



Weatherford Art Association

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***Celebrating 60 Years!
in Weatherford!***

Artist of the Year 2026 Michael McCarty

Michael McCarty was named Artist of the Year for 2026. Through a vote of



membership of WAA his watercolor painting 'On the River' won over the other 9 artists. Inspired by his curiosity about painting various skies, this three-part composition brings the heavens to life in a dynamic and captivating way. WAA is very proud of our Artist of the Year for 2026 and his accomplishments. See more about Mike in our Spotlight Artist.

Betty Murray Award

Betty Murray was instrumental in acquiring the Firehouse Gallery in Weatherford. She worked hard to create this gallery as a space for artists to create, learn, and meet. This award is given annually in her memory to the individual/s who exhibit extraordinary commitment to the Weatherford Art Association. Presentation will be in our July meeting.

WAA meets 6:00 PM

**W'ford Senior Center
1225 Holland Lake Dr.**

Monday, July 27th
(4th Monday of the Month)

***Snacks are always good!
If you can bring them on any
month, contact Joyce Clock.***

Happy
Birthday



Weatherford Art Association

60 Years!



On July 14, 1966, thirty-two dedicated artists founded the Weatherford Art Association as a 501(c)3 non-profit.

Let's Celebrate with an Art Exhibition!!

Celebrating the Art of our Past, Present and Future!!

The exhibition is open to ALL past, present and future WAA members. We want to showcase the artistic journey and evolution of our organization for the past 60 years. NO cost, no awards, just a showcase of talent. To participate:

- Send a digital image of an old and a present piece of your art.
- You can use your cellphone to photograph your images.
- Resolution should be low (72dpi) to protect your image.
- Please save file name with your name, title, past or present, and cost if for sale.
- Presentation is important so make sure you crop, straighten and focus your image before you send it.
- The future images can be from younger members, grandchildren, etc. We definitely want to include them.
- Email images to **cynlyn19@aol.com**

This show will appear on our FB page, Instagram and our website. We encourage everyone to share as much as possible.





Weatherford Art wants to thank all our donors to each of our shows. All of their contributions go to our Art Shows. We appreciate those who support the Arts in Parker County. If you need help contact one of these WAA supporters.



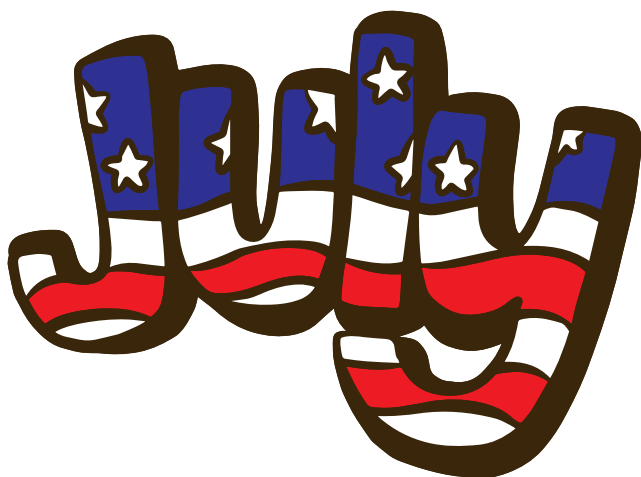
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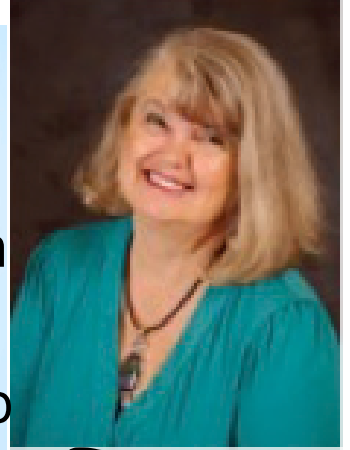
June Meeting Date (4th Monday) June 22nd - 6PM

