



Pittsburgh Watercolor Society



## Gallery & Virtual Exhibition

**March 6 - April 2, 2021**

Pittsburgh Watercolor Society (PWS) presents the **Waterworks** exhibit each year as an excellent opportunity for all Pittsburgh Watercolor Society members to showcase new works in watercolor and other water media.

The 2021 Waterworks exhibit will be in person at the North Hills Art Center, 3432 Babcock Blvd., Pittsburgh, PA 15237

[www.northhillsartcenter.org](http://www.northhillsartcenter.org) and online via our website [www.pittsburghwatercolorsociety.com](http://www.pittsburghwatercolorsociety.com)  
Juror of Awards will be our own Ron Thurston.

Due to the current state of the COVID-19 situation we have made the decision to have the juror select the 5 awards and do a Virtual Awards ceremony that will include a short video opening announcing the awards.

**ELIGIBILITY:** This exhibit is open to PWS Juried members, working primarily with water-based media on a paper surface (YUPO and Tyvek are permitted) and unvarnished. No canvas. Mediums include: watercolor, acrylic, casein, gouache, egg tempura and water-based inks. No oils, oil pastels, pastels, class work, digital images, any form of print or reproductions, no more than 10% collage.

Each PWS member may exhibit one (1) work. Work must be completed within the past 3 years and not have been exhibited in any previous PWS show. Works must be matted and framed. **Enter by February 15** online on our website at <https://www.pittsburghwatercolorsociety.com/Waterworks>

When you register, you will fill out a brief "tag" with information about your piece, and then upload an image of your work.

**Digital Files:** Images must be professional quality, showing only the painted image, and be accurate for promotional reproduction.  
File format - JPEG saved as .jpg.

**File Name** - Save the file as  
FirstName\_LastName\_ArtworkTitle.jpg  
(example: Jane\_Doe\_YellowSunflowers.jpg)  
Important - Please do not use special characters such as / ? < > \ : \* | " in the file names. Also, the file name does not have to contain the full title of your painting.

**File Resolution** - 300 DPI

**File Dimensions** - 1200 to 1500 pixels height OR width, on the longest dimension

**Maximum File Size** - 2 MB

For detailed instructions on preparing and sizing digital files, visit the PWS website: **[www.pittsburghwatercolorsociety.com/Digital-Entry-Help](http://www.pittsburghwatercolorsociety.com/Digital-Entry-Help)**.

A useful online resource for resizing images is at: [www.picresize.com](http://www.picresize.com).

**ENTRY FEE: \$15** Online registration is required for *Waterworks*. It is advised that you enter online and pay through our website [www.pittsburghwatercolorsociety.com](http://www.pittsburghwatercolorsociety.com)

If you wish to pay via check, please make the \$15 check out to PWS and mail it to:

Pittsburgh Watercolor Society  
WSCC  
7604 Charleston Avenue  
Pittsburgh, PA 15218

### **IMPORTANT DATES:**

Entry Deadline: **Feb, 15, 11:59PM**

Drop Off @ North Hills Art Center: **Thurs., March 4, 2 to 6PM**

Opening Reception: **Sat, March 6 5:30 to 8PM**  
(may change due to COVID-19 restrictions)  
Pick-up of unsold works: **Sat. April 3, 10AM to 2PM**

**JUROR:** Our Juror of Awards for the 2021 **Waterworks** exhibit is **Ron Thurston**.

PWS member artist, Ron is a Pittsburgh based, nationally renowned Watercolor Artist. He is the recipient of several National and International Awards, including Seven American Watercolor Society International Juried Exhibitions.

Some of Ron's accolades include:

- 2ND Place 2020 Signature American Watermedia Exhibition, Fallbrook Art Center, Fallbrook, CA



- Forest Runes Award - 2019 Adirondacks National Exhibition
- First Place – PWS Aqueous Open 2019
- Best Of Show 2018 Signature American Watermedia Exhibition
- First Place Pennsylvania Watercolor Society 38th International 2017
- Silver Medal- Adirondacks National Exhibition Of American Watercolors
- Keystone Award and Medal- Pennsylvania Watercolor Society
- Grumbacher Gold Medal- Pittsburgh

Ron serves as a juror for many exhibits and presents his workshops all over the country.

- Juror of Awards 2018 Pennsylvania Watercolor Society 39<sup>th</sup>, International Exhibition
- Juror of Acceptance and Awards 2018 West Virginia Watercolor Society National Exhibition

His works have appeared in many regional, national and International exhibits, including:

- Invited 2018 Feature Artist for 23rd Annual Art Show At Century Inn
- Included into 10 Best Watercolor Paintings of 2017- Artists Network

Watercolor Artist Magazine Feature Water Authority/ Three Masters Of Watercolor Exhibition with Frank Webb and Bill Vrscak - Greensburg Art Center



Archie & Sidney  
PWS Aqueous Open 2019  
First Place Award Winner

**AWARDS:** 1st, 2nd and 3rd place cash awards and two awards of merit will be announced on the website on March. People's Choice will be announced April 2 at the close of the exhibit.

**SALES:** All Works must be for sale. Sales will go through North Hills Art Center and they will take a commission of 30%. They will be responsible your delivery of the work to the purchaser. PWS will take a 10% commission, and the artist will receive 60%.

**LIABILITY:** Artist/Exhibitor shall be solely and exclusively responsible to insure properly and adequately their work and property. PWS and/or the North Hills Art Center cannot be liable for any damage of artwork.

Artist/Exhibitor grants permission for PWS to reproduce his/her name, information describing his/her work, representations of his/her work and any other information he/she has provided for the purpose of online display, promotion and publicity, either now or in the future.

**QUESTIONS?** Contact us at [waterworks@pittsburghwatercolorsociety.com](mailto:waterworks@pittsburghwatercolorsociety.com)