

# February 2023

## **Upcoming Dates**

- February 11
  Landscapes with Dan
  Spanton
- February 11

  Bookworms will

  meet at 9:30 at Eileen

  Pestorius' home
- Feb 17—Mar 23 Georgetown Library show: Living in Bloom
- March 11
   Neurographic Art
   Therapy with Janet
   Fulk.
- April 8 Let's Get Negative (and create depth) with Sue Kemp
- **April 17–19** Soon Warren Workshop
- May 13 Portraits with Cheryle Chapline
- September 10–13
   Randy Hale Workshop



## Waterloo Message — Leslie Kjellstrand

#### Think Spring

The holidays cause many of us to stop painting and focus on other pressing things: parties, family, decorating, gifts and much more. Some artists have said, "I haven't painted in weeks." We say, "Let's get our paints out and just get started! You know you know it is what you want to do!"

You don't need to paint a masterpiece to get going. Just paint something you like to paint: a landscape, flower, portrait, an animal or an abstract. You'll find that once you've got the paints wet and the brushes out, you'll want to do more. For most artists, painting is mindful. That is, once you start you become immersed in the process and time flies. I like to start with painting watercolor cards for people who have early year birthdays.

WWG has an exciting agenda for this year all geared for members to enjoy and learn. Our long workshop in April will be presented by Soon Y. Warren. It's already full, but be sure to attend the demo on Sunday, April 16. In September, we will host Randy Hale from Sept. 10-13 and you can reserve a place for that soon. We are continuing our One-Day workshops on Saturdays in February, March, April and May. You can still sign up for them. We have shows and much more for you to join or visit for inspiration. Spring is right around the corner and it's time to think about submitting your work for our spring show. Yes, think spring; it will be here before you know it!

Keep those brushes wet,

Leslie Kjellstrand

Banner art courtesy of Kathleen Stafford
The Chinguetti Mosque painting is part of the
permanent collection at the American Embassy in
Nouakchott, Mauritania, West Africa, chosen by
the Arts in Embassies program for the cover of the
collection catalog. (https://art.state.gov/nouakchottpublication-2022/)

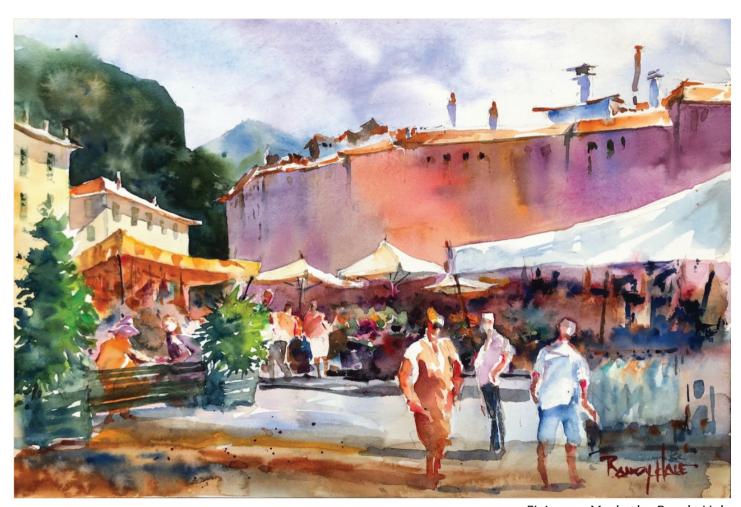
## 2023 Workshop News

Watch for the Final Payment notice for the Soon Warren Workshop on the WWG website Bi-Annual Workshops page to make your payment before the March 1st deadline. The Payment link is coming soon!

There is a waiting list, so if final payment of \$225.00 for Waterloo members is not made by that date the

people on the waiting list will be able to sign up.

Paypal button is the preferred payment method, BUT a PayPal account is not required, you can use the credit card option and pay like you would for any on-line purchase. Please email Kathleen Stafford at <a href="mailto:stafford333@qmail.com">stafford333@qmail.com</a> if you run into problems.



Fivizzano Market by Randy Hale

Please mark your calendar for our September workshop that will be taught by Randy Hale (<a href="https://www.halegallery.com/works">https://www.halegallery.com/works</a>) with a demo on September 10th and a 3 day workshop from the 11th to the 13th. We will begin sign up for that workshop the end of February.

### Attention Members – Help Needed

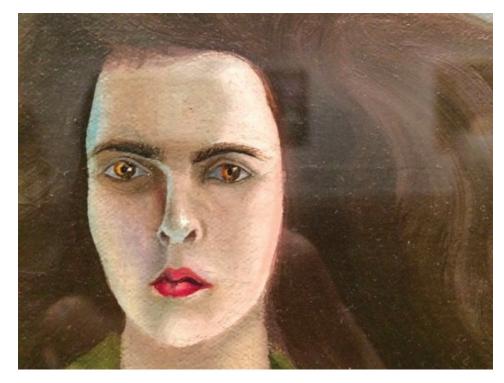
WWG needs some willing members (or retired husbands, handy sons etc.) to assist occasionally with audio-visual set up for our three-day workshops and Saturday mini-workshops (if instructor requests).

