

Art Talk and Art Swap

Monday, December 6, 2021 (NOTE: Monday instead of Tuesday)



Holiday meeting December 6th at 7pm

Dear Members and Guests, you are invited to our last meeting of 2021. The meeting begins at 7:00 in-person or on Zoom. This will be our Holiday Meeting and our

annual Art Talk at Endicott Estate in Dedham. Festive hats, holiday sweaters and other finery are encouraged! Masks are required for meeting in-person and social distancing is encouraged. Look for the email invitation with Zoom details. No charge for members and suggested guest fee of \$5 for our Community Fund.

The December Holiday meeting will feature the mini-masterpiece exchange and an Art Talk by Judith Curtis. She will be presenting "Surf's Up: The Art of Seascape Painting."

She will provide a discourse on the art of painting a seascape, with examples from some of the most popular artists who painted on Cape Ann and other points north. She will describe the process of completing a seascape in her talk.

Judy is a freelance writer specializing in art-related themes and has been associated with the Rockport Art Association and Museum. She has written several books including Harry A. Vincent and His Contemporaries, Rock Neck Colony (1850-1950) and A.T. Hibbard, American Master.

Holiday Art Swap Is Coming Monday, December 6th

If you haven't finished your Art Swap contributions, there's still time. If you didn't pick up the free canvas panels or multimedia boards, feel free to use your own materials at home. This is the one time that any medium is allowed.

Thank you to those of you who have created an extra 4"x4" miniature to donate to our fundraiser after the holidays. If you have a nomination for the non-profit that our fundraiser should benefit, please send an email to: DedhamArtAssociation@gmail.com.

Join us at the December 6th Holiday Meeting to exchange your artwork with another member. Non-members are welcome to participate for the guest fee of \$5.

Here are the submission reminders:

You can bring your two finished 4"x4" minimasterpieces to the December 6th meeting at Endicott Estate. Please sign your artwork.

Or, drop them off at Painting Group Tuesdays at St. Paul's church in Dedham Square between 9:30 and 12 noon.

Or, arrange with Naomi Wilsey for submission.

Welcome New Members!

Please welcome new members who joined us recently: Mark Quarles, photography, and two student members, Isabelle Salaun and Justin Reilly.

Artist of the Month Gary Koeppel



My earliest artistic memories occurred at the age of eight while visiting a friend. I remember looking down the hallway to a distant room where a group of men gathered around a table playing cards.

Against the dim back lighting, the composition of those silhouettes imprinted itself on my memory, like a personal "aha moment". Years later, viewing Cezanne's series of the card players would reinforce that image and memory.

Painting oil landscapes is something that I must do, something I have taken with me through the journey of my life over the past 40 years. As an undergraduate at the Maryland Institute College of Art in Baltimore, I discovered plein air painting and fell in love. What is



Birch Trees in Spring, oil by Gary Koeppel

it that compels me to paint the landscape? I am inspired by color, light and composition. When I paint a tree in a field the tree becomes secondary to describing the space around it.

I paint the landscape to pay homage to my emotional response to the land. I use a direct, painterly approach to the realism of a scene. That being said, I try to convey a sense of heart and spirit to the viewer – something more than a "pretty picture". My goal is that the viewer react to the emotionality in my work, and be drawn in by its composition. I measure success when the viewer is moved to feel something akin to how a special song invokes a powerful memory from the past.

I am a proud member of the organizing committee for Roslindale Open Studios. My work has won awards and is exhibited in galleries and museums in New England, and can be found in private collections throughout the United States and Europe. My paintings can be viewed locally at AZ Fine Arts in Chestnut Hill.

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Mark Your Calendar!

Tuesday, March 8: Paula Metcalf Lazar, Cold Wax and Oil Demonstration hybrid at Endicott Estate and on Zoom, 7:00 – 9:00 pm.

Tuesday, April 12: Gwen Chasan, Semi-realistic Landscape Watercolor on Yupo Demonstration hybrid meeting at Endicott Estate and on Zoom 7:00 – 9:00 pm.

