

MIXED MEDIA

Reading Art Association
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September - October 2024 September Demonstration

Rick Corbett

Wednesday, September 11, 2024 at 7:30 P.M.

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

Rick will do a demonstration of his hyper-realistic graphite pencil technique.

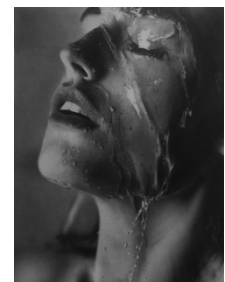
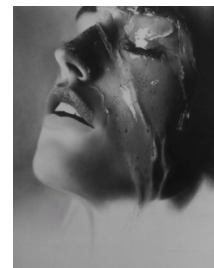
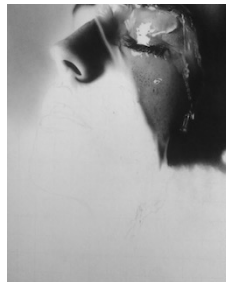
Rick is a 2020 graduate of the Academy of Realist Art in Boston Masters Program. Often skipping school, Rick spent hours upon hours studying the Old Masters at the local library. He would sit for hours, copying their works in pencil over and over and over again - Degas, Monet, Leonardo became his “friends and family”, to him they were all he knew. It wasn’t until he saw Albrecht Durer’s illustration of a “Young Hare”, it was at that moment, he knew he wanted to be a realistic artist.

You can see some of Rick's work at his website:

<https://corbettfineart.com/>

You can also see more at his blog.

<https://rickcorbettart.blogspot.com/>



October Demonstration

Mary Rose O'Connell

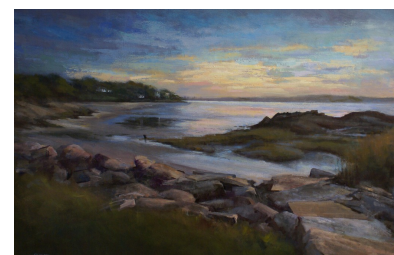
Wednesday, October 9, 2024 at 7:30 P.M.

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

Mary will be doing a Gouache demonstration.

Mary Rose O’Connell, a lifelong resident of Massachusetts, is a classically trained artist working in several genres. She is primarily an oil painter with concentrations in portrait, landscape, marine and still life paintings. Her paintings and commission works are done in both oil and acrylic with a wide variety of options from gallery wrap to gilded framing. In pursuit of her artistic training Mary Rose had many years of formal training in the Boston School tradition. Mary Rose’s work shows the benefit of a strong grounding in draftsmanship and design. This style of painting is done in natural light and is influenced by the beautiful colors of the Impressionists.

<https://www.oconnellfineart.com/>



President's Message

Hi Everyone,

I hope you all had a wonderful Summer; even though there were extremely hot days and some stormy/rainy days, I hope you were able to do some creative and fun projects.

I am excited for the upcoming season. To kick off our 24/25 season, yours truly will be doing a demonstration in hyperrealistic drawing techniques on September 11th at 7:30pm. I'll also be touching upon AI and how it can be helpful in the use of reference photos. Please see our website at www.readingart.org for all of our upcoming demonstrations throughout the year.

Our Fall Exhibit will be Friday, November 8th from 7:30 - 9:30pm and Saturday, November 9th from 10:00 - 3:00pm. Check in will be Thursday, November 7th, from 4:00 - 6:00 pm. No one will be allowed to enter after 6:00 pm. All artwork must be prepared to be exhibited and properly labeled at time of check-in.

We have some committee and Board member openings. Becoming a Board member or being a Committee chair is a great way to not only help Reading Art grow, it's also a great way to give back and be a part of something special.

We are still in dire need of volunteers to help us with setting up and breaking down the exhibits, in the Fall and in the Spring.

If anyone would like to know more about the volunteer opportunities we have available, please see myself, Rosie Palmer, Lou Doto, Brian Kimerer, and Holly Popeo or please join us at our Board meetings prior to the demos.

