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| December, 20202020 is finally drawing to a close -- thank goodness! Our first full year started out with high hopes -- a great January general meeting with a talk and demonstration by abstract artist Val Rossman and several shows planned for later. Then the virus struck! Still, the year wasn't all bad. Among other things,* We had a robust schedule of plein air events throughout the summer and fall, and a fun end-of-season, socially-distanced, outdoor, informal show and party in October, with great plein air paintings, delicious boxed lunches, people's choice awards, and musical entertainment from several of our own talented members.
* Our fall on-line members show (still available for a little longer at our website -- [PhiladelphiaPastelSociety.org](http://PhiladelphiaPastelSociety.org)) highlights what a accomplished group of pastelists we are!

2021, with greater mask wearing and hopefully the new vaccines, promises to be a big improvement! PPS has learned a lot over the last year, and we will have more events and activities available for members.* **Saturday, January 16 from 10:00 to 12:00** is our winter general meeting via zoom. Mark your calendars! **Stan Sperlak** will present a zoom demonstration with a live discussion period.
* The Plein Air season will start up again in the spring with more exciting painting locations. (We're still looking for sites in Montgomery and Bucks counties and would love to hear from folks with interesting possibilities.)
* We're planning a spring general meeting which will be virtual, and we're looking into workshops with well-know pastelists which could be either virtual and in person for the summer and fall.
* We'll try again for a live member's show at the Wayne Art Center in September. Keep your fingers crossed that it stays live and doesn't have to go online.
* We'll have a bigger and better end of the plein air season Arts In the Parks show and celebration in October.
* We're open to suggestions and input from all of you for what you'd like PPS to be.

All of this is to say, **IT'S TIME TO RENEW YOUR MEMBERSHIP!**Renewing is easy. Go to the website, [PhiladelphiaPastelSociety.org](http://PhiladelphiaPastelSociety.org), click on "Join Us" and then on "Pay your membership dues here". This will take you to PayPal. Dues are still $45.Our membership year runs from January through December, but if you joined this fall or recently renewed, you're all set. Alternatively you can send in a check for $45, made payable to Philadelphia Pastel Society. The address is Philadelphia Pastel Society, P.O. Box 741, Bryn Mawr PA 19010. **Have a Happy Holiday Season!**And see you January 16th at 10 am |

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