We are offering free attendance at the Saturday mini-workshops if you handle set up. Also, there will be a 50% discount on the fee for the volunteer who handles the audio set up for the three-day workshops at Riverbend. We need a few interested people. Janet Fulk has graciously provided this service and is willing to train any volunteers. It would take about 1– 1½ hours of your time to learn, at a mutually agreeable time. With several volunteers, the job of set up could be shared so that one person would not carry full responsibility. Please contact me at <u>Presidentwaterloowg@gmail.</u>

or Janet at <u>janetmfulk@gmail.com.</u>
Thank you for your consideration,
Colette Sirhal

#### **Book Worms**—**Eileen Pestorius**

WWG Bookworms will discuss two books: a historical novel, Lorena in the Morning Light by Michaela Carter, and a bio, The Surreal Life of Leonora Carrington by Joanna Moorehead. Leonora was an adventurous Lancashire debutante who, while quite young in 1937, became the lover of Max Ernst (who already had a wife) and wholeheartedly participated in Surrealism in Paris. As World War II grotesquely terrorized and rearranged the world, Carrington married Renato LeDuc, a Mexican, in Lisbon, teeming with war refugees. Her many art friends include Picasso, Dali, Duchamp, Miro, and Peggy Guggenheim. She later married Chiki Weisz and had two sons. Her fame in the US is limited since she was publicity shy, but she lived here and in Mexico for most of her life, with her first solo show in 1950 in Mexico City. She lived a long life, becoming a feminist and environmentalist. Her work is yet growing in popularity and is in many museums and collections, and her life is an inspiration to many.



Leonora Carrington Self Portrait (detail) The Inn of the Dawn

Bookworms will meet at 9:30 at Eileen Pestorius' home on Saturday Feb. 11. All members are welcome.

The Spring meeting will be May 27.

### One-Day Workshops Spring 2023

Take a peek!







Here's our line-up for our upcoming 2nd Saturday classes at St. Matthews Episcopal Church on Mesa Drive. Registration and details are available on our website! <a href="https://waterloowatercolor.org/list-of-one-day-workshops/">https://waterloowatercolor.org/list-of-one-day-workshops/</a>

Only \$60 for members, payable online by credit card or Paypal. Also pay your dues here if you haven't already done so. <a href="https://waterloowatercolor.org/membership-registration-2/">https://waterloowatercolor.org/membership-registration-2/</a>

Feb 11 Dan Spanton landscape class is FULL

**March 11**, 10AM/4PM Janet Fulk will teach Meditative Art - Using your art for mindful meditation leading to abstraction. A great escape, using your own creativity. Give it a try!

**April 8**, 10AM/4PM Sue Kemp will demonstrate how to think and paint both Positive and Negative shapes in watercolor.

**May 13**, 10AM/4PM Cheryle Chapline is planning to paint a child's portrait. Her registration will open soon. She's a Waco artist.

#### **Show News**

The poster on the right is for our Georgetown exhibition, *Living in Bloom*.

**Installation** is at the Georgetown Library on Thursday, February 16, 1:00. Just a note, the library's elevator is our of service temporarily.

**Reception** Friday, February 17, 4:00 to 6:00.

**Strike** Friday, March 24 1:00 pm.

Our **45th Annual Spring Member Exhibition** is now listed on *onlinejuriedshows.com* and WWG's website.

Every member that submits to this exhibit will have one or more pieces accepted.

We are thrilled to have Soon Warren as our juror.

**January 30th** submissions open and close **March 13**.

**Notification** is through <u>onlinejuriedshows.com</u> by **March 17th** or sooner.

**Installation** is April 1 at 10:am at North Hills Gallery.

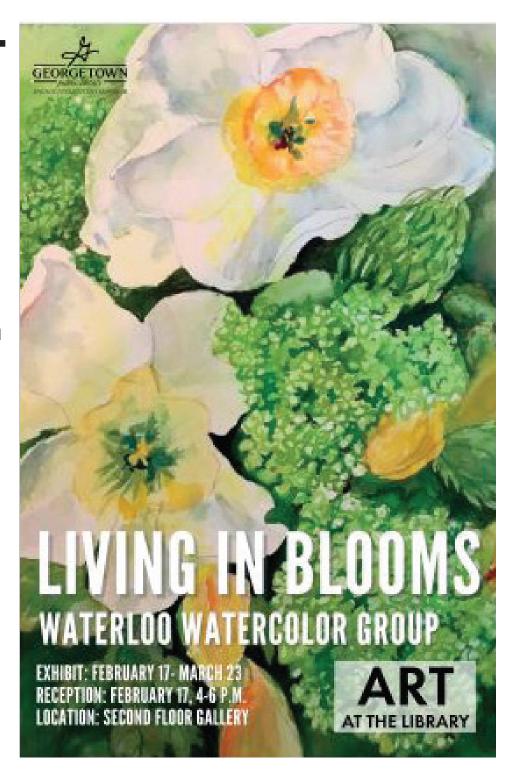
**Reception and Awards presentation** is Sunday, April 23rd at 12:15.

