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International Association of Pastel Societies (IAPS) announces the opening of its 28th IAPS Juried Exhibition at the Salmagundi Club of New York City on Monday, June 6, 2016.

IAPS serves as the umbrella organization for all pastel societies and their members from around the world. As a result, this show features the work of many of the best pastel artists working in the medium today. Only 140 amazing pieces of work will be selected from the nearly 1000 entries received.

The show opens on Monday, June 6, and runs through Friday, June 17, with an exciting list of activities during the run.

Monday, JUNE 6 Show opens to the public.
1 – 6 pm Monday – Friday; 1 – 5 pm Saturday & Sunday

Thursday JUNE 9: Awards Reception and Ceremony
Open to the public at no charge.
6-8 pm (Awards ceremony at 7pm.)

Friday JUNE 10: Demo by Master Pastelist Richard McKinley
7 pm - \$20 in advance - \$25 at the door (space permitting)
Tickets available at www.eventbrite.com.

McKinley has been an artist and teacher for more than 40 years. His command of the medium has garnered him countless awards and recognitions. He is best known for his exceptional plein air landscapes. His work is represented by several national galleries and is in the permanent collection of the Butler Institute of American Art. www.mckinleystudio.com

Saturday JUNE 11: Gallery Walk-Through with Richard McKinley
2 pm – Open to the public at no charge.

Sunday JUNE 12: Brunch & Demo
11 – 2 pm \$35 + tax (reservations recommended)
2 pm – Demo by Rae Smith, Master Pastelist and PSA (Pastel Society of America) Hall of Fame Honoree
Demo is open to the public at no charge (space permitting.)

The Salmagundi Club, founded in 1871, is one of the oldest art organizations in the United States. The Club owns a collection of over 1500 works of art spanning its 140-year history and has a membership of over 900 artists and patrons. Recently the Main Gallery at the Club was renovated and is now one of the finest traditional exhibition spaces in the City.

Jurors for the show include Anne Hevener, Editor of the Pastel Journal, Chris Ivers, Artist and Instructor, and Richard McKinley. Jimmy Wright, President of the Pastel Society of America, is the Judge of Awards and recently commented regarding the show, “I am honored to be a part of the awards judging of this great cross section of contemporary soft pastels being made by artists across the world.”

This show is a must-see experience where the best of the best in pastel art today will be displayed in the spectacular setting of the Salmagundi Club in New York City.