As I begin my 6th year as President of Reading Art Association, I just want to say THANK YOU for allowing me to continue and I am truly Honored to serve as President and Treasurer. Reading Art Association continues to thrive on its rich history and traditions because of YOU, our members.

If anyone has any questions or issues, please contact me at 617-997-3422 or email me at

readingartassociation@gmail.com

-Rick

Event Schedule for 2024-2025 Season

Welcome to the 2024 - 2025 season. Here is the list of events that we have planned for the new season.

September 11, 2024

Graphite Pencil.....Rick Corbett

October 9, 2024

Gouache.....Mary Rose O'Connell

November 8 & 9, 2024

Fall Exhibit & Sale

December, 2024

No Demonstration

January, 2025

No Demonstration

February 12, 2025

Oil Landscape.....Traci Thayne Corbett

March 12, 2025

Pastel Floral.....Loren A. Doucette

April 9, 2025

Pastel Landscape.....Andrew Anderson-Bell

May 2 & 3, 2025

Spring Exhibit & Sale

June (Date to be announced)

Annual Dinner Meeting

As always, the program is available on the website, and we will be sending out reminders shortly before they happen.

We Need Volunteers

Reading Art Association is being run by only a few intrepid individuals. Many of us are doubled-up and even tripled-up on roles. It is a lot of work for few hands. As these few people get older, it becomes more difficult for us to continue putting on the

programs that RAA is known for. We are in danger of losing the association from lack of participation by the membership. We need people to step up and chair some of these activities. Here are some of the key positions that are currently filled by just five people.

- President
- Treasurer
- Secretary
- Mixed Media Newsletter Editor
- Spring Exhibit Chair
- Fall Exhibit Chair
- Programs Chair
- Publicity Chair
- Hospitality

At this time, some of these positions have to be filled by others. Please give some thought to volunteering as a chair or at least helping out with the setup and/or takedown of the shows.

We Have A New Email address

You can now contact us at our new email address:

ReadingArtAssociation@gmail.com

People Doings...

Whitelam Bookstore Display

Jeannette Corbett

Jeanette had a painting in the Whitelam Bookstore in June



Elena Cronin

Elena had a painting hanging in the Whitelam Bookstore in July.



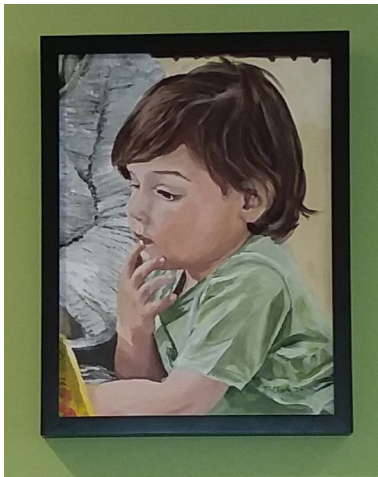
Rob Marcellino

Rob had a painting hanging in the Whitelam Bookstore in August.



Ruth Clark

Ruth has a painting hanging in the Whitelam Bookstore in September



Opportunities...

Greater Haverhill Art Association

Here is a preview of the GHAA schedule

- September 4 NEW deadline Haverhill Library Show
- September 9 (3-7) NEW drop-off Haverhill Library Show
- September-October Member Show at Haverhill Library
- September 7 (9-3) Art Festival Bradford Common
- September 22 (2-4) Altered Books demo with Dael Angelico-Hart
- September 27 (5 PM) Deadline Nominations of officers
- September 28 (9-12) Saturday Workshop
- October 12 (9-12) Saturday Workshop
- October 22 (1-2)) Annual Members Meeting/ Elections
- October 22 (2-4) Portrait Demo with Mark Hayden
- October 26 (9-12) Saturday Workshop
- October 27 (3-5) Pick-up Haverhill Library
- October 27 (3:30-5:30) Pick-up Penacook Place

"Our workshops are held 9-12 on the 2nd and 4th Saturdays of each month in the hall behind the First Church of Christ on Bradford Common. All ages, all levels, all mediums are welcome. Drop in - no registration required. Work on portraiture (live model provided) or still life (setup provided). A \$5 contribution is requested and appreciated. We ask that masks be worn and social distances be observed."