**Strike** is Sunday, April 30th from 11:30 to 1:30.

Help is readily available if any member has difficulty submitting images or have questions.

contact Helen Green <u>helengreen@</u> earthlink.net

or Lynn Zwern <u>lynnzp1@gmail</u>. com



Our current exhibit, **Waterloo Watercolor Favorites, i**s ongoing at the Laura Bush Library through March 6 at 10:00am.



#### **News from Waterloo Members**

**Michele Missner** and photographer Lesley Bradstreet have an exhibit at North Hills Gallery, February 1–March 31. Reception is February 12, from 12–1:15 pm. Refreshments served.



#### **More News from Waterloo Members**

**Supriya Kharod** was invited to exhibit with three other artists at the Asian American Resource Center in the exhibit "Bridging the Seas," sponsored by Austin-Pune Sister City International. Bridging the Seas represents the collective embrace of crosscultural heritage, intersectional identity, and the

transitory experience of Indian artists living and working in Austin, TX. The exhibit will be open from January 23–April 1, 2023, with an artist reception on February 24 from 6–8 pm at the Asian American Resource Center (8401 Cameron Rd). All are welcome!



#### **More News from Waterloo Members**

From **Lisa Hoekstra**: There are a few from the guild in this show.



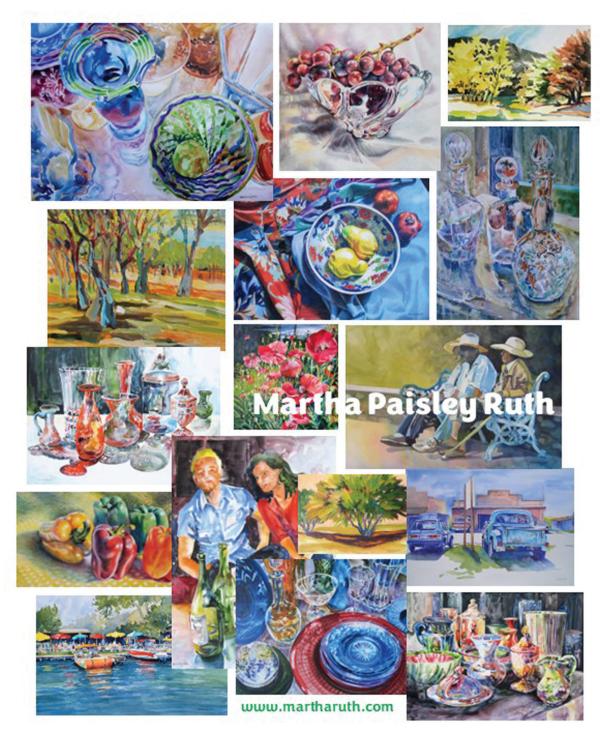
Janet Fulk has a solo show at the Round Rock City Council Chambers. The City Council Chambers are adjacent to the stage at Priete Plaza, close to the Downtowner Gallery. Please feel free to drop in and see her work. Her Council Chamber's exhibit is up until April. Stop by the Downtowner Gallery. Their "Food for Thought" Exhibit is super! In addition, Janet is also exhibiting three pieces at the Georgetown Library 2nd floor with the Capital Arts Society.



#### Feb 10-March 5

"I love painting the luminosity of transparencies and reflections. Layers of translucent paint create patterns, textures, color—all playing a role in my designs, whatever the subject." Martha presents many of her available paintings for sale in this solo exhibit. Watercolor, colored pencil, acrylic. Inspiration Gallery is located at Riverbend Church,

4214 N. Capital of Texas Hwy, Austin, TX 78746, off the main sanctuary, and is open every Sunday morning 9am–12:30pm. Martha plans to be there during these times, so please come and visit with her! Exhibit can be viewed at other times as well by appointment only.



### Membership

Thank you to those who have renewed your membership. For those who haven't gotten around to it yet, there's no time like the present! Hop over to our website, click the tab that says "Membership Registration," fill out the membership form and submit your payment. \*Paypal

payment is strongly preferred. You do not have to have a paypal account to pay by card.

Here's the link:

https://waterloowatercolor.org/
membership-registration-2/

Let's keep painting together!

Amanda Green, Membership

### Free WWG Membership?

Yes, if you successfully add 2 new members to our rolls within a 12 month period, we will offer you one year free membership. Austin is growing by leaps and bounds and we are trying to reach those who would benefit themselves and us with participation in all of our watercolor activities. Look for new weekend workshop enticements for those who can't make our weekday offerings.

## Do you know someone who would be interested?

We welcome new members to Waterloo Watercolor Group. We are a non-profit group interested in the advancement of watercolor and other water-based media as an art form. Whether you are a beginning painter or a seasoned one, we invite you to join our group.

Among the benefits of membership, you can participate in workshops, juried shows or classes

given by members. You'll hear about other art shows in the area and even be able to save money on some supplies. We also have a library of art books and DVDs available to members.

Look for us on the web, <u>waterloowatercolor.org</u>. If you are interested in joining, you can find an application on our website and pay the \$40 dues through PayPal. For more information, contact Amanda Green.

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