- **Mondays, 1-4pm:** Members Open Paint Session at Cross Timbers Baptist Church (CTBC), Willow Park.
- **Tuesdays, Noon-2pm:** Art for Seniors W'ford Senior Center (60+ Club), 1225 Holland Lake Dr, W'ford
- **Wednesdays, 10:30-2pm:** Members Open Paint Session, Central Christian Church (CCC), W'ford Host: Jill Harper
- **Peach Art Show Runs June 3rd to July 25th**
- **Peach Show Art Reception June 18th - 6:30 PM at The Doss.** You may pickup art work on July 28th and July 29th
- September 3-4 - Watercolor Batik Class - You can register online for this opportunity.

WAA Demos

WAA schedules artist demonstrations each month with the exception of December. Our demonstrations last about an hour or a bit more and offer valuable tips for our artists. If you have seen someone or heard of a great artist demonstration that we can all learn from let one of the board members know with information on how to contact them.

Suzanne McNeil is always a joy as a demo artist for WAA. Her career as a crafter and publisher gives her so much depth in what she has to present. Natural elements in watercolor will help each of us how to use watercolor pigments in a natural setting. Join us this month for a great demo!



July
DEMO!

2026 Demos

August - Judy Gelfert - Oil

September - Sharon Cason -

Black & White Oil Value Study

October - Diane Brown -

Watercolor

November - Interactive Demo

December - Party

ARTIST of the MONTH JULY



First Place was awarded to **Joyce Pinkerton** for her watercolor painting “Wildflower Hills”. She was inspired by the three weeks on her farm where the coreopsis grow, and it just covers the hills in a sea of wildflowers. Pinkerton’s winning artwork will be exhibited at the Hudson Oaks City Hall throughout July.

Second Place honors went to **Patricia Harder** for her watercolor painting titled “Rainbow Trout Family”. Patricia was inspired by her son’s ministry in the mountains in Idaho that serves police and firemen. They have a big log cabin lodge there and he asked her to create a painting of rainbow trout for it. She painted four saying of each, ‘The first one looked like a cross between a fish and a sea serpent. The other three turned out good, so it was a lot of fun.’ Her painting will be displayed at First Bank Texas in Weatherford during the month of July.

Third Place was awarded to **Michael McCarty** for his vase “Turn Me Over”. Michael had for a long time wanted a lathe, and six months ago, he finally broke down and got one, eventually working his way up to this beautiful vase. His artwork will be on display this month at the Fort Worth Community Credit Union on South Main Street in Weatherford.

ARTIST OF THE MONTH Set-UP

6:00 Painting set up and ready to go for voting by members.
6:15 Voting ends and Business meeting begins
6:30 Artist Demo Begins
7:30 Announce Winners

Check in to register your painting prior to 6:00PM.
(Bring your easel)

Hudson Oaks City Hall

Now the New Venue for 1st Place Art



The new venue for our first place art for wAA will be the Hudson Oaks City Hall. They are excited to display our art in their lobby each month. Let them know by telling them thanks.

WAA BOARD 2025-2026

President*Kathy Cunning
1st VP*Vacant
2nd VP Demos & Workshops*Sandy Sasser
3rd VP-Shows & AOM*Vacant
Secretary *.....Jill Harper
Treasurer*Cindi Neverdousky
Membership*Amy Smith

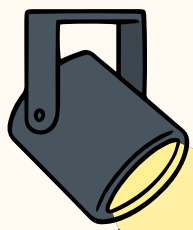
STANDING COMMITTEES

HospitalityJoyce Clock
PublicityAlison Anderson
Historian.....Vacant
(Currently using Newsletters for our archives.)
PhotographerCarmen Davailus
WebsiteCarolyn Young
Audio/Visual.Jerry Shidal
AccountantLinda Whitehouse
Social Media.....Joyce Pinkerton

WAA will be forming a nominating committee this month.

