Nevada Watercolor Society Newsletter

September 2026 Edition

Issued September 1, 2026

Upcoming In-Person General Meeting

September Meeting!

Saturday, Sept 19, 2026
1:00pm to 3:00pm
Multi-Generational Center
250 S Green Valley Pkwy
Henderson, NV 89012

September Meeting Agenda:

·**President's announcements –** Barbara Stanton

Activities:

- Self-Portrait People's Choice voting
- Bring a 3.5" x 2.5" original painting "trading card" to trade with other members

Potluck – bring a dish or drinks to share

·**Book & art supplies raffle** (please bring your gently used art supplies or books for raffle giveaway)

·**Art critique** - Please bring your artwork

PLEASE BE SURE TO RSVP TO THE MEETING EMAIL INVITE SO WE KNOW HOW MANY TABLES & CHAIRS TO SET UP

Potluck

Our September meeting is a potluck! Please bring a dish to share!







2026 Signature "Online" Show Coming Soon!

Our Website:
https://nevadawatercolorsociety.org/

President's Message

Welcome back everyone. I hope you all had a wonderful summer and found time to continue developing your skills as artists.

As I begin my tenure, I want to thank our former president, Sharon Menary, for her three years of service to our club. She stepped in when we faced serious challenges and successfully guided us through them, implementing changes that have moved our club forward. It was not an easy job, and I sincerely appreciate her efforts and celebrate her accomplishments. I hope to be as helpful and innovative to our organization as she has been.

In May, we decided to challenge all of you to create a self portrait to share at our September meeting and I look forward to seeing the results. I also thought it might be nice to create a few small Artist Trading Cards (ATC), to exchange with your fellow artists. They are small original paintings (3.5 x 2.5), the same size as a baseball card. As I researched this, I discovered there is now a similar movement called Artist Cards Editions & Originals (ACEO), where artists are marketing and selling these miniatures to art collectors. You can find information on both of these on YouTube.

I look forward to seeing you all at the meeting in September and working to create another successful year for our club.

Sincerely,
Barbara Stanton



Sharon Menary & Barbara Stanton
January 2026

WATERCOLOR WORKSHOP

with Anji Grainger

www.BluePansyCottage.com

*****October 15 & 16, 2026*****

(Thursday & Friday)

Location: Left of Center

Address: 2207 W Gowan Rd, North Las Vegas, NV 89032

Time: 9:30am to 4:00pm

Cost: Members: Eary Bird $230, after Aug 17th $260

NON-Members: $280

Elements of Nature and Texture in Watercolor by Angi Grainer

Please Note: some supplies will be provided & a list of supplies will be emailed to particpants prior to class.

Day 1/Morning:

- Introductions
- Mixing
- Webbing with Liquid Spray
- Working on own projects

Day 1/Afternoon:

- Natural Texturing
- Directional Texturing
- Working on own projects
- End the day with a short critique

Day 2:

- Work on dried painting starts - pick one or two to see if you can take it to completion
- End the day with a short critique







In this workshop we will create dynamic, textured patterns by employing non-traditional techniques using plant materials, herbs, legumes, salt, stones and other elements. See how watercolor pigments react and leave beautiful patterns on your paper. The workshop with also emphasize composition and design principals.



To register, go to:

NEVADAWATERCOLORSOCIETY.ORG

For more information contact: Linda Smith Email: lsmith.lv@outlook.com or call: 509-499-1156

***Full payment is due by August 30, 2026 in order to give Anji ample notification if we must cancel. If the workshop is cancelled, all payments will be refunded. If the workshop is a go, deposits and full payments are non-refundable, but transferable. Feel free to sell your spot if you need to cancel.**

May Membership Meeting Recap

by Tina Chapman

Henderson Multigenerational Center • May 16, 2026

President's Welcome

Sharon welcomed everyone to the meeting and thanked the outgoing board of directors for their dedication throughout the year.

