



FAIRBORN ART ASSOCIATION

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MARCH 2018 NEWSLETTER

Dear Members, Patrons, and Friends,

I am glad that we are continuing to get the word out about FAA. We have had some good news publications and getting some of our members pictures in new and different places, like the Fairborn City Building, etc. I will be glad when water finally quits coming down. Good news is we can all paint scenes of water as we have plenty of material to work with. Just a reminder that the Sweet Corn Festival group can always use volunteers; the festival committee works year round. Some of us are writing books on what we do and find that the festival has grown and many of us could use helpers to keep up with our work. Remember that the festival pays for all our rent here and many other projects like scholarships for young people trying to become artists. We have a very active group and are becoming known in many new areas. Keep up the good work. See you at our next meeting on March 6 at 7:00 pm. The Board will meet at 6:00 pm.

Loren Red
President

MARCH SPEAKER—LEONARD WILLIAMS

Local artist Leonard Williams will be a speaker/demonstrator at the Fairborn Art Association (FAA) meeting, Tuesday, March 6, 2018. Best known for his vibrant watercolor scenes, Williams concentrates on the realistic depiction of nature and landscape vignettes. His paintings invite the viewer to become a part of the setting. Williams grew up with a love of nature, a deep concern for the earth, and a passion for the American West. He draws his inspiration from the infinite world of nature—its lands and seas, its animals, and its people. This popular artist's paintings have been recognized in numerous juried shows, both locally and nationally, and his studio walls are peppered with a variety of ribbons, awards and honors. Many of his works are featured in private and corporate collections across the country. His work can be seen in *The New Creative Artist*, by well known artist/author Nita Leland and he is a featured artist in her newest book *Confident Color*. In addition, his drawings appear in a series of learning and activity books for children in grades one through five produced by Children's Historical Publishing.

A native of Dayton, Ohio, Williams spent 25 years as a firefighter for the City of Dayton and over 35 years as a sign painter. Drawing since childhood and primarily a self-taught artist, he has refined his natural talents by attending workshops given by many nationally known artists such as Stephen Quiller, Don Andrews, Nicholas Simmons, John Salminen, Jack Hines, Robert Bateman, and others and by studying at the yearly Pro-Art Workshop in Big Timber, Montana for more than 11 years. Now retired, he lives in the Caesar Creek area of Waynesville, Ohio, where he concentrates full time on his painting. Williams also teaches beginning and intermediate watercolor classes and beginning drawing workshops at Rosewood Art Centre in Kettering, Ohio, and give demos and workshops throughout the surrounding area. Williams is an active member and past president of the Dayton Society of Painters and Sculptors, and an active member of the Ohio Watercolor Society, the Western Ohio Watercolor Society, the Greater Cincinnati Watercolor Society, the American Impressionist Society, and the Ohio Plein Air Society. In addition, he is a member and strong supporter of several conservation organizations including the Cincinnati Zoo & Botanical Gardens, Defenders of Wildlife, the World Wildlife Federation, the Best Friends Animal Sanctuary, and the Humane Society of America. Among his many awards are: 2014, Middletown Arts Center 1st Place, "Glen Helen Gorge"; 2014, Rosewood Art Centre Works on Paper 2nd Place, "Yellowstone Backwaters"; 2012, Western Ohio Watercolor Society Best of Show, "Smokey Mountains Shades of Green"; and 2009, Western Ohio Watercolor Society Best of Show, "Hocking Hills Winter."

