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Join us at the Lafayette Library for the General Meeting and LIVE Demo with Guest Artist Pat Moseuk, CWA



Welcome back to our annual in-person General Meeting and live demo. We're thrilled to have our CWA members and guests join us for this special event. This is a great opportunity to reconnect with artist friends and meet new ones.

Join us for a live demonstration by Pat Moseuk, browse through the CWA Library of Tapes and DVDs, and shop for art supplies at the Community Outreach Art Supplies Sale table (CWA members only).

Date: June 18, 2025 Time: 7:00–9:00 pm PDT (doors open at 6:30 pm)



Location: Don Tatzin Hall in the Lafayette Library 3491 Mt. Diablo Blvd., Lafayette, CA 94549 (Parking is free) Public Transit: 10-minute walk from Lafayette Bart, 4 minutes off Hwy. 24 Click here for directions to the Lafayette Library.

For those unable to attend in person, <u>click here</u> to stream live on our YouTube channel.

Pat was born in upstate New York and began painting at the age of five. By the time she was 17, she held her first solo art show. She studied at the California College of Arts and Crafts in Oakland and at San Francisco's Academy of Art University, where she earned a B.F.A. After working as a freelance designer and illustrator for several years, she gravitated toward abstract art, which allowed her the freedom to express herself visually without constraints.

Pat draws inspiration from some of the greatest abstract artists, including Richard Diebenkorn and Wayne Thiebaud, particularly admiring their use of color, design, and geometric shapes. Her work has been exhibited in national and international exhibitions and is collected throughout the United States and abroad.

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The Drawing Board

Each month a different member of the CWA Board of Directors has the opportunity to write an art-related article for our members.

Redpointing a Painting by Jessica de Jesus

There is nothing like getting a painting right the first time around, but we all know that's just not how it goes. (This is especially true if I plan to enter a painting into a show when stakes are high and brushstrokes become tight!) If you're like me, you have stacks upon stacks of "failed" paintings just waiting to be gessoed over.

In rock climbing, "redpoint" means successfully climbing a route after multiple attempts, with no falls or rests on the rope. A good friend of mine, and fellow CWA member, often tells me how I'm "so good at redpointing a painting." This means that I can just keep painting the same thing over and over again until I feel like I'm happy with the result to call it "done." I couldn't help but laugh at the analogy, but she's right! Redpointing a painting is definitely part of my process. I have attempted some studio paintings three, maybe four times before I've landed on "the one."

At first glance, repeating a painting might feel redundant — or even like a step backward. Shouldn't every artwork be a fresh, new challenge? But for me, painting the same subject more than once is one of the ways I learn: I can test colors, techniques, and even mediums — oftentimes, I'll try a painting in watercolor and then in gouache! I also find that I'm able to refine my technique with practice, allowing me to apply paint more quickly and with confidence because I know exactly what I want to do and when the time is right, especially with watercolor. More importantly, with each attempt, I deepen my understanding of what's important and what details I can leave out.

To the right is a tester piece and my final "redpoint" for Early Start — Garnet Lake, which was accepted into the 55th International Exhibition earlier this year, along with another example of an ocean bluff piece below.



Early Start — Garnet Lake, Tester



Early Start — Garnet Lake, Final

Jessica de Jesus

Director, Communications



CALIFORNIA WATERCOLOR ASSOCIATION **INTERNATIONAL January 31-March 15, 2026**

Juror of Selection: PAT MOSEUK



Motion In Space by Pat Moseuk

Juror of Awards: DONGFENG LI



My Veteran's Day Award by Dongfeng Li

Prospectus Available: August 1, 2025 Entry Deadline: October 1, 2025, 5:00 pm PDT \$20,000 in Anticipated Awards

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You know that it's summertime when the Alameda County Fair comes around. The CWA sponsors three \$50 prizes for students in three categories: Grades 6-8, Grades 9-10, and Grades 11-12, along with two honorable mentions. Submissions were received earlier this month, and the judging process was conducted online by the CWA Community Outreach team. This allows the Alameda County Fair to announce the winners when it opens. Be sure to visit the fair to see some of the incredible artwork created by students from Alameda County, which will be displayed in Building R.



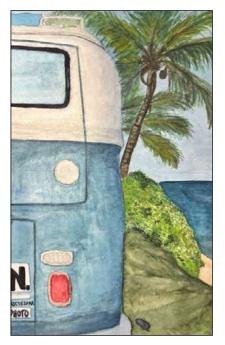
Grades 6-8th Portrait by Vanessa Chang

The judges found this to be a very precocious portrait. The turn of the cheek and the lips, nose, and eyes are remarkable for a 6th-8th grader.



Grades 9-10th Still Life by Bella Guan

The textures on the vase and table, plus the playful scattering of paint tubes, are what caught the judges' eye. The loose pen and ink work and rendering of the bust decided the choice. Well done, Bella.



Grades 11-12th Ocean Drive by Sophia Macedo

The cropping of the beach, water, palm tree, and van evoked a trip to the ocean and left the judges excited and wanting more.



