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Greetings fellow pastel artists,

First, I want to remind all of you that you need to get over to the Butler Center Gallery to see our AR Pastel Society National Show if you have not made it over yet. We had some very talented artists from here in Arkansas and from all over the US who entered this show. I would like to take time to thank our National Show committee, Diana Shearon, Lois Davis, and Nancy Martin, who did an outstanding job putting this show together. Next I would like to thank everyone who helped with refreshments, unpacking paintings and anything else included in putting this show together. You all did a great job!! They still have the big job of packing the paintings back up in January and sending them back to the artists.

Keep creating,
Sheliah Halderman, Presiden



Above: We had a good attendance at our meeting and discussed several issues important to the future of the club.

Right: Doug Dawson doing a demo at the workshop.



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People, Places & Things!

APS 4th National Exhibition at Butler Center Arkansas Studies Institute

Congratulations to all the entrants selected for awards.

Best of Show – *Tom* by Diana DeSantis

1st Place – *Warm Fruit* by Rosalie Beck

2nd Place – *Twenty* by Marla Rush Parnell

3rd Place – *Blue Water Falls* by Gail Higginbotham

1st Honorable Mention – *Mexico Sun* by Marlene Gremillion

2nd Honorable Mention – *Strawberries* by Richard Jones

3rd Honorable Mention – *Get Behind the Mule in the Morning and Plow (apologies to Tom Waits)* by Dominique Simmons

4th Honorable Mention – *Arivaca Ranch Horses* by Sue Hunter

5th Honorable Mention – *Serenity* by Eve Miller

Peoples Choice – *Silver Lining* by Jo Magee

Check out apsnationalshow.blogspot.com for all the National Show finalists.

Doug Dawson Workshop

The workshop will be August 15-17 and will be held at the Bulter Center. There is still room for one more person. For more information contact Diana Shearon at 501-590-5934 or dianashearon@comcast.net.

St. Joseph Center of Arkansas Open House

The SJCA Open House will be help Sunday, November 6th from 2-4pm. In addition to tours of the building there will be an Art Show and Sale to benefit St. Joseph's. Original paintings and prints by local artists from Sr. Maria Liebeck's Plein Air group will be available. Presentations will also offer information about the History and Future of St. Joseph's. Come and hear more about St. Joseph Center of Arkansas' vision to revitalize the property to become a place of spiritual retreat and charitable outreach. Bring your friends and invite others to attend! The event is at 6800 Camp Robinson Rd. (formerly St. Joseph's Orphanage).

AR Art Center Annual Museum School Holiday Sale

Friday, Nov 18, 2011, 6-8pm

Member Preview Party

Saturday, Nov 19, 2011, 9am-4pm

Sale Day, open to the public

Clear Channel Metroplex

New Changes for the New Year!!!

The AR Pastel Society voted to meet 9 times per year.

No General Membership meetings will be held on January, February and July in 2012.

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December Meeting

December Meeting is the Christmas Party, December 6th, 6-8pm at St. Vincent Infirmary. We will have a "Member's Christmas Swap"... Members bring art items that you no longer use from your studio, such as brushes, palette knives, pastel colors you don't want, canvases that you bought you don't use.... or a small painting. Wrap it or put in a gift bag and members that contribute will be able to swap. mediums for both portraits and landscapes.

Mary Ann Stafford

Dr. Mary Ann Stafford has recently been awarded the 2011 Scholarship from the Arkansas Committee of the National Museum of Women in the Arts. Her project centers on producing pen and ink drawings of several structures listed on the National Historic Register in the Argenta District of North Little Rock. The drawings when completed will be published in a coffee table type book that includes historical and architectural facts for each drawing. This book will be sold to benefit the downtown Argenta Historical Commission. The original drawings and giclee' prints will also be available.



New Slate of Officers

Here is the slate of officers for Board 2012. We will be voting on officers at December Meeting.

President: **Virmarie DePoyster**

Vice President: **Jo McGee**

Treasurer: **Shirley Anderson**

Secretary: **Denise Dupont**

Education/ Workshops: **Diana Shearon**

Membership: **Susan Hurst**

Librarian: **Sister Maria**

Historian: **Mary Nancy Henry**

National Exhibit: **Lois Davis, Nancy Martin**

Local Exhibit at Garven Gardens: **Sheliah Halderman**

Webmaster: **Marlene Gremillion**

Newsletter: **Debbie Strobel**

WE STILL NEED SOMEONE ON THE BOARD TO DO LOCAL EXHIBITS at El Dorado and here in Little Rock. Sheliah Halderman is coordinating the Garven Gardens Exhibit only.

Our monthly meetings are the first Tuesday of the month at 6:00 p.m. in the south auditorium of the Center for Health Education building of St. Vincent's Hospital. Email newsletter information to Debbie Strobel at sailstrobel@aristotle.net. Email web page information to Nancy Martin at aps4website@yahoo.com.