KANSAS WATERCOLOR SOCIETY NATIONAL EXHIBITION

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Trail Town Wagons by Dean Mitchell of Tampa, Florida

Best of Show Award

The Wichita Center for the Arts

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Welcome to the 2015 Kansas Watercolor Society National Exhibition. The Wichita Center for the Arts is pleased to sponsor this esteemed show, especially because it features disciplines we teach here in our Mary R. Koch School for the Visual Arts.

We are proud to offer our members, students and the community at large an opportunity to view the direction of water media nationally.

This year, juror Sterling Edwards selected 81 paintings for our exhibition. The diverse range of subject matter and styles in this collection is impressive.

We thank Emprise Bank for continued underwriting of this exhibition. What a pleasure to support and give recognition to the creative endeavors of the artist!

Thanks for helping us inspire the artist in each of us – for the translucence, for the fluidity, for the arts.

Katy Dorrah

Executive Director
The Wichita Center for the Arts

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About The Wichita Center for the Arts

For 95 years, The Wichita Center for the Arts has made arts and arts education available to the community as a privately funded organization. Our mission is to be a vibrant arts hub in Wichita and the region by providing opportunities to appreciate, participate and create art in an atmosphere of lifelong learning.

Sponsor Acknowledgment and 2015 Award Winners

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The Kansas Watercolor Society wishes to extend its appreciation for underwriting support and generosity to



Emprise Bank has been a proud sponsor of the Watercolor National Exhibition for 34 years, and we are pleased to be part of the show. We are continually wowed at the artistic talent displayed in this show.

As always, thank you for showing your support of the arts through your attendance at this exhibit. We look forward to this show every year and are happy to show our continued support of the arts in our community.

M.D. Michaelis Chairman of the Board, Emprise Bank

2015 Award Winners

The Wichita Center for the Arts / Kansas Watercolor Society Best of Show Award - \$1,000

Trail Town Wagons, by Dean Mitchell, Tampa, FL

Second Place: Charles and Ruth Sanderson Memorial Award - \$750 Flying Cloud, by Dianne Howard, Wichita, KS

Third Place: Friends of the Kansas Watercolor Society Award - \$500 Bromeliad and Frog, by Lawrence Danecke, Greeneville, TN

Honorable Mention: Kansas Watercolor Society Awards - \$100
Gulls, by Anne Horton, Wichita, KS
Morning Trees, by ZL Feng, Radford, VA
South Wind and Memory, by Ashley Harrison Smith, Silver Spring, MD
Beach Bums, by Wanda Stallings, Garden City, KS

Juror - Sterling Edwards, CSPWC, TWSA, WPA

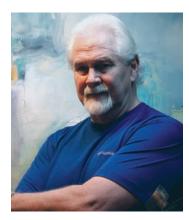
I am deeply honored to have been chosen as the juror for this wonderful show. The wide diversity of subjects and styles remind me of why I am so in love with art. Having begun my artistic lifetime as a photo-realist and over time evolving into an abstract expressionist and everything in between, I have a profound appreciation for all styles of painting and the time that it takes to master every style. I congratulate all of you who have been chosen for this wonderful exhibit.

I am often asked what I look for when I jury a show. It's a fair question but one that is very difficult to answer since every show is different. Generally, I place a lot of emphasis on the first second that I view a painting. First impressions really are important and open the eyes and mind for further examination of the piece. I look for a good composition, interesting subject matter, proficiency with the techniques used in the painting, originality, creativity and so on. A good piece of art will always stand on its own merit. I do not have any prejudices when it comes to style or subject, so all of the entries are offered the same level of consideration and scrutiny.

In judging this show, I was very careful to make sure that all styles and subjects were represented to the best of my ability. Every show has space limitations, so choices have to be made. My ultimate goal was to assemble a show that exhibits the endless possibilities with watercolor as exemplified by this exhibit. Very careful consideration was given to the award-winning paintings. They all display mastery of the medium and the confidence that comes only from years of experience and evolution.

