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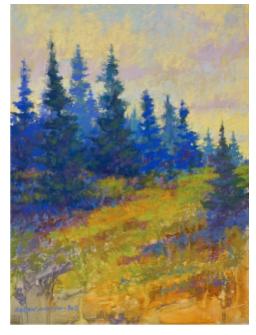
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To The Steps by Andrew Anderson-Bell Demonstrator December 9



Island Hillside

Landscape Painting With Pastels

Andrew Anderson-Bell
December 9, 7:30pm - Guild Hall

First Congregational Church, Sanborn Street, Reading, MA

BIOGRAPHY

Working in my studio from memory, sketches and/or photographs provides me an intuitive

process to create a heightened sense of place that keeps me from getting bogged down in details while promoting a more imaginative response to nature's change in mood and color. I offer the viewer a meditative space to contemplate the grandeur of nature and reinforce the notion that even the most solitary and tranquil moments have significance.

The demonstration will show how I create a landscape painting in pastel. I will use a photograph as reference material. First I make a preliminary sketch followed by an under painting. Then I build the painting with applications of pastel pigment.

The President's Message

Hello everyone -

I hope that you are finding interests, and working more of your talents because of the RAA events that you see useful.

Thank you for all of your emails! I feel that we've been moving in a good direction, adding more things and bringing you the best we can, but your kind acknowledgements gives us gratitude in knowing that you like our progress. We will continue to keep this evolutionary ball rolling!

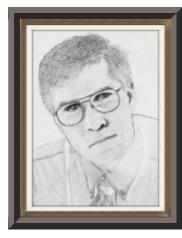
Some of you have been asking about Workshops. We have been looking at doing some and have good basics in place, but there are still some logistics to straighten out. Let's just say they are due soon!

I know some have mentioned about the pleine-aire day trips and have given some excellent advice and locations. As more of the notices go out I am sure that we will get more attendees. I believe we have our "Christmas in Rockport" trip coming this December 6. Yes, they are now on Sundays, from 12 noon to 3:00PM. I know you should get some nice work done at that trip!

The RAA board wants you to know that we care for our organization. That means you! And your participation is more than welcomed in everything we do. You pay to be on the membership, so get everything out of it that you can!

By the way, get those Exhibition Applications in so you can show off your works and maybe win a ribbon!

Bests - Joe





Ilseboro Farm Acrylic by Lou Doto

Autumn Exhibit and Sale

November 13, 14, 15, 2015

The Reading Art Association Autumn Show returns the weekend of Nov. 13-15 with artwork of over 90 artist members representing surrounding towns and cities.

The show will be held at the Congregational Church, 25 Sanborn Street in Reading, side door, on Friday,

November 13, 2015 from 7:30 PM – 9:30 PM, Saturday, November 14, 2015 from 10:00 – 4:00, and Sunday, November 15, 2015 from 12:30 – 3:30 PM.

The Friday night show will open with a reception, refreshments and music by Lucinda Elert on the piano. Lucinda is a Reading musician.

Maryellen Stone has generously donated a lovely, photographic print for the raffle. Raffle tickets are \$1.00 each. The winner will be drawn on Sunday afternoon. You do not need to be present Sunday to win the painting.

Original works of framed art, mini-art, unframed artwork and hand painted note cards will be on display and able to be purchased throughout the weekend.

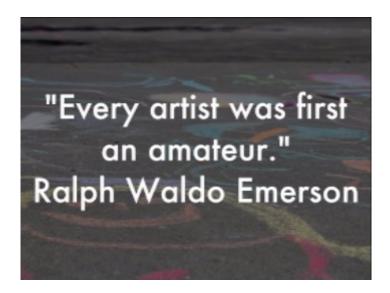
Kudos to RAA Members

Jeannette Corbett won Best of Show at the Topsfield Fair, congratulations. She also has exhibits at the Lynnfield Library through November and Periwinkles Restaurant in Essex.



Sandy W. Kirby won 2nd place ribbon for an acrylic painting, "*Almost Home*", at the Peabody International Festival 2015, congratulations. Sandy also won the "People's Choice" ribbon & citation for "Winter's Glow", acrylic painting entered in annual MVES Sr Art show in Malden.

