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October 18, 2005
GENERAL MEETING

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MISSION STATEMENT
The Colorado Watercolor Society is an organization dedicated to uphold the highest standards and principles of art and to promote, encourage and foster an interest in fine art in all media, especially watermedia.

DATES FOR CWS MEETINGS, SHOWS, EVENTS

October 11: Reservations due for Annual Fall Banquet.
October 18: Annual Fall Banquet and New Members Show
October 24: Delivery of art work to Botanic Gardens
October 24: Articles due for the November Collage
October 30: Opening for Botanic Gardens Show
November 2: Pick up paintings at Botanic Gardens 4pm until 5:30pm
November 15: Slides due to Gene Youngmann for WFWS
November 15: Board Meeting and General Meeting
No Meeting or Collage in December.

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Images must be sent as a JPEG or TIFF.

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www.Colorado Watercolor.org
What a tremendous attendance at the September meeting. Thank you to all members who invited old members back for this meeting. We had over one hundred in attendance, which is the highest attendance that we have had in some time. Now don't forget to keep coming in the future months. We enjoy seeing so many of you at the meetings.

Now the next thing to do, is to find your August or September Collage and cut out the reservation coupon for the Annual CWS Banquet. You still have time to make a reservation but don't wait too long. It is only $12 per person on or before Oct. 11th. After that it will be $20 at the door. So don't miss this "magical" event, please send in your reservation NOW.

At the Annual CWS Banquet we will enjoy a great meal together, have a New Members Exhibit of Paintings. Be sure to call Terrey Harrod at 303-981-6004 to reserve an easel. Award Signature Membership to those qualified members and enjoy some "magical" entertainment and honor four members for their service to the Society. The Recognition Committee Doris Peacock, Chairperson, Rita Derjue and David Gardner have selected the following members for recognition: Pam Hake, Past President 2001-2003; Mildred Kelly; Ann White and Mary Ann Clarke (posthumous award). These four members have served CWS in a wide variety of ways during the past years and are long overdue for recognition. We hope you will be part of this evening and join in this celebration.

We continue to look for leadership in the roles of chairpersons for the State Water Media Show, April 20 - May 1, 2006, the Denver Botanic Show, May 25 - June 2, 2006 and the Annual Member Show at the Lapis Gallery during July and August 2006. We desperately need people to fill these positions, as work must begin soon for each of these shows. These can be Co-Chairperson positions. So talk to a friend and volunteer to help out as chairperson of one of these shows otherwise I will be calling you and you know whom you are.

We are also in need of an Exhibition Coordinator to replace Terrey Harrod who is leaving her position. The Exhibition Coordinator is a very important job and one that we have to be filling very soon. This person coordinates all of the show and is a liaison for each chairperson, assisting with a variety of aspect of the shows. This is a Board position and the person would fill out Terrey’s current two-year term ending in July of 2006.

Thank you to Kate Wyman for stepping forward to be Hospitality Chairperson, to call people to bring refreshments for the meetings. And thank you Barbara McAdams for taking over the duties of Signature Membership.

A request, Helen Moseman, who lives in Parker is looking for someone who comes to the meetings and would be willing to give her a ride to and from. If this is something you can do please give her a call at 303-841-0936. Thanks for helping out a fellow member.

Finally, if you have a concern or a suggestion about CWS, please give me a call at 303-421-9886 or drop me an email, gyoungmann@comcast.net. Just keep painting, just keep painting!!

Gene Youngmann, President
The Colorado Watercolor Society is pleased to announce that we will be able to host a workshop with accomplished watercolor artist, Catherine Anderson AWS. The workshop will be held Feb. 20 to Feb. 24. The location is yet to be finalized, but we will have it centrally located in the Denver area. Catherine Anderson is known for her fabulously rich washes, unusual texturing with masking fluid, and misty atmospheric effects. Her teaching style is step-by-step and fool proof for achieving two incredible paintings by the end of the class. She works hands on with you and gives her all for five days, all day. She is very encouraging and delightful as an instructor. You will come away from this workshop having learned a lot no matter what your level.

The workshop is limited to 20 people on a first come first serve basis and we will take a wait list for any cancellations a month before the workshop. The cost of the workshop is $375.00 to members of CWS and $410.00 for non members. A $50.00 deposit is required to hold your place with full payment a month before the workshop. This workshop will fill up fast and February is not that far off, so send in your deposit now to:

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KUDOS!!
TO CWS MEMBERS

Congratulations to the seven members of CWS participating in the Arvada Art Studio Tour on September 24 & 25, sponsored by the Arvada Center. CWS members include; Evelyn Lombardi Lail, John Brasaemle, Kathy Baughman, Barbara Rathbun Jude Schmieder, Jackie McFarland and Cheryl St. John.

Congratulations to all of our members in the Painted Toe Society on their showcase of selected paintings at the Mount Vernon Country Club. This show will be on displayed now through December 15th. Check it out!!!