As a final note, I want to thank all of the artists for entering their work whether they were selected for the show or not. Receiving a rejection letter is never easy and leaves a bad taste. I can say with all honesty that everyone who enters competitions has, or will, on occasion receive one. In my experience, even though I was disappointed, they served as a catalyst to try harder. What matters most is that you entered the competition, and I hope you will enter many more.

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Sterling Edwards, CSPWX, TWSA, WPA



Sterling Edwards, At the Top of the Falls



Sterling Edwards, Leaning Towards the Light



Christine Alfery / Lac de Flambeau, WI Reaching for the Sunrise.....\$1,500



Ione Angilan / Shawnee, KS The People Within #1.....\$1,000



Genady Arkhipau / West Springfield, MA *Santa Cruz.....\$1,000*



Genady Arkhipau / West Springfield, MA WCOP #12.....\$1,200



Tom Ayers / San Mateo, CA *Dancing Shadows.....\$900*



Sam Bailie / Plano, TX Gemini.....\$1,000



Lila Bartel / Topeka, KS Broad Stripes & Bright Stars Weeping.....\$250



Mimi Benedick / Manhattan, KS Salomé.....\$1,750



Eugene Bortnick / Prairie Village, KS Bob the Mechanic.....\$1,500



Marilynne Bradley / Webster Groves, MO Sliders.....\$1,900



Janet Butler / Wichita, KS White Bird of Paradise.....\$900



Nel Dorn Byrd / Aubrey, TX Summer Seating.....\$2,500



Gary Cadwallader / Warrensburg, MO *Sisters.....\$1,500*



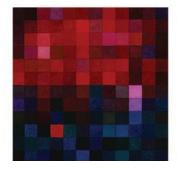
Diane Calkins / Denver, CO Sing Forest Sing.....\$775



Naomi Cashman / Topeka, KS Companions.....\$850



Andra Chase / Overland Park, KS End of Summer.....\$1,200



Wayne Conyers / McPherson, KS
Quantum Chromodynamics
Fluctuation #3.....\$800



Lawrence Danecke / Greeneville, TN *Bromeliad and Frog.....\$4,000*



Carol Davis / Wichita, KS Summer Concert.....\$1,500



David DeArmond / Merriam, KS Northern Road.....\$1,850



Gail Delger / McKinney, TX House on the Hill.....\$2,200



Pat Dispenziere / Poway, CA One Step At A Time.....\$2,500



Steve Dudek / Great Bend, KS *Circle.....\$1,500*



Woody Duncan / Albuquerque, NM *Dorsie.....\$800*



Kathleen Durdin / Tampa, FL *Florence: Autumn.....\$750*



Bess Duston / Kansas City, MO Orchid Cascade.....\$2,200



Barbara Edwards / Jasper, GA *Forgotten.....\$2,000*



ZL Feng / Radford, VA *Morning Trees.....\$2,000*



Maleta Forsberg / Lindsborg, KS Autumn Pasture.....\$1,400



Ellen Fountain / Tucson, AZ 3 Hours at Feliz Paseos Park.....\$430



Carol Frye / Lakeland, FL Continuing Onward.....\$1,900



Suzanne Galloway / Plymouth, MN Dancing Iris.....\$850



Laurie Goldstein-Warren / Buckhannon, WV *Elijah.....\$6,000*



Sue Church Grant / Rocky Mount, NC Lean In.....\$1,200



Hugh Greer / Wichita, KS Mountain Morning Mass.....\$4,200



Randy Hale / Denver, CO Harmonic Pitch.....\$900



Deb Hanes-Nelson / Centralia, KS The Discerning Look - Proverbs 17:24.....\$300



Larry Haught / Castle Rock, CO Crossing Under.....\$1,100



Tom Heflin / Rockford, IL Summerville Cattails.....\$1,500



Patrycia Ann Herndon / Dighton, KS Beauty Can Be Deadly.....\$1,200



Norma Herring / Leawood, KS Golden Slippers.....\$9,500



Matthew Hilyard / Andover, KS Untitled #81.....\$450



Anne Horton / Wichita, KS *Gulls.....\$1,900*



Dianne Howard / Wichita, KS Flying Cloud.....\$1,000



Rebecca Hoyer / Wichita, KS *Cactus.....\$500*



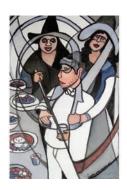
C.T. (Fred) Hsia / Topeka, KS Laundering.....\$555



