

**Tucson Pastel Society - 2447 N. Los Altos Blvd. Tucson, AZ
Board Meeting - February 7, 2025**

Members present: Becky Neideffer, Jeanne Conant Kramer, Barbara Archer-Baldwin, John Baldwin, Penny Mazer, Rita Anderson, Ellen Cholski, Morgan Canady, Cheryl Bullard

Four Corners Gallery Show:

Barbara reported that they will put us up front in the main gallery instead of the back gallery. We will have better visibility. There will be enough space for roughly 65 paintings. We won't need to charge admission and it will be easier for visitors to view the show. The plein-air committee will plan an outing in the gardens at the venue. Viewers will be more interested in the show if they can see the process; see someone actually painting with pastels.

At this time, only 10 artists with 39 paintings have been entered with much more coming.

A question from John Baldwin: will there be a sign outside of the gallery?

Barbara suggested having one made by VistaPrint, 2' x 4' or so, she will check into it.

Penny Mazer secured a gift certificate from Sarnoff's for \$25.

Becky suggests 1st place \$500, 2nd place \$250, and 3rd place \$100 all cash prizes. All other awards will be gift certificates plus 3 Honorable Mentions and a Judges award ribbon.

Cheryl B., Becky N., Rita A., Ellen C., and Barbara A. volunteered to help receive artwork and hang. Receiving is noon to 2:00 pm on March 16th. Hanging will be 2:00 to 4:00 pm on March 16, 2025. The gallery closes at 4:00 pm.

Cheryl will check on supplies for hanging the show; hammers, hangers, etc.

Most paintings will be double hung, one above and one below.

Becky will send out tax documents to those who have been selected.

March 22nd reception 12:00 pm to 4:00 pm with Tony Allain presenting awards.

Gallery to provide refreshments.

Online Web Show:

It is now posted online. May view the entire show or awards presentation or both. After all expenses for prizes, our profit from this show was \$2,108.15.

It went well considering it was our first online International show.

Becky said she learned a lot by doing this type of show. A few artists entered the same painting into multiple concurrent shows.

Fall Workshop:

Donna is working on setting up our Fall Workshop with Jennifer Evenhaus

Morgan suggested having Rita Kirkman for a workshop sometime in the future.

Tony Allain Workshop:

The workshop is sold out with a few artists on the wait list.

Future Program Ideas:

Penny Mazer suggested a few ideas. Barbara A. may do a class on painting palm trees.

Creating your own web site

Bring a painting and discuss your thought process, materials used, how, etc.,

A contest we paint at home

How to paint animals

Barbara suggested Penny give the membership slips of paper to write their own suggestions. Becky reminded that we have a list of members who have presented in the past and will put this in the newsletter.

Plein-Air:

Morgan suggested a time change to 11am to 2pm for weather and will change the time accordingly for future outings as the weather changes.

Open Studio:

Cheryl reminded everyone about the still-life set ups that are available at our weekly open studio events. Penny suggested having a member model at some of the open studio events to help work on portraits.

Meeting adjourned 2:00pm

Respectfully submitted,

Jeanne Conant Kramer, Secretary