



Brush Strokes



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Farragut Town Hall Welcome

Dateline May 10, 2010... The town of Farragut has one of the most up-to-date and beautiful town halls one would ever expect to see being used for multiple purposes.

On Monday, May 10, Anne LaGrow (shown here on the right), the Town Hall's Special Events and Program Coordinator welcomed a group of painting enthusiasts along with Mary Baumgartner and three of her paintings. This event was to share with the audience the journey of her manuscript, *Wonderful World of Watercolor*, along with succinct and thoughtful suggestions on how to begin a career in watercolor. Two of her recent paintings were on display, along with a print of a third completed a few years ago. She also invited anyone in the audience to bring their book for her to sign.



Mary covered **COLOR** with a handout on the qualities and performance of the Winsor Newton colors in her palette, paper and brushes in her supply list, and a number of points to help build a successful painting. There was a question and answer period during and at the end of her presentation. Jamie Bumpus was covering the event for UTK. <http://tnjn.com/2010/may/13/what-a-wonderful-world-knoxvil/>

6TH Annual Garden Party

The Bennefit for the Fountain City Art Center in the form of a Garden Party was held on May 8 in the gardens of a 50-acre estate in North Knoxville belonging to Bill and Ginger Baxter. About 250 guests



were there under the huge white tent and there was a table decorating contest as well. Vicki McCampbell, one of the watercolor students won third place (a beautiful handmade crystal necklace as her gift) for her interpretation of the hat book mentioned in April issue of "Brush Strokes." The middle of the table was decorated with three hat boxes, and on top of the highest one was a wig stand with a straw hat and brown hat band to match the tablecloths. The colors were cream and gold with cream plates, brown napkins, gold chargers and gold and silver cutlery. The crystal was even decorated with a gold trim. The brown tablecloth

and eight napkins were cut out and hemmed. What a fabulous party and exquisite place to have it!