Honorable Mention:

Cathedral by Valerie Ma Flower by Valerie Ma



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- CWA June Gerneral Meeting June 18, 2025, 6:30–9:00 pm PDT Don Tatzin Hall in the Lafayette Library, located at 3491 Mt. Diablo Blvd.
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Click here to download the spreadsheet with currently available items. If you have art materials to donate to our Outreach Program, or know of others who may have some, we would be delighted to receive your extra supplies. We also appreciate monetary donations.

To make a purchase or a donation before or after the June General Meeting, please contact Sheila at sheilahillcain@gmail.com

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Our volunteers are essential to the functioning of CWA. We depend on your support to make a positive impact in our schools, community, and organization. If you're able to help and haven't signed up yet, please log in and update your volunteer preferences on the right side of the Members' Home page. Thank you!

Did you know that all board members are volunteers?

Every year, there are open positions available. If you would like to join the board, there are at-large positions that can help you get familiar with the board's activities and responsibilities.

Volunteering has its benefits.

Volunteers earn credits that can be accrued towards items like workshop days, CWA aprons, and panel rentals for shows. Click here for details.

Opportunities:

The Outreach team, the National Exhibition committee, and the Member Shows committee are always in need of volunteers!

Join us today!

If you are interested, please contact Leslie Wilson at secretary@californiawatercolor.org.

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Plan Ahead!

Submissions for the newsletter must be received by the 15th of the month prior to publication! July Newsletter Deadline is June 15th. Click here to make a submission.



CWA Member Show

May 5 - June 26, 2025

John O'Lague Galleria at Hayward City Hall

Congratulations to the award winners of My Vision CWA Member Show.

> **1st Place** Nutan Singh Fair Fever II

2nd Place

Sheila Cain Lucile F. Cain

3rd Place Anselm Yew

Long Shadows

Honorable Mentions

Marina Omelianenko **Big Trees**

> Marion Leggett Flower Power

Kathleen Stumpfel Ginger

Jaladhi Pujara A Breeze Over the Marsh

> Jeff Ishikawa Guardian Angel

Jurors

Juror of Selection - Lois Wolford Juror of Awards - Pat Moseuk

Thank you to all the participating artists, jurors, and to the John O'Lague Galleria at Hayward City Hall Your contributions are essential to the success of this CWA show

and are greatly appreciated!

Show Closes, and Artwork Pick Up

Pick up of paintings at the Gallery on June 26, 2025, from 2:00-4:00 pm

Venue

John O'Lague Galleria at Hayward City Hall 777 B St, Hayward City Hall, Hayward, CA 94541 www.haywardartscouncil.org

Questions: Contact us at shows@californiawatercolor.org

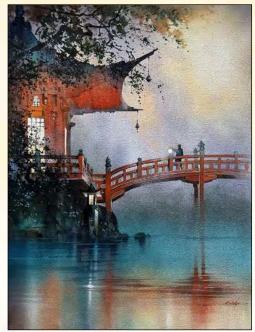
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CALIFORNIA WATERCOLOR ASSOCIATION 2025 WATERCOLOR WORKSHOP SERIES







Thomas Schaller Design and the Power of Imagination 3-Day Online Workshop June 16–18, 2025 All Levels (some experience helpful)

CWA Members \$350 Non-Members \$410



Thomas W. Schaller, AWS, NWS, TWSA, ASAI, is an award-winning artist, architect, and author based in New York City. As a renowned architectural artist, he has received a Graham Foundation Grant and is a two-time recipient of the Hugh Ferriss Memorial Prize. He has authored three books, including the best-selling and AIA award-winning Architecture in Watercolor, The Art of Architectural Drawing, and Thomas W. Schaller, Architect of Light: Watercolor Paintings by a Master.

He believes that the reason we paint is far more important than what or how we paint. His work explores contrasts between light and dark, vertical and horizontal, warm and cool, as well as the real and the imagined. He incorporates elements from the past, present, and future into his designs, allowing conflicting elements to find balance and resolution on the paper's surface in surprising and expressive ways.

For Schaller, painting is not just about the final product; it's about being fully present in the process. He learns by listening more closely to his creative voice. He invites others to join him on this journey—not to follow his narrative, but to help discover and develop their unique artistic voice. Artist's website at thomasschaller.com







Keiko Tenabe — Keep it Simple and Strong 3-Day In-Person Workshop



October 27–29, 2025 | Intermediate (previous experience is strongly recommended) CWA Members \$425 Non-Members \$485

Keiko was born in Kyoto, Japan, and currently resides in San Diego, California. Mostly self-taught, she began her professional art career in 2005. Since then, her paintings have been showcased in numerous national and international exhibitions, both juried and invitational, gaining worldwide recognition. Her artwork has been acquired by private and corporate collectors from around the globe. Additionally,

her paintings have been published and featured in leading art magazines as well as various publications in the United States, Europe, and Asia.

Since 2011, Keiko has been a sought-after workshop instructor, conducting numerous workshops and live demonstrations worldwide. She has frequently served as a juror for art exhibitions at both national and international levels. In 2018, she was appointed to the advisory board of American Watercolor Weekly. Keiko has also published several books and four DVDs.

