



Deb Meier - Editor



## A Letter from the President

## WELCOME BACK WILLIAMSVILLE ART SOCIETY

I hope that everyone had a good and productive summer. September is here and therefore it's time to think about our Art Society and our upcoming Holiday Show.

Membership applications, in your mailing, are to be filled out and returned with a check for annual dues to Paulette Crooke. We tried to simplify the forms this year in order to avoid confusion over membership dues. They are \$30 for the entire year. You add extra money ONLY if you want to be a featured artist on the website. [www.williamsvilleartsociety.org](http://www.williamsvilleartsociety.org). Membership must be received by September 30, 2018 in order to participate in the Holiday Show.

Our Holiday Show is scheduled for Sunday, November 4, 2018. Prospectus information and Holiday Show Entry Forms are included in the mailing. Read Carefully. Fill out legibly. Your show entry fee represents your understanding and acceptance of all conditions mentioned on the forms. Donna Hale has graciously agreed to receive and collate the Show information for one more time! Thanks a million, Donna. Please make her job easier by filling out your prospectus early, neatly and accurately. Send the Holiday Show form, along with a check to cover your entry fee, so that it arrives no later than Friday, October 5, 2018. Note, her new address is on the form.

I am just beginning my first year as President of the Williamsville Art Society. I hope I can continue the fine tradition of our former presidents. They are a competent group to follow, as are all the members of this society. I hope to see many of you at our first meeting on Friday, September 14 at the Harlem Road Community Center, 4255 Harlem Rd. Amherst, NY. at 7PM.

*Linda Regan*

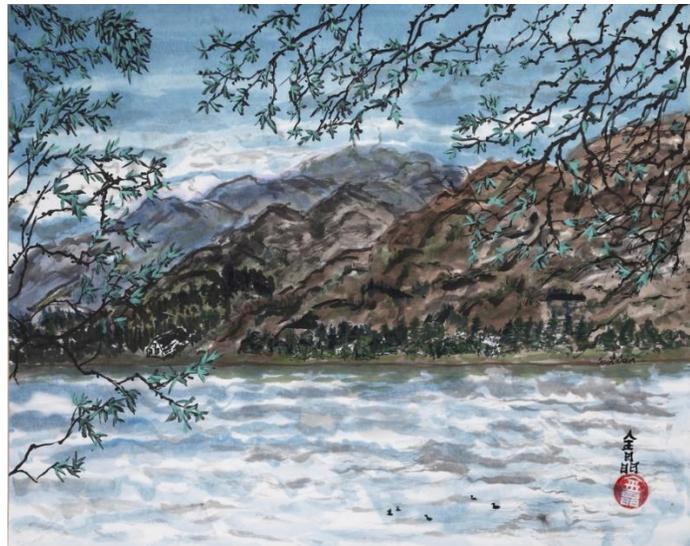
**Friday, September 14, 2018**

**Harlem Road Community Center, 7 pm**

**Jean Jain – Chinese Brush**



Jean Jain began formal art training under George Palmer in 1970 at D'Youville College, while pursuing a BA in French. She also holds an MLS degree in School Library Media from the University at Buffalo. She has studied watercolor under various local art teachers in classes and workshops. She became interested in Chinese painting in 1986, while spending three months in China, where she took private lessons in Chinese Brush painting from Dalian art professor, Sun Fu-Yi. She has continued her study of “xie yi” or free brush painting with Chinese mineral and vegetable based watercolors and ink on rice paper with May Lee and later with Theresa Lee of Buffalo. Both ink and watercolor are applied with brushes in calligraphic strokes and washes. Jean has developed her own personal style over the years which encompasses Chinese materials and methods melded with both Eastern and Western philosophies, subjects and scenes found in nature and everyday life in China, Southeast Asia, Europe and the United States. Her international travels have been a great source of inspiration.



