



# "Yes, You Can Fix Watercolor Mistakes!" Watercolor Demonstration by Becky Haletky October 8, 2019 at 6:45 p.m. Endicott Estate, 656 East St., Dedham

#### Becky Haletky, Watercolorist

Please attend our October meeting on October 8, 2019 at 6:45 p.m. to watch Becky Haletky in action. There is no charge to members and \$5 for guests.



Becky Haletky, a graduate of Mass. College of Art with a BFA in photography, has been painting full time since 1980.

Primarily a watercolorist, she also delves into acrylic on canvas and collage. Her realistic style lends itself to

depicting the man-made landscape. She particularly likes to find unique subjects from the past; diners, old stores, neon signs, and gas pumps. She has travelled to almost every state and 18 countries in Europe, looking for subjects.

Using her photography as a starting point, she is able to capture her subjects in unusual lighting situations. "I am most excited to photograph a great subject in the rain or fog, at sunset or at night. Being a \*studio painter allows me to make use of dramatic weather conditions."

Becky's paintings have won over 450 awards in regional and national exhibits. She has shown in galleries in New England and New York and her work is in corporate, municipal, and private

collections in America, Europe, Australia and Korea. She is a past president of the prestigious New England Watercolor Society and served on their board to directors for 20 years. She is a recipient of numerous Mass. Cultural Council grants, and collections of her paintings are owned by the towns of Pembroke, Abington, Rockland and Whitman.

She has taught painting at the Fuller Museum, the South Shore Art Center, and the Plymouth Center for the Arts. From 2004 to 2012 she taught painting workshops in County Mayo Ireland, Venice Italy, and Santorini Greece for Strabo Tour Company. Her work is featured in several



books, most recently Creative Freedom by Maggie Price.

"MMM...Fish!" watercolor by Becky Haletky

Becky Haletky's website: www.artbecko.com

# Nancy Present-Van Broekhoven October Artist of the Month



"For the past 45 years, I have been a clinical social worker specializing in work with children and adults with special needs. My professional work has opened my eyes to new and different ways of looking at the world. That work has impacted my

art and infused it with what I hope is a wonderfully unique perspective.

As an artist, I want people to appreciate the environment surrounding us and find the beauty within those natural spaces. Often, I paint animals and plants. My paintings provide me with a sense of place and time. For example, the highland cow series was completed during my sojourn through the Isle of Skye in Scotland; the sea turtle and large flower paintings were painted during my travels in Hawaii; and the ibis and the view of Glenorchy were painted in Australia and New Zealand.

I try to paint each creature in its natural setting and focus on one particular element which captivates me with its singular beauty...whether it is the gossamer wings of the dragon fly or the intricate design of the snake's skin. While I only paint with watercolor, I add ink, wax resist, as well as rice paper and found objects to my art to enrich and deepen the textures of each piece of artwork.

I am a member of the Dedham Art Association and help with rotating exhibits. I'm also a member of other local art associations and have received awards from the Needham Art Association and the Wellesley Society of Artists."

Nancy's email address: npvb99@verizon.net



It's all about spring" watercolor by Nancy Present-Van Broekhoven

#### **Upcoming DAA Events**

- **❖** September 30 − Drop off Members' Exhibit
- ❖ October 1 Artist of the Month exhibit at Dedham Historical Society& Museum
- **❖** October 3 Opening Reception Members' Exhibit, Westwood Library from 6-8pm
- **❖** October 8 Watercolor demonstration
- **❖** October 19 Watercolor workshop with Irena Roman
- ❖ October 26 "Trunk or Treat" Children's Art Goodie Bags from 3-5 p.m. Town Hall parking lot
- **❖** October 30 Board Meeting (open to all)
- ❖ October 31 Pick up Members' Exhibit
- **❖** November 1 − Cape Ann Museum Winslow Homer exhibit
- **❖** November 12 Pastel demonstration and pick up substrates for Holiday Art Swap
- **❖** November 16 Children's Art Workshops
- **❖** November 20 Board Meeting (open to all)

#### Please check out our website:

www.DedhamArtAssociation.com

Contact Us: DedhamArtAssociation@gmail.com

# **Exciting Future Exhibits**



Our June Soiree 2020 and Members' Exhibit will be at the Walpole Library. Thanks to Rosemarie Morelli, our member who introduced us to the library. The beautiful exhibit spaces are in high-traffic areas.

