

RAA 2024 Annual Spring Show

The RAA 2024 Annual Spring Show is over. This was our biggest show since we came back after the pandemic with 60 works of art in the Main Show and 12 in the Mini Art Sale, There are some photos of the show on the website.

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We also had five additional paintings that were interpreted with floral displays by the Reading Garden Club. We hope you didn't miss it.

Spring Show Award Winners

Best of Show Lynne Cassinari - Oil "Apple Blossom Time"

First Place Carolyn Latanision - Watercolor "The Lady in Red"

Second Place Kathleen Connors - Watercolor "Gathering Clouds"

Third Place Brian Kimerer - Acrylic "Owls Head Light"

Award of Excellence Lou Doto - Watercolor "Waiting for Spring" Rick Corbett - Graphite Pencil "A Pair of Pears"

Mary Saija Award Walter Osterberg - Oil "A Walk to Remember"

Nathalie Nordstrand Award Lorraine O'Brien - Watercolor "Morning Fog"

Popular Award Carolyn Latanision - Watercolor "The Lady in Red"

President's Message

Hi Everyone,

I would first like to congratulate not only all of the ribbon winners of the Reading Art Association's Spring Exhibit. It was a spectacular exhibit which gets better every season and is growing.

I would like to thank the Judges, Dianne Panarelli Miller and Rosalie Sidoti.

I would like to thank the Garden Club for joining us with "Art in Bloom". A special thank you to Christine Exner, Betty Walsh, Suzanne McCance, Mary Ann Higgins, and Ed Carver for creating such beautiful and exciting floral arrangements.

I would also like to say thank you to all of our members, without you there would be no organization.

I would like to also give a heartfelt thank you to the Reading Art Association Board: Rosie Palmer, Lou Doto, Brian Kimerer, Ruth Kelloway, and Holly Popeo. I truly appreciate everything you do and have done. Your tireless commitment to keeping the organization running strong and thriving has been the backbone that keeps this organization alive.

We have seen new members join and former members return, with that; we are seeing growth. We aren't quite to where we were pre-COVID. We are committed to keep pushing forward and thriving, but it's a group effort (in other words, it takes a village). We are still in desperate need of volunteers, specifically for set-up and take-down before and after our exhibits. We are also in need to committee chair members. If you'd like to know more about what volunteer opportunities are available, please reach out to myself, Rosie, Lou, Brian, Holly, or Ruth.

With the closing of the Annual Spring Exhibit, our fiscal year also comes to close. We will be back in September with. Our new 2024/2025 calendar will be available sometime in August. As always, for the latest news and update, please continue to check the Reading Art Association website at www.readingart.org

Rick President, Reading Art Association

Message from your Mixed Media Editor

I have delayed the publication of this issue so that we could include the results of our Spring Show.

Reading Art Association is continuing to reboot as evidenced by the success of our Spring Show. This show was the biggest since before the pandemic. As the art world in general continues to open up you should have more events to announce. So send us information about your awards, exhibits, and general goings on with your art work.

The RAA web site continues to post news, so check the website, <u>readingart.org</u>, for last minute updates.

-Brian

People Doings...

Lynne Cassinari

Lynne exhibited a painting in the Whitelam Bookstore through the month of April.



This painting won Best of Show in the RAA Spring Exhibit and sale.

Beverly Cook

Beverly has a painting hanging in the Whitelam Bookstore through the month of May.

Thank you



Jeanette Corbett

Jeanette is scheduled to display a painting in the Whitelam Bookstore throught the month of June.

Opportunities...

Whitelam Bookstore Display

Consider loaning your art to hang in the Whitelam Bookstore. There is space for only one painting in the store at a time, which is over the fireplace. We are scheduling one painting per month.

There are openings on the schedule , so let us know if you want to be put on the schedule to display your painting.

bkimerer@gmail.com

Tewksbury Library

2023 Themes for Tewksbury Library Art Show

We will be able to use the upstairs area 3 times a year. That means you may submit 1 or 2 pieces during the months we can use the up and downstairs hanging systems. On the months we are downstairs only, submit one piece.

- June 26th to Aug. 28th Splash (downstairs) 1 piece of Art
- Aug 28th to Oct. 23rd Autumn's Celebration (upstairs/down) 1-2 pieces of Art
- Oct. 23rd to Jan. 8th Winter's Wonderland

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Tewksbury Library Art History Programs

I wanted to make sure you were aware of some more virtual art history programs hosted by the Tewksbury Library happening May & June. These are FREE and OPEN TO ALL!

All of these presentations will be recorded, except May 18. Recordings will be emailed to registrants 24-48 hours after each program. Live attendance, as always, is preferred, but please register even if you cannot attend live, if you're interested in viewing the recording later on.