Susan McFarlane had two pieces accepted to New England Mormon Art Show The show is November 7, 6:30-9:30pm, 150 Brown St, Weston, MA 02493. A portion of the sales from this show go to student scholarships. The show and sale is also offered on-line this year; mormon-art-show.myshopify.com.



Reading Art Calendar 2015/2016

RAA meetings are held in the Guild Hall of the First Congregational Church of Reading starting at 7:30 PM. It is located at 25 Wobum Street, Reading, MA, but the access to Guild Hall is on Sanbom Street.

From the Center it is behind Reading Town Hall.

Sanbom Street, a one-way street going from Lowell Street (Rt. 129) to Wobum St.

Reading is located North of Boston at the intersection of I-93 and I-95/128. Reading center is easily accessible at the crossroads of Rt. 129, Lowell Street, and Rt. 28, Main Street.

RAA Members are admitted free. Others are asked for a small donation. Membership is only \$25 annually. Please visit the RAA website above.

November 13, 14 and 15 2015

RAA Fall Art Exhibition http://www.ReadingArt.org

December 9, 2015

Andrew Anderson-Bell Pastel Landscape Demo http://anderson-bellstudio.com

February 10, 2016

Susan Spellman Oil Painting Demo http://www.spellmancollection.com

March 9, 2016

Steven Lush Watercolor Maine Scene Demo http://stevenlushart.com

April 13, 2016

Don Ouellette Watercolor Landscape Demo http://donouellette.com

May 6, 7, and 8, 2016

RAA Spring Art Exhibition http://www.ReadingArt.org

Please join us to enjoy all these, and other wonderful, educational, fun, events!

GHAA CALENDAR

http://www.haverhillartassociation.org

November & December
GHAA Exhibit at the Haverhill Public Library
November 8
(2:30 - 4:30) Public Reception at HPL

2nd and 4th Saturdays of every month

<u>9 AM - noon</u> GHAA sponsored workshops feature a clothed model and a still life setup, in the hall behind the First Church of Christ, 10 Church Street, Bradford, MA. A \$5 donation is requested and appreciated. For more information call <u>978-682-5602</u>.

Artists Mark Hayden and Joan Rademacher mentor; Mimi Johnson monitors.

Note: There will be no workshop November 14 because of a church event.

Subject to change: check the website or Facebook for the latest information.

- The Haverhill Art Market continues, announcing Fall and Holiday shopping dates: October 24 and November 14 (12 5) and December 5 and 9 (12 6). High quality artists in various media are invited to apply for this juried marketplace, held at 90 Washington Street (next to The Tap) in downtown Haverhill. For more information or an application, go to http://haverhillartmarket.blogspot.com/
- The Newburyport Art Association (NAA) announces a Request for Qualifications and Request for Proposals for a sculptural installation on the façade of its 1795 historic building that is NAA headquarters, at 65 Water Street Newburyport, MA. Artists, members and non-members, are invited to forward their proposal and qualifications for this exciting public arts project. More information, RFQ and RFP can be found here, NAA Facade Competition Call for Proposals.
- NEER North (New England Equine Rescue) is asking artists to contribute goods or services for their fund-raising auction November 7. This local non-profit organization has found homes for 80 horses since

2010. For more info about their work and the upcoming auction, visit www.neernorth.org.

- The 10th Annual **Wine and Art at Veasey Park** is <u>Saturday</u>, <u>November 7 (6-9 PM)</u> Park in Groveland; for information and registration visit <u>www.veaseypark.org</u>. There is no entry fee, and all artists are welcome to participate.
- Newburyport Art Association (<u>newburyportart.org</u>) offers Life Drawing (nude model) every Wednesday evening 7-9:30 (\$10, \$8 for NAA members). Each session has quick gestural drawing as well as 20 minute poses. The NAA also offers various classes. For the schedule visit <u>www.newburyportart.org</u>.
- Shoe Town Art Center offers Life Drawing in Haverhill, every other Monday evening. Contact Emily Lawrence-Boulger at 978-973-6199 or info@shoetownartcenter.com

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