CONGRATULATIONS to the ten CWS members who have paintings in the Rocky Mountain National Watermedia exhibition at Foothills Art Center. The exhibit runs now until Sunday, November 6th. CWS members include: John Brasaemle, Donna Lee Clemenson, Jean Cole, Shizuko Barbara Hanson, Kathryn Kelso, Kathleen Lanzoni, Naum Katsenelson, Merrie Wicks, Anita Winter and Nancy Wylie. Also in the exhibition are paintings by our judges for WFWS32 the “Summer of Watercolor” in 2007 Carol Barnes and John Salminen. So take a trip out to Foothills and see this exhibit.

If you know to someone who deserves Kudos please call or email me.

Gene Youngmann

GOD’S GOLDEN ESSENCE
Watercolor
Catherine Anderson
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John Brasaemle may not be a member that you would recognize by face but I am sure that you would recognize his watercolors of birds. John is an aviculturist and an artist who has combined his passions into illustrations and watercolor paintings of birds. His paintings have been part of our state show the past few years.

John's artwork has appeared in several bird related magazines and has been covers on four different publications. His paintings have been accepted into several national watercolor exhibitions, in which he has also won awards. He has furthered the efforts of several non-profit bird conservation organizations through his artwork. Early in his career he had one-man shows of a western nature theme in Taos and the Denver area, but teaching and three kids dominated painting time. John did, however, find the opportunities for scenic design for a multitude of high school musicals, and to illustrate several trade books.

Four years ago John retired after thirty years teaching Elementary School Art in Jeffco and now has the time and focus to further develop his watercolor talents. When painting birds, John strives to capture the individual personality and character of each animal. The most successful paintings are those where the bird makes a direct contact with the viewer.

John is signature member of three watercolor societies: Kansas, Colorado and Wyoming. This year alone he has had artwork in the following exhibitions; Rocky Mountain National Watermedia, Kansas Watercolor Society Great Eight (Award), Colorado Watercolor Society State Show, Wyoming Watercolor Society Show (Award), “Animals in Art” LSU-VMS (2 Award) and Western Colorado Watercolor Society. Look for John's paintings whenever you visit an art show I am sure his work will be there.
NEWS FROM OUR MEMBERS

Six watercolors by Colorado Watercolor Society member Marty Alexandroff are presented in a unique silent auction. The paintings of historic buildings throughout Routt County have traveled to banks, libraries and museums Yampa, Oak Creek, Hayden and Steamboat Springs since June. Participants place their bids on site or at a special auction website. The watercolors are currently on display at Wells Fargo Bank in Steamboat Springs. Proceeds from the auction, which ends in October, will benefit Historic Routt County! Marty is a former resident of Steamboat Springs and, along with being an artist, is an historic preservation consultant.

Jeanne Lamar was the recipient of the BEST OF SHOW Award at the annual AQUA AREAS Show in Sonoma County, CA. Christopher Schink was the juror of this show which is open to all Northern California watercolorists. A NOTE FROM JEANNE: Although I am no longer living in CO., I have many friends in CWS, and am honored to be a signature member.

Nancy Wylie received Best of Show in the National 20th Annual Louisville Arts Festival ($1000)! My painting was 24x36 pastel called "Quiet Cove".

SILENT AUCTION A SUCCESS!
By Pam Hake

Thank you to everyone who participated in the Silent Auction at the September meeting. We raised $313.00 that will go toward the 2007 WFWS show at the Arvada Center.

Without great members this would not have been successful.

If you were at the meeting in September, you will recall that I put out a call for tax deductible donations that will go toward both the WFWS Exhibition and the State Show. I am proud to say that $349.00 was donated that night. The goal is to collect $2,000.00 in donations between now and spring 2007. If this goal is met, we will be able to have both Best of Show Awards donated by the CWS Members. I think that would be a beautiful feather in our cap. If you wish to donate, just send a check made out to CWS/WFWS to me. My address is in the roster. At every meeting I will also have a special jar or box for the donations.

Thank you again. I am proud to be working with such enthusiastic artists.

To get a copy of the CWSMinutes go to www.ColoradoWatercolor.org.
When the home page comes up, click on the line that says "Member information page - password required", when a window pops up, enter cws in the I.D. box and nancy in the password box.

The CWS Board met on September 20, 2005 to discuss the following items which will affect the general membership.

A Member Survey is enclosed in this newsletter. It is important to have every member fill it out completely so that we may use it as part of maintaining our 501(c)(3) non-profit organization status.

There remain several vacant positions which are vital to the running of CWS. They are: Treasurer (Mame Cairns is being gracious enough to carry on as Interim Treasurer), Exhibitions Co-Chair, and Signature Membership Chair.

Other key vacancies for CWS exhibitions are Chairmen for all of the 2006 season shows which are: the State Show, Denver Botanic Gardens Show and the Members Show. Dates and locations have all been secured.

Please consider volunteering for one of these openings.

The Board is collecting ideas for alternate exhibition spaces should any of our current locations, such as the Denver Botanic Gardens, no longer be viable options.

We are looking forward to the October Banquet which will provide an entertaining break from the business of art and a chance to get acquainted with both new and old members. We hope to see you there.

Nancy Wylie
"Quiet Cove"
pastel

The Board in Brief
By Janice Hanson,
Corresponding Secretary

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