

North East Watercolor Society

MEMBERSHIP INFORMATION AND APPLICATION FORM

The North East Watercolor Society was formed as the Orange County Watercolor Society during a meeting of local artists Babette Roy and Don Selchow at a bistro in Woodstock, NY. Both artists were attending John Pike's Watercolor Workshop in the summer of the early 1970's and were enthralled with transparent watercolor. They gathered fifteen of their fellow artists at Roy's Warwick, NY home and started the association which has grown to a well regarded international organization. In 1974 the first Invitational Exhibition took place at the Harness Racing Hall of Fame and continued until a renovation of the Hall of Fame took place. At that time, the International Show was moved to the spacious Kent Art Association Gallery in Kent, Connecticut where it continues to the present time. The jurors and demonstrators at our shows include many of the greatest names in the watercolor field. We welcome members from around the world.

CHARTER MEMBERS: Carrie Lou Fisher, Ethel Goldblatt, Matilda Grech, Ingrid Large, Gus Liebman, Jean Needle, Gertrude Ochs, Richard Ochs, Estelle Reger, Gordon Richardson, Babette Roy, Don Selchow, Janice Slocum, Edith Vail and Malcom Yohannan.

PAST PRESIDENTS: Don Selchow (1973-1976), Babette Roy (1977-1983), Ingrid Large (1984-1986), Joan Ross (1987-1990), Friede Strobl (1991-1992) Malcolm Yohannan (1993-1996), Richard Ochs (1997-2001), Winnie O'Dougherty (2002-2004), Richard Ochs (2005-2006), Richard Price (2006-2022).

CURRENT PRESIDENT: Janet Campbell

ASSOCIATE MEMBERSHIP: The North East Watercolor Society relies heavily on Associate Members whether they be professional artists, recreational painters or beginners.

Some of the benefits of Associate Membership include:

- Opportunities to meet and interact with other artists in a social and friendly fellowship.
- Stay apprised of past, current, and future activities of the organization through the newsletter and emailed updates.
- Opportunity to exhibit at annual Members Show held at the SUNY Orange campus in Middletown, NY.
- Observe a demonstration at the Members Show reception by a prominent watercolorist.
- May submit 1-2 entries at reduced fee into the International Exhibition at Kent Art Association's Gallery in Kent, CT.
- Reduced rate and priority registration for NEWS-sponsored watercolor workshops (currently one workshop per year).
- Listing on the "Members" page of the NEWS website.
- Attend meetings, hold office (except President and Vice President) and participate in and chair committees.

SIGNATURE MEMBERSHIP: To become a Signature Member of the North East Watercolor Society, you must first be accepted into three NEWS International Juried Exhibitions and be approved by the Membership Committee. These nominated artists must then be ratified by the membership at the Annual Meeting. The Signature Member may use the initials "NEWS" after his/her signature if so desired, and may also hold any office or committee chair in the Society. In addition, the Signature Member has all benefits of Associate Membership.

To apply for Associate Membership: Please complete the form below and mail it with a check in the amount of US\$ 40.00 payable to "NEWS" to: P.O. Box 842, Wurtsboro, NY 12790, USA

(International artists: Send an email to admin@northeastwatercolor.com for payment instructions)

Name: _____ Telephone: _____

Address: _____

City/State/Zip: _____

E-mail Address: _____

Website URL: _____