

WASH Membership Focus Group Report (from interactive session on September 11, 2017)

Just prior to the break, the members participating were divided randomly into groups facilitated by WASH Board members. The attendees ranged from the founder of WASH to several new members and a few guests.

Who or what has inspired you the most to continue painting? Why?

Our members are inspired to paint by a variety of things, some of them have painted since they were young and either continued or picked it up again as adults. Others were inspired by family members, other artists, viewing great paintings, demonstrations, and critique groups. Several of our members enjoy working with kids and watching them grow. Some of the specific artists mentioned as inspirations are: Richard Yip, Ted Nuttall, Karlyn Holman, Paul Oman, Dale Laitinen, Bobby Baldwin, David Peterson and Steve Walters.

How can we improve the SFAC Annual All Club Holiday Party

Ideas for Holiday event:

- Easel/Paper/Some type of interactive Art event
- Carols with Larry the Piano guy
- Sketch exchange
- Toy Drive or other Community Service
- Gag gift or gift swap
- Visit with other members

Other suggestions/considerations:

- Subdued background music (allow conversation)
- No Christmas Carol sing-along
- Was very crowded, the food line was long and slow

How Should WASH celebrate its 40th?

- Jan Miskulin workshop (include story of her Mom)
- Post all Founders pictures
- Special event at Members Show
- Celebrate our Past Presidents