



# The Gold Coaster

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## Please Join Us!

### Next General Meeting at ArtServe:

Tuesday,  
February 18  
7 p.m.

### Remaining 2013-2014 Meetings:

March 18  
April 15  
May 20

## Join Us for the February General Meeting and a Demo by GCWS Workshop Artist M.E. "Mike" Bailey, NWS



Raised in California, Mike resides in his hometown of Santa Cruz, about 100 miles south of San Francisco on the coast. With a degree in Engineering, his career in marketing and hi-tech led him to many different assignments, none of which included art.

As a youngster, Mike was always attracted to art. Yet, parental "encouragement" led him away from making it a life's focus.

It began as a kitchen table hobby in 1988 and soon consumed his every thought. He started at age 46 with a few lessons, lots of books and an occasional workshop to get him on his feet. What paid off most, he says, was the compulsive, daily and late night sessions at his easel.

Mike is an adventurous, bold soul and it shows in the way he applies his painting skills. He is never satisfied with the superficial. Always reaching for excellence, he is one who must exhaust all avenues of learning, in order to enlarge his understanding and expand his abilities.

He is an extraordinary teacher who has aroused a following of fans who swear by his message of 'going beyond the obvious' and credit his teaching with their own breakthroughs to artistic understanding. His enthusiastic, positive and often hilarious approach is infectious. Mike's nature is to make everything fun and keep the processes exciting, yet challenging. Those who have been in his workshops or classes often repeat them in order to be around his stimulating teaching and supportive guidance. He spends some 15 to 20 weeks per year instructing groups from beginners to advanced painters. In addition, almost annually, he leads painting groups to exciting European painting retreat destinations.

Of course, he is associated with numerous art societies and is a signature member of the National Watercolor Society. The awards he has received, the articles in magazines and his art featured in painting books are a testament to his continuous pursuit of excellence. His paintings are held in private and corporate collections in the US, Europe and Australia.

**Please join us at ArtServe on Tuesday, February 18, 2014 at 7:00 PM when Mike will discuss and show the considerations of composition in planning a painting, then execute the painting.**



## From the President's Sketchbook by Tammy Seymour, President



We have made it through the Holidays and are rolling into our busy season so don't forget to sign up for one of the 2 great workshops – Mike Baily and Linda Baker. We can look forward to great demonstrations at our monthly meetings so with all this inspiration we should be creating some great art work this year. Our next show Apparently Watercolor intake is March 14<sup>th</sup> at ArtServe, a perfect place to enter your latest artwork.

Don't forget the Flea market in March, our annual fundraiser for our Scholarship Program. This is a good way to purge your closets of unused supplies while making room for others at great prices. Invite your friends and join us for this fun event!

We have 2 openings for next year: 1<sup>st</sup> VP Exhibits and Operations, so we hope you will consider volunteering your time and effort for one of these positions. We need your help to keep our great organization the top Watercolor Society in Florida!

*"When I die and go to heaven, I want to spend the first million years painting - so I can get to the bottom of the subject." - Winston Churchill*

***As always, to express your opinions, make suggestions or just want to say "hello," please email me at [president@goldcoastwatercolor.com](mailto:president@goldcoastwatercolor.com).***

## Upcoming Show: Apparently Watercolor Exhibit



*Apparently Watercolor  
(Formerly I Love Watercolor),  
Best In Show 2013  
Waiting for You, Jorge Leon*

GCWS is proud to present the Apparently Watercolor Exhibit at ArtServe (1350 E. Sunrise Blvd., Fort Lauderdale, FL 33304). This exhibit will be Juried and Judged by Linda Baker AWS, NWS.

As a professional watercolor artist, Linda is intrigued by the gentle translucence of nature. She considers her work to be a contemporary approach to traditional subject matter. Striving to simplify the complicated while seeing the unique in the ordinary, she captures the essence of gentle scenes with harmonious strokes.

**Entry forms and payment must be postmarked by Saturday, March 8, 2014.** The Take-in is Saturday March 15 from 10:00 a.m. - Noon. Take Down/Pick-up Artwork will be on Saturday, April 5 from 10:00 -11:00 a.m. The Apparently Watercolor Exhibit will be on display from March 17– April 5, 2014.

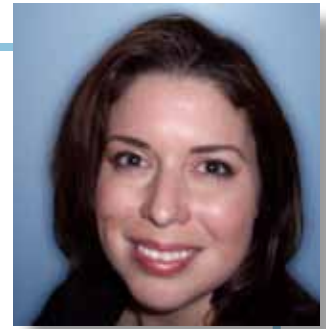
Please join us at ArtServe for the Award Reception on Wednesday, March 26 from 6:00 - 8:00 p.m. Refreshments will be served. Invite your friends!

The Prospectus and entry form will be available online at [www.goldcoastwatercolorssociety.com](http://www.goldcoastwatercolorssociety.com).