"Mark Hayden, a Copley Master and art teacher,

circulates and offers guidance one-on-one, without pressure. Set up your easel, work at a table, on your lap, or on the floor. Young and old enjoy the camaraderie and support of fellow artists. Bring your own materials; chairs and tables are available."

First Church of Christ (on Bradford Common)
10 Church Street Haverhill, MA

www.haverhillartassociation.org

Tewksbury Library Exhibit

The Tewksbury Library shows are back. All shows will be up for approximately 2 months give or take a few days.

The remaining themes for 2024 is show below

Sep 17 - Nov 26 Theme: Awash In Color
Nov 26 - Jan 28 Theme: It's All About the White

For more information, contact Betsy Grecoe at bgrecoe@gmail.com. More information is available at their facebook page.

<https://www.facebook.com/TewksburyCommunityOfArtists>

Whitelam Bookstore Display

We still have openings for paintings to hang in the Whitelam Bookstore, so let us know if you want to be put on the schedule to display your painting.

bkimerer@gmail.com

Happenings...

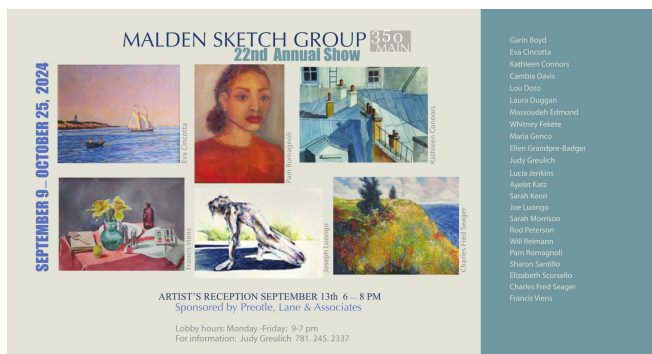
Malden Sketch Group Exhibit

The Twentieth-Second Annual Malden Sketch Group Exhibit will be on display at 350 MAIN in Malden beginning September 9, 2024. Sponsored by Preotle Lane & Associates, the exhibit will run until October 25th during lobby hours Monday through Friday 9-7

pm. An artists' reception will be held Friday, September 13, 2024, from 6-8 pm in the lobby.

Twenty-three artists, current members of Malden Sketch Group from many surrounding communities, are represented in the 350 MAIN exhibit. Their work includes paintings, drawings, collage and etchings. Art collectors, this is an opportunity to purchase some beautiful art featuring the local scene.

The Malden Sketch Group is one of the longest-running life drawing groups in the Boston area. The group consists of full-time professional artists all the way to enthusiastic beginners. No instruction is given, but an atmosphere of support and encouragement prevails. A \$10 model fee is collected each session. For info contact Judy.Greulich@comcast.net; 781-245-2337



using PayPal. You do not have to have a PayPal account, you can do a one-time payment using your credit card.

readingart.org

You can pay your dues by check by sending them to:

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Deadline for next Mixed Media

The next issue of Mixed Media will cover November and December of 2024. The issue will be published in early November so that we can include the winners of the Fall show ribbons. The deadline for the November/December issue is therefore Friday, November 1. Email news to

webmaster@ReadingArt.org

or send using the US Post Office to

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Regarding Dues for 2024/2025

Reading Art Association is collecting dues again. Dues are now \$30 per year.

Important Note

Dues are now due on the anniversary of your most recent payment.

In recent years, we had returned to the system of having everyone pay dues in September, However, our treasurer has decided to go back to the system of making dues due on the anniversary of your most recent payment. So if you last paid your dues in November, your next dues come due in November, of the following year, not in September

You can now pay your dues online at the website

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