

President's Message–SFC

Happy New Year!

This is likely my final president's message as Susan Jochheim has agreed to take over the presidency of the San Francisco Chapter starting in February. I say likely because it is you, the members, who vote on our Society's officers at the January meeting and Susan will be on the slate. I want to thank Susan for stepping up. She comes with stellar bona fides having recently been president of the Santa Clara Valley Watercolor Society. She also put on many of their outstanding workshops in recent years. I took a number of them and can attest to their high quality. So I know Susan will do an excellent job as your next president!

My time as president of the San Francisco Chapter has been especially rewarding due to the wonderful volunteers who care enough about the chapter to put in the hours required to sustain it. I've seen the chapter grow in membership; I've been privileged to grant Signature status to a number of you; and I've enjoyed helping to produce our monthly demos over Zoom. Of course, I will continue to accept Signature Award applications and run the demos, but I do wish there were someone who could take over the latter should I not be able to for some reason. It really doesn't take a lot of technical knowledge, but it does take someone who can pay attention to the details!

The Skyline College exhibit continues until January 10th. Go see it, if you haven't already. This show is part of our community outreach as a nonprofit. There are many budding artists in the show for sure!

We will be doing another online show this year so get working on one or more pieces to enter. Last year's show was a big success. Thanks to Yvonne Newhouse and Susan Jochheim for all their hard work putting it together.

Please stay healthy and safe. And make art a part of your life every day!

Jim Stinger
SFC Chapter
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**Peoples' Choice Award for the October/November
Exhibit: "Pathway Home," a watercolor by Mark Dobrin**

March/April Deadline: February 3

General Meeting and Demo

Saturday, January 18, 1–3 pm

Michael Rodman

San Francisco Scene in Oil

Michael Rodman started painting full-time in 1995. He painted landscapes outdoors, en plein air, in the style of the Society of Six. Michael received his AA degree in Fine Art Oil Painting in 2002. He continued his studies at the Academy of Art University and has attended dozens of painting workshops. Michael is an active member of the Artists Guild of SF. He has been exhibiting and selling his work in San Francisco at various outdoor locations since 2003. In 2013, Michael started teaching an Adult Oil Painting class at Mission Blue Center in Brisbane, CA.

See more about Michael's work at <https://rodmanart.com/>

General Meeting and Demo

Saturday, February 15, 1–3 pm

Judy Magoon

Pastel Landscape

J. V. Magoon enjoys working in many media but she is primarily a pastel landscape artist. She has been a participant in many shows and has had her work accepted in regional, national, and international competitions, garnering numerous awards. She is represented by the Highlight Gallery in Mendocino.

More of her work can be seen on her website at jvmagoon.com

Go to: societyofwest-coastartists.com for the Zoom link.

Welcome to new and returning members: Jae Kyung Kim and Michael Rogan.

President’s Message–SJVC

Happy New Year!

I hope 2025 is a year of creating and preparing for exhibitions. SWA's first exhibit, a non-juried show, will be in January at the Valley PBS Gallery. Deliveries of your art will be on Monday, December 30th (10:00-12:00). The Arthop celebration will be on Thursday, January 2nd (5:00-8:00). We'll return to the Fresno Arts Council Gallery in February for a juried show. Until then, get your creativity flowing; we'll meet again soon.

Ma Ly, artist and educator, gave our group an amazing demo on miniature painting. His paintings can be as small as a quarter. Yet they are whimsical and detailed. We are grateful to Ma for sharing his time and talent.

As we welcome the new year, I hope that 2025 finds you excited for the upcoming exhibition year. Are you creating and painting daily? Let's introduce SWA to new members of the Valley.

Thank you for all your work and membership to SWA.

Jesus Sepulveda
SWA-SJVC President

SWA Receives Grant

Sharon reports that SWA will be receiving a \$3,000 grant from the San Bruno Community Foundation to host a show for Skyline College next year.

We have received two prior grants from the Foundation so this will be our last opportunity for this grant. If anyone finds another grant opportunity, please let us all know.

Thank you, Sharon, for securing this grant for SWA.

