

THE PASTEL PRESS

Newsletter of the Oklahoma Pastel Society

October 2010

October Program-Debbie Kaspari

Debbie will be our October program-Monday October 11 at the Garden Center at 6:30 PM. As you know, Debbie's house was literally demolished around her and her husband in the May 10 tornado; however, in the midst of the chaos, she still has found time to draw and paint and in fact was a featured artist at JRB Gallery in August. The latest news from Oz is that Debbie/Dorothy will not only do a demo at this month's meeting, but will also donate the completed demo for a drawing at the end of the meeting. So if you're at the meeting-you have two chances to win. First, you will win new knowledge just by hearing and seeing the demo-second, you could have a chance to take home a spectacular new piece of art. So follow the yellow brick road to a wonderful time on Monday evening.

September Program-Mike Wimmer

Mike came and entertained us with his wonderful stories and amazing paintings and then began a portrait demo from a photo that he had with him. In a very short period of time with an economy of strokes, he had an incredible likeness. It seemed that the time passed way too quickly and I think we all walked away having learned a lot. Mike did finish the portrait and it is posted on the OPS website-<http://www.okpastel.org/> Thanks to Mike for such a terrific program.

Annual Fall Show-The Great Frame UP

Once again Jim and Kathy Benson have graciously agreed to host our annual fall show beginning Thursday October 21 and running through Monday November 8. In addition, they are doing their fantastic special on framing work for the pastel society prior to the show. Anita Tackett is the show chairman this year and of course, would love to have any help with hanging on Wednesday or helping with the reception. The entry categories are still life, landscape, portrait, and animal/nonrepresentational. We usually combine the animal/non representational since that is the category that has the fewest entries. There will be prizes for 1st through 3rd in each category. I've attached an entry form and framing flyer to the newsletter.

IAPS Webshow and 2011 convention

The deadline for the IAPS 2010 Web Show is fast approaching! Entries must be received by the show coordinator no later than September 15, 2010.

This is a great show to enter for many reasons: wonderful prizes, Master Circle points and possibly best of all, you don't have to ship a painting! There is no image size limitation and it is not required that the painting be for sale. However, there are a few other entry criteria, so please read the prospectus

carefully. Also outlined in the prospectus are special procedures for members of societies outside the U.S.; please note this if applicable.

There's more exciting IAPS news coming your way. On Wednesday, September 1, the [IAPS web site](#) will feature complete information about the Ninth Biennial Convention, which will be held in Albuquerque, New Mexico, June 2-5, 2011. Pre- and post-convention workshops and other events such as the opening exhibitions of the IAPS 18th Juried Exhibition and first Master Circle Exhibition will make this a wonderful week for pastelists.

We're premiering online registration for the convention--when you register online, you'll know immediately that you were able to get into the classes you want. Comprehensive information about the convention will be at your fingertips on September 1, beginning at 9 a.m. Eastern time. If you've attended previous conventions, you know that classes and the hotel fill quickly, so sign up early!

For those people who don't like to use a credit card online, you will be able to download a printable registration form. If you can't download a form, you can request one to be emailed to you (email Susan Webster, susanwebster@verizon.net and put "IAPS" in the subject line). Or, you can send a SASE (with two first-class stamps) to Maggie Price/IAPS, P.O. Box 46107, Rio Rancho, NM 87174-6107 to have a printed form mailed to you.

We have a fantastic line-up of instructors, and a lot of new or improved events. Along with several other people, I've been working on the web pages for weeks now, and we're all very excited about the 2011 convention. I've been to every one of the IAPS conventions and believe they have gotten better every time, and I think the next one will be the best ever.

I hope to see you there!

Best regards,

Maggie Price
President, IAPS

We'll look forward to seeing you October 11 at 6:30 PM at the Will Rogers Garden Center!

October refreshments: Bob & Roseanna Kaiser & Jimi Layman

Check the OPS website for the latest updates on news and other interesting information-

www.okpastel.org

Meetings
Will Rogers Garden Center
6:30 PM
2nd Monday of the month