



THE SAN DIEGO WATERCOLOR SOCIETY

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## PRESS RELEASE

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### Norwegian Artist Wins Award

Astrid Edel Walter, an artist and resident of Stavanger, Rogaland, Norway, won the first-place award for miniature paintings in the highly competitive April Member's exhibition, "Cheeky Monkey," at *The San Diego Watercolor Society*.

Award-winning juror Rikki Reinhoz said of the painting **Window at Rosendal**, "The colors were just so beautiful, and the light coming in making these shadows with beautiful colors in them. It was a happy painting which we all need at this time, and it was very well painted and designed. The nicest coloring!"

Astrid is an award winning artist born in Stavanger, Norway. She has been described as an Impressionistic Mood Painter. Astrid attended Rogaland Artschool and has attended numerous workshops of well-known artists in the USA and England. She has exhibited yearly with Indigo Watercolor Artists in Norway from 1984 through 2019. Although she has focused her work in watercolors, lately she has experimented with acrylic, collage and inks with watercolor which she finds exciting. Her work has been juried into a number of prestigious international shows. More information about Astrid and her work can be found at <https://www.saatchiart.com/aewalter>

Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, the San Diego Watercolor Society's art gallery is closed. The April show is available for viewing online, however, at <https://www.sdws.org/index.php> through Thursday, April 30, 2020. The gallery, which will re-open at the earliest prudent opportunity, is located in The ARTS DISTRICT Liberty Station at 2825 Dewey Road, Bldg #202 and will continue its open hours Wednesday through Saturday from 10 am to 4 pm and Sunday from noon to 4 pm. All exhibits are free to the public.

#### ABOUT SAN DIEGO WATERCOLOR SOCIETY

The San Diego Watercolor Society, a 501(C)(3) non-profit organization founded in 1965, is dedicated to expanding the appreciation of and involvement in watermedia painting through

education, exhibition, and promotion. SDWS presents a new juried exhibition at their Gallery in the ARTS DISTRICT Liberty Station each month with an Opening Reception on the first Friday of each month from 5-8 pm with great original art, refreshments and the companionship of other art enthusiasts. Both the Gallery Exhibition and the Reception are free. The Annual International Show held in October features award-winning artists from around the world. SDWS also offers Workshops and adult Beginner Lessons in addition to weekly and monthly Plein Air painting opportunities. More information can be found at <http://www.sdws.org>.



**First Place, Miniatures: "Window at Rosendal" by Astrid Edel Walter**

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