SWA is on social media! If you use Facebook or Instagram, you should "friend" or "follow" SWA Artist. We post all of our demos and shows on those media as well as on MeetUp.

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SFC Center Hours: 11–3, Thursday–Saturday

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SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

SAN FRANCISCO CHAPTER

Skyline College Show
November 18–January 10

January/February Exhibit
January 16–February 28

January
18 Board Meeting/Michael Rodman Demo

February
15 Board Meeting/Judy V. Magoon Demo

SFC Center Hours: 11–3, Thursday–Saturday

If you would like to announce your shows or awards, please send the information to Laura Johnson at dollsinmin@sbcglobal.net. We will include your information, space permitting.

Please inform the board if you know of members who are ill or have passed away or have lost family members.

2025 SWA Exhibit Schedule

January/February Exhibit	January 16– February 28 Call for entry 12/10/24. Closed 1/6/25. Juried 1/8 and 1/9. Delivery 1/10, 11–3pm and 1/11, 10–1pm. After 1pm judging for awards
SWA Board Meeting/Demo	January 18 Zoom; Demo Artist Michael Rodman/Oil
SWA Board Meeting/Demo	February 15 Zoom; Demo Artist Judy V. Magoon/Pastel
SWA Board Meeting/Demo	March 15 Zoom; Demo Artist Warren Chang/Oil
March/April Exhibit	March 6–April 18 Call for entry 1/27. Closed 2/24/25. Juried 2/26 and 2/27 Delivery 2/28, 11–3pm and 3/1, 10–1pm. After 1pm judging for awards.
SCVWS Sponsored Workshop	March 17–19 with Kathleen Conover
Rental–Workshop	March 24—27 with Kim Lordier
Kathleen Alexander Rental	April 4–6
SWA Board Meeting/Demo	April 19 Zoom;
San Mateo School District Exhibit	April 21–May 2
May/June Exhibit	May 6–June 13. Call for entry 3/30. closed 4/28. Juried 4/30, 5/1. Delivery 5/2, 11–3pm and 5/3, 10–1pm. Judging for awards after 1 pm.
SWA Workshop	May 17 & 18 with Warren Chang/Oil
SWA Board Meeting/Demo	May 17–18 Zoom;
75th Annual Exhibit	June 19–August 10. Open call for entries 5/16, closed 6/9. Juried in 6/11 or 6/12. Delivery of paintings 6/13, 11-3, KEY ENTRY OK. 6/14. Awards after 1pm Opening Reception TBD; Awards Reception August 10 from 1:30–2:30.
SWA Board Meeting/Demo	June 21 Zoom
SWA Board Meeting/Demo	July 19 Zoom
SWA Board Meeting/Demo	August 16 Zoom
Signature Member Show	August 21–September 26. Delivery 8/10–8/14 entry
Annual Online Exhibition The Pacific Artistry Showcase.	September 2–October 31
SWA Board Meeting/Demo	September 20 Zoom; Demo Artist Laurie Johnson by Zoom
October/November Exhibit	October 2–November 14. Open call for entries 8/14, closed 9/22. Juried in 9/24 and 9/25. Delivery 9/26, 11-3 or 9/27, 10-1. Judging for awards after 1 pm.
SWA Board Meeting/Demo	October 18 Zoom; Demo Artist Mark Dobin/WC
SWA Board Meeting/Demo	November 15 Zoom/Demo Artist
Skyline College Show	November 17, 2025–January 9, 2026

2025 SFC Demonstrations

January 18	Michael Rodman	City Scene in Oil	https://rodmanart.com/
February 15	Judy Magoon	Pastel Landscape	www.jvmagoon.com
March 15	Warren Chang	Portrait in Oil	http://www.warrenchang.com
April 19	TBD		
May 17	TBD		
June 21	TBD		
July 19	TBD		
August 16	TBD		
September 20	Laurie Johnson Lepkowska	Oil	www.lauriejohnsonart.com
October 18	Mark Dobrin	Watercolor Landscape	www.markdobrinart.com
November 15	Rafaell DeSoto Jr.	Watercolor Landscape or Building	www.rafaeldesotojr.com

(Demos are on YouTube Live or Zoom until further notice.)

