

April 2024 Newsletter



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Bringing you the latest news & opportunities!

The Manchester Artists Association meets on the first Monday of every month from September Through May inclusive EXCEPT if the first Monday of the month falls on a holiday. In that case, the meeting will be held on the following Monday. Meetings are at 7 PM at the Michael Briggs Public Safety Building located at 406 Valley Street in Manchester NH 03103. Meetings are free and open to the public. All members are always welcome to attend Board meetings.

April Meeting: Monday April 1; Board Meeting: Tuesday April 16

March Artists of the Month

Jim Wong - Bedford Library

Rollande Rousselle - Days Jewelers

Terry DesRosiers - Creative Framing

Howard Muscott - Saint Mary's Bank

Noella Breault - Triangle Credit

Joe Sweeney - Triangle Credit

Anthony Williams - City of Manchester Health Dept.



AOTM UPDATE:

Please bring your painting to your assigned location on Tuesday or Wednesday immediately following the Monday monthly meeting. and plan to leave it there for the entire month. Of course, if it sells or if you need to remove it for another show, you may replace it with another one of your own paintings. Outgoing AOTMs please remove your paintings on the Monday of the meeting, if possible, so the easel will be free for the incoming AOTM.

If you know of a good location that might be willing to host an easel, please let Paul know!

If you can, please take a picture of your artwork on display to share in the newsletter

Member Exhibit NEWS

Sharon Allen & Jim O'Donnell have paintings at Main Street Gallery in North Conway. **Sharon** Also has a painting at Lane House Art Center in Hampton Thru 3/30



Photo of **Judy Gelin**'s beautiful pastel exhibit at the Bedford Public Library

Your copy should address 3 key questions: Who am I writing for (audience)? Why should they care (benefit)? What do I want them to do (call-to-action)?

Create a great offer by adding words like "free," "personalized," "complimentary," or "customized." A sense of urgency often helps readers take action, so consider inserting phrases like "for a limited time only" or "only 7 remaining!"

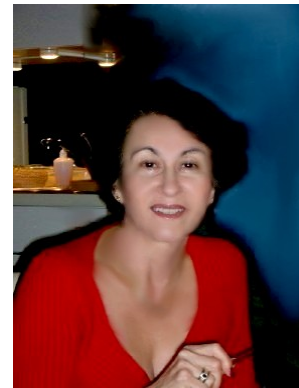


Treasurer's Report

Per Board discussion, for security purposes the Treasurer's Report will no longer appear in our very public newsletter. A copy can be provided to you on request.

April Presenter: Monique Sakellarios

Artist Monique Sakellarios creates original oil paintings of landscapes, gardens, and market scenes in the impressionist style. She studied at the Leonardo Da Vinci School of Art, and the American University, both in Cairo, Egypt. Monique exhibits in national competitions and has won numerous awards for her oil paintings. She is a juried member of the Rockport Art Association, the New Hampshire Art Association, a Signature Member of the National Oil and Acrylic Painters Society, and a **Signature Member of Oil Painters of America**. Monique's paintings may be seen in several galleries throughout the US. In addition, Monique has an impressive list of corporate clients.



Artist of the Year (AOTY):

ALL nominations must be turned in by the end of the April 1 meeting. Ballots will be created from the submitted nomination forms. Forms were in last month's newsletter & are again included this month. You can print your **nomination form here**. Again, please keep in mind that Artist of the Year is not simply about the quality of someone's work, or how many times someone has entered or won Artist of the Month.

The Artist of the Year is the member who has been most valuable to the organization, helping to keep it alive & functioning, stepping up to help wherever needed. Keeping the organization alive & vibrant requires a lot of behind the scenes work including everything from serving on committees to helping to sell raffle tickets, or books from our library, to bringing friends to the meetings, to helping to arrange & hang shows, to helping to finding additional AOTM locations ... there are, literally, dozens of ways to volunteer! So nominate the person who you see as being a valuable asset to MAA. Also remember that your nomination will need to be more than just a name, but will need a paragraph or two on WHY you think that person should be Artist of The Year.

Ballots will be in the May Newsletter & voting will take place at the May Meeting. Winner to be announced and awarded at our June gathering.

It's Election Time Again!

We can probably agree that our current Officers, Board, & other Committee Chairs have done an outstanding job of keeping MAA up & running pretty well this year, but the time has come, as it does every year, to nominate a slate of Officers & Board members. A nomination form is included in this newsletter and it lists those currently in each position. You may nominate yourself or anyone else that you think would do a good job,

or nominate the person already filling the position. You can print out the form & bring it to the April meeting , or mail it to the PO Box if you wish to nominate early. Nomination forms will be collected at the April meeting and voting will take place at the MAY meeting. Please sign your nomination form before handing it in. You can [get the printable form here](#).



NHPleinAir Artists will celebrate its 20th birthday on July 19, 2024!

We meet to paint weekly, year round (indoors in Winter or in bad weather). Membership has always been FREE & car pooling to locations is always possible. You can [request membership here](#)

Art Opportunites (click links)

- **Creative Ventures Gallery** in Milford has new classes and exhibit opportunities. For all the latest news: **click here to visit the website**
- Call for Artists for the Children's Museum of NH July-Nov Gallery Show. **Click here for Prospectus**
- Current exhibitions at The Currier: <https://currier.org/exhibitions/>.
- **MAA Audubon Center Exhibit "Harvest of Arts" 8/30-11/2** [Registration HERE](#)
- [NH Arts E-Opps](#)
- [NH Art Association Art Around Town Newsletter](#)
- **Union Coffee Company, Milford** contact David Cianci, Head Roaster/Senior Partner via email to express interest. david@unioncoffee.co or 603-566-2616.
- Weekly Plein Air Painting with NHPleinAir Artists (see above)
- **Art on the Wall at City Hall: Sign up link**

For Future Newsletters & Programs:

Please send your news to Sharon at PleinAirGal@gmail.com This can be ANY news you want to share with the MAA members including shows that you're in, exhibit opportunities, receptions, Awards, new websites, birth announcements - whatever news you have to share!

Who or What would you like to see as presentations at monthly meetings? Painting demos (what mediums or styles)? Art history? Color theory? Sculpture? Photo Manipulation? Balloon animals? Website Building? Are there past presenters you'd like us to invite back again? Howard promises to make a survey questionnaire but in the meantime please send your suggestions to Howard at hmuscott@gmail.com

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