



New Jersey Watercolor Society

Policy on Attaining Signature Member Status

Effective July 1, 2024, "Elected" membership shall be changed to "Signature" membership in all records. Also, effective July 1, 2024, the process to become a Signature Member of the New Jersey Watercolor Society shall be updated as follows:

A candidate applying for Signature Membership in the New Jersey Watercolor Society must complete the criteria and requirements as stated below.

Criteria for Signature Membership

Acceptance and exhibition of their art into the current Annual Open Juried Exhibition and two (2) previous Annual Open Juried Exhibitions within a five (5) year period.

Additional requirements for Signature member status:

1. All candidates must be 18 years of age or older.
2. Only acceptance and exhibition in a New Jersey Watercolor Society Annual Open Juried Exhibition shall be counted toward Signature status.
3. Non-members meeting the requirements for Signature membership must pay annual dues for the year in which they qualify to validate Signature status.
4. To validate Signature status all qualified individuals must pay current year annual dues and subsequent annual dues to maintain the status. A Signature Member will remain in good standing while there is no lapse in membership. A lapse in Signature membership occurs after 365 days of unpaid overdue dues.

Commencing in 2024, the 5 -year period for Associate and Non-members' acceptances and awards in the Annual Open Juried Exhibitions will include records from 2020 through 2024.

This policy has been approved by the 2024 NJWS Board of Trustees and by the inherent power of the Directors will not be memorialized in the NJWS Bylaws. The Board may revise the current criteria for Signature membership as it deems appropriate. Exceptions to these requirements due to hardship or other extreme circumstances may be made at the discretion of the NJWS Executive Board.