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**WELCOME TO NEW MEMBERS:**

Maria E. **Harvey** – Alabama  
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**WSA members can get a 20% discount on the strongboxes made for shipping artwork from Air Float Systems. The coupon code you will need, whether ordering online or by phone is: WSA Its website is: [www.airfloatsys.com](http://www.airfloatsys.com) The toll free number is 1-800-445-2580**

**MEMBER NEWS:**

**LAURIN MCCRACKEN AWS**



Laurin had a one-man show in Brookhaven, Mississippi that was sponsored by the Fine Arts Committee of the Brookhaven Trust. The show ran from September 1 thru September 30 in the Lincoln County Library.

His paintings have been recognized with the following Awards;  
Dr. Donald and Helen Budd Burness Memorial Award - the Adirondacks National Exhibition of American Watercolors, **Old Forge, NY**, for “**Delta Sky**” Second Prize - Keystone National 2011: Juried Exhibition of Works on Paper, Art Center School and Galleries, Mechanicsburg, PA, for “Yellow Pears on Foil.”

He had an article in the October/November issue of International Artist magazine, starting on page 82, "Seeing, Drawing and Mastery of the Craft." In the November issue of the Artist's magazine, I wrote the Drawing Board column on page 66, "Build' a Better Building." It is the second of two articles I have written for the magazine about using perspective and painting buildings. I am also included in the article "tools that are tried-and-true" on page 58.

Laurin McCracken AWS  
[www.lauringallery.com](http://www.lauringallery.com)

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### ANNE CHADDOCK MANIKIN SABOT, VA

Anne has won the Award of Recognition for "Bikes" at the Alabama Watercolor Society online exhibition. She has had her work accepted in National Watercolor Society, Alabama Watercolor Society, Virginia Watercolor Society, Catherine Lorillard Wolfe Art Club, Bonita Springs Center for the Arts and The Von Liebig Art Center this year.

### DIANE SCHMIDT

has won the top award and medal in the Pennsylvania Watercolor Society's 32nd annual international Exhibition for her painting "Waiting in the Wings". Her painting "At Loose Ends" was featured on the Competition Spotlight page of the September 2011 issue of the Artist's Magazine. View her work at:  
[www.dianedschmidt.com](http://www.dianedschmidt.com)

### ARDYTHE JOLLIFF

Ardythe Jolliff's painting entitled "Ornamental Blues" won the Dennis R. Wykoff Award at the Rhode Island Watercolor Society's 18<sup>th</sup> Annual National Watermedia Competition which is being held at the RIWS Gallery in Pawtucket, R.I. from 9 October through 3 November. RIWS award

winner's paintings can be seen on the web at [www.riws.org](http://www.riws.org). Her painting entitled "Tropical Splendor 3 won First Place in the Professional Category at the LCAA 75th Anniversary Members Show being held at the LCAA Gallery in Strasburg, PA from September 26th through November 10<sup>th</sup>. In addition, she has received signature member status in the Georgia Watercolor Society and her painting entitled "Erica" won the "Membership Award" in the GWS 2011 Members Show which ended October 15<sup>th</sup> in Athens Georgia.

### RITA MONTROSSE



*Whimsical Connection*



*Mystic Intersection*

Rita Montrosse won 'Best in Show' in the West Virginia Watercolor Society Signature Member Exhibition for her watercolor entitled "Whimsical Connection." The exhibition was held at The Ice House Gallery in Berkley Springs, West Virginia.

She also won the 'Dr. and Mrs. Maynard Stetten Purchase Award' in the Kentucky Watercolor Society Aqueous USA 2011 for "Mystic Intersection." The Exhibition was held at The Gallery at Actors Theatre in Louisville, Kentucky.

## GLORIA BAKER

won the "Katherine A. Lovell Memorial Award" in the Catharine Lorillard Wolfe Art Club's 115th Annual Exhibition, it was held at The National Arts Club, New York City; had a painting accepted in the "38th Annual Rocky Mountain National Watermedia 2011, it was held at the Foothill Arts Center, Golden, Colorado; and another painting was accepted in Mississippi Watercolor Society's 26th Grand National Exhibition" it is being held at the Mississippi Museum of Art, Jackson, Mississippi

## WSA MEMBER, PIO LYONS

sponsored a two day watercolor seminar in New Orleans, LA for Artist, Eugeniu Chisnicean of the Republic of Moldova. Here is a link to the artist's website <http://eugenchisnicean.com> in the event you may want to invite him for future workshops. The workshop was a complete success and all participants enjoyed it immensely.



Orleans Super Dome  
Painted by Eugeniu Chisnicean. Prints are available at a cost of \$125. If you wish to purchase a print, contact [piolyons@bellsouth.net](mailto:piolyons@bellsouth.net)

## Huntsville Museum of Art

Huntsville, Alabama

### 2012 Master Artist Workshop – Lian Quan Zhen



### Watercolor Impressions: Color Pouring & Blending

**Hours: 9:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m. each day**  
**Thursday, August 23, 2012**  
**Friday, August 24, 2012**  
**Saturday, August 25, 2012**

In this workshop, students learn basic techniques such as composition and coloring, as well as Lian's techniques including the "Color Pouring and Blending." Lian gives 4-6 short demonstrations each day with student practices between that allow students to learn better. Also, there are critique sessions when Lian helps students by touching up their paintings. **Skill Level: Open to all level students**

**Three-Day Workshop fee is \$280 Museum members/\$295 non-members.** A confirmation letter and supply list will be sent upon receipt of workshop registration fee payment. Pre-registration is required. To register, call 256-535-4350 ext. 222 or download registration form from our website at [www.hsvmuseum.org/classes/2012-master-artist-workshop---lian-quan-zhen/](http://www.hsvmuseum.org/classes/2012-master-artist-workshop---lian-quan-zhen/). *Space is limited to 18 students, so register online or call NOW.* Registration Deadline: August 2, 2012. *This workshop is filled on a first-come, first-served basis!* Workshop will be held in the Museum Academy classrooms at the Huntsville Museum of Art at Big Spring International Park.

Dear WSA Member:

WSA appreciates your membership and we are looking forward to another successful year.

It is time to renew your membership for 2012 if you have not already renewed. Dues are paid per calendar year. The Bylaws require that a member pay dues each year continuously to maintain any points earned toward Signature Membership as well as to retain any of the membership levels above Associate.

As you are aware, the WSA membership dues have been increased to \$30.00 annually. Please, do notify us of any changes in your contact information such as mailing address, Email address and phone when sending your membership dues, entries or notify WSA any time during the year of any changes.

If you plan to send entries for the 71st WSA National Exhibition you may send your dues together with your entry fee but if at all possible please mail your membership dues directly to the membership chair (it does make life easier for those of us who are volunteers.)

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