



From the President

Dear Member or Soon-to-Be Member,

The members of the AAG Board are always striving to provide our Guild members with ongoing and seasonal activities to keep us engaged and inspired. Here are some of our upcoming events:

Art Demonstrations:

Demonstrations are held on the third Sunday of each month from October to April (excluding December) at North Parish Church in North Andover, from 2:00-4:00 pm. Recognized artists demonstrate in various media. Members help with hospitality and provide refreshments. These meetings are free to members; nonmember guests may attend for a \$5 fee.

Lakeside Gallery Art Exhibition/Sales Opportunity:

Current members have a year-round opportunity to show and sell their artwork at the Rolling Ridge Retreat and Conference Center in North Andover. These exhibitions are changed out every three months, so make sure you sign up to reserve a spot. You can show 1-3 paintings, depending on size. At each new hanging, Rolling Ridge graciously schedules an artists' reception (which includes a variety of refreshments), so you have a chance to share the exhibit with your family and friends. Details regarding these shows are provided in the monthly newsletter.

AAG and Group-Sponsored Plein-Air Painting:

Some painters like to paint outdoors. We had a successful AAG-sponsored plein-air event in 2017, and we are planning another for this year. Let us know if you are interested in participating. You can stay for the entire event, or just enjoy an hour or two with your fellow artists. Bring your own lunch. This is a great opportunity to experience this wonderful oasis at Lake Cochichewich, get inspired, and/or just relax.

As always, volunteers, committee members, and new Board members are welcome and appreciated. Share your ideas, time, and talents to create a better Guild for all of us!

Looking forward to seeing you soon.