



## *Newsletter: September, 2015*

### President's Message

Though we had many out of town last week, we still had a great time at our paint-around. I enjoyed participating and want to thank Nancy Martin for organizing the event and also being one of the artists! The other artists were Tom Herrin and Shirley Anderson. Everyone chose a landscape for their paintings, so we were all pretty comfortable with that. The results came out very well, as you can see from the photos that Margaret took.

The entries are now closed for our National Show and the jurying begins! We almost doubled our entries in the last week. Obviously artists like to wait until the last minute. Hopefully many of our members will receive acceptance notices.

Be sure to read the information in the newsletter about the show at Garvan Gardens. Sheliah took paintings from those who brought them to the meeting. If you want to enter but have not yet given her your paintings, please contact her or bring them to Hot Springs yourself.

The Stan Sperlak workshop is full but there is currently no waiting list. You can put down your registration fee and get on the list if you like, and might get a spot if someone else drops out. Stan has agreed to do a demo for our meeting while he is here, so we will change the November meeting to the second Tuesday instead of the first. We sure to mark that down as no one will want to miss that! Feel free to invite other artists and friends because we will have that meeting in the large auditorium.

See you next month!

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.

## September Program

The Paint Around.....

Debbie Strobel, Tom Herrin, Shirley Anderson and Nancy Martin at work.



The paintings at the end of the session.....



## **November Program**

Stan Sperlak, our juror and judge for the national show, has agreed to do a demo and speak to us at our meeting. For that reason we will be changing the November meeting to the SECOND Tuesday of the month in order to accommodate this. We will be meeting on Nov. 10 instead of Nov. 3, at our regular time of 6pm. In order to have more room we will be moving to the larger auditorium room that we have used in the past. We really want to fill that room so mark the date and invite your artist friends!

This is a great opportunity for those who cannot take his workshop that week to hear Stan speak and see how he works. Mark your calendar with the change now!

## **Election of Officers**

Officers will be elected at the December Meeting of the APS. Please consider serving as an officer or as a committee chairperson. There are lots of ways to contribute and we welcome all of our members to participate. If you have a particular interest or niche where you think you could help, please contact Debbie Strobel. And if you are called upon to serve, please seriously consider helping.

## **Exhibits**

### **The Arkansas Pastel Society 6th National Juried Exhibit**

The Arkansas Pastel Society 6th National Juried Exhibit will be held November 13, 2015 through February 27, 2016 at the Butler Center for Arkansas Studies. Stan Sperlak will be the Juror of Selection and Judge for Awards.

### **The Garvan Woodland Gardens Show**

The deadline for entries is September 15th. Please see the entry form and information later in this newsletter. You can bring your two paintings to the September 1st meeting if you would like Sheliah to take them back with her.

The show will be held during the month of October, 2015.

## **Workshops**

### **Richard McKinley Next Level/Mentoring Workshop**

The Arkansas Pastel Society will sponsor a Richard McKinley Next Level/Mentoring Workshop on April 25-29, 2016, for students who have previously attended a Richard McKinley workshop.

The price of the workshop is \$550, and a \$100 deposit is required to hold your spot in the workshop. The workshop will be held in Hot Springs Village, AR. For more information contact Shirley Anderson at [sranderson0930@sbcglobal.net](mailto:sranderson0930@sbcglobal.net) and see the attached Workshop Application.

## Stan Sperlak Workshop

Stan Sperlak will be teaching a workshop November 9-12, 2015. The workshop is full. If you wish to be put on the waiting list, please send your registration to Virmarie DePoyster. The form is at the end of this newsletter.

## Announcements

Lois Davis has a pastel exhibit at the Department of Human Services at 7th and Main St. through September 19th.

Sheliah Halderman has an exhibit, along with two other artists, at the Garvan Woodland Gardens for the month of September.

Virmarie DePoyster won the Main Street, Creative Corridor Banner exhibition! The winning posters were not pastel paintings, but digital photographs, something new for Virmarie. They are 38 ft tall and 12 ft wide banners.... hanging in each corner of 2nd and Main parking garage, downtown LR, across from Capitol Hotel parking lot. Check 'em out!

## Welcome Three New Members:

We are so pleased to welcome Jeannie Knod Edwards of Texarkana, AR and Edward and Carol Zack, of Elgin, Illinois.

## Dates to Remember:

Date	Event
September 15	Garvan Gardens Show Deadline for Entries
September 21	6th National APS Exhibition Acceptance Notices Sent
September 26	APS Board Meeting
September 30	Garvan Gardens Show Hang Exhibit
October 1-31	Garvan Gardens Show
October 6	APS General Meeting
October 23	6th National APS Exhibition Deadline for Shipped Pieces to be received
October 29	6th National APS Exhibition Deadline for Hand Delivered Pieces to be received

Date	Event
October 30	Garvan Gardens Show Take Down Exhibit
November 10	APS General Meeting
November 9 - 12	Stan Sperlack Workshop Location: Thea Foundation
November 13 - February 27	6th National APS Exhibition Butler Center - Opening of Exhibition and Awards
December 1	APS General Meeting Christmas Party
February 27, 2016	6th National APS Exhibition Take Down Exhibit

See Registration Forms on the following pages:

## Arkansas Pastel Society Exploring Abstraction Mini-Workshop

By

Cathy Spann

October 3, 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](mailto:gremartist@gmail.com)



**"Where do you start?"**

This is the question Cathy is most often asked about creating abstract art. How do you know what to paint when you don't have an image in front of you?

