

MIXED MEDIA

Reading Art Association
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November - December 2017

Watercolor Floral Demonstration

Dustan Knight

Wednesday, December 13, 2017 at 7:30 P.M.

Guild Hall, First Congregational Church (middle side door), Sanborn Street, Reading

Our demonstrator for December is Dustan Knight. Dustan Knight is a professional artist (MFA / Pratt Institute & MA / Boston University in Art History.)

Dustan paints flamboyant watercolor florals, which begin as very abstract shapes. Her paintings are loose impressions of her feelings and perceptions of nature, and yet they are definitely floral compositions. Most images are developed on site in her garden or around her island home and transformed in the studio to large scale, intensely colored semi abstract paintings. Lyrical movement and elegant composition are a signature of Dustan's artwork

You can see some of Dustan's work on her web site: dustanknight.com

Fall Show Ribbon Winners

Best of Show Category

Fred Peters "Sleigh Ride" - Watercolor

Oil Category

1st Place Judy Greulich "Abby"

2nd Place Jeannette Corbett

"Garden Among the Wildflowers"

3rd Place Walter Osterberg "Prickly Pear Cactus"

Acrylic Category

1st Place Pamela Fiske "Sylvan Brook"

2nd Place Sandy Pendergast "Sandra"

3rd Place Florence Como "Gloucester Sloop"

Mixed Media Category

1st Place Rick Corbett "Pride & Joy"

2nd Place Judith Spurr "Smooch for a Pooch"

3rd Place Carolyn Page Doherty

"Winter at the Quarry"

Photography Category

1st Place Bruce White "Winter's Field & Stream"

2nd Place Philip Hermann "Cape Poge Lighthouse"

3rd Place Monica Carroll

"Bushes Outside of Market Basket"

Watercolor Category

1st Place Mary Remillong "First Color"

2nd Place Ruth Clarke "Self Portrait"

3rd Place Dori Pope "October Pathway"

Award of Excellence

Maria Vagianos "Nicky" - Mixed Media

Katalin Spang "Venice Colors" - Oil

Kendra Cooper "Sea Turn-Castle Island" - Photo

Mary Saija Award

Holly Popeo "Fall Sky" - Oil

Popular Award

Eleanor Nigro-Merrill "Reading's Holiday Greeting"
- Acrylic

Fall Art Exhibit Nov. 10, 11,12, 2017

To our membership,

I would like to express my thanks to all who, once again, came and helped to put together another beautiful and successful art show. Reading Art continues to be an enjoyable venue for artists and art lovers alike to attend yearly.

There are very many jobs that are required to do for an exhibit of our size; and I do so appreciate your enthusiasm and willingness to come and give of your time to make this event happen.

Your involvement in the exhibits help to strengthen Reading Art and fulfill our commitment to share the gift of art with the community. We look forward to a 60 year celebration for our Spring Exhibit and hope to make that another beautiful and memorable art show.

With many thanks,
Grace Cherwek, exhibits chair

President's Message

After another successful exhibition, I continue to be in awe with all of the beautiful masterpieces submitted by the members of Reading Art Association. As we approach 60 years as an organization, I look forward to continuing to work with all of you to promote art in the community and to keep the history and tradition set forth by our founding members alive and well into the future. Here is to another 60 years!!!

Rick

Letter from the editor

Greetings, membership. Mixed Media depends on you for sending us news about events and shows. While the board tries to keep up on current events in the art community, there are few of us and many things to look at. Hence, we depend on you to help us out.

How can you help? Send us information about your

shows and classes and events. We can be reached by sending an email to:

webmaster@ReadingArt.org

or call one of the officers on the Calendar and listed at the bottom of the newsletter. Let us know what is going on so we can tell the rest of the membership what you have been up to.

The Mixed Media newsletter is published bi-monthly in issues that cover the activities for the following months.

- September - October
- November - December
- January - February
- March-April
- May - June

Brian,
Your Mixed Media editor.

RAA 60th Anniversary

In 2018 RAA will be celebrating the 60th anniversary of the founding of Reading Art Association. We are planning on having a celebration in the Spring. The details have not been finalized yet, so I can't tell you exactly what we will do.

Stop by a board meeting and bring along your ideas of what we should do to celebrate our Diamond anniversary. The next meeting of the board is December 13 at 6:30 PM, one hour before the start of the demo.

Happenings...