Also, if you are interested in a solo exhibit as an individual, please contact Rosemarie Morelli at rosemariemorelliartstudio@gmail.com

#### Webster Bank, Needham

The Webster Bank, where we have had three group exhibits, has offered us the months of February and/or March 2020 for **solo or two-person exhibits by our members.** A reception will be provided. Optional exhibit support from DAA is available for a fee. To apply for this opportunity, please send an email before Nov. 1<sup>st</sup> with month preference and number of artworks you want to display to:

DedhamArtAssociation@gmail.com



# **Members Are Exhibiting**

- Margot Hurley received the Drawing Prize at the Roddy Open Invitational, Concord Art through Oct. 18. Congratulations, Margot!
- Barbara Reynolds, Gail Hansen and Naomi Wilsey are exhibiting at Gallery Twist, Lexington thru Oct. 20. Opening Reception Sept. 28 from 5-8 p.m.
- Mark Richards is exhibiting in the Blanche Ames National Art Exhibition at the Ames Mansion, N. Easton through Oct. 5
- Chris Roberts and Adele Rothman are exhibiting at the Menino Arts Center, Hyde Park through Oct. 30.
- Nan Daly, Gail Hansen and Naomi Wilsey are exhibiting at Zullo Gallery, Medfield through Nov. 2

### Leo Mancini-Hresko September Demo



For our first meeting of the season, professional artist Leo Mancini-Hresko provided an informative and lively oil portrait demonstration. His model was member Randa Khuri (thank you, Randa!) We had a large and enthusiastic audience with new members and guests joining us.

#### Follow-ups from the evening:

- If you would like to contact Leo or be added to his mailing list for classes and free lectures, here is his email:
  - waltham.studios@gmail.com
- Leo uses a clip-on light that attaches to his canvas. The maker is Douglas Woodman and his email: <a href="mailto:dpwoodman.woodman@gmail.com">dpwoodman.woodman@gmail.com</a>

#### **Student Intern Position**

We have an opening for a high school or college student who is interested in this non-paid community service role. The hours are flexible and will be tailored to meet the interests and skills of the student. For example, our previous intern was interested in marketing and the projects she assisted with focused on marketing. For Dedham High School students, the hours count toward the community service requirement.

If you know someone who might be interested, please pass along the information to them. We can be contacted through our Facebook help wanted ad, our website and email:

DedhamArtAssociation@gmail.com

#### **Trunk or Treat!**



The Children's Art Committee will be participating in the annual Dedham Square Trunk or Treat on October 26th in the Town Hall parking lot from 3 -5 p.m. Our team will be dressing up for Halloween and distributing art goodie bags to hundreds of children. Bring your favorite little folks in their costumes!

Fran Feloni, Marie Johnson and Christine Qian will be handing out the treats from a car decorated with our theme "Art is Awesome!" Some of the lucky goodie bags will include registration forms for the free Children's Art Workshops in November.

To lend a hand with the preparations or with handing out goodie bags, please contact Fran Feloni at 617-285-0923 or Naomi Wilsey <a href="mailto:nwilsey@verizon.net">nwilsey@verizon.net</a>.



This program is supported in part by a grant from the Dedham Cultural Council, a local agency which is

supported by the Mass Cultural Council, a state agency.

#### **Welcome New Members!**

Please welcome new members who joined us since the last newsletter: Paul Casagrande who works in watercolor and pastels; Patricia Etling who works in watercolors, acrylics and pastels; Sun Mei Hui, oils, watercolors, colored pencils; Diane Johnson, watercolorist; Lauren Karp Kinghorn, printmaking and watercolors; Iona Levin, pastelist; Kathleen Milster, miniatures and paper arts.

#### Why I Joined Dedham Art Association

# I Enjoy . . .

- 1. Being part of a friendly community of artists
- 2. Learning from and being inspired by professional artists in our demonstrations and workshops
- 3. Sharing my art via exhibits
- 4. Reaching out to local communities through art
- 5. Going on trips to museums with art friends
- 6. Being encouraged to paint on a regular basis
- 7. Socializing with the Painting Group
- 8. Networking with other art associations
- 9. Exchanging art tips and techniques
- 10. Getting more exposure as an artist
- 11. Plein air painting with a group

These and other reasons are why many of our members have joined our group. If you haven't renewed your membership please consider taking advantage of an extension for dues to October 8<sup>th</sup>, our next meeting. If you don't think of yourself as an active member, please consider renewing your membership as a donation to support our many programs that benefit our communities. Membership forms are on our website: www.DedhamArtAssociation.com



# Save the Date – Nov. 1st

Our next museum outing will be to the Cape Ann Museum, Gloucester, for the Winslow Homer exhibit, which includes oils and watercolors. Sign

up by sending an email to our DAA email.

# **Art Happenings**

- Richard Kattman will demonstrate abstract acrylics, Oct. 1 at 7 p.m. for the Needham Art Association, Needham Library
- Taste of Needham Open Studios art and taste treats to sample, Oct. 4<sup>th</sup> opening reception 6 8 p. m. and open Oct. 5 & 6 from 11a.m. 4 p.m. Location: First Baptist Church, 858 Great Plain Ave., Needham