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#### PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

### A Special Thanks to This Year's Volunteers:

I am not going to name names, but you know who you are. You did a great job this year and made my job very easy. So easy in fact that I have decided to remain one more year as president of the Reading Art Association. That is, of course, unless another person wishes to come forward and vie for the position. I can assure you that the job will be made very easy because of our fantastic executive board. Any organization is only as good as the volunteers who put in the hard work to make it successful.

I think that we had a fantastic year. A very good Fall Show, some great monthly demonstrations that were well-attended, and a wonderful Spring Show that is ongoing as I write this. Again, my thanks to all of the hard workers and exhibitors who make these shows possible.

We have our final event of the year, our annual dinner, coming up on Wednesday, June 11. Joe Brown of *Joe Brown Digital Services* will present a lively and entertaining program on photography. Everyone is welcome to attend this fine event. The reservation form is attached, and the **deadline for reservations is Tuesday, June 3rd.** Don't miss out!

In case you can't come to the annual dinner, I

wish you a great summer, and I will see you all next September.

Tom

**LOST?** Following Jack Haran's demonstration in March, Jack handed the microphone to someone, but the microphone didn't get back into its box. Will whoever knows where it is please call Lou Doto at 781 944 2708.

# A NOTE OF THANKS FROM OUR SPRING SHOW CHAIRS...

We are happy that the Spring Show was well received. Thanks to our members for all you did--for taking in and checking out paintings; setting up and taking down easels; hanging the show; and for all the wonderful contributions to our refreshment table! Thanks to our very important sales table; and also to our gracious greeters. A lot of people! We thank you all!

## Evelyn and Grace

#### FROM OUR TREASURER . . .

There were 120 main entries in the spring exhibit. Here is the report of sales:

4 Mini Entries	\$240.00
9 Unframed Entries	345.00
26 Note Cards	92.00
Total Sales	\$677.00

## Leo Lambert, Treasurer

## WELCOME, NEW and RETURNING MEMBERS!

Maureen Munroe of Tewksbury Lorraine DeGroot Stevens of Arlington Rosemarie Whalen of Reading



#### PEOPLE HAPPENINGS!

**Lynne Cassinari** exhibited a selection of her watercolor and oil paintings recently at the Northshore Unitarian Universalist Church in Danvers.

**Florence Como**'s watercolor painting of Santorini, Greece, won the C. Gordon Harris Memorial Award at the Rhode Island Watercolor Society's 112<sup>th</sup> Annual Artist Member Show.

**Lou Doto** has a solo show from May 1<sup>st</sup> to the 27<sup>th</sup> at the Urban Living Studio, 58 Clarendon Street in Boston's South End.

**Peg Drummey**'s "Paint Me a Lilac" was selected for the group show *Lilacs–Visions of Spring* at the Arnold Arboretum from April 12<sup>th</sup> through May 18<sup>th</sup>.

**Nancy Freeman** had two paintings in the Concord Art Association juried show in January, one of which won an oil award. Nancy also had a painting on exhibit at Rockport Art Association this winter.

Carol Groezinger's oil painting, Cadillac Mountain Acadia National Park, was included in

the juried exhibit at REDbrick in Beverly this winter. Also, Carol's oil, *Gnarled Survivor*, was accepted into the juried Winter III Members Show at Newburyport Art Association.

**Jack Jones** will conduct two outdoor watercolor workshops, one on Cape Ann June 12-14 and one in Jeffersonville, VT, October 14-16. For information e-mail joneswatercolor@gmail.com or call 978-777-2242.

**Phyllis Kaplan**'s artwork is on display at the Sovereign Bank in Danvers Square during May and June.

Carolyn Latanision received the Centennial Award at The Copley Society of Art invitational exhibit at Harvard Club of Boston in honor of their centennial celebration. The painting was purchased for Harvard University's permanent collection. Carolyn also completed two solo exhibits, one at Rockport Art Association in December 2007 and one in April 2008 at Belmont Hill School's Landau Gallery in Belmont, Massachusetts.

The Melrose Arts & Cultural Association's 2008 Arts Festival in April included, among many other famous artists, several members of RAA: Jeannette Corbett, Robert Cyr, Lou Doto, Don Fox, Ginger Greenblatt, Judy Greulich, Jack Jones, Susan Manning O'Briant, Chris Riccardi, Ed Rice, Nancy Roll, and Tom Sutherland.

**Susan Manning O'Briant** was the featured demonstrator at Danvers Art Association on May 10<sup>th</sup>.

**Joyce Wood** won the gold medal at the New England Watercolor Society's Winter Members Show at the Emmanuel Church Gallery on Newbury St. in January. This is her first medal! Joyce now has a web site: joycewood.com.