That's where we'll start in this workshop -- where to get ideas and inspiration, and how to find your way to completion when you don't have a map to guide you.

We will try out several specific ways of getting started using smaller-scale drawings, then focus on one technique of your choice to begin working on a larger piece.

One of the techniques we will explore involves creating an abstract version of an existing image, so if you have photos you would like to use for this exercise, bring them along. Cathy will also provide photos you may use for this process



----- **Complete and send check made out to Arkansas Pastel Society** -----

To: Marlene Gremillion  
16 Carlet Lane  
Hot Springs Village, AR 71909

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Phone: Home \_\_\_\_\_ Cell \_\_\_\_\_

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

## GARVAN WOODLAND GARDEN SHOW 2015

540 Arkridge Rd. ph. 1-501-262-9300

September 15<sup>th</sup> deadline to enter show you may have two paintings in the show any size

September 30<sup>th</sup> hang show, time 11-12 AM

October 30<sup>th</sup> take down the show-pick up paintings, time 9-10 AM

Contact person: Sheliah Halderman, e-mail: [sheliahhalderman@sbcglobal.net](mailto:sheliahhalderman@sbcglobal.net):

Phone: 501-922-9375

Address: 2 Sacedon Circle, Hot Springs Village, AR 71909

Please fill out this information: Please print information Your Name:

Your Name	
Your Address	
Your Email Address	
Your Phone No.	
Title of Painting	
Price of Painting	
Title of Second Painting	
Price of Second Painting	

Please no saw tooth hangers. **Very important:** please put your name, your title of painting, phone #, and price on the back of the painting. Please use wire hangers on the back of the painting (No Saw tooth). Bubble wrap would be great to put around your painting to protect painting, frame, and glass.

Garvan Woodland Gardens charges a 20% commission if they sell your painting.

Thank you for entering!

Sheliah Halderman



**ARKANSAS PASTEL SOCIETY**

**RICHARD McKINLEY WORKSHOP**

**APRIL 25 – 29, 2016**

**(Please Print Legibly)**

**Name** \_\_\_\_\_

**Address**  
\_\_\_\_\_

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

**Phone (Home)** \_\_\_\_\_ **(Work)** \_\_\_\_\_ **(Cell)** \_\_\_\_\_

**e-mail** \_\_\_\_\_

**The cost of the five day workshop is \$550. A deposit of \$100 is required to place your name on the attendee list. The remainder of the cost (\$450) is due thirty days before start of the workshop. Cancellation prior to March 25, 2016 (thirty days before start) will result in the return of the deposit if your place can be filled from the waiting list. Cancellation during the thirty days prior to the workshop will result in forfeiture of the total. It will be your responsibility to fill your slot during that 30-day period prior to start of the workshop.**

**Checks should be made out to the Arkansas Pastel Society.**

**Signature** \_\_\_\_\_

**Mail completed form with deposit fee of \$100 to: Arkansas Pastel Society, Shirley Anderson, 59 Gerante Way, Hot Springs Village, AR 71909**

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**Stan Sperlak Workshop  
November 9-12, 2015**

Pre-Workshop get together with Stan: Sunday, Nov 8, 2015, 2:00 – 5:00 pm  
Sponsored by: Arkansas Pastel Society  
Location: THEA Foundation, 401 Main Street, North Little Rock, AR 72114

**\*\*Please Print Legibly\*\***

Name:

Address:

City, State, Zip Code:

Telephone:

Email:

**Cost/ Cancellations:**

1. Four day workshop cost: \$400 APS Non Members, \$375 APS Members. If you want to join APS, Membership form can be found at [www.arkpastel.com](http://www.arkpastel.com).
2. A deposit of \$100 is required to place your name on the attendee list.
3. The remainder of the cost (\$300/ \$275) is due 30 days before start of the workshop.
4. Cancellation prior to October 9, 2015 (thirty-days before start) will result in the return of the deposit if your place can be filled from the waiting list.
5. Cancellation during the thirty days prior to the workshop will result in forfeiture of the total. It will be your responsibility to fill your slot during that 30-day period prior to start of the workshop.
6. Checks should be made out to the Arkansas Pastel Society.

Signature \_\_\_\_\_

Mail completed form with deposit fee of \$100 to:  
Arkansas Pastel Society  
Virmarie DePoyster  
3 Belair Street, North Little Rock, AR 72116

Information on lodging and supplies list to follow.