

Debbie

Our monthly meetings are held on the first Tuesday of the month at 6:00 PM in the Arkla Room of the Center for Health Education Building of St. Vincent's Hospital. If you need directions, go to <http://www.arkpastel.com/contact-us> and click on the link.

APS Members Honored

APS members are being recognized in many areas of the arts community.

Susan Hurst won 2nd Place for Works on Paper: Pastel at the White River Art Festival - Plein Air.

Sister Maria Liebeck will have an art show of 22 of her paintings at St. James United Methodist Church, Pleasant Valley Rd., Little Rock May 10 through July 6.

Congratulations to Susan and Sister Maria!!!!

May Meeting

Shirley Anderson graciously agreed to step in and lead us in a study about values and using clear gesso to create texture when Cathy Spann became ill and could not teach the scheduled class on abstract pastels. We hope to have Cathy teach her class on abstracts in June.

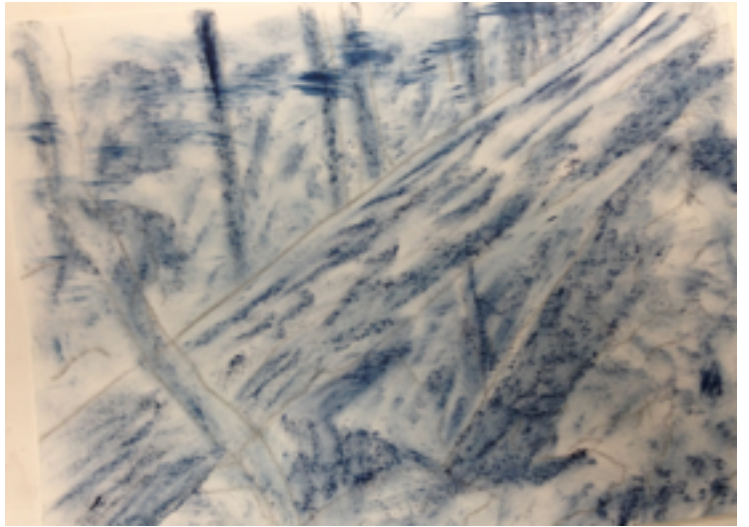
Shirley used Multimedia Artboard Pastel Artist Panels. It is available in either 320 or 500 Grit. The website for this product is: www.multimediaartboard.com If you have questions, you can ask for Tom Carney, the owner.



Once again, we had a good group.









Arkansas Pastel Society Reflections Mini-Workshop

By

Karen Cooper

June 6, 2015

9:30AM-3PM

Butler Center, Little Rock, AR

Donation: \$20 (APS)

This helps support the APS National Show

Contact Person: Marlene Gremillion gremartist@gmail.com

Karen Cooper will be demonstrating and instructing on reflections using pastel. She is going to bring mirrors to use which will reinforce the idea of reflections. You should have a really good understanding of this by the end of this one day mini-workshop.

Karen's educational background consists of:

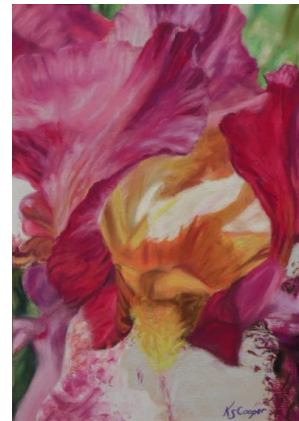
B.F.A. Studio Art, Printmaking and Painting Specializations, Texas State University, 1987

Art K-12 and Elementary Education Courses, Southern Arkansas University, 1989-1991 Certification, Art K-12 and Elementary Education, 1997, 2005

Continuing Education, Computer Technology, SAU Tech, 2005 and SACC, 2006

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Karen Cooper is currently the Visual Arts Teacher, for the El Dorado Public Schools.



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Announcements:

Fellowship Bible Church is presenting its seventh art festival. Deadline for submissions is May 20th. For more information, go to www.fellowshiponline.org and look for events. You will find the theme of the festival and all relevant information on this website. Apparently, many of the paintings sell at this event which is held every two years.

Help Wanted - Margaret:

I am looking for someone to take pictures for me for the newsletter if I am unable to attend the APS monthly meeting. This may happen once or twice a year. You can take pictures with your cell phone, so it is not too difficult a job! And you can email the pictures to me. Right now, it appears that I will not be in town for the September meeting. If you think you can help, please send a message to me at: margaret@usscanman.com Thanks!!!!

The 6th National APS Juried Exhibition - Shirley Anderson

The 6th National Juried Exhibition will be held this year with Stan Sperlak as the juror and judge. Digital entries will be made through www.onlinejuriedshows.com beginning around July 1, and the deadline for submission is September 1, 2015. The Exhibit will open on November 13 and will hang through February 27, 2016.

Dates to Remember:

Date	Event
June 2	APS General Meeting
June 6	Reflections Mini Workshop - Karen Cooper Butler Center, 9:30 AM to 3:00 PM
July	NO MEETING THIS MONTH
July 1 (tentative date)	Begin Submission of Entries to the 6th National APS Juried Exhibition
July 25	APS Board Meeting
August 4	APS General Meeting
September 1	APS General Meeting

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September 1	Deadline for Submission of Entries to the 6th National APS Juried Exhibition
September 26	APS Board Meeting
October 6	APS General Meeting
October 1-31	Garvan Gardens Show - details will follow
November 3	APS General Meeting
November 9 - 12	Stan Sperlack Workshop Location: Thea Foundation
November 13 - February 27	6th National APS Exhibition Butler Center
December 1	APS General Meeting Christmas Party