

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

- Sept 3 Board Meeting, 10:30 am
- Sept 10 General Meeting, Installation of 2025-2026 Officers, Sarah Pick & Michele Grinnan, "Card Instruction"; Free Salad Luncheon
Painting of the Month & Prizes
Drop off Exhibit Paintings at MCC at 2:30 pm
- Oct 1 2025-2026 Annual CTWS Membership Dues are Due
Board Meeting, 10:30 am
- Oct 8 General Meeting, Presenter/Artist TBA
Painting of the Month and Prizes
- Oct 27 The Membership Show @ the Arboretum Exhibit
Drop off Exhibit Paintings at the Arboretum, 8:30-10 am
Reception/demo/awards/critique of Exhibit at the Arboretum by Lynn Ferris, 5:30-8 pm
- Oct 28-31 Multi-Day Workshop at the Arboretum, Lynn Ferris, 9 am-4 pm
- Oct 31 Remove the Arboretum Exhibit Paintings by 3:30 pm

GREETINGS FROM YOUR PRESIDENT



My warmest, fuzziest greetings to my very favorite artists!

From the very first Central Texas Watercolor Society gathering I attended, I fell in love with this welcoming group of bright, happy, talented, kind, hardworking, inspiring artistic souls. Thank you for allowing me the privilege of serving as your president this year.

I've grown in the most unexpected ways and deeply appreciate your forgiveness for my gaps, as well as your ongoing support. I've learned from my mistakes, loved every meeting, and only regretted the events I wasn't able to attend.

Your many accomplishments amaze me! So many beautiful paintings have been shown—and sold!—both locally and through national recognition. It's inspiring to see each member excelling on a personal path. Witnessing our membership's teamwork in creating and sharing the *Waco Landmarks Ink and Wash* book will remain one of my favorite experiences.

We have grown through exemplary instruction, experiences and even more members who are now friends.

I'm delighted to see CTWS fulfilling our mission at an unprecedented level, and I know we'll continue this positive growth as we explore new horizons together.

We'll have a fabulous time September 10 introducing Leaders for our new year, finding new treasures at our own sale, gaining new insight into card making and sharing a lovely salad buffet!

See you there!

~Bettye

SEPTEMBER 10 MEETING - CARD PRESENTATION

Sarah Pick and Michele Grinnan have a card extravaganza planned. Sarah will be teaching two very simple and fast holiday cards, while Michele will be teaching you how to take small paintings or possible sections of old paintings and turning them into fabulous cards.

continued next column

For Michele's card process, we will be adhering a 4x5" painting onto a 5x7" piece of watercolor paper. Inspiration for this presentation was taken from a book titled, *Watercolor for the fun of it - Painting Greeting Cards* by Elizabeth Joan Black.

Supplies you need to bring:

- Michele's cards: Watercolor paper cut into the following dimensions enough for 2 - 5x7" and 2 - 4x5". The best size of watercolor paper to purchase are 11x15" sheets because they will be cut with no waste. I will have extras already cut.
- Sarah's cards: Watercolor paper cut for 2 - 7x10"
- Basic watercolor supplies
- Scissors
- Ruler
- Masking Tape
- Archival pen #8 if you have. Michele will bring some extras
- Ideas for painting (simple designs like florals or landscape). If you wish, you may have it redrawn onto the 4x5" pieces of watercolor
- Bring unfinished or old paintings to cut out a 4x5" section to be adhered to a 5x7" piece of paper. Each artist will be given a viewing window card that will allow you to easily find a section of an old painting and cut out the correct dimension.

Supplied for you:

- Extra precut to size watercolor paper
- Cutting board
- 4 clear plastic sleeves per person
- 4 - 5x7" mailing envelopes per person
- Mounting tape for everyone to use
- Viewing window
- Wax paper to apply to painting
- Glass template for Bauble card

We are looking forward to being with you to explore card making! Get out those unused old paintings and let's have some fun!