Tuesdays: Painting Group meets weekly from 9:30 - noon at St. Paul's church, Dedham in person. Drop in fee is \$5 or \$50 for full year. The group meets throughout the year every week. To join, send an email to DedhamArt Association@gmail.com

No meetings January and February

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Welcome Our New Student Interns Justin Reilly and Isabelle Salaun



Hello, my name is Justin Reilly and I am the new marketing student intern for the Dedham Art Association! I am a junior at Dedham High School and a huge fan of the arts. The type of art that I enjoy producing is mainly digital art pieces using programs such as Adobe Illustrator and Photoshop. I am

currently taking the Graphic Design II course at school and am continuing to improve my skills with these programs. In addition to this form of visual art, I am a huge fan of the performing arts as well, mainly dance. I have been dancing competitively since I was nine years old, and it continues to be my favorite form of creative expression. I am a huge advocate for making Dedham a more creative place, and I am so excited to help accomplish this as part of the Dedham Art Association!



Hello! My name is Isabelle Salaun and I am very happy to be the virtual arts intern for the Dedham Art Association. I am a junior at Dedham High School. Aside from my interest in art, I am a very outdoorsy person and active with sports. I play soccer and tennis. I also ride horses throughout the year. I

was very competitive with show jumping in middle school and now I just volunteer at a barn in Westwood. Also, I spend time on Squirrel Island, Maine every summer. It is a very special place for me. I work as the photography intern for the Squirrel Island Historical Society.

I get to take pictures at local events and of people, share them via social media, and learn to become better at one of my favorite interests. I also enjoy taking pictures of wildlife, nature, and landscapes using my digital Nikon camera. Other than photography, I have pursued art by taking art classes all throughout middle and high school. I love to paint animals (such as horses) and landscapes using acrylic paint, and make drawings using pencil for all sorts of things such as still lifes, logos, and flowers. In addition, I have a great appreciation for art history. I love the MFA, and my favorite artworks are from French Impressionism, Realism, the Baroque period, 18th century American art, and the Danish Golden Age.

Artists' Resources:

Watercolor classes

The Dedham Public Library offers a drop-in watercolor class. Click <u>here</u> to be directed to their website.

Motherbrook Arts

Motherbrook Arts & Community Center offers many classes and workshops. <u>motherbrookarts.org</u>

Shepherd & Maudsleigh studio

Interesting workshops can be found at Shepherd&Maudsleigh studio in West Newton.

Tip from DAA member Nan Daly

Online art classes in support of charity: If anyone is interested exploring over 100 classes included in this year's Art Bundle for Good, I can send you more information. The Art Bundle costs, but 1/4 of the money goes to a food bank in Thailand — which is a pretty wonderful thing. They have already donated over \$80,000. *Thanks Nan!*

Pastel Demonstration with Christine Bodnar Recap



For the November meeting, professional artist Christine Bodnar presented not one but two winter landscape pastel

demonstrations. One painting was on black paper and the second on white paper with different surfaces. The "hybrid" meeting was held in-person at the Endicott Estate and simultaneously on Zoom. Robin Western was the lucky winner of the framed pastel donated by the artist. The proceeds from our guest fees and the drawings go to our Community Fund. Thanks to Randa Khuri for serving as our announcer for the evening. If you missed the demo or want to view it again, the video of the demonstration is now posted on our YouTube Channel: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ywFGH99PM68.





Members' News

Congratulations to member Joan Onofrey who received the First Place Award and member Judi Stein who received an Honorable Mention in the Needham Art Association Fall Exhibit.

Member Judi Stein is the co-chair for the upcoming Holiday Marketplace at the W Gallery, Arts Wayland on December 4th and 5th from 12 – 5 p.m. Naomi Wilsey will be one of the artists offering handmade goods and original art that make unique gifts.

Location: 54 Andrew Avenue, Wayland.

Ask your friends to join DAA

Do you have artist friends that would like to join our vibrant group of artists?

Please invite them to join our art association Join | Dedham Art Association