Carol Hubbard / Monroe, CT Boutique.....\$2,500



Lance Hunter / Tahlequah, OK *Fish Tales III.....\$2,300*



Charlotte Huntley / Lafayette, CA *Life of the Party.....\$2,000*



John James / Arlington, TX *Geometry.....\$1,200*



Betty Jameson / Austin, TX *Flora.....\$1,200*



Jean Jansen / Westwood, KS Orchid.....\$2,500



Jean Kalin / Platte City, MO Sophie's Bowl.....\$3,200



Teresa Kirk / Pembroke Pines, FL Lines of Communication VII.....\$1,500



Shirley Klein Kleppe / Scottsdale, AZ *Backstreets Portofino.....\$1,700*



Carolyn Latanision / Winchester, MA Another Day.....\$3,200



Chiaw-Weai Loo / Wichita, KS Found My Breakfast.....\$350



Charlene Madden / Parkville, MO *Reflecting a Zebra.....\$600*



Terry Maxwell / Emporia, KS *Moondown.....\$500*



Julie McCollum / Canyon Lake, TX Wild Things.....\$950



Bruce McCombs / Holland, MI *Pompidou Escalator.....\$2,200*



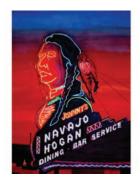
Dean Mitchell / Tampa, FL Trail Town Wagons.....\$15,000



Mark Mohr / Roeland Park, KS Longhorns and Thunderheads.....\$4,200



Thomas Montgomery / Wichita, KS Future Barrel Racers.....\$500



Caryl Morgan / Newkirk, OK Navajo Hogan.....\$1,800



Ed Pointer / Wichita, KS Foggy Sun with Gulls.....\$2,200



Marlin Rotach / Kansas City, MO Team Spirit.....\$6,800



Joe Schlimm / Wichita, KS Cuban Classic.....\$4,000



Diane Shabino / Wausau, WI Twelve Large.....\$450



Wayne Sisel / St. Paul, MN Napoli.....\$1,000



Ashley Harrison Smith / Silver Spring, MD South Wind and Memory.....\$5,600



Natalie Smythe / Glendale, CA Mood Indigo.....\$2,500



Wanda Stallings / Garden City, KS *Beach Bums.....\$1,200*



Diane Stolz / Kansas City, MO *Working Girl.....*\$1,400



Don Taylor / Panama City, FL *The Guiding Light.....\$600*



Dawn Thomas / Raytown, MO *The Sun Chimenia.....\$1,750*



Don Van Horn / Colorado Springs, CO *L Cars at Wilson.....\$5,000*



Soon Warren / Fort Worth, TX *Marbles - Transparency.....\$6,000*



Barbara Yoerg / Las Vegas, NV #5.....\$2,000



Gene Youngmann / Westminster, CO I Don't Know! What Do You Think?.....\$1,450



Rita Zaudke / Wichita, KS Varenna Morning.....\$1,500

2016 Gallery Exhibitions

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Scholastic Art Awards Exhibition January 29 – March 6

> Pastel National Exhibition April 1 – May 8

> > Student Exhibition May 20 – June 26

Abstract National Exhibition July 8 – August 7

Small Oil National Exhibition August 26 – September 25

> Faculty Exhibition October 4 – 23

Holiday Tables November 2 – 5

Kansas Watercolor Society National Exhibition November 18 – December 30



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