

# Northern Indiana Pastel Society

February 2008

## **Meeting:**

**1 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 17, 2008**  
**Studio Arts Center,**  
**807 Lincoln Way West, South Bend, Indiana**

Please bring a pastel painting to show. It can be finished or a work in progress. Winter scenes are especially wanted. Donations of cookies, crackers and cheese, fruit etc. for our refreshment table are welcome.

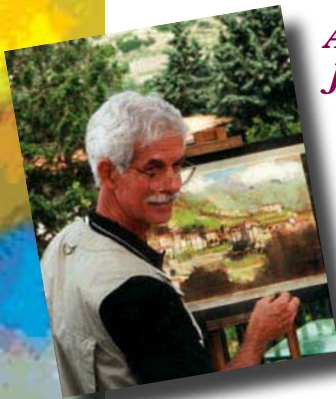
## **Program: Toward 3D.**

Did you know you can use acrylic gels that contain pumice and marble dust to sculpt texture into your pastel paintings? Bill Jensen will demonstrate how to use Colorfix gel to create almost a three-dimensional look to a pastel painting of a rocky cliff. The gel is transparent so you can under paint as well.

## **Alan Flattmann workshop** **July 2**

We will host a workshop by Pastel Society of America Master Pastelist and Hall of Fame honoree Alan Flattmann of New Orleans, on July 2 at Studio Arts Center. Alan will demonstrate in the morning and participants will work in the afternoon.

The cost will be \$100 for the day. This is a rare opportunity to learn from this noted pastelist. The class is limited to 15. Please register early, as the demand will be high. Alan will talk to our membership one evening during his visit so all will get to meet him. You can view his work at [www.alanflattmann.com](http://www.alanflattmann.com). Phil Monteith has given us three videos for our library. Two he recorded are demos by Alan Flattmann.



## **McDaniel workshop full**

The Richard McDaniel workshop, May 5-9, is full with 16 participants. We are taking names for a waiting list.

## **Generous support from Lexus**

**Lexus of Mishawaka** has donated \$1,000 to help us with prizes and other costs related to the juried show at the South Bend Art Museum, June 7 to Sept. 7. Prizes will be given at the reception on June 6 at 5 p.m. Jurying will be during the week of the McDaniel workshop, May 5-9. Clarence Witsken has been very active in seeking funds from community partners so we can offer prizes and continue to grow.

## **2008 dues are due.**

Please send your check for \$20 to treasurer Sue Coultas, 519 Woodruff, Niles, MI 49120. Your dues must be current to participate in the May show at the South Bend Museum of Art, judged by Richard McDaniel. Sue will take payments at the meeting Feb. 17 as well.

## **All members show in November**

Each member will get to show one pastel painting at Studio Arts Center, Nov. 11 to Dec. 23, 2008. The reception will be Nov. 13. The show will be on view during the annual Holiday Walk on Dec. 6, so there should be a good audience. We are seeking a title and theme for the show. Your ideas are welcome.

**This workshop will  
fill up fast!  
Register early  
by filling out the  
attached form and  
sending it with the fee to:**  
Sue Coultas  
519 Woodruff  
Niles, MI 49120

### ***Program ideas welcome***

Please contact **Linda DeCelles** DeCelles@aol.com, if you have ideas for programs at our meetings. What would you like to hear more about?

### ***SBCT show continues***

Our current show at the South Bend Civic Theatre features 27 pieces and continues to March 17. Thanks go out to **Paul Wieber** for the posters, **Mary Firtl** for the flyer, **Mona Witt** for the participants list, **Kay Londergan** and **Cathy McCormick** for hanging the art with **Michael Beatty**, **Barb Stephenson** and **Donna Chambers** for receiving. A nice reception was held on opening of *A Funny Thing Happened on the Way to the Forum*. Gallery coordinator Michael Beatty, the juror, decided to include all the pieces that were entered.

### ***Member news***

Congrats to members on their prizes in the Elkhart Art League Holiday Show. **Pat Stutsman** took first place in adult student category. She notes that she appreciated the valuable comments she received at a NIPS meeting as she completed her pastel of the seashore, titled, *Monterey*. **Jan Gilbert** took first place in the original category and **Susie Russell** took a merit award.

**Peg Luecke** and **Clarence Witsken** won prizes in the South Bend Museum of Art student faculty show in December.

**Mary Ann Pals** will have pastels on exhibit during February and March with Gaia Gallery ([www.gaiagallery.com](http://www.gaiagallery.com)), an art co-op, at Fernwood.

Botanical Gardens in Niles. The closing reception will be Sunday, March 30, 2-3:30 p.m. Admission is free.

### ***Classes, etc.***

People Painters meet Fridays 9:30 to 12:30 at Studio Arts Center. Most work in pastel, graphite or pencil. Cost is \$8, or less if you buy a book of tickets. Members split the model fee. For more info, contact Gloria Kingery kingeryj2@aol.com

### ***Art Business Workshops with Mary Ann Pals at Chesterton***

February 14: Writing a Resume, Artist Statement, and Bio

February 28: Pricing, Prospectus and Portfolio

March 13: Writing a Press Release

All classes will run from 7-9 pm (CT).

Cost for each class is \$17 for Chesterton Art Center members, \$19 for non-members. Call the Chesterton Art Center (219-926-4711) to register

### ***Volunteers needed***

Studio Arts Center would welcome help at pancake breakfasts, and other projects. Would anyone be able to organize a community service committee? Art Ability can use some volunteers as well.

### ***Pastel Pointers***

*Pastel Journal* offers comments by Richard McKinley at <http://pastel-pointers.pasteljournal.com/>

### ***Bargain Frames***

Check out this online frame outlet shop for bargains: [www.pictureframes.com/outletshop/main.html](http://www.pictureframes.com/outletshop/main.html)



### ***Web site***

Look to [www.NIpastelsociety.org](http://www.NIpastelsociety.org) for events, shows, past newsletters and a list of committees. Please tell prospective members as well as invite them to our meetings. The information passed along at our programs is most valuable to the novice as well as the seasoned pastelist.

### ***ArtsEverywhere.com***

Mona Witt continues to send updates so the community can learn about our meetings and events at [www.artseverywhere.com](http://www.artseverywhere.com).