New Board Installed for the 2026 to 2027 Term

Members voted in a new slate of officers to lead the Nevada Watercolor Society into the coming year:

President – Barbara Stanton
VP Programs & Equipment – Karla Shoup
Membership – Deborah Mays
Photographer – Kathleen Mullinnex
Treasurer – Joy Reyna
Secretary – Rene Tanner
Workshops – Linda Smith
Website & Publications/Newsletter – Tina Chapman
Shows & Exhibits – Paulette Baker
Sponsorships – Laurie Ponte
Paint Outs – Pam Lopez
Publicity & Scholarships – Salley Sawyer

Congratulations and thank you to all who stepped up to serve.

Guest Speaker: Nevada Arts Council

We were fortunate to welcome Sapira Cheuk, an Artist Service Program Specialist with the Nevada Arts Council, as our guest speaker. She gave an informative presentation on how the Council distributes funding to artists and arts events across the state, along with an overview of available grant opportunities. Sapira walked members through several sections of the Council's website where artists can apply for a range of resources and benefits, from grants to professional development support.

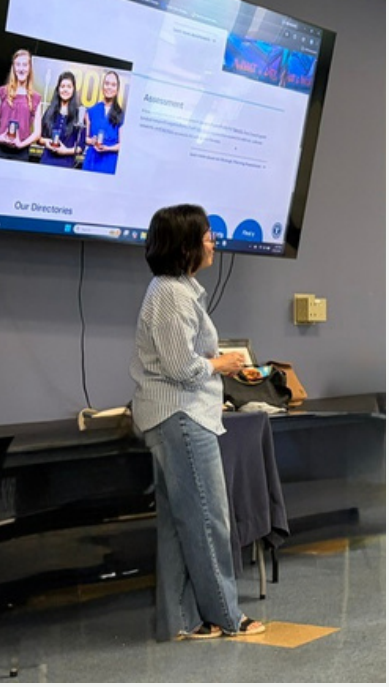
Learn more and explore what's available at: www.nvartscouncil.org

Summer Homework

Before we break for the season, Sharon left everyone with a creative challenge, paint a self portrait and bring it to share at our September meeting. It's a wonderful chance to turn the brush inward and see what emerges.

Until September

With that, we signed off for the summer, wishing one another sunny days, full paint palettes, and a season of inspiration. See you in September!

