## CROOKED CREEK ART LEAGUE WATERCOLOR WORKSHOP

April 5 - 6 2019

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Graff's diverse approach to watercolor painting in addition to his forty-nine years of teaching experience enables him to further develop and enhance each student's personal style of painting. His diversified approach and professional knowledge of watercolor painting add a unique dimension to his teaching methods. Using the basic approaches to watercolor painting as a springboard, students will explore different, innovative watercolor approaches and concepts. During this two-day workshop, Graff will provide a series of exercises, lectures, and demonstrations that will enable each student to fully understand different approaches on how to develop a painting. Graff states: "When an artist understands the basic principles and elements of design, the subject matter becomes unlimited. It is essential that the students go beyond the level of just recording facts. It is my intent to convey to the students how to spontaneously respond to the subject matter in an unrestricted, yet semi-controlled manner." The different watercolor concepts introduced will enlighten both the traditional and contemporary watercolor artists. The course will be conducted indoors at the Crooked Creek Park facility.

A PowerPoint presentation will be open for the entire Crooked Creek Art League membership to attend Thursday evening, April 4. The first part of this PowerPoint program will highlight Graff's painting techniques, approaches, and theories of thought regarding compositional design. The second part of this PowerPoint program will consist of a critique that features the participating workshop student's paintings that were created prior to the workshop.

Graff's work may be seen in Marilyn Hughey Phillis' book *Watermedia Techniques* for Releasing the Creative Spirit, Mark E. Mehaffey's book Creative Watercolor Workshop, and International Artist Magazine, February / March 2002 issue Watercolor Artist Magazine (February 2014, June 2015) and many other publications.

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