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## Membership News by Frances Tyler



Thank you to everyone who has already renewed their membership! **Membership fees were due by October 1, 2013 and are now considered past due. You can still renew your membership for 2013/2014. If dues were not received by November 30, 2013, you were not included in the annual Yearbook and Membership Roster. We are updating our email list, don't miss out on newsletter and show announcements!**

Let us know if you're not receiving emails, if you've had a change in address, email or phone number or if you don't have a nametag for our General Meetings. We want to make sure all of this information is current. Also, if you haven't renewed your membership yet, a membership application is available below or on our website, [www.goldcoastwatercolor.com](http://www.goldcoastwatercolor.com). Please send your renewal application or personal information changes (postal or email addresses, telephone, etc.) to [membership@goldcoastwatercolor.com](mailto:membership@goldcoastwatercolor.com) or by mail to: Frances Tyler, 1350 E. Sunrise Blvd., Suite 113, Ft. Lauderdale, FL 33304.

**Don't forget that points earned toward signature membership status will expire if you don't renew.** Membership also entitles you to discounts with our GCWS Partners. Thank you for a being part of GCWS!

### Membership Application

To renew your membership or join, please mail this form with your check.

Mail to:

GCWS Membership, Frances Tyler  
1350 E. Sunrise Blvd., Suite 113  
Fort Lauderdale, FL 33304

New Member       Renewing Member

Dues (Please Check One):

\$35 Individual       \$350.00 Lifetime       Full Time Student Free

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(If you'd like it to be listed on the GCWS Website)

Check here if you are an Art Instructor and would like your website listed on the GCWS Teaching Members Page



## GCWS Painting Raffle!

Purchase your Raffle Tickets for a chance to win this Jorge Leon Original Painting, "Knoker of Santiago." This painting was created by Jorge Leon during our November General Meeting and Demo.

Tickets are only \$5 each or 3 for \$10 and will be available at our next Gold Cost Water Color Meeting at ArtServe. All proceeds will benefit the GCWS Scholarship Fund. Don't miss out on your chance to own this striking work of art!

## GCWS Flea Market



Donations needed! Bring your new or gently used art supply donations to the February and March General Meetings! Or arrange to drop them at Art Serve by contacting Pete Jefferson at 207-752-2848 or [petesfete@gmail.com](mailto:petesfete@gmail.com).

We're looking for brushes, paints, pencils, palettes, pastels, frames, mats, art books, art magazines, stencils, papers, collage materials and other art supplies for the Annual GCWS Flea Market.

The Flea Market will be held on March 19 before the General Meeting and all proceeds benefit the GCWS Scholarship Fund. Thank you for your support!



## Carol's Corner by Carol Thaw

Sign up for our live model session 18B! I promise a great year with fabulous models. New members are always welcome! We even have new wonderful models this year! You'll have a great time!

The sessions are held during the fall and winter on Wednesdays at ArtServe from 9:30 a.m.–2:00 p.m. (See schedule below for dates.)

GCWS offers the most affordable price for a 4-hour session with draped and undraped models. Each session includes 2 hours of gestures and short poses and 2 hours of a long pose. The cost is \$84.00 for all 7 sessions. If you'd like to sign-up for single sessions, the cost is \$20.00 per session. Remember to bring your lunch and a jacket (it's often chilly at ArtServe.)

To reserve your space, make your check payable to GCWS. Then mail it to Carol Thaw, 16601 Royal Poinciana Court, Weston, FL 33326. For additional information please contact Carol directly at (954) 389-0374.



### Paint-in Schedule for 2014:

February 5	Peter Multach
February 12	Marcia
February 26	Darren Johnson
March 5	Rolene & Billie
March 12	Bill Schwartz

**Sign-up Today!**

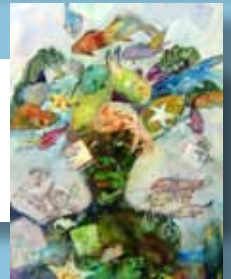
## GCWS Member News



We are sad to share that on December 18, 2013 Madeline Sergios, a long time GCWS member and supporter of the Arts passed away. Art played such an important part of Madeline's life that her Family would like to establish a Memorial Award in her name to Gold Coast Watercolor Society. Anyone wishing to make a donation in her memory may do so to Gold Coast Watercolor Society. Our deepest condolences to her family and friends during this difficult time.

This year's Florida Watercolor Society Online Show accepted 35 entries which included four GCWS Members: Elizabet Chacon, Marilyn Johansen, Terry Arroyo Mulrooney and Marilyn Valiente. Congratulations to all!

Congratulations! Tamara Seymour's *Fish Tails IV* watercolor on paper was accepted at Southern Watercolor Society 37<sup>th</sup> Annual Show.



Rita Szopinski won 2<sup>nd</sup> place in Hollywood Art Guild's Anything Goes Show for her painting, *For the Birds*. Great work, Rita!