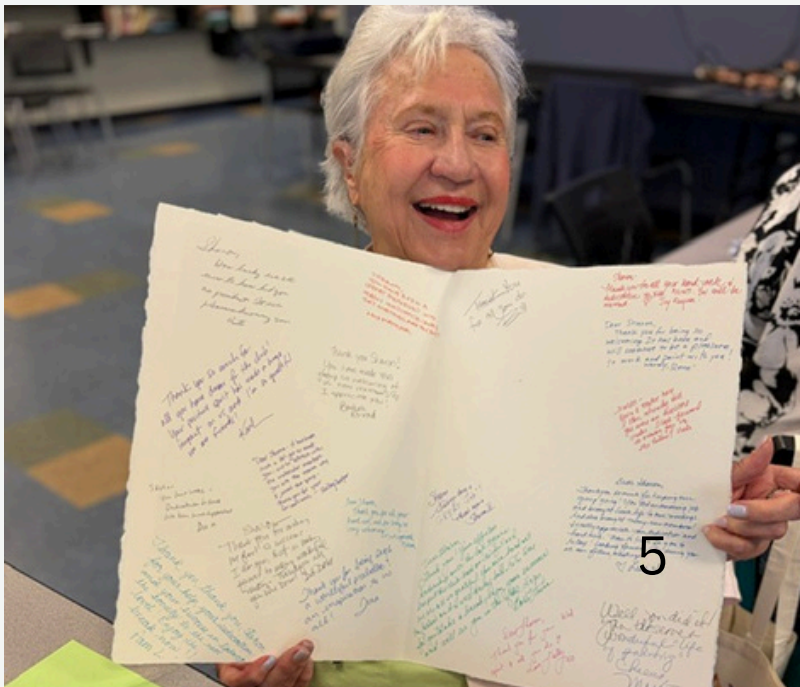




Photos from May 2026 Membership Meeting by Kathleen Mullinex

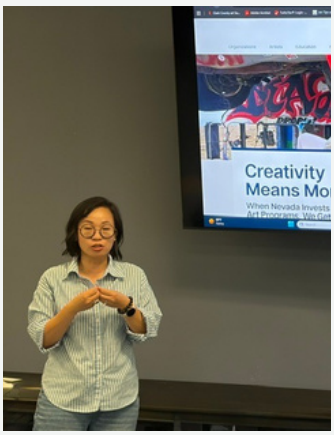




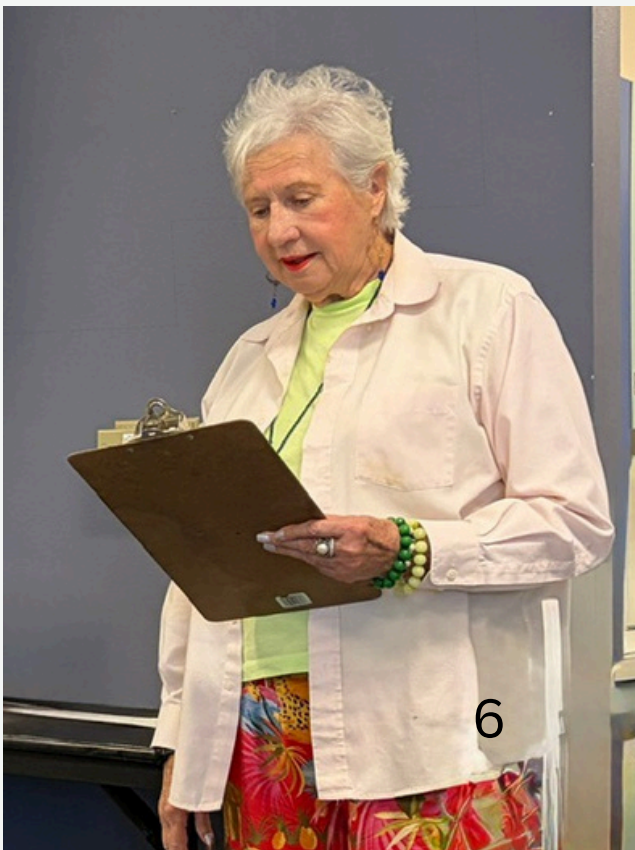


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Makers of artist-quality watercolors, oils, gouache, and mediums since 1976. DANIEL SMITH is beloved by painters worldwide for their extraordinary range of over 280 watercolor colors, including the celebrated PrimaTek and Luminescent lines. A true treasure for any watercolor artist!

Dixon Ticonderoga Company

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A powerhouse in art and education supplies, Dixon Ticonderoga is home to iconic brands including Ticonderoga pencils, Prang art supplies, Canson papers, Strathmore papers, Arches, and many more. They are dedicated to enabling students, thinkers, and artists to transform their vision into reality.

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Holbein Artist Materials

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North American distributor: HK Holbein, holbeinusa.com

Founded in Osaka, Japan around the turn of the 20th century, Holbein is a renowned Japanese brand known for producing high quality fine art materials, combining traditional craftsmanship with modern innovation. Holbein is unique in the art material trade because they do not produce any entry level or student quality color products, offering only professional grade watercolors, oils, gouache, and more. HK Holbein of Burlington, Vermont introduced Holbein color lines to the American market and remains the company's North American distributor.

Winsor & Newton

Visit: winsornewton.com

Established in London in 1832 by William Winsor and Henry Newton, Winsor & Newton have set the standard for fine art materials, earning a reputation for quality and innovation. In 1841 they were granted a Royal Warrant, and as a B Corp with a Royal Warrant since 1841, they prioritize innovation and artist collaboration while working toward greater sustainability and supporting artists. The company offers a full range of watercolor, oil, gouache, acrylic, and ink products, along with the renowned Series 7 brushes.

