



KWS Brushstrokes

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Kansas Watercolor Society Newsletter

July 2009

Great 8 Show Turns Into National Show

Since the Kansas Watercolor Society has become a committee under the umbrella of the Wichita Center for the Arts, one of the major decisions that took place in early 2007 was to transform the Great 8 Watercolor Exhibition into the *Kansas Watercolor Society National Exhibition*. This year we are honored to have **Eric Wiegardt**, a native of Washington State and a graduate of the American Academy of Art in Chicago, as our juror. The **Postmark Deadline for entries** is August 3, 2009. Please see the Wichita Center for the Arts Prospectus for all of the details on entry.

- ♦ Juror's Day will be October 10th. 10:00 AM—12:00 PM Slides, 12-1:30 lunch break, 1:30-3:30 PM demo by Juror. *We also will have a KWS meeting that day (during the lunch break) from 1:00 PM –1:30 PM.*
- ♦ The show opens November 20, 2009 and runs through January 3, 2010.
- ♦ Opening Reception will be Nov. 20th 5:00 PM—7:00 PM with announcement of awards.

Plan to Attend Eric Wiegardt Watercolor Workshop

Eric Wiegardt will also be conducting a Watercolor Workshop on October 7, 8, 9, 9:00 AM-4:00 PM, at the Center for the Arts. Please call 316-634-2787, ext. 219 at the Center to enroll or electronic registration should be available by July 31st.

The cost is \$250.00 for Kansas Watercolor Society members (\$265.00 for non-members) We need 12 participants to make the workshop happen so sign up now! This is a great price for such a high caliber workshop so take advantage if you can



Eric Wiegardt graduated from the famed American Academy of Art in Chicago where he studied under his mentor, Irving Shapiro. Eric is a member of the American

Watercolor Society, National Watercolor Society, Allied Artists of America and many more. Among other honors, he has received the American Watercolor Society's Mary S. Litt Medal, the National Watercolor Society's President's Award and Alice Leonard Memorial Award. Over his career he has made over 3,000 original watercolors for private and corporate collections.

The Kansas Watercolor Society invites you to

First Impressions

The uncut viewing of all entries to the Kansas Watercolor Society National Exhibition 2009

- ♦ Event date: Saturday, September 26
- ♦ Event time: 1:30 PM to approximately 3:30 PM slides.
- ♦ Event place: Wichita Center for the Arts theatre

What Have You Been Painting?



Terry Maxwell, of Emporia had his watercolor titled "Fandance" accepted for the 2009 Watercolor USA exhibit at the Springfield Art Museum in Springfield, Missouri. The painting was selected to receive the Cathy and Don Cooley Patron's Purchase Award.

Send Us Some News

This newsletter is a mere shadow of what it was the last time we had one published. Since we have not had a Brushstrokes newsletter for some time, it seems news about us has slowed but that certainly doesn't mean that you all haven't been busy painting, attending workshops, entering competitions, etc. Please send us any news you feel would be of interest to our membership. Send information to:

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(and by the way, thanks to those who did all this work before!)

As you may know, the Kansas Watercolor Society became an organization under the direction of the Wichita Center for the Arts in 2007. We now operate as a Committee under the Wichita Center for the Arts organizational umbrella and our Committee Chair, Catherine Rocky, serves on the Wichita Center for the Arts Board of Directors as an Ex Officio. Catherine will keep us abreast of any news from the Center that pertains to our Watercolor Society. Thank you Catherine for taking on this task!

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To enroll in classes or workshops at
The Wichita Center for the Arts
Call 316-634-2787, ext. 219

What: 6th Annual "Artists Along the Missouri" en plein air PAINTOUT!

Where: Hermann, Missouri and surrounding areas; camahoney@ktis.net

When: **Labor Day weekend: September 4-7**, open to all artists & photographers.

Cost: Event, free.