



# DWS Newsletter

## Summer 2025

### From the President



We salute another successful year with DWS, and we celebrate the growth and talent that each of you has developed. Our

Gallery exhibits and semi-annual Competitions are a testament of this. We also celebrate the fun we've had. I am always amazed at the camaraderie and our "attitude of sharing" at DWS. We all benefit from sharing our skills and learning from each other, no matter what our experience is. This includes helping develop skills of our own members, as well as in the community with classes for local students and seniors.

As we get ready for summer, we minimize our activities since many of you travel. But we do hold Open Studios in June and July to allow continued encouragement and learning opportunities. We also encourage everyone to work on their paintings for the next Fall Show and Competition. The deadline is September 19th to have them completed. This is earlier than normal for the November show because it's being held at the Sears Art Gallery and we will be celebrating our 25<sup>th</sup> anniversary of DWS with a commemorative book.

We appreciate all of you who volunteer and work so hard to make everything happen successfully. Each of you is a valued member and we encourage this "attitude of sharing" that continues to make us such a wonderful organization. Keep your paint flowing this summer!

—Glenda Caskey, President

### Our 25<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Fall Show Will Be at the Sears Art Gallery

It's time to start painting your Fall 2025 Show entries, you have 5 months to get those paintings completed and ready for the BIG 25TH ANNIVERSARY SHOW. The Fall Show will be at the Sears Art Gallery in the Utah Tech University. This will be the Dixie Watercolor Society's 25th Anniversary Show, and theme is open. The big news is WE PLAN TO PUBLISH A BOOK for the artists, through Steamroller, of all the paintings entered into entered in the show. You have been sent the Show preparation information.



#### MARK YOUR CALENDARS NOW WITH THE FOLLOWING DATES:

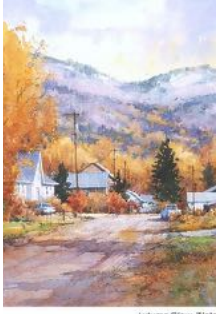
- **Venue:** Sears Art Gallery
- **Judge:** Jerry Fuhrman
- **Show Dates/Time:** November 21, 2025 - January 9, 2026
- **Reception and Awards:** Friday, November 21, 2025. 6:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m. at Sears Art Gallery
- **Your paintings must be completed prior to Sept. 19, 2025.**
- **Get photos of your paintings unframed, no mat or glass and just the painting itself.**
- **The photos need to be sent to Cheryl Sachse, Show Chairperson, by September 15th before 5:00 p.m.**
- **Registration is due October 30, 2025. Late registrations will not be accepted due to the timeline.**
- **Deliver paintings to Sears Gallery on Thursday, November 7, 2025.**
- **Entry fee is \$35**
- **Pick up paintings from Sears Gallery on Thursday, January 15, 2026**

—Cheryl Sachse, Show Chairperson

## Upcoming Fall 2025 Workshops

In 2025 we have some great educational opportunities coming your way!

### September - Ian Ramsay



Autumn Glow, Water

Born in England, Ian was an architect and later became a full time Watercolor master. Ian is a gentle soul and a fine teacher. The workshop will be a two day the 3rd week of September.

### October - Richard Stephens



We will finally get Richard back to enliven our paintings with his loose expressive style. We have been working

on getting Richard here since covid.

### November - Signature

We will have a Signature workshop in November—Still working on it, but you know it's going to be great!

### 2026 - Brienne Brown

I'm so happy to announce that we will have Brienne here to show us her very cool style in January 2026.



I hope you get into the workshops you want. I'm sorry they fill so fast. I'll keep bringing them in as long as we keep filling them up. I'm proud to be part of such a great organization. I hope you feel the same way. Happy Painting!

—Bill Sherwin Workshop chair

## Great Instruction at Winter-Spring Workshops



What a great time we have had in the workshops this Winter/Spring. Starting last January, we had **Dylan Pierce** with his unique way of painting and teaching. Everyone seemed to enjoy the experience and gained a new way to paint—that is if you have the patience to put on so many glazes. It really does give the painting depth when done the right way.

February brought on **Soon Warren**. I know several artists in our group are now painting crystal bowls full of flowers most excellently. She is



another unique personality that everyone seemed to enjoy. I know I did!



March's workshop was "For the Birds." **Nancy Littlefield**, our own Audubon Specialist helped us learn a whole lot about the creatures she loves so much and paints so well. She does a great job.

The last workshop of Spring brought **Lester Lee** in April up to Rockville. I know there is a misconception that this workshop was a plain air



event. That is not the case. This year Lester instructed us on Flowers one day and on the other how to get atmosphere. Lester is a great teacher, and he always has something new to give us.