Officers and Committee Chairs 2026-2027

President
Barbara Stanton

1st VP – Programs & Equipment Manager
Karla Shoup



2nd VP – Membership
Vacant

3rd VP – Photographer
Kathleen Mullinnex



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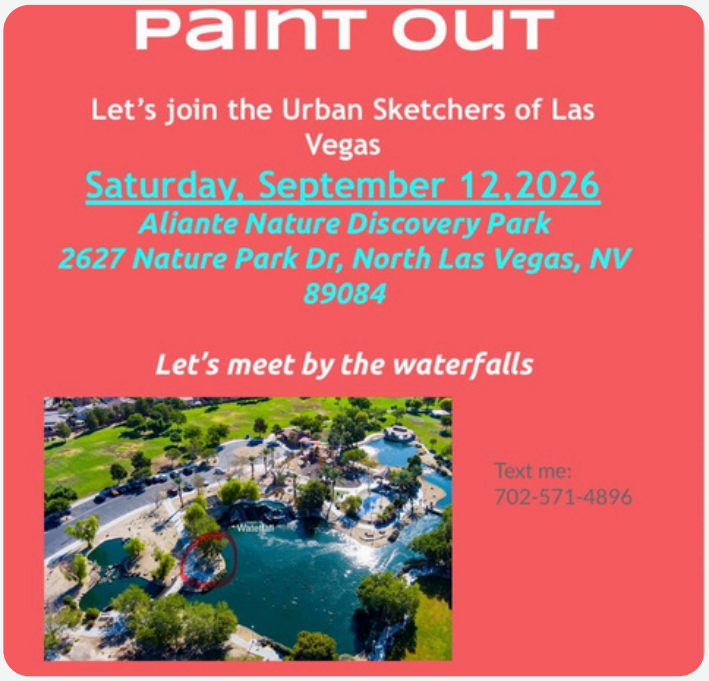
Sponsorship Committee Chair
Laurie Ponte

Paint Outs
Pam Lopez

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Salley Sawyer

Ways & Means
Vacant









Bring a Friend

Do you know someone who loves art, painting, or simply wants to try something new? Invite them to join us at our watercolor meetings! It's a wonderful way to share creativity, learn new techniques, and connect with fellow artists in a friendly, supportive environment. Whether they're beginners or seasoned painters, everyone is welcome — and bringing a friend makes the experience even more fun.!

Disclaimer:

The Watercolor Club may feature member images in our newsletter and on our website. If you prefer that your image not be published, please notify us in advance. We respect all members' wishes and will ensure your image is not included if you request exclusion.







Our own Linda Smith is mentoring a small group of artists with Mastrius!

Mastrius is an online community dedicated to fostering community and mentorship amongst artists of all skill levels. You can find more info at:

https://mentors.mastrius.com/product/880/LindaSmithMentorshipMG1029/profile

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Salley Sawyer is a teacher at OLLI through UNLV. Anyone who would like to teach in this program please reach out to Salley or visit the website at: https://olli.unlv.edu/

Volunteer Positions Available

Please consider supporting the club by participating in the Board and Volunteer Positions.

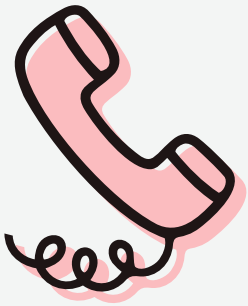
Contact Karla or Barb if you have questions about this or other positions.

Other positions may be available in the coming term. Volunteers are always welcome!

Contact:

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or
Karla Shoup, 1st Vice President
kiwilv702@yahoo.com
(702) 683-1381







Thursdays Paint Together

Sue Churchill, Mary Henrick, Kathleen Mullinnex and I, plus others, have been painting every **Thursday at Parkdale Community Center, 3200 Ferndale St, Las Vegas, NV 89121.**

It's a fabulous facility and Free! We will continue throughout the year.

Come join us! Call 702-255-7517 for availability as special events may supersede our sessions.