

**THE PASTEL SOCIETY OF SOUTH CAROLINA**  
**NEWSLETTER**  
**MAY 2023**

**GENERAL MEETING MAY 13, 2023**



Mark your calendars for the May General Meeting! Our guest speaker will be award winning artist, Susan Mayfield, who will present **“Going Big: Planning a Large-Scale Pastel.”** For a recent art show, Susan was asked to paint larger sized pieces than her usual works. Many of the paintings in the show were in the range of 24” by 36.” In her presentation, Susan will talk about the assignment, how she approached the project, and she will share some of the issues she had to think about when working on creating the larger pastels. Susan will walk us through her process step by step with a demo that will take us from the thumbnail sketch to the finished painting. Watch for your Zoom invite for May 13<sup>th</sup> at 10:00 am.

Susan was raised in the Lowcountry of South Carolina and graduated with honors from the College of Charleston. She now divides her time between the South Carolina coast and Colorado. Her subject matter ranges from the coastal marshes, barrier islands and rivers to Colorado and the southwest canyon country. She is inspired by hiking, camping and plein air painting. In addition to her busy schedule, Susan teaches classes and conducts workshops.

Susan’s website is <https://susanmayfield.net/>

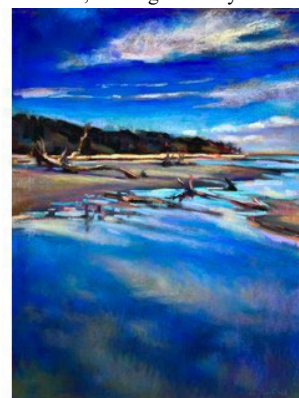
Etiwan Elegy by Susan Mayfield



Palmettos and Pines by Susan Mayfield



Reflections, Hunting Island by Susan Mayfield



## NEW MEMBERS

The Pastel Society of South Carolina is pleased to welcome new members Judy Sullivan and Theresa Zingg who both currently reside in Summerville, SC. Welcome Judy and Theresa!

## CIRCULAR CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH MEMBER'S EXHIBITION

PSSC is pleased to announce the "Circular Church Member's Exhibition" at Lance Hall, located at 150 Meeting Street, Charleston, SC 29401. The show will run **June 12 through June 17**. The Prospectus and Entry Form will be sent out to all members this week. All members in good standing will be eligible to enter and all entries must be marked for sale. Members must submit entries by **May 26** and publicity images will be due **May 18**. There will be a "People's Choice" Award and the winner will be announced at the reception on Saturday afternoon, **June 17 from 2:00 pm to 4:00 pm** and pick up of artwork will be after the reception. Drop off will be determined after we receive a date from the church. The Circular Church does not receive a commission and all sales will be accepted by Venmo, PayPal or cash. All work must remain until the exhibition closes unless it is sold. When a painting is sold, the artist may replace it within 24 hours or a working volunteer may add a painting in its place. Helpers are needed for hanging, photography, publicity and the reception. Sitters will be needed from Monday through Saturday to work either all day or split a shift with another member from 10:30 am to 5:00 pm. Contact Leigh Royer [leighroyer@gmail.com](mailto:leighroyer@gmail.com) to sign up.

## SCAMMERS

Recently, members received a "scam email" that appeared to come from our president, Debbie Poynter, asking for help with the Veterans Hospice. As soon as it was discovered, an email was sent out informing members of the SCAM. It is believed that the scammer used the information from the PSSC website. To protect our members, Debbie contacted Dan Kraus and he immediately removed all member's email addresses but left the member's website information. We would like all members to be aware of scams like this and please report to the board immediately if you receive one. If you have any doubt about the validity of a request, any of the board members will be happy to verify it for you. Below is a link on "How to Avoid a Scam" if you would like to learn more about what to look for in suspicious emails.

<https://consumer.ftc.gov/articles/how-avoid-scam>

## NEW PSSC FACEBOOK PAGE

Several of the PSSC board members recently received Facebook Training Class. A new private Facebook page has been opened and members will receive an invitation to join the group. The Facebook page will be used to announce upcoming society events, member recognition and for our members to post their recent works. The old page will be closed as soon as the new one is up and running.

## **PSSC 2023 MEMBER'S JUDGED EXHIBITION AND FALL WORKSHOP**

As you know, PSSC does not meet during the summer months, however, board members have been extremely busy planning the PSSC Judged Member's Exhibition and the November Workshop. This summer break will give everyone time to paint and work on their exhibition pieces. The PSSC Member's Exhibition is scheduled to open **August 23 through September 26, 2023**, at the James Island Arts and Cultural Center located at 1248 Camp Road, Charleston, SC 29412. The Prospectus and Entry Form will be sent out during the summer and will be available on the website, as well. More to follow on the workshop.

### **PUBLICITY**

PSSC Publicity needs your help in sharing the news of our upcoming Circular Congregational Church at Lance Hall (June 12 – 17) and our member's "judged" exhibition (August 23 – September 26). Email flyers about our upcoming events will be sent to all members to share in your area. These can be shared with local libraries, HOA sites and social groups. You can help PSSC promote our sales, as well as the fine art of pastels by sharing this information on your Facebook Page, Instagram, or other social media. Remember to invite your friends, family and clients and remind them that we have art for sale. If any member would like to help with the publicity, contact Sarah Kuhnell [seak44.art@icloud.com](mailto:seak44.art@icloud.com)

### **PSSC WANT ADS**

#### **Join Our Team**

#### **Position Available:**

##### **Photographer**

Duties: Take photographs at PSSC events i.e., general meetings, workshops, exhibitions for use on the PSSC website, Facebook and in Newsletters. Applicant should have a working knowledge of basic photography fundamentals for taking eye catching photos with own camera or iPhone camera. Should be familiar with cropping and editing photos for publication.

Must be willing and available to attend most society functions and events.

If interested, apply to the PSSC Board President, Debbie Poynter, at [debbpoynter@icloud.com](mailto:debbpoynter@icloud.com)

#### **Position Available:**

##### **Helpers for Circular Congregational Church Exhibition**

Duties: Accept and hang artwork and help organize food and beverages for the reception for upcoming exhibition. Helpers will be needed to clean up and remove artwork after the reception. No experience needed. We offer on-the-job training.

Apply to Lynne Tennyson [lynnemt@comcast.net](mailto:lynnemt@comcast.net) or Leigh Royer [leighroyer@gmail.com](mailto:leighroyer@gmail.com)

## PSSC WANT ADS

### Position Available:

### Member's Exhibition Sitters

Duties: Sitters will be needed during the Circular Congregational Church Exhibition to welcome visitors, assist with sales, open and close the facility each day. There must always be two members working. Members may split shifts or work all day from 10:30 am to 5:00 pm.

Apply to Leigh Royer [leighroyer@gmail.com](mailto:leighroyer@gmail.com)

## PLEIN AIR PAINT OUT April 15, 2023 Melton Peter Demetre Park



Left to right: Leigh Royer, Susan Hodge, Barbara Kohn, Joan Dromey and Debbie Poynter.

**PSSC MARCH 11, 2023, GENERAL MEETING**  
**Guest Speaker: Tommy Esposito**  
**UART Sales Representative**



**Demo Artist: Tammy Papa**



**Tammy's Underpainting on Uart**

**Tammy's Finished Painting**

