

THE PASTEL PRESS

Newsletter of the Oklahoma Pastel Society

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Not the January Program but the February Program-Movie Night featuring Richard McKinley

Since we were unable to meet in January due to inclement weather we are having a delayed broadcast of Richard McKinley's videos. I'm sure that you will be ready to come out and interact with other artists and be refreshed and inspired by his instruction.

Remember when you used to go to the movie and see a double feature for one price? Come to the OPS February meeting and we'll have the same exciting format. The presentation for Monday night will be 2 instructional videos by Richard McKinley. Since his home is actually Medford Oregon, we don't have the opportunity to have him in person so we're doing the next best thing -sharing some of his wisdom by video. Check out his work on his website- <http://www.mckinleystudio.com/index.html> and also read his blog for 2010 at <http://pastelpointersblog.artistsnetwork.com/>.

Member News-

Jude Tolar received honorable mention in the Blossom II online exhibition sponsored by the Susan K Black Foundation. Her entry, Poinsettia II, was chosen from 2300 entries from 1350 artists representing 35 countries. Congratulations, Jude for this great honor.

Even better news for OPS-Jude will be doing our March program on painting flowers so mark your calendar now!

Workshops

Save the Date-

Mark your calendar for May 9-not only is it the May meeting for OPS which will feature Lorenzo Chavez, but he will also be doing a one day workshop on that Monday. Many of you have requested a workshop on painting in the studio from photographs and Lorenzo has agreed to use that as his subject for the day. He and his work will be featured in an article in the April 2011 issue of Southwest Art. **Check his website for examples of his work which is collected and exhibited throughout the United States and the world.**

<http://www.lorenzochavez.com/home.html>. **More information will be upcoming about location and cost.**

Dianna Ponting will be doing a workshop on June 16,17,18,2011 at Rubye Atkinson Garden Center, Oklahoma City from 9:30 to 4:30. She will be teaching her highly realistic style of painting in soft pastels and the cost for the workshop will be \$285. Her website is www.ponting.com and to sign up for the workshop, please contact Dianna at 604-856-2063.

Ramon Kelley will be teaching a 3 day pastel workshop at the National Western Heritage Museum during the Prix De West the first week of June. Contact the Museum at 405-478-2250 for more information.

IAPS News

At the same time as the 2011 convention, IAPS will host its 18th Juried Exhibition; the entry deadline for that event is March 30, 2011. IAPS is working on expanded local publicity for this event and we expect a good turnout of art collectors. The First Master Circle Exhibition (open only to IAPS Master Circle members) will hang at the same time in the same facility, increasing the interest for potential buyers.

Members of member societies can download a prospectus for either event on the IAPS web site, www.pastelinternational.com, under the Exhibitions tab on the site.

Finally, those who have not yet registered for the 2011 Convention are encouraged to do so; full information and online registration is available on the web site, www.pastelinternational.com.

We'll look forward to seeing you February 14 at 6:30 PM at the Will Rogers Garden Center!

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