

ALICIA FARRIS NWS, WHS, WFWS, SWS, SW, MOWS, STLWS



Painter of Life

Alicia Farris has been painting professionally and teaching for 20+ years. Alicia loves to share her knowledge and passion and gains incredible inspiration when she teaches her workshops.

The personalities and flavors of people that she encounters in day-to-day life inspire her work. Even if it's for trying to just capture a mood, she usually has one hand on her camera when she's in a crowd. She tries to recreate not just an image, but mood, light, and colors that capture her imagination. Alicia likes to isolate what seems common and try to recreate it in a different light, all the while, providing a source of emotion for the viewer.

Her work has won numerous awards and has been exhibited in galleries and private collections throughout the world.

Some of the artists who have greatly inspired me are Fealing Lin, Don Andrews, George Kauntoupis, Marilynne Bradley, Sandy Baker, and Bertha Alicia Neales, just to name a few. With art, I feel that I'm on a continual and wondrous journey with so many in the present, as well as with artistic geniuses of the past. Life inspires me to create and I expect that will continue as long as my heart does.

Recent Exhibits, Honors, and Publications

60th Annual Membership Exhibit of the Southwestern Watercolor Society, Dallas, Tx.
September 2023

Watercolor West 55th Annual International Exhibition, Newport Beach, CA, July 8-Aug.
12, 2023

Southern Watercolor Society 46th Annual Exhibition, Panama City, Fla, June 9-July 1,
2023

WHS Award of Excellence, Watercolor USA 62nd National Exhibiton, Springfield, MO,
June 10-Sept. 3, 2023

46th International Watermedia Exhibition, Houston, Tx. March 2023

Splash 24 Publication of the Best of Watercolor, Honorable Mention Award and Finalist
Award, Published July, 2023

Signature American Watermedia International Exhibition, Fallbrook, CA, March 2023
Airfloat Award, Missouri Watercolor Society 2023 International, St. Louis, MO, March 2023
Mark Arts National Watercolor Exhibition, Wichita, KS, Oct. 7-Dec. 10, 2022
Watercolor West, 54th Annual International Exhibition, Newport Beach, CA, June 25, -
Aug. 13, 2022
Best of Show, St. Louis Watercolor Society Annual Juried Exhibition, St. Louis, MO,
April, 2022
Western Federation of Watercolor Societies 47th Annual Exhibition, Albuquerque, NM,
May 6-June 5, 2022
Jack Richeson Co. Award, Southern Watercolor Society 45th Annual Exhibition,
Bradenton, Fla., April 14-May 13, 2022,
Watercolor Artist Magazine, published article called, "Let it Flow", Winter 2022 issue
Honorable Mention, American Artists Professional League, 93rd Grand National Exhibit,
Salmagundi Club, New York City, Nov. 2021
Northwest Watercolor Society International Open Exhibition, Online, Oct. 22, 2021-
January 4, 2022
M.Graham Award, Missouri Watercolor Society International Exhibition, MOWS Gallery,
St. Louis, Mo, Aug 27 - Oct. 2, 2021
Honorable Mention, 2nd Annual Women in Watercolor International Exhibition, Online,
2021, 170 works chosen from 1600 International entries
Southwestern Watercolor Society 58th Annual Member's Exhibition, Blue House Too
Gallery, Allen Tx. Sept 1-Oct. 2, 2021
2nd place award, Augusta Plein Air Festival, April, 2021
Watercolor USA 60th Annual National Juried Exhibition - June-August, 2021
Illinois Watercolor Society 37th National Exhibition - May 2021
Louisiana Watercolor Society 51st International Exhibition -Online exhibition May 1-21,
2021
Cheap Joe's merchandise award, Southern Watercolor Society 44th Annual Juried
Exhibition-Quincy, Fla, April-June 2021