Artist's website at ktanabefineart.com

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CWA is dedicated to offering our students some of the best workshops with top professional artists. We invite you to join in the fun and look forward to meeting you. In-person workshops will be held at the Danville Ranch Clubhouse, 1895 Ridgeland Circle, Danville, CA 94526.

For detailed workshop descriptions, pricing, and online registration, please visit http://www.californiawatercolor.org/classes.php. For additional information, please visit www.californiawatercolor.org/contact.php and choose Workshops from the Recipient drop-down menu.

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55th International Exhibition

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Plein Air — Dublin Heritage Park and Museums Saturday, June 14, 2025, 10:00 am–1:00 pm



Dublin Heritage Park and Museums is located at the intersection of Dublin Boulevard and Donlon Way in the Bay Area. This site has a rich history, dating back more than 200 years, when Dublin was a key stop on two stagecoach routes: one connecting the Bay Area to Stockton and the other linking Martinez to San Jose.

Today, Dublin Heritage Park and Museums encompasses a 10-acre area featuring historic buildings, lawns, a Pioneer Cemetery, and picnic areas. We will gather in front of Old St. Raymond Church at 10:00 AM and then reconvene there at 12:30 PM to share our paintings. We hope to see you there!

Dublin Heritage Park and Museums 6600 Donlon Way Dublin, CA 94568

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Questions?

Contact Nutan Singh, Plein Air Coordinator Email: nutan.finearts@gmail.com











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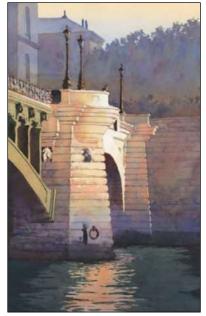
Additionally, we have a limited supply of catalogs from previous years available for \$8.

To make a purchase, please click here.



May General Meeting Demo Recap

by Lis MacDonald



This month, we experienced a bit of a roller coaster in getting our demo artist confirmed. Our original artist, Thomas W. Schaller, had a scheduling conflict, and Birgit O'Connor unfortunately came down with Covid just days before the meeting. Fortunately, our hero, Michael Reardon, came to the rescue!

Michael is a veteran, award-winning watercolor artist with more than 30 years of experience and an avid traveler. He photographs areas of interest and uses these images to create his sketches and paintings. His watercolors have been exhibited widely, including at the National Watercolor Society, the American Watercolor Society, Watercolor West, and the California Watercolor Association, where he holds signature member status.

During the meeting, Michael played a video from a workshop that outlined his process for painting the Pont de Notre Dame in Paris. The scene depicted a late afternoon view with live commentary. Most of Michael's paintings are in portrait mode, which enhances their visual impact. He begins with a value study that serves as his sole reference while painting.



Utilizing a limited palette, he started with orange and cobalt blue to create both warm and cool areas, gradually building up the values as he works down the paper. Areas in the background were painted wet into wet transitioning from cool to warmer

colors. Painting around the center of interest, leaving it the lightest value (the sunlit area at the top of the bridge) darkening the colors as he moves toward the water. To finish, he added reflections to the water and applied a final glaze over it.

If you missed the meeting, the video is now available on YouTube. Click here, or copy and paste this link into your browser: https://youtu.be/vQ-Ry1Po8NA

Pat Moseuk. CWA

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She is a nationally award-winning artist, a juror, and an educator, holding Signature Membership in several water media societies. In the American Watercolor Society, her paintings have received notable recognition: Production won the Francis Nell Storer Memorial Award, Machine Head won the Bud & Gretchen Marble Award, and this year, Shapes Within received the Alden Bryan Memorial Medal. Earning her AWS Signature is truly an honor.

Artist's website at www.patmoseuk.com





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Linda Sutton Artistry in Bloom Residency May 6 – June 24, 2025

Linda Sutton will be painting at The Gardens at Heather Farms as part of her residency. She will be in the garden on Tuesdays from 10:00 am to 2:30 pm. A generous display of her work is available for sale in The Rose Room.



1540 Marchbanks Drive Walnut Creek, CA 94598 (925) 237-1231 https://gardenshf.org

Artist's website at Ldsutton.com

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Lis MacDonald, CWA **Our Newest Signature Member**

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CWA Michael Holter Demo

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CWA Roland Lee Demo

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Madeline Shelby





2025 CWA Calendar



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General Meetings & Demos

January 15, 2025 February 19, 2025 March 19, 2025 April 16, 2025 May 21, 2025 Mike Hernandez Leslie Wilson Gary Tucker Stephen Berry Michael Reardon

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January 11–12, 2025 Mike Hernandez Painting the Landscape in Gouache (ZOOM)

February 25–27, 2025 Michael Holter Watercolor Impressionism, Landscapes and Cityscapes (ZOOM)

March 21–23, 2025 Gary Tucker Finding Confidence with Watercolor (ZOOM)

April 23–25, 2025 Michael Reardon Watercolor Techniques (IN-PERSON)

May 16–18, 2025 Amit Kapoor How to Capture the Magic of Light and Shadow, and How to Simplify a Complicated Subject (IN-PERSON)

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