It's Time to Pay Membership Dues

Your SWA 2025 membership dues are due January 1.

We hope you will continue to support our non-profit organization. We are working hard to provide art education to both our members and the public by offering demonstrations and workshops as well as wonderful exhibits of our members art. Our most recent demonstrations can still be seen on our YouTube channel. Check our website for the direct links.

We are maintaining the price of your membership at a bargain price of \$45 per year. A check can be sent to our SWA Art Center at 527 San Mateo Ave, San Bruno, CA 94066. Or you can pay via Paypal on our website <https://societyofwest-coastartists.com/renewyourswadues.html>

And if you can, please include a donation with your membership. Since SWA is a non-profit, a donation may be tax-deductible (check with your tax preparer) Membership fees alone do not cover the costs for SWA to operate. If you've changed your address, email or phone number, please include a note with the updated information.

If you don't plan to continue with your membership we would appreciate finding out why. We are trying to keep our organization current and valuable to our members.



Loretta Hawkins

08/10/1929 - 07/25/2024

Loretta Hawkins passed away in her sleep July 25, 2024, 21 days short of her 95th birthday. She is the beloved wife of Edwin Russel Hawkins, Jr.; mother of Kenneth Jones (Launa) and Heather Hernandez (Paul). She is survived by her children, granddaughters, grandchildren, great-grandchildren, nieces, nephews, grandnieces and nephews; her cousin, Maureen; and her goddaughter, Elisa Boles.

Born August 10, 1929, of a Spanish father and Italian mother in San Francisco, spirited, and sometimes fiery, Loretta graduated from Galileo High School in 1947, where she excelled at mathematics, before beginning her career at Graybar in San Francisco as the clerical Supervisor until 1962.

Loretta showed her affinity to serve others when, while attending junior and senior high school, she taught mathematics to elementary students during World War II. As an adult, she became an active volunteer in her church and community, where she devoted many hours to the St. Andrews' thrift shop and Community Outreach, provided decades of paraprofessional counseling as a lay minister to Mills-Peninsula Hospital patients as part of the Chaplin's Support Service, and contributed time and energy helping to facilitate several of the Society of West-Coast Artists functions and shows. Loretta served on SWA's Board of Trustees as Secretary for several years and then on the Executive board in various roles.

An artist in her own right, Loretta wrote many poems and short stories, sang in a beautiful mezzo soprano voice, practiced many crafts, and briefly undertook oil and watercolor painting.

Loretta also enjoyed watching Jeopardy -- never call during Jeopardy. Playing cards, attending plays, concerts and movies, dining out, British comedy, and reading a good book gave her great fun. She delighted in time spent with her children, Kenneth, Launa, Heather and Paul; and her grandchildren, Roxanne and Russa. Elisa's singing was enchanting and of which she often praised. She cherished beating her dear friend, Chris, at cards.

Member News

We have added a Member News page. Members can announce acceptance into other shows, solo shows or awards. The announcements should be print ready and can include a small photo of the work you are featuring. Additionally, you can list workshops or classes you are giving. It does not include advertisement for the sale of art supplies. Send your announcements to Laura Johnson (dollsinnin@aebglobal.net). The deadline for the next issue is included in each Bulletin.



**Watercolors by
Guy Magallanes &
Community Show**

Alicia Espinoza	MaryAnn McDonald
Bill Russell	Naomi Dushay
Echo Wodarczyk	Nicole Joshi
Elizabeth Corner	Stanton Chan
John Volkert	Susan Jochheim
Kristina Treanor	Vicki Wilson
	Virginia Weiss

TWIN PINES ART CENTER, BELMONT CA
RECEPTION SUNDAY DECEMBER 15, 2024
1:00–4:00PM
GALLERY HOURS: WED–SUN 1–4PM
Gallery Courtesy of
Belmont Parks & Recreation

Photos from the Valley



Ma Ly's demo



