

Watercolors By Sherryl Perez

News, Events & Helpful Tips



Copyright Refresher

Know Your Rights (and Obligations)

The July/August issue of *The Artist's Magazine* had an article by Leonard D. Duboff entitled "Know Your Rights!" and relates to copyright law. Duboff states that "a copyright is actually a bundle of five exclusive rights:

(1) the right to reproduce the work, (2) the right to prepare derivative works..., (3) the right to distribute to the public ... for sale or lease, (4) the right to perform the work publicly, and (5) the right to display the work publicly." The article was set up as a Q&A. The first part of the article discussed "orphan works," those that are protected by copyright but the artist is either unknown or cannot be located for permission. The use of this type of material is quite complex and the U.S. Copyright Office has yet to issue guidelines. The European Union and UK have issued guidelines which are very comprehensive and mainly relate to use of these materials by cultural organizations. The second part of the article relates to use of "how-to" and "step-by-step" media. Although these materials are designed for use by individuals to "copy" the process, technique or image, the individual reproducing the work has a limited permission to use the artist's work. The copyright generally remains with the original artist and the original artist will define in their book or on their website how the reader/user may use this duplicated material.

How does this relate to you? Twofold: as an artist, you want to ensure that your artwork is protected and that others are not reproducing, selling or using your artwork without your permission. You should take care to note how your materials may be used or reproduced. As an aspiring artist, you may want to visit a website or review a book/journal to see what a favorite artist is currently doing. Just be careful not to "print" their work from the internet, reproduce it, sign it and call it yours! When in doubt, ask the original artist for permission!

Did you know?
My artwork (originals, prints, cards) is available year round at my home studio. View a sampling on my website.

Menne Nursery is hosting their annual "A World Of Christmas" Grand Opening Night on Nov 3 from 6:30-9:00pm.

"The richness I achieve comes from Nature, the source of my inspiration"— Claude Monet

Art in Bloom Events at Menne Nursery:



Horn of Plenty

Saturday, Nov. 12,
10:00 a.m.



Poinsettia

Saturday, Dec. 3,
10:00 a.m.

Please see Menne's website for class registration: [Click here to Register](#) . Attend 3 or more classes and receive a \$5 rebate on day of class!

LEARNING OPPORTUNITIES

Weekly Classes: Wednesdays, 12:30-3:00 p.m.
and 7:00-9:00 p.m.

Monthly Art in Bloom Classes: Menne Nursery
(usually Saturday's)

Art in Bloom Workshops: Day or Evening
availability with a small group in your home.

Contact me for additional details.



DEMONSTRATIONS/ EXHIBITS

1. Niagara Frontier Watercolor Society: 13th National Exhibition of Transparent Watercolor 2016 - through November 13, 12:00 pm - 5:00 pm at the Kenan Center House Gallery in Lockport.
2. Williamsville Art Society's Holiday Show opens November 6 (Reception and Awards Ceremony 2-4 pm) and runs through December 28 at 370 John James Audubon Parkway, Amherst.
3. Niagara Frontier Watercolor Society—Monthly Meeting, Thursday, November 17 @ 7pm - Bill Vrscak
4. Williamsville Art Society—Monthly Meeting, Friday, November 18 @ 7 pm - Kate Stapleton Parzych...Photography

Product Review

Winsor Newton Colourless Art Masking Fluid

I recently tried using masking fluid and, to my dismay, it was hardened in the bottle. The last time I purchased masking fluid was a few years ago (or more). I went to the art store on a mission but I was a little confused because the type I had was no longer available and replaced by 2-3 other options. I opted for the WN Colourless Masking Fluid and I really like it. It was very fluid, I was able to make very thin lines, it dried "white" on the paper and when I removed it, it came off in almost one piece without scrubbing with the rubber eraser. I give it two thumbs up!

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