Michele Grinnan & Sarah Pick



Samples of finished greeting cards

Card Presentation photos continued, pg. 2, col. 1

Card Presentation photos continued from pg. 1



More samples of finished greeting cards



Viewing window templates and Greeting Cards reference magazine

2025-2026 ANNUAL CTWS DUES!

Sandy Sadler

Price: \$35, add an extra \$10 if you want a newsletter mailed to your home address.

Due Date: Before October 1, 2025

Fiscal Year: October 1, 2025, and ends September 30, 2026

Notice: If you joined CTWS in the months of June, July, August, or September, 2025 you do not have to pay the upcoming October 1 dues.

Payment Methods:

- Write a check and mail it to:
CTWS, P.O. Box 24118, Waco, TX 76702
- Pay by cash or check and give to the CTWS Treasurer at the September 10, monthly meeting
- Pay \$35.77 by VENMO at @centrltxws (VENMO requires additional fee of .77¢)
- Your payment will be held for deposit until October 1, the first day of the new fiscal year.

AUGUST MEETING & PROGRAM

Mary Belf

Our August program was a true delight, featuring our very own **Cheryle Chapline** as guest speaker and artist. **Cheryle** came well-prepared, sharing her extensive painting experience and guiding us through the process of drawing with grids. She covered key topics like composition, drawing tools, and even her personal limited palette, offering practical tips and thoughtful insights throughout.

Members were fully engaged, and it was a joy to learn from such a skilled professional. **Cheryle's** warm smile and clear teaching style made the day both enjoyable and inspiring.

Special thanks to all those who prepared the room the day before. Table/Room Setup: **Kathi Crump, Mary Coleman, Brenda Marwitz, Sarah Pick and Sandy Sadler**; Camera Set Up: **Robert Borter, Cheryle Chapline**; Kitchen Set Up: **Kay Kopp**. As **Gail Arneson** noted during the meeting, it was fabulous and calming to walk into a space that was already set up. Your hard work was truly appreciated!



Cheryle's style, her generous smile and thoughtful demo made for a memorable and inspiring program. Her thoughtfully arranged demo table featured everything from classic drawing tools to specialized equipment—giving members a hands-on look at the materials behind her process. A great setup for a great presentation!



*Congratulations to Patty Davis. Her incredible painting titled, **Camolgi**, won Painting of the Month*



Michele Scales brought a lovely guest to share in the creativity and connection of our meeting.



Kelly Beckworth brought her husband and daughter—what a joy to see watercolor become a family affair.



Smiles, laughter, and a table full of creative supplies—Linda Walker and River Neves were clearly having a great time.



Laurie Grawl wearing a cheerful floral apron, in discussion with Theresa Nickel



Our wonderful members are head-down working on their drawings. We have such an engaged group!

FABLED BOOK EVENT & SIGNING

CTWS has been invited to participate in a publicity event for our *Waco Landmark Ink and Wash* book on January 12, 2026. Fabled will host a panel of three CTWS artists for a book discussion that is open to the greater community. **Sarah Pick, Robert Borter** and **Michele Grinnan** will make up the CTWS panel. Fabled would like us to have as many of the artists in the audience as possible because the second hour will be a book signing event with tags for the artists to make us easily identifiable to the public.

The event will also include a raffle of two paintings donated by **Sarah Pick** and **Patty Davis**. Our book is currently stocked at Fabled as of August 2024. The CTWS book event will not be on their calendar until October. When it is available, a link will be sent out to membership to register.

Fabled Book Event Timeline for January 12, 2026:

- 6:30 p.m.** Artists and Panelists Arrive
- 7:00 p.m.** Kickoff and Book Discussion
- 7:45 p.m.** Q&A with guests
- 8:00 p.m.** Book Signing & Painting Raffle (paintings donated by **Sarah Pick** and **Patty Davis**)
- 9:00 p.m.** Event ends

CTWS 2025 FALL MCC EXHIBIT

Cindy Boney

The CTWS Fall MCC Exhibit will be held at the Ball Performing Arts Center, 1400 College Drive, September 10 through November 12.

