

## Delaware Watercolor Society Proudly Presents

# “Creative Backgrounds for any Subject” with Robin Poteet

Enjoy this workshop from the comforts of your own home via Zoom.

August 22, 23, & 25, 2022



We've all done it. We've painted a great subject and have avoided the background until the last minute. Now what?!? We end up painting a washy, “safe” background that does little to enhance our subject. NO MORE!

In this workshop students will learn how to combine realism and abstraction to take their work to the next level. The class will delve into color choices, value, timing, ways to connect background and subject, design, texture, pattern and more. Students will explore these concepts by first doing a number of creative studies and exercises. These will become a springboard for creating one or more large, finished paintings in class.

Robin's numerous demos are focused, brief, and filled with creative ideas that students can incorporate into their own work. Her primary focus will be a contemporary approach to still life and florals, but subjects such as portrait and figure will also be discussed. The atmosphere is relaxed, and playful and group discussions and ideas are encouraged!

This is a great opportunity to learn ways to jazz up your backgrounds (thus, overall paintings) through left- and right-brain thinking. Most importantly, it's a great way to break the habit of working strictly from photos. Robin will email sample subjects prior to class that students may print and work from but encourages everyone to bring additional reference photos to class.

Robin Poteet is as passionate about teaching as she is about painting. Her strong design sense comes from a successful career in graphic design and illustration for major US corporations.

Dates & Times of Workshop:

- Day One - Monday, August 22nd: 10:00 a.m. - Noon... (1/2-hour lunch break) ... 12:30 - 3:00 p.m.
- Day Two - Tuesday, August 23rd: 10:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.
- Free day to finish painting(s)... Wednesday, August 24th
- Day Three - Thursday, August 25th: 10:00 - 1:30 p.m.

Cost: DWS Members: \$195. Non-Members: \$240.

Number of Participants: Minimum: 10, Maximum: 20 (A waitlist will be started if more than 20 people apply.) Participants will receive a copy of Robin Poteet's Supply List after the completed registration and check have been received.

**\*\* If interested in this workshop and you would like to tentatively be among the first to be on the list, you may email Workshop Director Wendy Leddy at [wendyleddyart@gmail.com](mailto:wendyleddyart@gmail.com), as copies of registration forms will be sent out to all DWS Members on Monday, May 9, 2022. If you are a non-member of DWS, give Wendy your email address to receive a registration form.**

# Registration Form

**“Creative Backgrounds for any Subject”**

**Zoom Workshop**

**Artist: Robin Poteet**

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Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Cell Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

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**To register, Mail the completed form and your check made payable to Delaware Watercolor Society (DWS) to:**

**Wendy Leddy, DWS Workshop Director**

**29562 Vincent Village Drive**

**Milton, DE 19968**

**\*Note: Wendy Leddy will send you an email verifying the receipt of your completed registration form. The Zoom link will be sent via email a few days prior to the workshop.**