

December 2021



Oakville Town Square 2020 (Used with permission of S. Cameron)

President's Message:

By the time you read this we will have held our Annual General Meeting so I should like to thank all those of you who attended either in person (via the on-line option) or by proxy. I am pleased to welcome several new Board members and I should also like to take this opportunity to thank outgoing board member Lynda Hill (Director-at-Large) who has provided valuable insight into all our discussions during the past year. In addition, my special thanks to Jayne Cangemi who stepped in at short notice to fulfil the Treasurer role temporarily when the previous incumbent left earlier this summer. Jayne cannot continue with those extra duties going forward so that brings me to my next point...and as mentioned last month...**we do desperately need someone to step forward for the Treasurer position.** Is there no one out there amongst our membership who has some accounting skills and would be willing/able to take on this task? It is not onerous but is a key responsibility. If any one of you is at all interested don't hesitate to contact me to discuss further.

My heart goes out to all the people in BC who have been affected by the dreadful flooding there recently. Let's hope that the authorities are able to make repairs to the roads and rail lines quickly so life can start to get back to normal for everyone in the area.

A reminder that our **Winter classes** are now available for registration – check out our website for more information. We have a great lineup of both in-studio and on-line classes. It has been great to be back in the studio this fall and everyone I have talked to has commented on how much they've appreciated the opportunity to return to in-person sessions. Of course we continue to follow all the Public Health safety guidelines so you can be assured of a safe and secure environment in which to enjoy your class.

In closing, I would like to take this opportunity to wish everyone a safe, healthy and joyful Christmas and Festive Season.

Best regards - Maggie

Quote of the Month:

"If you always do what you always did - you'll always get what you always got."

- Unknown

Looking for that Perfect Gift?

A gift certificate is the perfect answer when you are not sure what to give someone - give the gift of creativity! It's the perfect gift for the artist in your life. OAS gift certificates are available in amounts from \$50 to \$200. Gift certificates may be purchased at

http://oakvilleartsociety.com/gift_certificate.html



Upcoming Workshop:

More information on the [OAS website](#).

Submitted by Mary Driussi, Program Coordinator

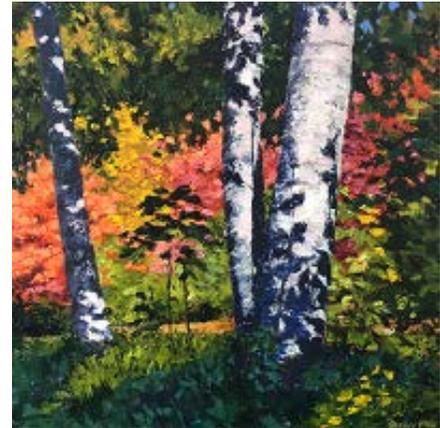
Create Textured Paintings with Palette Knife in Acrylics An Online Workshop with Instructor Shelley Prior

Put down those blending brushes and put some glorious texture into your painting with a palette knife and acrylic. In this **online** workshop, Shelley will teach you techniques for starting, building and finishing a landscape that glows with light, colour and dimension using only a small palette knife and heavy body acrylic paint.

Saturday February 5 & 12

9:30 am to 12:30 am

Cost: \$35.00 OAS member: \$30.00



A young inspiration:

A bright young light joined Robin Mitchell's class, "Painting with a Closer Observation" this past term. Ella Nickel, a grade ten student at Garth Webb High School, painted alongside and inspired the adults in the class. She won the grade nine art award at Garth Webb last year (for achieving the highest mark), but felt she wasn't given enough opportunity to paint in art class. Ella said she found it fun to be in adult class, where she said "a lot of the people are better than me and that helps me improve. I like seeing what others have done each week." In future, Ella would like to try oils (she now uses acrylics), and paint portraits. We hope to see her in class again, and can't wait to see how her great talent develops.



Left: Ella Nickel paints an ice cream cone in "Painting with a Closer Observation."

Right: Ella's juicy hamburger. Her classmates loved to see the results of her unique and intuitive style.



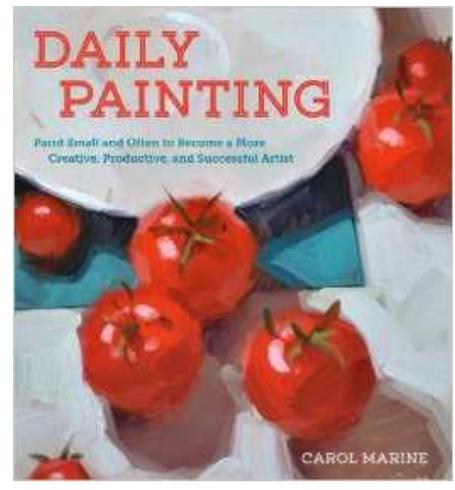
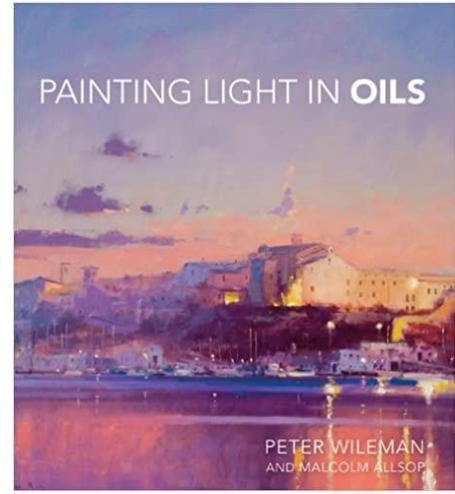
Welcome New Members:

Aideen Moore and Tanja Ryan

Recommended Books for Painting # 2:

Submitted by Leslie Sutherland

Many of our instructors collect and use reference material for inspiration. Instructor Robin Mitchell refers to these on his bookshelf:

	<p>Daily Painting by Carol Marine</p> <p>Author Carol Marine wrote this accessible and fun to read book after discovering that if she painted simply every day, her painting “funk” disappeared. She is now very well known for her work and social media presence, see her blog:</p> <p>https://carolmarine.blogspot.com.</p>
	<p>Painting Light in Oils by Peter Wileman and Malcolm Allsop.</p> <p>Peter Wileman was President of the Royal Institute of Oil Painters, renowned for his atmospheric landscapes and seascapes, and for his teaching DVDs. Affordable at 128 pages and \$27.64 at your favourite bookstore.</p>

A Twitter Smile for Artists :

Going viral on Twitter recently, this tweet is sure to bring a smile to parents and art gallery goers alike. Note the attribution card on the wall along with the six-year-old artist's name:

Interrupted House, 2017
Marker on Latex Paint
Gifted to his parents, by surprise. Nov. 13th.



Tweet



Adam B. Hill, M.D.
@Adamhill1212



Your kids are going to do things they shouldn't. It helps if you married someone with a sense of humour.



11:22 AM · 2021-11-19 · [Twitter for iPhone](#)

220 Retweets **28** Quote Tweets **2,295** Likes

Fellow Students' Creativity:

Image used with permission from R.J. Mitchell's Acrylics Still Life class. This display is student work for the study of Peonies. Students learn so much from each other with these displays, under the encouraging mentorship of our Instructors.



Note from your Bulletin Editors:

We invite **all instructors to submit photos of their works** in progress taken in class. Email newsletterOAS@gmail.com and we will make sure that some, if not all, appear in a future issue.

Happy Holidays to everyone. Stay safe! Susan and Leslie.