- **Artwork Drop-off:** Please drop off paintings at 2:30 pm on September 10 at the Ball Performing Arts Center
- **Judging:** will take place on November 12, at 3 pm by **Tristah Wagstaff**. Please arrive by 2:50 pm
- **Artwork Pick-up:** All artists must pick up their paintings on November 12 or make arrangements with another member if unable to attend.

Submission Guidelines: Artists may submit paintings that have been shown in ECHS membership shows, but not those previously exhibited in MCC shows. All paintings must have been completed, start to finish, within the last two years.

For questions, please contact **Cindy Boney**.

FABLED BOOKSHOP & CAFE

PATTY DAVIS



The modern independent bookstore, Fabled Bookshop & Cafe, opened in 2022 after years of planning by Rachel Fathallah, Adam Wilson, Francis and Amberly Batten. It is based in historical downtown Waco, building and design by T. H. 1986. Be sure to check the website for the date, entrance to the life section when you visit.

SEPTEMBER 2025

Central Texas Watercolor Society

P.O. Box 24118
Waco, TX 76702-4118
www.centrltexaswatercolor.com

MONTHLY MEETINGS are the Second Wednesday of most months, at Episcopal Church of The Holy Spirit, corner of Wooded Acres & Lake Haven, behind Target. Meetings begin at 9 a.m. unless we tell you differently. The Church's phone number is 254-772-1982 (phone use limited to emergencies).

2024 – 2025 CTWS Board Members OFFICERS

PRESIDENT	Bettye Logan*
1st VICE PRESIDENT	Lisa Koets*
2nd VICE PRESIDENT (Multi-Day Workshops)	Cheryle Chapline*
3rd VICE PRESIDENT (Monthly Programs)	Sarah Pick*
RECORDING SECRETARY	Michele Grinnan*
TREASURER	Sandy Sadler*
IMMEDIATE PAST PRESIDENT	Brenda Marwitz*, Mary Coleman*

CHAIRMAN OF STANDING COMMITTEES CHAIRMAN OF SUB-COMMITTEES

ACTIVITY	Kay Kopp*
Hospitality/Monthly Meetings	Kay Kopp
Hospitality/Special Events	Patty Davis, Vicki Northern
Library	Mary Coleman, Brenda Marwitz
Monthly Programs	Michele Grinnan
Painting of the Month	Donna Swartz
BUSINESS	Barbara Haynes*
BYLAWS/PARLIAMENTARIAN	Kathi Crump*
Contributions/Donations	Donna Swartz
Scholarship	Sandy Sadler
COMMUNICATION	Patty Davis*
Community Liaison	Lisa Koets
Contact	Patty Davis
Membership	Jamie Valigura
Newsletter	Mary Belf
Yearbook	Suzi IcklesS
PUBLICITY	Greg Blancett*
Social Media	Lisa Koets, Sarah Pick
Exhibits	Greg Blancett
Photos/Monthly Meetings	Barbara Casey
Photos/Exhibits	Greg Blancett
Website	Greg Blancett

*Attendance of board meetings required.

Send newsletter items by the 15th of each month to
Mary Belf • belfelf1@gmail.com • 469-585-4244

GARAGE SALE – SEPTEMBER 10, 2025

Be ready to bring your used or unwanted art supplies for a garage sale! Label everything with masking tape with your first initial and last name as well as the price. All prices should be in whole dollar amounts (e.g. \$1, \$2, \$10 not .25¢ or \$1.50). You may have to bag small things into groups. Everything needs a label because they may get mixed up when handled. We will manage a ‘cashier’ stand for the items and track what is sold. You will get cash, a check or a venmo payment either immediately after or mailed within a week of the event. It’s also a good idea to bring dollar bills to the event!



SEPTEMBER BIRTHDAYS

Vicki Northern	9/01
Mary Belf	9/07
Frankye Oliver	9/09
Judy Rogers	9/23
Lisa Koets	9/25

