

The Canadian Society of Painters in Water Colour La Société Canadienne de Peintres en Aquarelle

Since 1925 the Canadian Society of Painters in Water Colour has been encouraging excellence in the medium of watercolour through exhibitions, workshops, and symposiums. The Society also facilitates communication between artists who share a demanding medium, but often work in isolation

EXHIBITIONS

OPEN WATER

Since the beginning, the CSPWC/SCPA has hosted an annual juried exhibition open to any artist. *Open Water* offers a number



of prestigious awards and medals. Images from past exhibitions, and entry information for the current exhibition are available at our web site www.cspwc.com.

MEMBERS' EXHIBITIONS

Society also organizes national members' exhibitions. *Reflections* was held in 2010 at the Robert's Gallery in Toronto while *Watercolour: Into the Next Millennium*, toured to 15 galleries in Eastern Canada from 1998-2002.



INTERNATIONAL EXCHANGES

Ambitious international exchanges are occasionally part of the programme. In the past exchanges have been entered into with Brazil, France, New Zealand, Britain, Japan, the USA, China and Mexico.



COLLECTIONS

DIPLOMA COLLECTION

The Diploma Collection was established in 1991 to document the art of watercolour painting in Canada. This ambitious collection includes one painting from most current members and also works of many illustrious past members. This national watercolour collection can be viewed in its entirety

on the CSPWC/SCPA web site. The original works are archived at the Peel Heritage Complex: Art Gallery of Peel, Peel Archives, Peel Museum in Brampton, Ontario and exhibitions can be curated from the collection.

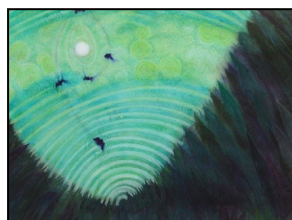
ROYAL COLLECTION

The CSPWC/SCPA is honoured to have works by 75 of its members in the Royal Collection of Her Majesty the Queen at Windsor Castle.



EDUCATION

Demonstrations, week-long Watercolour Canada Symposiums and day long Paint-Ins are held across the country. They provide



an opportunity for members, associates and non-members to share ideas, experiences and camaraderie. With the aim of taking watercolour into the community, the Society participates in *World Watercolour Day*, an international celebration, which takes place on

November 23rd each year, and has recently declared a date in late September as *Canada Watercolour Day*.

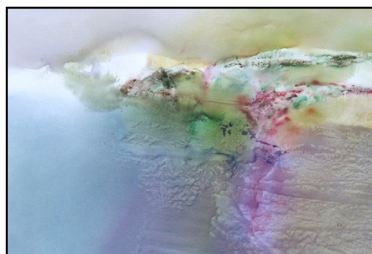
MEMBERSHIP

Artists are elected into membership based on a review of their work. Artists who have had three transparent works accepted in *Open Water*



exhibitions in a ten year period are offered membership. Other artists submit a portfolio of six digital images of their work to a membership jury. The deadline for applications is November 1st

of each year. Membership fees are currently \$125 per year. Elected members are entitled to use the initials CSPWC after their name.



ASSOCIATES

Anyone may support the CSPWC/SCPA by becoming an

Associate. Associates receive the quarterly newsletter, invitations to all openings, and reduced entry fees to *Open Water* and the *Watercolour Canada Symposiums*. The fee is \$35 per year. Full details and application forms are available at our web site www.cspwc.com or from the CSPWC/SCPA office.