"Promoting Art Education, Art Appreciation, and Community Service"

SPRING WORKSHOP WITH LIAN QUAN ZHEN

Mark your calendars for May 2-4, 2018 when Lian Quan Zhen, a very popular watercolorist and Chinese Painting artist will be the featured artist at a workshop at Fairborn Art Association. He will also be the demo artist for the May 1st FAA meeting and be the judge for our Spring Members Show. Lian Quan Zhen is a sought-after watercolor and Chinese painting artist and teacher in the US and abroad. He is one of the most popular authors of North Light Books. He started sketching and painting in his childhood and continued as a hobby while practicing medicine as a family physician in Canton Province, China. After immigrating to the US in 1985, he obtained a Bachelor of Arts Degree from University of California at Berkeley in 1992 and a Master of Architecture Degree from MIT in 1996. He has had many shows in the US, Hong Kong and China and developed an international following. His paintings hang in numerous institutional and private collections including the MIT Museum which has collected 14 of his paintings. His art teaching credentials include at the University of California at Berkeley where he taught watercolor outdoor sketching for 8 years; watercolor and Chinese painting workshops nationwide in the US, and other countries in Europe, Canada, Mexico, Bahamas, China, South Africa and Australia. (See <http://www.lianspainting.com/workshops.htm> for additional information on his workshops and a list of art supplies.) Also, Lian has been an invited juror for California, Colorado, New Mexico, Georgia, Arizona and Kentucky Watercolor Societies' exhibitions and other local shows. His paintings have been featured in magazines such as Watercolor 94 Spring, Splash4, Collectors (Hong Kong) and books of Landscape on Watercolor (UK), Finding Your Visual Voice, and Painter's Quick Reference books by North Light Books: Flowers and Blooms, Dogs and Cats, Birds and Butterflies, Landscapes, and Drawing and Painting Animals - the Essential Guide.

A flyer/registration form will be available in our Gallery and on our website www.fairbornart.org. Please contact Pat Dunker at pwdunk@gmail.com for registration and more information.

GREENE COUNTY SENIOR ARTISAN SHOW

The artwork currently on display in our Gallery is that of the Green County Senior Artisans. This show will be open to the public on the first three Sundays in March (4, 11, & 18) and Wednesday, March 21. The Grand Opening of the Show will be on Sunday, March 4 from 1:00 to 4:00 pm and refreshments will be served. The remaining two Sundays are from 1:00 to 3:30 pm. The hours on March 21 are from 11:00 am to 2:00 pm. Guests attending the show will have an opportunity to choose their favorite pieces. After the close of the show, recognition will be given to individual artists of the favorite pieces chosen. Please come and support your local artists. This show is sponsored by the Greene County Council on Aging and the Fairborn Art Association.

B-W GREENWAY LANDSCAPE SHOW

B-W Greenway has published its flyer for the Landscapes 2018 competition. Copies will be available in our Gallery and on our website www.fairbornart.org. The location this year is Oakes Quarry Park, a City of Fairborn park located near the intersection of Interstate 675 on State Route 235.

TIMELINE:

Until June 30, 2018, Visit Oakes Quarry Park and produce artwork.

Saturday, June 30, 1-4 pm, Work accepted at Fairborn Art Association Gallery.

Exhibition open to the public, Sundays, July 15, 22, and 29, 2-4 pm.

Opening reception, Sunday, July 15, 2-4 pm, with prizes awarded at 3 pm. Cash prizes total \$300.

Sunday, July 29, Final Day of Exhibition. Artists may pick up work at FAA Gallery, 4-5 pm.

For more information, please contact Bob Coates at bobctwin@woh.rr.com.

YUKI HALL WATERCOLOR CLASS

Yuki Hall will be teaching an 8-week watercolor class titled "Watercolor Working with Perspective" starting March 26. The class will meet on Monday mornings from 9:30 to 12:30. In this 8-week course, students will learn fundamental concepts and application of both aerial and linear perspective. Perspective is by far the most important tool to create a sense of 3-dimensional depth in a 2-dimensional picture plane. Used effectively, it

allows us to inject a powerful mood and atmosphere in your paintings. However, many students are intimidated about the term “perspective,” thinking it is only understood by artists with some architectural or engineering background. Nothing is farther from the truth. Perspective, discussed and demonstrated in simple, step-by-step fashion with practical examples, can be easily understood and utilized by students of any background and any skill level. A generous amount of class time will be spent on drawing lessons using various perspective tools, as well as other design concepts that are important for creating paintings with strong visual impact. Yuki’s highly organized, friendly, and non-intimidating teaching style has been well received for years by students of all levels. The cost for this 8-week class is \$105. To register, please send the payment and the registration form to Yuki Hall, 4136 Fox Fern Ct. Beavercreek, OH 45432. For any questions regarding this class, please call or email Yuki at 937-679-2464, yukihallfineart@gmail.com or www.yukihallfineart.com . Registration forms are available in the Gallery or may be printed out from our website www.fairbornart.org .

