



Mt Pleasant Art Society Newsletter

Guest Artist: Bill Dale



MPAS Demo Schedule

Meeting Time: 2:00- 4:00 PM
(first Sun of each month)

Nov 1, 2020:

Artist: Bill Dale, w/c, pen & ink

Refreshments: Donna

Monroe, Linda Pepper

Sm Gallery: Steve Corbell

Dec 3, 2020

Artist: Kaye Franklin, oil

Refreshments: Shirley Clay,
Steve Corbell

Sm Gallery: Kay Thomas

Jan 3, 2021

Artist: Melinda Morrison, oil
figure

Refreshments: Ann Glaess,
Deborah Carr

Sm Gallery: Velda Williams

Feb 7, 2021

Artist: Mary Jean Davis,
pastel (still-life)

Refreshments: Marty Graves,
Velda Williams

Sm Gallery: Donna Monroe

March 7, 2021

Artist: Barbara Hack – Oil
Head Study

Refreshments: Diana
Williams and Paula Hodge

Sm Gallery: Linda Hardy

I began my art training as a kid with my mother who was a fashion illustrator in Kansas City in the 1950's and 1960's. From her, I received valuable support, training and criticism. I graduated from the University of Kansas with a degree in Industrial Design in 1969. The most memorable thing from my college years was the 7:30 life drawing classes three days a week. I didn't appreciate it then but now consider it some of my most valuable education. I began my professional career working in a design office in Wichita Kansas. There I learned the commercial side of art and honed my technical drawing and rendering skills. After 20 years, I opened my own design office in Texas. My primary profession is 'Product Design', specializing in exterior and interior styling, color, graphics, and illustration of aircraft and other transportation products.

I have been painting landscape/cityscape subjects and lately have been moving into more figurative work and portraits. I'm still trying to get control of the techniques, paints and materials. My work must be improving as I have been asked to do some "demos" and small workshops for local art groups.

Some of my show awards:

Texas Watercolor Society Annual Exhibition 2017 – Juror, Soon Warren – Jack Richeson Award

Southwestern Watercolor Society Annual Membership Exhibition 2017 – Juror Keiko Tanabe – Rob Erdle Memorial Award

Society of Watercolor Artists 2017 Juried Membership Exhibition – Juror, Sarah Graham-Harman – Jurors Award

Lake Granbury Art Association 2017 Fall Festival of Art – Juror, Ann Hardy – Best of Show

Society of Watercolor Artists Fort-Worth – 2018 International Exhibition – Juror, Don Andrews - 2nd Place

Western Federation of Watercolor Societies 2018 Annual Exhibit – Juror, Ted Nuttal – Best of Show

Southwestern Watercolor Society Annual Membership Exhibition – Juror, Robert Burrige – 2nd place

Society of Watercolor Artists Fort-Worth 2018 Membership Exhibition – Bev Boren – 2nd Place

Lake Granbury Art Association 2018 Fall Festival of Art – Juror,, Lindey Benson – Lake Granbury Art Association Award

Acceptance into Transparent Water color Society of America 2019 Exhibition – Jurors, Lauren McCracken and Linda Baker

President's Letter

Greetings Everyone!

Well, it's almost time for our next meeting and I'm as excited about it as I was the last one with Beverly Boren. She has such a wonderful personality and is great about sharing so much information with us and she is greatly appreciated. Also, I want to thank Dolores Wright and Carol Durrum for sharing the delicious goodies for our refreshment time.

I'm sure you have all heard by now that we have a donation of \$3,000 from an art society that decided to close its doors permanently. I am sorry for their loss but very grateful for their gift to us.

The American Watercolor Society has the traveling show in the museum in Longview currently. I had the pleasure of seeing it on Friday, October 23rd. It really looks good in person; the pictures of the art work do not do justice to them. If you haven't had an opportunity to view it yet, it is worth a trip. There is much variety in what they have displayed from photo-realism to abstract and much variety in subject matter as well. It is amazing how artists figure out how to do some things displayed in their work! Texture techniques really stand out in this show.

I am very excited about the next demo in watercolor and pen and ink with Bill Dale. I am also looking forward to seeing all of you and enjoying our time together. Steve Corbell has been doing some exciting work in both oil and watercolor lately and I'm anxious to see his work on display. Our refreshments will be provided by Donna Monroe and Linda Pepper and I know that portion of our meeting will also be very enjoyable.

Until then, stay safe and well and see you November 1st, 2020!

Happy Painting!

Sincerely,

Shirley Clay

Backroom Artist: Steve Corbell

I have always enjoyed drawing and painting. My mother influenced me at 12 years old to take oil painting classes. A little old lady named Miss Agnes was my first teacher. She patiently taught me how to mix colors and how to 'set up a picture' as she called it. I continued to draw and paint for my family and friends in school. When I married, I found that I had less time for painting. My wife and family came first and art took a back seat. I did caricatures at Halloween carnivals and drew things kids needed for a school assignment.

Years go by and my children (two daughters) grew up and went to college. I retired from my career at Southwestern Bell after 31 years. I went to NTCC to become an RN. My wife died just as I was passing the state board and going to work in 2007. I worked in different fields of nursing and remarried in 2009. As I was getting ready to retire for the second time, my wife got me to take some private lessons which led to me going to NTCC. I took 3 semesters of painting from Linda Hardy and was introduced to the Mt. Pleasant Art Society. I have been with MPAS for the last 5 or 6 years. Most of the members have influenced my art. I have enjoyed my time with MPAS and have some wonderful friends that help me grow in and art and in life.

Steve Corbell

Blessing

We have been blessed with donation of \$3000!!!

The Little River Arts Council of Lockesburg, Arkansas disbanded for lack of participation. Carla Mayne, the treasurer, has donated this money in memory of our former member **Sue Mills**.

Carla has joined our Society again this year. We welcome her as a member and give a **BIG** thanks for the donation.

Peanut Brittle

I will again be making peanut brittle for those that want it. I will have it at the Dec meeting. I'm making only what I get orders for so there will not be any extra. If you want your 'sweet fix' please send me an email, text or call. ½ lb. bag is \$8.00 (20% of my sales will go back to MPAS).

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