# MEET OUR MEMBERS

Fall brings us a change of seasons, if not weather, and this year, we also have a change of officers in Williamsville Art Society. I'd like you to meet Joseph Petroci, the new Vice President for our creative group. Many of you already know Joe from our meetings. He is also someone who always steps up to the plate when it comes to hanging our art shows.

Art is not a "recent hobby" with Joe; he has been actively involved in creating art since he was a 15-year-old High School student. It's no surprise that he's experimented with many different art materials over the years. Although Joe is currently enamored with watercolor, he also works with many other artistic media, including oils, acrylics, and alcohol ink.

After graduating from High School, Joe went on to earn a Bachelor's Degree in Art from Villa Maria College, as well as teacher certification in Art Education from Buffalo State College. Ever the life-long learner, he is currently taking part in the Watercolor classes taught by Jody Zeihm. Inspiration comes to Joe in the form of the great Impressionists. Edgar Degas is one of his favorites. When it comes to his own work, Joe enjoys painting landscapes and flowers (so it's very convenient that he creates floral arrangements when he's not painting).





## IMPORTANT FALL SHOW DATES

SEPT 30 – MEMBERSHIP  
DUES ARE PAID

OCT 5 – PROSPECTUS DUE

OCT 31 – DROP OFF  
ARTWORK (3:00-6:00)

NOV 4 – SHOW RECEPTION  
(2:00-4:00)

DEC 26 – PICK UP ARTWORK  
(3:00-6:00)

## LOCAL EXHIBITS

### KENAN CENTER

433 Locust St., Lockport  
Nature's Microcosms (Wendy  
Maloney, Cindi O'Mara, & Paula Sciuk  
Sept. 9 through Oct. 7

### ALBRIGHT KNOX

Elmwood Ave., Buffalo  
Robert Indiana: A Sculpture  
Retrospective  
Now through Sept. 23

### BURCHFIELD PENNEY

Elmwood Ave., Buffalo  
Burchfield's Arboretum: A Celebration  
of Trees  
Now through Dec. 2

### HALLWALLS

341 Delaware Ave., Buffalo  
Fabienne Lasserre  
Sept. 14 through Oct. 26

Niagara Frontier Watercolor Society  
monthly meeting  
Thursday, September 21  
Amherst Community Church  
Eileen Sudzina, demonstrator

### Williamsville Art Society Officers and Committee Chairs

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## **Williamsville Art Society Artists “In the Wild”**

Would you like to make an artist’s day, that is, their BIG Day, by attending their Opening Reception? Here are some current exhibits featuring WAS members that you will want to check out! Please consider yourself invited to these Opening Receptions, and if you can’t make it to the reception, check out the show on a later date.

### **“Collective Palettes”**, now through September 29th

- At River Art Gallery and Gifts, 83 Webster St., N. Tonawanda
- **Opening Reception, Saturday, September 8<sup>th</sup>, 4:00 until 7:00**
- Features the work of Aline Herion, Sherryl Perez, Susan Liddell, Carole Coniglio, Debra Meier, and Jeanette Woodward
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### **“The Spirit Transcends”**, now through October 31<sup>st</sup>

- At Unity Church of Buffalo, 1245 Delaware Ave., Buffalo
- **Opening Reception, Sunday, September 23<sup>rd</sup> from noon until 2:00**
- Solo show by Judie Pufpaff
- If viewing outside of reception hours, call first, 882-0391. Unity is open M-Th, 10-4:30

### **“Spontaneous Combustion”**

- At Expo 68, in the Eastern Hills Mall, near the JCPenney entrance
- **Opening Reception, October 6<sup>th</sup>, 6:00 until 9:00**
- Features the artwork of Enid Edelman and others

### **One Last Note:**

We have a lot of news here about our Williamsville Art Society members. The Palette is all about YOU and sharing within our creative community. If you have any information about a show that you are displaying artwork in, an award that you have received, or artistic opportunities for members, please email me at [pleinpaletteart@gmail.com](mailto:pleinpaletteart@gmail.com). I am always looking for news to share amongst our membership, so we can celebrate each other’s art!

- **Deb Meier**