I hope you all take time this summer to produce a couple of works that you can proudly enter into the upcoming show at the Sears Gallery. I'm very proud of the quality of work that DWS produces. All the educational opportunities are showing as the quality of the paintings just keeps getting better.

—Bill Sherwin Workshop chair



## Paint-ins and Critiques



## "A Hint of Green" Spring Show



### PARTIAL LIST OF WINNERS

#### SIGNATURE

Best of Show	Eddi Malloy	Wild Blue Yonder
1st	Sean Rowley	Lone Tree
2nd	Nancy Littlefield	Memories of my Mother
3rd	Myron Laub	Incoming Tide

#### ASSOCIATE

1st	Daren Young	San Gimignano
2nd	Daniel Weber	Giesha
3rd	Marsha Zaccone	Back Home





## Youth Class



**Many thanks to Jim Hewlett and Mari HasBrouk**

The 2025 spring youth watercolor class was a collaboration between the Dixie Watercolor Society, the St. George Children's Museum, and made possible by the Miner Foundation.

This time around, instead of two classes, one for beginners and another for intermediate students, we combined them into one longer class to give students more time to work on their paintings. And paint they did! We have well over one hundred paintings!

The last class of the eight-week course we held a critique and had the children select three of their best paintings each, so the show should have a total of around sixty paintings.

A few weeks ago, they all created Easter cards for their parents and families.

The exhibit will be held at Gallery 35 May 14th to 17th, with the reception being held on Saturday, May 17th. There will be refreshments, a scavenger hunt in and around the gallery, and a people's choice award.



## Youth Watercolor Class Blesses a Group of Young Artists

An exhibit of youth artwork at Gallery 35 runs from May 14 - 17 with a reception being held on Saturday, May 17 from 3PM to 5PM.



## New Members

Mary Brown  
Ngaia Brown  
Paul Canning  
Joe DeLong  
Karen Larsen  
Robert Larson  
Kathleen McGraw  
Louise Page  
Angela Smart  
Joseph Studenka  
Diana Walthers  
Patricia Zandi

**167 members**

## Your Board of Directors:

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## Time to Renew Your Membership

Please change the email address for Karen Bettilyon, DWS Membership and Communications Chair to [kbettilyon@gmail.com](mailto:kbettilyon@gmail.com). Thank you.

It is time to renew your dues to DWS. Notice will be sent out in May as a reminder that membership dues will be requested June 1, 2025. The DWS fiscal year is June 1 through May 31. Dues are \$35 individual, \$45 for couples, and \$20 for student. Thank you!

- You can bring a check to the DWS General Membership Meeting on May 15<sup>th</sup>.
- You can mail a check to DWS, P.O. Box 1127, St. George, Utah 84771.
- You can pay dues at Gallery 35 and be sure to get a receipt.
- You can pay online at [dixiewatercolorsociety.com](http://dixiewatercolorsociety.com)

## Gallery 35 Featured Artist Gloria Ann Charles

The Dixie Watercolor Society is proud to announce our featured artist Gloria Ann Charles is at Gallery 35 now through July 2025



# DWS Calendar 2025

**Mark these dates in your calendar**  
**Your dues must be paid to participate**

**General Membership Meetings:**

September 18, 2025: Ian Ramsay presentation  
October 30, 2025: Richard Stephens presentation  
November 20, 2025: Roland Lee and Lyman Hafen

— Karen Bettilyon  
*DWS Membership  
and Communication*

**Paint-Ins:**

September 9, 2025: Two sessions, Diane Wahlert  
October 14, 2025: Two sessions, Jo Engstrom  
November 11, 2025: Two sessions, Nancy Littlefield  
December 9, 2025: Two sessions, Glenda Caskey

**Critique Group:**

September 27, 2025: Gallery 35, 10:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.  
October 25, 2025: Same  
November, 2025: TBD, Same  
Member Challenge:  
May 30, 2025: “Sunny Days”  
June 27, 2025: “Backroads”

**DWS Shows:**

November 21, 2025 - January 29, 2026: DWS Fall Show at the Sears Museum Art Gallery at Utah Tech. There is no theme. Information will be sent.

**Workshops:**

September 17 - 18, 2025: Ian Ramsay  
October 28 – 30, 2025: Richard Stephens  
January 26, 2025: Brienne Brown

**Gallery 35:**

Signature Artist for May 7 – August 2, 2025: Gloria Ann Charles  
August 4, 2025: Gallery Changeover: Pick up work and bring in new work.  
Signature Artist for August 6 - November 1, 2025: Jo Engstrom  
November 3, 2025: Gallery Changeover: Pick up work and bring in new work.  
November 3, 2025: Gallery Small Works, members invited to bring in Small Works for exhibit