The ‘old guard’ is leaving and we need you. If you would like to serve in a position or on the nominating committee, please contact Kathy Cunning at kathycunning@sbcglobal.net

It is time to nominate your next board for WAA. Many have held positions for years and would love for others to step up to lead our organization. We are stable, growing, and worth your time. Please consider volunteering for a position.



WAA Spotlight Artist

Michael McCarty

By Patricia Terry Harder

Initially Weatherford Art Association was a very small art group who met at Weatherford College without a plan or a home base. Enter Weatherford architect, Mike McCarty, who knew all the town's movers and shakers. Because of his position in town Mike asked what might work for a home base for the little group, and the old fire house was mentioned. It had no air conditioning or heat, was badly neglected, and only used for storage. "It looked like my attic," Mike said. After WAA agreed to install AC and heating, the city cleaned out the space and agreed to lease it to them. WAA built walls to separate the front space into a gallery, and the back space into rented cubicles which, along with donations, helped pay for improvements and utilities. WAA moved in around 2000 - 2001, and elected as president, Mike McCarty. WAA now had a home, and was greatly encouraged! Thank you, Mike.

Mike was born in Dallas on July 4, 1950, and says "I was sixteen before I realized the fireworks weren't for me." In his teen years he enjoyed black and

white photography and building as well as arranging his railroad set and planning to someday be an engineer. After two years at UTA, his professors recommended another vocation. Two years later he decided to go back to school and be an architect. Those were precomputing days (1970's) when everything was drawn by hand. Ferrier, a UTA professor and artist, taught several of Mike's drawing classes, and asked him to do his drawings, and he would watercolor them. Professor Ferrier's paintings first sparked Mike's interest in watercolor. Lots of drawing was required for an architectural degree, but the only art class he ever took was in pottery (still an interest) and making jewelry. After his apprenticeship and passing his licensing exam (a week long), he graduated in 1979. Mike was a self-employed architect for forty years. In 1996 Mike and wife, Christy, built their home in Weatherford, and raised their children Austin and Meredith there. "Working from home was challenging, but it was good, because it kept me involved with our children." Austin's high school art teacher was our own Kathy Cuning, WAA president,



more Michael McCarty

Austin, a chief petty officer in the Navy Reserves, has two young children. Daughter Meredith, a teacher of autistic children, has two sport fanatic sons who love any sport involving a ball.

Mike, retired, and Christy are approaching their 45th wedding anniversary. Both spent years together as members of the Parker County Quilting Guild where Mike designed, pieced, and hand quilted his unique geometric designs. Now Mike prefers watercolors, and Christy enjoys some art work, but mainly gardening.

During 1996 - 1998 Mike's main medium became watercolor. It appeals to him because it's such a contrast to the precision required in architecture, because of its looseness and unpredictability. He likes "anything with chaotic parts; the pleasure of working with something you can't totally control and see how it turns out." Essentially self taught - no watercolor classes or workshops - just a couple seminars and watching You Tube demos. Christy says, "He's not smart enough to know that he doesn't know how to do some things." Mike calls himself a lazy painter; he likes to leave a lot of white paper empty rather than paint it all. His favorite colors are warm browns, especially burnt sienna, and greens, because of the challenge of emulating the variations.

Various ribbons have been awarded for his art, but he doesn't compete beyond WAA. He says it's the enjoyment of painting that keeps him painting. At the June 22 WAA meeting Mike won 3rd place for his unique mesquite wood vase he made on his new lathe. Recently he bought a pottery wheel and plans to put that to use - more 3D projects ahead for the monthly competitions.



Also, and more importantly, Mike was awarded WAA's highest award - Artist of the Year for 2026. He was in competition with each month's Artist of the Month winners. Mike's advice to those aspiring to paint is "learn to draw." He recommends a book he found helpful: 'Drawing on the Right Side of the Brain' by Betty Edwards. It tells you to draw what you actually see rather than what you think you see. Good advice from a creative person who keeps creating. Let's all keep at it!