Frances Tyler presents her solo show, *Elemental Everglades*, at the Davie/Cooper City Library beginning in February. The show includes paintings, mixed media pieces and handmade jewelry.

Jorege Leon's paintings, *Gossipy* and *Buddha's Dream*, were accepted into the ArtsUnited ArtExplosion 2014. He recieved the Best Drawing Award for *Buddha's Dream*. Great job, Jorge!

### Share your news!

Please email photos and a description of your exhibits, receptions and awards to [newsletter@goldcoastwatercolor](mailto:newsletter@goldcoastwatercolor). Just provide the text in a Word Document (.doc) or Text Edit (.txt), no formatting is needed. Please include a .jpg photo if available. All newsletter submissions are due by the 15<sup>th</sup> of the month for the next issue.

## **Cruise to Creativity 2013** **by Teresa Kirk**

**Reserve your space TODAY for the 2014 Cruise to Creativity!**

Don't let the ship to creativity sail without you! What a great list of workshops we are offering in 2014 you won't want to miss and there are still a few spots left.



**Mike Bailey, NWS**  
**February 17-21-2014**

Are your paintings just like all the others you have seen? Do you have any ideas of what or how to paint without a model or photo? Would you know where to begin in order to begin a path of artistic growth and understanding that will lead you to better and better paintings? There really is an underlying language that you can learn to “speak” with your brush to create visual poetry and provide the needed foundations for the breakthroughs you seek.

Awaken your creative senses, excite your mind and learn to reach beyond the obvious to new, extraordinary personal painting statements with the elements and principles taught in this intensive, stimulating workshop.

**Linda Baker, AWS, NWS**  
**March 17-21, 2014**

The use of light is a major focus of her paintings along with dancing shadows and rich shaded areas. Through pouring, wet into wet, and direct painting she will demonstrate how to glaze and layer the light. Working from your own photos and sketches, she will assist you in composition and design for a more dramatic result. New to this workshop is a segment on finishing. Students are invited to bring work that they feel is finished and Linda will assist them in taking it to the next level. Daily demonstrations, slide presentation, and personal one-on-one consultations and critiques add to the fun filled workshop.



### **Workshop fees:**

Fees are \$395 for members, \$430 for non-members. Send reservation request and check made out to GCWS to Teresa Kirk, GCWS Workshop Chair, 16935 NW 20th St. Pembroke Pines, FL 33028.

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## For the Love of Art Show

Please visit our latest show, For the Love of Art. It is on exhibit from February 1 – February 24 at the Broward County Main Library, 6<sup>th</sup> Floor Gallery (100 S. Andrews Ave., Ft. Lauderdale, FL 33301). It's a lovely show! Don't miss it!

## GCWS Outreach Program



GCWS Members, please consider sharing your time and experience! Help very attentive, young artists at Dillard High School for an hour. Show them your creative style. Demonstrate your technique. Tell about your process.

Please volunteer for one of the two times remaining this year: Dillard High School 1:00-2:00 p.m. March 5 or April 9. Contact Pete Jefferson at [petesfete@gmail.com](mailto:petesfete@gmail.com) or 207-752-2848 to volunteer or for more information.

## Ask An Award-Winner

GCWS is excited to introduce a new feature article for tips and tricks from Award-Winning Artists. This month we talked to GCWS Member Peter Jefferson, Plein Air Watercolor Snowbird from Maine. He told us where he finds the highest quality and best priced supplies.

**Paper:** Arches from Daniel Smith

**Paints:** Daniel Smith

**Brushes:** Jerry's Artarama, Cheap Joe's

**Mat/foamboard:** ClearBags.com, Daniel Smith

**Frames:** Americanframe.com, Pearl's, Wholesale Art & Frame

**Plexiglass:** Lowe's, Pearls, ClearBags.com

**Envelopes:** Copan's Printing

**Business cards:** Copan's Printing

**Labels:** Vista Print

**Postcards, notecards:** Copan's Printing

**Fine Art Reproduction:** ProLab of Pompano

## Florida Focus 2014 Exhibit Winners



Congratulations to all the winners of the Florida Focus 2014 Exhibit!

This really was an exceptional show from our very talented members. Thank you to all the artists that participated! Below is a list of the award winners:

Best in Show: Taking a Break by Jackie Lyles (Image on left)

First Place: Blue Ridge by Georgia McGraw

Second Place: Walking in the Rain II by Rita Szopinski

Third Place: After the Rain by Elizabeth Chacon

Honorable Mention: Royal Poinciana by Marsha Hirschy

Honorable Mention: Morning Preparation by Chauncey Nelson

Honorable Mention: Blue Sunday by Elaine Kahn

Judge's Recognition: Dollars & Cents by Jorge Leon

Judge's Recognition: Cara's Shoe by Ruth Karp

Judge's Recognition: Intracoastal Living by P.L. Brooks

Whitlow Emerging Award: Mei-Lien by Judy Nunno

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