### RAA PROGRAMS LINED UP FOR 2008-2009

Sept. 10, 2008 – Members' Demonstrations

## Linda Talanian, Ruth Camber Trisha Kurdzionak, Anthony Abate

October 8 – Anne Demeter, Gouache November – Our Members' Fall Show December 10 – Bob Jorgenson, Landscape January 14, 2009 – Trudy Allen, Watercolor February 11, Joe Brown, Digital Photography and a Primer on Adobe Photo Shop March 11 – Ellen Rolli, Acrylic April 8 – Frederick Kubitz – Watercolor May – Our Open Spring Exhibit & Sale

#### SOME EVENTS TO ENTER OR VISIT

Addison Gallery of American Art at Phillips Andover through July 13: Accommodating Nature: The Photographs of Frank Gohlke and Carroll Dunham Prints: A Survey. No admission fee. Open Tuesdays through Saturdays, 10-5, and Sundays 1-5.

Andovers Artists Guild's May workshop is Pastel, May 17<sup>th</sup> from 9-3, with Dianne Levine, at North Parish Church, corner of Academy and Great Pond Roads, North Andover. \$80. To register, e-mail Deb Venuti at andoversartists guild@yahoo.com.

artSPACE@16, 16 Princeton Road, Malden, has an exhibit, *Bedecked*, by Kim Salerno through May 31. Open for viewing Saturdays, May 10, 17 and 31 from 12-5 and by appointment (781-321-8058).

**Bunker Hill Community College** holds its fairs the 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of each month from 10-4. Call 781-961-1149 or go online at <a href="www.nefaaaf.com">www.nefaaaf.com</a>. **Caffe Di Siena** in Newburyport will exhibit fine art in their café. Call Cindy at 978-462-3190.

Cape Cod Art Association's All Cape Cod Open Juried Exhibit runs through May 19<sup>th</sup> at 3480 Route 6A in Barnstable. Their 2008 National Exhibition is open to all artists and will be held from June 20 through July 15. Details are available at <a href="www.capecodartassoc.org">www.capecodartassoc.org</a> or by email to <a href="mailto:Curator@CapeCodArtAssoc.org">Curator@CapeCodArtAssoc.org</a>.

Cape Cod Art Association and Cape Cod Voice Magazine will hold 2008 Through the Lens of A Photojournalist Exhibition from October 9 through November 10, 2008, and it is open to all aspiring and published photographers. Details available at Cape Cod Art Assoc. web site or email address above.

**Cahoon Museum of American Art** has an exhibition/sale, *Gifts From the Fire: Contemporary Ceramic Art*, now through May 25<sup>th</sup>, featuring the work of nine Cape Cod potters. Located at 4676 Route 28, Cotuit, 508 428 7581. Docent tours at 11 on Fridays and 2 on Sundays.

Essex Art Center's 15th Annual Juried Show will be held in October. Send a SASE to Essex Art Center at 56 Island Street, Lawrence, MA 01840; or go to www.essexartcenter.com.

Grace Chapel Art Gallery, 59 Worthen Road, Lexington. Next exhibit May 25-July 16. New Beginnings, Blue-themed Exhibit, Color or Feelings (You decide!) Ages 18 and up may submit 1 or 2 entries for consideration, in 2-D media, framed and wired, ready to hang for a juried exhibit. Suggested donation of \$5 per submission. Artist registration Wed., May 14, 6-8 p.m., or Sat., May 17, 9-12 a.m. [Post-show pickup Wed., July 16, 6-8 p.m., or Sat., July 19, 9-12 a.m.] "Sneak Peak Reception" Sat., May 24, 4-6 p.m.

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#### **EVENTS TO ENTER OR VISIT (continued)**

#### **Grace Chapel** (continued)

POETRY, all ages--submit Blue-themed Poems to <u>artgallery@grace.org</u> by May 17<sup>th</sup> or in person on above registration dates. Please include age if written by a student.

Next is the *Student Exhibit* (ages 17 and under), July 27-August 27. Registration Wed., July 16, 4-6 p.m., or Sat., July 19, 9-12 a.m. Pick up Wed., Aug. 27, 6-8 p.m., or Sat., Aug. 30, 9-12.

POETRY written by students 17 and under. Submit to <a href="mailto:artgallery@grace.org">artgallery@grace.org</a> by July 19<sup>th</sup> or in person at above registration dates. Include poet's age.

Greater Haverhill Arts Association Annual Art Festival, Saturday, September 6, 10-4, on Bradford Common. Their Annual Show, open to all artists, is scheduled on October 20-25. Their detail sheets are available; call or e-mail your *Mixed Media* editor.

New England Watercolor Society's 11<sup>th</sup> Biennial North American Open Show, September 19-November 2. Juried by Don Andrews, by slide; water media only. \$5,000 in awards. Slide deadline is July 11<sup>th</sup>. For prospectus send SASE to Mary Callahan, 151 Dwight Rd., Marshfield, MA 02050; or download at www.newenglandwatercolorsociety.org.

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#### Monday, August 18, 2008

Please send your news to Elaine Little, 20 Oak Ridge Road, Reading, MA 01867; e-mail it to elittlez@comcast.net; or fax it to 781-944-1346. [NOTE NEW e-mail address.] Please include "For MM" in subject line of e-mails. Call Elaine at 781-944-2669 if any questions.

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