

Georgetown County Watercolor Society
February 5, 2025, Minutes

9:30am Social time

10:00am Call to Order by Brew Hellman

1. **2025 President's Comments - Brew Hellman** - Brew thanked all who were in attendance. A reminder to those who signed up for the February workshop, make sure they paid Brian. Brew mentioned there was an open spot for the workshop, which was quickly filled.

2. **Introduction of new members and guests** - There were no new members.

3. **Treasurer's Report - Brian Zell** - It was a busy month. Dues were collected, money for the workshop was collected which will be paid out. The starting balance was \$5,082, the ending balance is \$8,782.

4. **Secretary's Report - Kelly Gibson** - Members were all waiting for the "Winged Wonders" Art Show. Members signed up to take turns to man the exhibit.

5. **Workshop Report - Lori Wilson** -

a. The David Rankin workshop is Tuesday, February 25th and Wednesday, February 26th, 9:30-4:00 each day. The \$240 cost needs to be paid to Brian as soon as possible. Dramatic skies of the low country and landscape will be demonstrated. Don't worry about the exact colors, use what you have available, for example Midnight blue is a cool blue - combine Ultramarine with Alizarin Crimson, Bengal Rose substitute can be Quin Rose. You can use a towel, instead of a piece of foam, something to tip the board as you paint. Gauche is used to quiet the painting.

b. The May workshop is with graphic artist and web designer Tony Armendariz, "Figure in the Landscape", putting people into the landscape, action and mood. The workshop is on May 19th and 20th (Monday and Tuesday). This workshop is also \$240. Fifteen have already signed up, there is also a waiting list. If you are unable to attend, please let Lori know.

6. **Publicity Report - Jodi Hudson** - There are posters for the Winged

Wonders Bird Show in many galleries, the Hammock Coast Art, a blurb has appeared in an article in the Coastal Observer. Also in Chamber Events, reported in the Pawleys Island Living. There will be a spot shown on Good Morning Carolinas WPDE ABC with Amanda Kinseth. Facebook and the GCWS website are advertising the show also.

“Winged Wonders”, at Old Town Hall, Opening Reception and Awards Ceremony is on February 3rd from 4:00-5:30. Awards will be given out around 4:30pm.

7. ***Program Report - Karen Joyce and Tina Proctor -***

February - Jodi is the program today, presenting how the GCWS is in front and center.

March - Representatives from Artists and Craftsman Supply, located on 981 King Street, Charleston, will talk about their reward program, website and supplies available.

April - Vida Miller will answer questions about copyright, what you can and can't use to sell from a workshop.

May - Kieth will demonstrate Beach Wash, a month where it will be warmer to be in the ocean. He will let us know what supplies are needed.

8. ***Old Business:***

- a. Announce and recognize winners of Winged Wonders:
- b. Refreshments for monthly meetings - In need of volunteers to supply some type of refreshments - Janice and Kelly signed up for May, Sharon S. for October.
- c. Coffee basket donations help defray costs each month.
- d. Please remember to wear nametags at the monthly meetings.
- e. Remember to use your discount cards when purchasing supplies. Every little bit helps.
- f. Jodi has posted on the website about a possible evening meeting. Please vote which will help to see if there is any interest.

9. ***New Business:***

a. The tablet needs to be transferred to another phone number instead of Sharon B's.

10. Reminder - Wednesday paint together - 10-11:30paint, 11:30-12 critique, lunch and then more time to paint.

11. Art Under the Oaks - Saturday, April 5th and Sunday, April 6th.

12. Annual Art Show - waiting to hear back from Jim at the Rice Museum. There are no size restrictions. There was a discussion about a theme, that some themes can stifle creativity. Paula mentioned "Painter's Palette" which is broader and more general.

13. Emerging Artist - *Sharon Bogan* - New members can be an emerging artist. There is a ribbon dedicated for an Emerging award. Paid up dues, having participated or assisted in three events during the year makes you eligible.

Sharon also invited members to be a sponsor for a week of summer camp, June 16th, 17th, 18th and 20th at the four different Georgetown County libraries - South Branch, Main, Carvers Bay and Andrews. It would be sharing a small arts project with up to 60 parents and children. Contact Sharon if interested.

14. Terry demonstrated and shared information about subscription to SketchBox, a monthly art supplies treat. Each month receive supplies like paper, paints, brushes, pencils, markers, etc. It's always a surprise and not small samples. She shared the contents of a box she had received to anyone interested.

Program - Jodi Hudson

Jodi gave us an insight into her schooling as an Advertising Major and her extensive advertising career. She has done and continues to put the GCWS front and center.

Jodi does such an awesome job with Facebook and the website:

<https://georgetowncountywatercolorsociety.com>

There are many starting to show an interest. There was a spike in interest last year

with the turtle show.

On the GCWS website you can link your own website. Several of the members have already joined their website.

Let Jodi know if you need to sign up for private info on the website. You sign up with an email and password.

There is a questionnaire on FB, please get on to answer about an evening meeting. This helps gauge any interest.

Let Jodi know if you have any suggestions for the website, if you think more info is needed or if there is ever a glitch.

Thank you, Jodi, for all you do, for encouraging the GCWS and its members.

Meeting March 5th at the Litchfield Country Club

9:30am early morning treats

10:00am Meeting begins