

SDP Committees

Awards Committee

- Selects candidates for the Silver Palette Award, Dedicated Service Award, Priscilla Hauser Award for Business & Industry, and Chapter Service Award from submitted nomination forms.
- May make recommendations to the Board of Directors regarding policies and awards.

Business Committee

- Represents all facets and interests of the Individual/Business Associate members.
- Submits informative, educational articles for the Business Happenings e-zine.
- Responsible for set-up and oversight of the New Product Display Area at SDP Conference & Expo.
- Plans educational events.
- Reviews policies regarding SDP Conference Exposition.

Certification Committee

- Responsible for content of the Certification portfolio.
- Plans educational events and provides information for Certification applicants.
- A majority of the committee members must be certified as an MDA or CDA.
- Submits articles for the Certification Happenings e-zine.
- Reviews and recommends Certification Program policy for approval by the Board of Directors.

Chapters Committee

- Every member of the committee must be a current chapter member.
- Develops service, information, and training for chapters and their leaders.
- Submits articles for the Chapter Happening e-zine.
- Studies and recommends policies for the regulation of chapters.
- Periodically reviews the Handbook for Chapters.
- Plans and carries out the Chapter Gathering, Chapter Presidents Reception, Chapter Marketplace, and any other chapter-related activities at conference.

Education Committee

- Plans educational programs for SDP Conference & Expo.
- Makes recommendations for educational articles to be published.
- Studies appropriate methods for education of SDP members.
- Functions as the Foundation Scholarship committee, selecting annual scholarship winners from submitted applications.
- Functions as the Junior Artist Club committee, working on the SDP Girl Scout Patch Program and planning children's projects for the SDP website.

Education Committee-Teacher Development Program

The SDP Teacher Development Program was established to set high standards for the teaching of decorative painting by providing SDP members with the opportunity to improve their teaching skills.

- Plans educational programs for SDP Conference.
- Makes recommendations about the TDP to the SDP Board of Directors.
- Makes recommendations for TDP-related articles to be published in The Decorative Painter magazine and Teacher Happenings e-zine.

Nominating Committee

- Responsible for submitting nominees to the membership for the office of vice-president/president elect, recording secretary, treasurer, board members-at-large and Nominating Committee members.
- Obtains the consent of nominees prior to nomination.
- Recommends policy changes to the SDP Board of Directors.

Public Relations Committee

- Identifies and initiates relationships within the industry, as well as with electronic and print media.
- Creates contacts and establishes rapport with institutions that could result in increased visibility and promotion of SDP and the art of decorative painting.
- Develops contacts with related art and craft organizations and generate campaigns that cross promote to this potential membership.
- Provides public relations and promotional assistance to SDP committees as needed.
- Assists SDP staff with social media, such as Facebook, Twitter, and others.
- Assists staff in writing articles for the SDP blog.

Teacher Committee

- Selects class offerings for SDP Conference.
- Serves, supports, and represents all teacher members
- Recommends improvements in the Teacher's Kit, accompanying booklets, and class selection process.
- Makes recommendations concerning a gift and/or event to honor teachers at the conference, obtain sponsors, and carry out plans after Board approval
- Submits articles for the Teacher Happenings e-zine
- May recommend an SDP Conference educational program for teachers to the SDP Board of Directors.
- It is preferred that members of the Teachers Committee not submit classes to the Conference for which they participate in the selection process.

Volunteer Committee

- Obtains and organizes volunteer help prior to and during SDP Conference & Expo.
- Obtains and organizes volunteer help prior to and during regional conferences and conventions, if requested.
- Coordinates volunteer information for inclusion in e-zines and *The Decorative Painter* magazine.
- Recommends updates in volunteer policy.

Heritage Committee

- Research and collect historical data to create a timeline on the SDP website.

SDP Foundation Committees

Permanent Collection

- Recommends policies and standards for collecting artwork for the SDP Permanent Collection.

Fundraising Committee

- Designs and organizes fundraising activity for the SDP Foundation.

Paint for Freedom

- Coordinates the Paint for Freedom program.
- Distributes painted cards to soldiers and veterans.
- May recommend and organize a display at SDP Conference & Expo.

Task forces are created as needed and appointed by the current SDP president.