PEACH ART SHOW HIGHLIGHTS



Marian Kalka
Hard Days, Hot Meals
Best of Show
Photography

Kora Vega
Daisy Delight
Best of Show
Graphite & Ink



Photography
Larry Ivy, 2nd Lacy Harper, 3rd
Tish Babineaux, 1st



Works on Canvas Winners

Yvonne Tarrant 2nd
Janice Murrell 1st
Ali Anderson HM
Melinda Sikes HM
Cindi Neverdousky 3rd
Becky Anthony Hm.



PEACH ART SHOW HIGHLIGHTS

Experimental

Barbara Brown, 2nd
Gloria Hood, HM
Jerry Shidal, HM
Dana Gibson, 3rd
Danny Heffington, 1st



Works on Paper

Patty Jasper, HM
Susan Leiber, 3rd
Kathy Cunning, 1st
Linda Hidalgo, 2nd

Youth 10th - 12th

Kinley Roach, 1st
Julie Oliveira, 2nd
Lily Tumulty, 3rd
Abigail Beaty, HM



Youth 7th - 9th

Artho Graham, 1st. Daphne Copeland, 2nd
Abbie Barbee, 3rd Desmond Ellis, HM.
Peyton Legowski, HM



PEACH ART SHOW HIGHLIGHTS

Youth - Kdgt - 3rd

Finn Schoonover, 1st

Leo Vega, 2nd

Abigail Clark, 3rd

Charliie Sheehy, HM

Amelia Farver, HM

Vaden Bedford, HM

Lucy Copeland, HM



Proud Mama!



Youth - 4th - 6th

Camille Copeland, 1st

Hanna Dooper, 2nd

Luke Cooper, 3rd

Josh Cooper, HM

Lytic Crawford, HM

Jordan Sheehy, HM

Kinslee Harper, HM



The Parker County Sketchers love to create art on location. They meet the 4th Saturday of the month in a different location. This month's location is the Weatherford Chamber of Commerce, 401 Ft. Worth Hwy. Bring a chair and your sketch pad and a sack lunch. You will be inspired with all the views of historic buildings.



Parker Cty Sketchers July 25th 9 am to 11



Mark your calendar for
the August 22nd event.
Angel's Nest Bed and
Breakfast
1105 Palo Pinto St,
Weatherford, TX 76086



Opportunities for Artists

Coming Soon!



Watercolor Batik Class

Instructor: Pam Oldham

Sponsored by: Weatherford Art Association

Dates and Times

Thursday Sept 3, 2026

and

Friday Sept 4, 2026

9:00 AM to 4:00 PM

Location:

Central Christian Church

1602 S. Main St, Weatherford, Texas

Cost:

\$150

Limited to 15 participants

Lunch:

\$11 - order from Yesterday's Sandwich Shop

Or bring your own.

Materials:

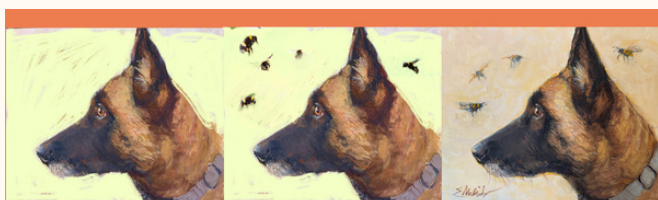
Bring your own watercolor paints, otherwise all materials will be provided including wax and Ginwashi and Kimwashi papers

REGISTER: www.weatherfordart.com

WAA members are welcome to take any of the Woman's Club workshops. For more info about workshops at the Woman's Club of Fort Worth email cynlyn19@aol.com

More about the Batik Class

Ginwashi is a thin Japanese rice paper with lots of texture added. Watercolor paper is 140 lbs or 300 grams and Ginwashi is 40 grams. It is very thin and you can see through it. It's also not sized like watercolor paper. Too much water with the paint and it flows right through the paper. The hot wax is used to resist and to control the flow of the watercolor. At the end you melt all the wax off.



