“Anything Goes” Exhibition
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August 18
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September 6 - 8
Ralph Acosta: Wet & Wild Watercolors (Class)
September 8 - September 24
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“Art in Autumn” Opening Reception, 2-4PM
September 9
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September 9 - October 13
RIWS Art Yard Sale

We are pleased to announce the winners of our “Anything Goes” Open Juried Show.

The three winning entries were chosen on June 24th by Boston-based artist Adam J. O’Day. Adam was deeply impressed by the quality of the artwork submitted and confessed to having had difficulty selecting the 65 pieces which are currently hanging in our gallery. It was especially challenging for him to then narrow those works down to just three winners and two honorable mentions.

Our primary goal at RIWS is to showcase the amazing talent of our members whose continued support we are ever grateful for. We also aim to make more opportunities available to the extended art community in Rhode Island. By allowing any 2D media to be submitted to this show, we were treated to a rare glimpse of the mastery our members possess over other art mediums, and it also gave us insight into the talent artists outside of our gallery are capable of.

“Anything Goes” is a visual testimony to the diverse and wonderous work produced when artists are given free reign over their imaginations and the tools to express them. Furthermore, it is proof that our artists are among the best of the best.

First Place: Soloist, Robert Gutchen
Second Place: City Lights, Becky Haletky
Third Place: Boids, Cathy Chin

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Monday Night Paint Night
ON HOLD FOR THE SUMMER.

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A STEP BEYOND
RIWS director Sam and his assistant Andrea play many roles here at RIWS. Not only do they ensure the smooth operation of the gallery, but they are always prepared to go a step beyond. From helping artists register for our shows to carefully unpacking their works of art, it is their goal to provide a wonderful gallery experience for RIWS members and visiting members of the public.

Stop by and let them know how they’re doing. Suggestions are always welcome and encouraged. There might even be some cookies on hand!

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President’s Corner

August 18th... That is the last day to submit your National Show 2017 entry.

The RIWS National Show is not only about the awards - although $5000 in prizes is exciting. It is part of the national presence of RIWS. In the past, our National Show received many entries from around the country and from award-winning artists. It was a great opportunity for our members to compete on the national level and to enjoy the exhibition of these great artists. We are investing in getting that presence back.

- Postcards with reminder dates for the Show were sent to our members and other art organizations.
- The gallery offers photography services to produce high quality digital images of your entries.
- RIWS will once again be using the CaFÉ online entry for submissions. We have seen that this gives us a broader reach.

The National Show is our best show of the year, and each entry into this show makes it better.

Find some time before August 18th to enter the show.

Jackie Habig, President

Director’s Corner

This one of the more exciting Augusts the Rhode Island Watercolor has ever seen. We’ve just gotten our AC units installed (come by, its delightful), Patti Mollica is currently teaching a workshop downstairs that is packed with 19 students!

In addition, we have some really exciting programming just over the horizon. We’re awarding over $5,000 in cash for our 22nd National Watermedia Competition. The deadline for that show is August 18th, so don’t wait until the last minute to apply!

Also, remember that we have our photo service available for you during our open hours. This is a great way to get clean, high quality digital images of your beautiful paintings.

It is important that I mention our calendar contest (which is also currently accepting submissions) has a deadline of August 23rd. This is a great way to raise funds for the Gallery and a great way to show off your works to friends, family and members of the Pawtucket community. Remember, every entry will be included in the calendar.

Looking forward to seeing you at our next event!

Sam Green, Gallery Director

Upcoming Events

2018 Calendar Contest

ABOUT
Announcing the RIWS Calendar Contest for our upcoming 2018 calendar.

RIWS members are asked todigitally submit images of their original watermedia paintings. All pieces will be accepted and printed in the calendar. The public will vote on the pieces to determine which 12 images will represent each month.

To apply please visit www.riws.org/Calendar Contest

Dates for Submission: July 22 - August 25
Dates for Voting: August 25 - September 22
Watermedia only. Up to 3 pieces. $15 per entry.
Our in-house photo service will be available to those needing images taken.
Print-outs of entry images will be available to view in the RIWS gallery.
Early bird submissions will enjoy 55 off the calendar price.

Art in Autumn

Fall Fundraiser

We invite all to join us for our fall fundraiser “Art in Autumn.” Visitors to the RIWS will have the opportunity to purchase original 5” x 7” art works created and donated by our members. All proceeds will go toward the RIWS rebranding initiative. Find out more about this event and all the coinciding fall events that will be happening at the gallery and surrounding area at www.riws.org/art-in-autumn.

9th Annual Pawtucket Arts Festival

SEPTEMBER 8 - SEPTEMBER 24

Rhode Island Watercolor Society

Memories

OPEN JURIED SHOW
JUROR: PATTI MOLLICA

DROP OFF: BY 2PM AUGUST 4
SATURDAY, AUGUST 5, 2-4PM
AUGUST 3 - SEPTEMBER 8
SEPTEMBER 9 - SEPTEMBER 15

PATTI MOLLICA

THE A-Z TEXTURES & SURFACES
HALF-DAY WORKSHOP
DATE AUGUST 5, 10AM-1PM
REGISTER NOW AT WWW.RIWS.ORG

NATIONAL SHOW 2017
WATERMEDIA ONLY / OPEN TO ARTISTS RESIDING IN USA / OCTOBER 14 - NOVEMBER 24, 2017

2017 NATIONAL SHOW APPLICATION
APPLY ONLINE AT WWW.RIWS.ORG BY AUGUST 18

RWS Members use coupon code “riwsmember” at checkout to receive 20% off entry fee.