Meet and Sketch

There is a new group meeting at the Reading Public Library every couple of weeks. This is an informal get-together to sit and sketch and yak. There is no need to sign up; simply drop by the Innovation Studio and join in. The next dates for meetings are:

- December 5th
- December 19th
- January 9th

- January 23rd
- February 6th
- February 20th

Because we hold the meetings in the library, we must abide by the library rules, which mean dry media only. No wet paints. Get the details on the RAA web site:

<http://www.readingart.org/notices.shtml>

Deadline for next Mixed Media

The next issue of Mixed Media will cover January and February of 2018. The issue will be published in early January since we have no activities in January to report, and that allows us to publish it after the holiday rush is over. So I am setting the deadline for the January - February issue to Friday, January 5th.

Email news to

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or send using the US Post Office to

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RAA Board Meetings

The RAA board meets at 6:30 on the night of each demonstration. At the board meetings, we plan for future events and do the normal business that is necessary to keep RAA going forward. Come to the meetings and join in; RAA is your organization.

All members are welcome to attend the board meetings. Members in good standing are allowed to vote for officers at our annual meeting, but only the board members are allowed to vote on issues.

People Doings....

Carolyn Latanision

Carolyn was awarded the Winifred Jackman Hibbard Memorial Award for Excellence in Watercolor at the Rockport Art Association in August.

She was also awarded the National Watercolor Society Purchase Award with Silver Star & Southwest Art Magazine Award at the National Watercolor Society International Exhibition in (San Pedro, CA).

The National Watercolor society award was the top award in the international exhibit!

Congratulations, Carolyn!

In November and December, Carolyn is exhibiting at the Whistler House Museum of Art Fall Juried Exhibition 2107.

MACA

Speaking of Carolyn, she will be the demonstrator at the Melrose Arts and Cultural Association (MACA) in the The Milano Center, 201 West Foster St., Melrose MA. The demonstration is Wednesday, Dec. 6th at 7 P.M.

Mimi Dee

Mimi is now showing two of her paintings at the Andover Historical Society "Places" Juried Art Show.

- "Tree - Phillips" - inspired by the many beautiful trees on campus.
- "Vibrant View from the Addison" - as seen from the top steps of the Phillips Addison Gallery of American Art Museum

The show is open from September 9th through December 22nd at 97 Main Street, Andover, MA. More information is available at

www.andoverhistorical.org/Places

Brian Kimerer

Brian has just finished teaching a drawing class at the Reading Public Library in October. The classes were focused on techniques to improve basic drawing skills.

Brian has also been doing demonstrations of his Pen and Ink techniques in various venues.

Jeannette Corbett

In October, Jeannette taught a workshop at the Reading Public Library on the technique of **Tonalism**. Tonalism is a technique wherein you paint the canvas with an overall tone, then remove the high key portions using a rag or paper towel. After the basic composition has been established using the rubout technique, you go back in and finish the details.

A good time was had by all.

Teaching Opportunities....

The Reading Public Library is looking for local artists to provide demonstrations and classes as part of the library programs. The library will provide the necessary supplies for workshops, and they do the setup and marketing for the programs. This is a good opportunity for you to get some visibility, and it is loads of fun.

From the Webmaster...

Did you know that RAA has a very active web site? After each demonstration, show, and dinner meeting the web site is updated with photographs of the event.

From the web site you can download the RAA schedule, exhibition forms and information, the annual Program Brochure, and many other things. We also post notices of events that are happening in some of our sister organizations.

We have a gallery of art works done by our members and submitted to be displayed on the web site. To view the gallery, go to the main page, and click on the button that says "**The Gallery**". You can cycle through the images by clicking on them, or scroll through the thumbnails at the bottom.

If you have images that you would like to display in the gallery, send to the webmaster and they will be posted.

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So stop by the web site:

and check out what is going on in your organization.

Don't have a computer?.....

Try the Reading Public Library. The new library has loads of computers that you can use. Just stop by and give it a go. You don't even have to sign in with a library card. The library has lots of parking and is fully handicap accessible.

Don't know how to use a computer?....

If you are having trouble figuring out how to get online and what to do after you do get online, ask a librarian. They are eager to help.

Remaining Events for 2017 - 2018

We have a number of events remaining during this season. Here is the list.

December 13, 2017 Watercolor Floral
.....Dustan Knight

February 21, 2018 Pastel Landscape
.....Lisa Rigopolous

March 14, 2018 Watercolor Architecture
.....Frank Constantino

April 11, 2018 Oil on Paper
..... Debra Claffey

May 4, 5 & 6, 2018 Spring Exhibit & Sale

Please note that we no longer have a demonstration in January.

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