LEARN PROCREATE!

DESIGN STRONGER PAINTINGS BEFORE YOU PAINT

Most painting problems start before the canvas. In this hands-on workshop, learn how to use Procreate to:

- Build stronger compositions fast
- Test color, lighting, and values with confidence
- Simplify references into clear design
- Eliminate guesswork before you paint

Instructor: Melinda Morrison

Description: "How to Use Procreate"

Purpose: Learn how to use iPad application for drawing and illustration to enhance your art.

Date/Time: Friday, September 11, 2026 (9:30 to 3:30)

Expense: \$125 member \$175 non-member

Class Limit: 10 participants, Hurry, limited spots available

(class must have 8 participants or it will be subject to cancellation)



Class Supplies: Apple iPad only for procreate, Available at the app store. Procreate app \$12.99. An apple pen or one that is compatible with their iPad version.



Women's Club of Fort Worth
Questions? Contact
info@womenoftheartsftworth.com



ELEVATE YOUR ART! LANDSCAPE • FIGURATIVE • PORTRAIT

"Art is just a series of adjustments...and Life is Art."

James R. Spurlock has painted and sculpted his way to a very fulfilling niche for himself in the art world. Today he is a teacher as well as an artist who passes on his experience in art to many seminar and private students across the country. Read more at JamesSpurlock.com.

Instructor: James Spurlock

Description: "Elevate Your Art" - students may work from photos of their choice (landscape, figurative, portrait)

Purpose: All Medium - 3 day workshop

Date/Time: Friday, Sept. 18, 25, and Oct. 2, 2026 (9:30 to 3:45)

Expense: Expense: \$275 member \$350 non-member

Class Limit: 10 participants, Hurry, limited spots available

(class must have 8 participants or it will be subject to cancellation)



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PARKER COUNTY SHERIFF'S POSSE THIRD ANNUAL WESTERN ART SHOW

Parker County Sheriff's Posse THIRD Annual Western Art Show

September 11-12, 2026

Third Annual Western Art Show

Hosted by Parker County Sheriff's Posse at the Ranch Rodeo

Artist Reception & Award Announcements: Thursday September 10th 6:30pm - 8:30pm

Public Art Show: Friday 5:30pm – 7:30pm | Saturday 10am – 7pm

- Note: This is a juried show. Art entry deadline: August 16th, 2026 Art acceptance notification: August 19th
- Artist's Age Eligibility: • 18 years & older
- Format: • All entries must be western art characterized by cowboys, cowgirls, animals, rodeo, or work of the western lifestyle. • Original work only; submissions must not be more than five years old.
- Categories: Oil | Watercolor | Acrylic | Dry Media (Pen/Pencil/Charcoal/Pastels) | Photography
- **Registration/Payment:** • Online: Registration - • \$25 non-refundable entry fee per piece. Max number of entries per artist: 4
- **Delivery Guidelines:** • All approved submissions must be delivered to the PCSP Club house on Monday September 7th 8:00 AM – 2:00 PM.

All art must be framed and have rings for hanging. • Art must not exceed 48 inches in any one direction, frame included. To ensure a professional display and preserve the safety of our gallery space, all artwork must be securely wired. Additionally, please verify that your artwork falls within our accepted size limit of 48". Unfortunately, pieces that arrive un-wired, lack proper hanging hardware, or exceed these dimensions cannot be accommodated.

- **Awards:** • Art will be judged by category. Judging the event is award winning cowboy artist, Tyler Crow. (Cowboy Artists of America, since 2016).
- Each artist will be given two complimentary rodeo tickets.
- Winners announced at the Art Reception, Ranch Rodeo, and Online.

Display and Sale of Art: • The TOTAL proceeds of the sale of any piece of art will go to the artist. Checks or credit card purchases will be made to Parker County Sheriff's Posse, and checks will be mailed to the artists the following week. • All art must remain on display for the entire show, including any pieces that are sold. Arrangements can be made with buyers to pick up their art after the show closes on Saturday night. All art will be handled with utmost care, but PCSP is not responsible for any damage.