Greek Art -- A Fresh Look At Ancient Art Thursday, May 11, 10:30am ZOOM Webinar (will be recorded) Learn more & register HERE: <u>https://tewksburypl.assabetinteractive.com/calendar/</u><u>virtual-greek-art-a-fresh-look-at-ancient-art/</u>

Exciting Discoveries in Art History Thursday, May 18, 10:30am ZOOM Webinar (will NOT be recorded) Learn more & register HERE: <u>https://tewksburypl.assabetinteractive.com/calendar/</u><u>virtual-exciting-discoveries-in-art-history/</u>

Examination of American Art: 1950-2000 Thursday, May 25, 10:30am ZOOM Webinar (will be recorded) Learn more & register HERE: https://tewksburypl.assabetinteractive.com/calendar/ virtual-an-examination-of-american-art-1950-to-2000/

A Trip To The Louvre In Paris Tuesday, June 6, 10:30am ZOOM Webinar (will be recorded) Learn more & register HERE: <u>https://tewksburypl.assabetinteractive.com/calendar/</u><u>virtual-a-trip-to-the-louvre-in-paris/</u> Art Colonies in New England Thursday, June 8, 10:30am ZOOM Webinar (will be recorded) Learn more & register HERE: <u>https://tewksburypl.assabetinteractive.com/calendar/</u> <u>virtual-explore-art-colonies-in-new-england/</u>

The Flag in the History of American Art Thursday, June 15, 11am (NOT 10:30am!) ZOOM Webinar (will be recorded) Learn more & register HERE: <u>https://tewksburypl.assabetinteractive.com/calendar/</u> <u>virtual-the-flag-in-the-history-of-american-art/</u>

A Look At Buddhist Art -- Expressions of Piety Thursday, June 22, 10:30am ZOOM Webinar (will be recorded) Learn more & register HERE: <u>https://tewksburypl.assabetinteractive.com/calendar/</u> <u>virtual-a-look-at-buddhist-art-expressions-of-piety/</u>

What To Look For When You Look At Art Thursday, June 29, 10:30am ZOOM Webinar (will be recorded) Learn more & register HERE: <u>https://tewksburypl.assabetinteractive.com/calendar/</u> <u>virtual-what-to-look-for-when-you-look-at-art/</u>

All of these programs are sponsored by the Friends of the Tewksbury Public Library. Learn more about the organization HERE: <u>https://www.friendstplibrary.org/</u>

Feel free to sign up for the Tewksbury Public Library's weekly email newsletter to keep current with the virtual and in-person programs we're constantly offering for adults, teens and kids: <u>https://www.tewksburypl.org/about-us/pages/</u> <u>newsletter-sign.</u>

Thanks, Robert Hayes

Downtown Reading Art Walk

The Downtown Reading Art Walk (DRAW) is now soliciting artists to display their work in numerous businesses throughout downtown Reading. The Art Walk is scheduled



to be up starting September 8 and remain up until October 7. Registration will be open on June 15.

This is the sixth annual Downtown Reading Art Walk, and the theme for 2024 is "Curiosity".

You can get more information about the Art Walk by sending an email to:

DRAW01867@gmail.com

Go to the DRAW website where you can find all the details.

https://www.draw01867.org/



Greater Haverhill Art Association

Here is a quick overview of the upcoming schedule at the GHAA.

May 18 (11-1) Pick-up & Receiving Penacook Place May 20 Deadline to register for Annual Open Exhibit May 24 (2:30-4:30) Receiving for Annual Open May 25 (9-12) Saturday Workshop May 26 - June 9 Annual Open Exhibit at Buttonwoods June 2 (2:30-4:00) Annual Open Reception and Awards June 8 (9-12) Saturday Workshop June 9 (2:30-4:30) Annual Open Pick-up June 22 (9-12) Saturday Workshop June 23 (2-4) Watercolor Demo, KT Morse at Buttonwoods You can download the entire schedule for 2022 from the GHAA website

https://haverhillartassociation.org/

Regarding Dues for 2022/2023

Our Treasurer has decided to return to the policy that your dues are due one year after you sign up instead of having everyone pay at the beginning of September.

You can pay your dues using PayPal now. You do not need to have a PayPal account to use it; you can do a one-time payment using a credit card. There is a link on the front page of the website.

http://www.readingart.org/

You can also pay your dues by sending them to:

Reading Art Association P.O. Box 114 Reading, MA 01867

Deadline for next Mixed Media

The Spring Show was the final event for the 2023/2024 season. The next issue of Mixed Media will cover the months of September and October since we take July and August off.

I am setting the deadline for items in the September/ October issue to Friday, August 23. Send us your news so we can publish it in the newsletter.

Email news to

webmaster@ReadingArt.org

or send using the US Post Offce to

Brian Kimerer 66 John Carver Road Reading, MA 01867

Pay Online

You can now pay for paintings and pay your dues online using the PayPal app. Simply install the PayPal app on your cell phone and scan the QR Code below.



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