

## CWS GENERAL MEETING MINUTES

May 19, 2009

First Plymouth Congregational Church, Denver

**CALL TO ORDER:** President Randy Hale called the meeting to order at 7:05 P.M. He thanked those who brought the night's refreshments. Pat Dall introduced and welcomed the guests.

**ANNOUNCEMENTS:** The next CWS meeting will be held on Tuesday, June 16, 2009 at 7:00 PM at the First Plymouth Congregational Church. Randy reminded the membership to vote on the slate of new CWS Board members for 2009-2010.

**EXHIBITIONS:** Valli McDougale, co-chairperson along with Lionel Sanchez for the CWS 2009 State Watermedia Exhibit, reported on the success of the show. Sixteen prizes were awarded; Dianna Widom won the People's Choice Award. Eight framed paintings and several bin works were sold for a total collected of \$7500, most of which went to the artists. Valli thanked Carol Tuttle for organizing the reception held on Friday, April 24, and estimated that 400 to 500 people attended it.

Sydney Eitel announced that the New Trends Show would be held at the Co-Art Gallery from September 14-27, 2009, with the reception scheduled for September 18 from 5-8 PM. The chairpersons for this event are Marjorie McMonagle and Gwen Marie Ehrlich and the juror is Nancy Condit; fees are \$20 for one entry, \$25 for two and \$30 for three. Only digital images will be accepted and should be sent to Sydney by June 16.

She also reported that she and Gene Youngman attended the WFWS meeting held in San Diego this month. Sixteen CWS members were accepted into the show, three earned awards, and two made sales. The next show will be held in Utah from May 14 to June 28, 2010; the prospectus for this event will be printed in the September Collage and entries will be due November 15, 2009.

The Members' Show will be held at The Old Firehouse Gallery in Longmont from November 13 to December 19. The chairpersons are Nancy Sullo and Martha Williams, and Richard Schilling will jury this event for awards only. Each member may enter up to three paintings for \$5 each. The outside dimensions of the art must measure one foot or less, including frame. The prospectus will be available in the August Collage and will be due in October. Artists may deliver their paintings to the CWS meeting that month and pick them up at the January meeting in 2010. The works will be sold on a cash-and-carry basis.

**WORKSHOPS:** Randy Hale announced that Ted Nuttall is now scheduled to give two five-day workshops in 2009. The first session will be held October 12-16 and the second from October 19-23. Members should contact Elaine Campbell if they are interested in signing up for the first one. The cost is \$375. He will concentrate on portrait painting and give a demonstration at the October 20 meeting.

**MEMBERSHIP:** Carla Rouse encouraged members who have not done so to renew their memberships by June 1 by sending her the \$35 dues along with their renewal forms and volunteer interests. The forms are available in the Collage or online at the new CWS website. She still has rosters and pins available for new members and requested information on any address changes.

**NEW CWS WEBSITE:** President Randy Hale announced the formation of a new website and domain name: [coloradowatercolorsociety.org](http://coloradowatercolorsociety.org). Members should refer to this site for all future CWS business. Currently it is a placeholder for a new site that will premier in the fall of 2009. An ad hoc committee of

three volunteers, Joanie Bauer Hupp, Susan Schmitt and Sean Willard, has researched several bids and has recommended that Redmann Mahoney design an updated website for the club. The Board has approved this recommendation. Randy thanked this committee for its hard work and will answer any questions members may have about the old site.

**PROGRAMS:** Pat Dall outlined the programs scheduled for the coming meetings. Tonight's program will feature a tag-team critique: two volunteers will choose two paintings to critique, followed by the artists of those two works giving their analysis of two others. About thirty members have brought in works so critiques should last for only two to three minutes. Five members have volunteered to critique if some do not want to speak in front of the club.

June's meeting will include recognition awards as well as a slide presentation of sketchbooks by Richard Schilling, a world-traveled dentist and author of *Watercolor Journeys*. A copy of his book is available for members to see at the back table.

**NEW BOARD:** Gene Youngman announced that the new slate of officers as printed in the May Col-lage had been approved by the membership. The new officers will be sworn in at the June 16 meet-ing.

Randy Hale thanked Pat Dall for organizing tonight's program and adjourned the business meeting at 7:25 P.M.

Respectfully Submitted,

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Recording Secretary