Contact Information :Art Director- Brad McClain - 251.345.3939

paulbradleymcclainjr@gmail.com

Go to <https://parkercountysheriffsposse.com/art-show> to register for this show!

*More
Opportunities
for Artists*



GOUACHE WORKSHOP



In recent years, gouache has become a favorite medium among artists for its versatility, vibrancy, and expressive potential. Whether you are new to gouache or looking to deepen your experience with the medium, this workshop offers a supportive place to experiment, develop confidence, & expand your painting practice.

Instructor: Melinda Morrison
Description: Gouache Basics – students may work from photos of choice (landscape, figurative, portrait)
Purpose: Gouache - 2 day workshop
Date/Time: October 15 & 16, 2026 (9:30 to 3:45)
Expense: Expense: \$250 member \$325 non-member
Class Limit: 15 participants, Hurry, limited spots available (class must have 8 participants or it will be subject to cancellation)

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We're happy to send out the prospectus for our next show.

2026 SWA MEMBERSHIP & SMALL WORKS EXHIBITION

This is our most fun exhibition each year, allowing artists more freedom. We hope you'll want to be a part of it.

\$3,000 in Cash & Prizes to be awarded.

ENTRY DEADLINE: AUGUST 1st

Society of Watercolor Artists website:
www.swawatercolor.com

Interesting Trivia

How 10 Iconic Paintings Shaped American Culture

Look for one or more each month.

Portrait of George Washington (1796) - Gilbert Stuart

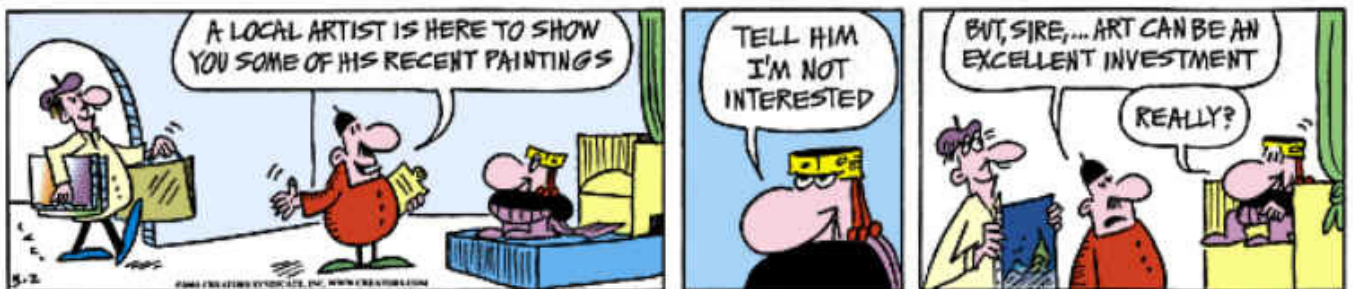


Gilbert Stuart created what is perhaps the most famous portrait of George Washington. Painted in 1796, this work helped define the image of the first US president throughout history. Although Stuart never completed the painting during his lifetime, it became the basis for many other depictions of Washington, including the image on the \$1 bill.

Image: Gilbert Stuart, Public domain, via Wikimedia Commons

Just for Fun

Wizard of Id by Parker and Hart





SPIRIT OF THE WEST

Art of the Weatherford Art Association

Spirit of the West is on the horizon.

Registration Opens 9-28-26

Drop Off Nov. 5th & 7th

Show Runs

Nov. 11th to Dec. 19th

Awards Reception TBA

WAA Painting Groups

Wednesday Paint Group
Central Christian Church
1602 South Main
Weatherford

Monday Paint Group
CrossTimbers Baptist Church
601 Ranch House
Willow Park



**Requiem for a Bridge was
postponed to the fall.
More info to come!**