

West Plains Arts Alliance members, the West Plains Council on the Arts (WPCA) and the Harlin Museum of West Plains (Harlin), will host a watercolor workshop by area artist, Lee Copen. The workshop will be held **10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. on Saturday, March 25, 2023, in the Hathcock Gallery at the Harlin, 405 Worcester Ave. in West Plains, MO.** 

WPCA Coordinator Janey Hale says, "Lee Copen is an accomplished watercolor artist and oil painter. Lee is an excellent teacher and able to help the beginner artist learn the medium."

## About the Artist:

Lee Copen lives and paints on a small farm in Mountain View, Missouri. Whether painting on location or in the studio, her light-filled paintings reflect her love of nature and the landscape.

"I have always been drawn to the diversity and beauty that landscape has to offer. I love to capture a fleeting moment of beauty and share what I see with others."

Lee Copen studied art at the University of Northern Colorado, graduating with a degree in fine art with an emphasis in graphic design. She worked as a sign painter, art director and graphic artist; eventually starting her own freelance business in Architectural Illustration, which she did for 15 years. In 2002 she became certified in K12 art education and has taught art at Liberty High School for the past 21 years.

In addition to teaching, she is a fine artist. She is equally comfortable painting in watercolor or oils, feeling that different subjects call for different styles and media. She loves painting both on location and in the studio, each presenting their own unique challenges. Her award-winning paintings can be purchased online and at select galleries. If you'd like to know more, please go to <u>LeeCopen.com</u> to view available artwork and sign up to receive her newsletter.

She will be teaching a one day studio watercolor workshop which is suitable for all learning levels -- her hope is that she can teach you to love watercolor as much as she does.

Total cost for the workshop is \$55, and registration is required. Email <u>info@westplainsarts.org</u> or call Paula at 417-293-2325 to sign up. Space is limited for this workshop.

For more information, you may contact WPCA at <u>info@westplainsarts.org</u>, the Harlin Museum at <u>info@harlinmuseum.com</u>, or contact coordinators Janey Hale <u>jhale2129@gmail.com</u> or Vicki Martin <u>v.martin@harlinmuseum.com</u>.