LOUISE JACKSON WATERCOLOR CLASS

Louise Jackson will teach a one-day class on April 24 which is a Tuesday at the FAA Gallery. This is a 16 x 16, on 300 lb. cp paper. \$40 covers teaching fee and all of your paint. Class is 5 hours plus a half hour for lunch. It will be 10 am till 3:30 pm. If you would like to join us, simply email me or call at 937-886-5238. Snow will be gone by then. Hope you can come. A photo of the subject will be available in our Gallery or on our website www.fairbornart.org

YUKI HALL WORKSHOPS

Yuki Hall has scheduled several workshops in various Ohio locations. If interested check her website for locations and subjects at <http://yukihallfineart.com>.

WATERCOLOR SHOW IN YELLOW SPRINGS

Libby Rudolf and Diana Hoke will be featured artists in a show of their watercolors at the Winds Café, May 8 to June 30 2018. An artists reception will be held on Sunday, June 3 from 6-8 pm.

MEMBER NEWS

Member Maria Lambalot’s husband, Roger, passed on Thursday, February 8. He had been quite ill for several years and Maria had not been very active during that time. She came and painted with us on Fridays when she could. No services at this time.

LOCAL ART NEWS

K12 GALLERY & TEJAS

This group, primarily known for working with children, has released a new schedule of classes for spring that includes their children's classes and Saturday classes for adults. They announced that they have artists supplies at very low cost, most donated by artists who no longer need them. They are located at 341 S. Jefferson St., Dayton OH 45402, phone 937-461-5149. For more information about their programs see their website at: www.k12tejasgallery.org.

DVAC

The Dayton Visual Art Center is sending out a newsletter/email highlighting their current events. To get on their mailing list, go to daytonvisualarts.org. DVAC is located at 118 N. Jefferson St., Dayton OH 45402, phone 937-224-3822, Gallery Hours: Tues-Sat, 11 am-6 pm, Sun & Mon: Closed, First Fridays 'til 8 pm.

KELLY KANE

Many of you will recognize this name as that of the editor of *Watercolor Artist* magazine. She has moved to *PleinAir Magazine* and offers the following comments in her first issue as Editor:

"As the former content director of *The Artist's Magazine*, *Pastel Journal*, *Drawing*, and *Acrylic Artist*, and longtime editor of *Watercolor Artist*, I've been involved in the arts for more than 20 years, and one of the most exciting phenomena to happen in that time has been the explosion of interest in plein air

painting. I've been a fan of *PleinAir Magazine* from the time it was first published and was delighted to see it come back in 2011. I'm incredibly honored to pick up where Steve Doherty has left off and excited about the future of this thriving movement."

WEBSITE NOTES

If you have access to the internet, please go to our website at www.fairbornart.org for additional articles throughout the month. We also post photographs of meetings and other events that we are unable to publish in the printed version of this newsletter. Be sure we have your permission to display your artwork and/or any photo of you (individually or in a group) on the website.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

The following people signed up to bring refreshments to our next meeting: Carole Janning, Judy Mason, Susan Bertke, Jim and Connie Gifford, Sally Lee, Anna Mae Brown, Barbara Arnold, and Irene Ferriman. Thank you for volunteering. We usually have 50-60 members in attendance, so please plan accordingly,

REMINDERS

Our next meeting will be on Tuesday, April 3, at 7:00 pm. The deadline for submitting articles to be included in the April Newsletter is Monday, March 19, 2018. Please email your articles to albright10@msn.com or call Jackie Albright at 937-233-7532