Oil Painting Demonstration by Daniel Whiteknact

Tuesday, May 13th at 6:45 - 8:45 pm Endicott Estate, 656 East Street in Dedham

Dear Members and Guests,

We are pleased to host Daniel Whiteknact who will give an oil painting demonstration. The meeting begins at 6:45 pm. Non-members are invited to participate by signing up on our website under Events. There's no charge for members, and guests are asked for a \$5 Community Fund donation.

— Julie Cordonnier, newsletter editor

Daniel WhiteknactOil Painter



Daniel has been trained in the Boston School tradition with a clear and established link to the past masters. This method showcases painting the truth in natural light. He has certainly benefited from the history,

training, skills, and scholarship of these masters,

who have inspired him and made a great impact on the kind of painter he has become.

Daniel paints only in natural light and tries to uphold the same spirit of the late 19th and early 20th century painters, avoiding working from photographs, seeking truth by painting contemporary representational art. "Capturing beauty in this manner is our contribution to humanity, and a legacy worth preserving. I believe it is my duty to celebrate and showcase this marvelous tradition so that we bring excitement and joy to future generations of painters, collectors, and admirers."



Pemigewasset River
Oil on Linen by Daniel Whiteknact

Artist of the Month Martha Dowd



I was very lucky to grow up in a family who loved the arts and nature. We spent lots of time visiting museums and by the shore. In elementary school, my mom brought me to Saturday morning art classes, even though she had

five other children at home.

I got a BFA from the Museum School, where I studied drawing, painting, silkscreen and metals. I loved every minute there!

Busy years followed, raising a family and working as a preschool aide.

But printmaking and a combination of printmaking/collage/drawing have been a consistent interest.
Courses with Gracia Dayton, Anne Nydam and Annie Silverman have been very helpful and inspiring. I love the prints of Elizabeth Catlett and LaToya Hobbs.

My husband and family are my muses. I am drawn to scenes from every day life. We spend a few weeks every summer hiking in Acadia and I find it incredibly inspiring as well.

Art is very important to me. How grateful I am to have the time and opportunity to pursue it!



Dinnertime 1961 Collage by Martha Dowd

Shining Star Volunteer



Barbara creates our name badges for meetings and every month adds new members. Thanks to Barbara for helping us get to know each other and remind us of members' names! And, she really appreciates it when we return our badges at the end of each meeting for use the next time around!



Spring Members' Exhibit Opening Reception



All are invited to the Opening Reception, Art Talk, and Awards Ceremony at the Westwood Library, 660 High Street, Westwood, from 6 - 7:30pm on Wednesday, May 7th.

Prizes will be awarded to 1st, 2nd, 3rd place, and Honorable Mentions will be recognized. Judy Metcalfe, will jury our Spring Members' Exhibit. A People's Choice award will be presented at the end of the exhibit.

Reminders:

May 1st: Registered exhibitors, please drop off your artwork between 12:00 noon and 1:00 p.m — we don't want any drop ins like last spring. Make sure back of artwork is labeled with Name and Artwork Title. You can print out a label from your ArtCall entry. Please make sure you check in your artwork with Dedham Art Association and not the librarians — there is no early drop off. Please make arrangements to have your artwork dropped off by a friend or one of our volunteers if needed. A waiver needs to be signed by whoever drops off artwork.

May 7: 6:00 - 7:30 pm: Opening Reception, Awards Ceremony and Art Talk by Judy Metcalfe, juror for the exhibit and professional watercolorist at the Westwood Library. Open to the public.

May 31: Pick up artwork from 10am - 11am

Questions: Contact Barbara Sawin at DedhamArtAssociation@gmail.com

Dedham Art Association's 2025 Spring Members' Exhibit Juror and Art Talk Presenter Judy Metcalfe



Judy Metcalfe is a local artist living in Rockport,
Massachusetts. She has exhibited paintings from New England down through the Mid-

Atlantic states, from Boston's Newbury Street to the Salmagundi Club and National Arts Club in New York City. Her paintings are part of national and international collections and have been featured in art books and magazines such as: Watercolor Magazine, American Artist Magazine, and Best of America Watermedia.

"My goal in painting is not to slavishly duplicate life or reproduce a photographic image, but to heighten reality. I manipulate the reality I observe. I add and discard elements within the composition in order to create movement and balance Softening the focus in some places and in other places making it more complex in ways that will ultimately enhance and intensify the viewer's emotional response. My favorite paintings are the ones in which I have been able to suggest a backstory but have left it to the viewer to imagine the narrative for themselves."

As a child she started taking art lessons at the age of nine. For 25 years she worked as an Architectural & Interior Designer before taking early retirement and moving north to the coast of Massachusetts where she was finally able to pursue painting full time.

Judy earned her BFA in Fine Art at Virginia
Commonwealth University. She is a signature
member of the American Watercolor Society, New
England Watercolor Society, Hudson Valley Art
Association, and National Association of Women
Artists. She is an artist member of Rockport Art
Association, Connecticut Academy of Fine Art,
Academic Artists Association, and past president of
North Shore Arts Association.



It's All About One Flower
Watercolor, by Judy Metcalfe

Mark Your Calendar for our June Soirée

Tuesday, June 3rd at 6:45 pm at Mother Brook Arts and Community Center

Members and guests are invited to our year-end celebration on Tuesday, June 3rd. (NOTE: this is the first Tuesday of the month.) We will meet at a different venue, Mother Brook Arts and Community Center (MBACC) for this specific meeting. Please join us as we review the highlights of the year during the Annual Meeting. Socialize with other members and view the evening's art exhibit.

Mother Brook Arts and Community Center (MBACC) is located at 123 High Street in Dedham. We will gather in this larger space for our end-of-the-year gala. The auditorium is handicap-accessible from the parking at the rear of the building. Our featured artists will be you! Members are invited to bring ONE artwork, either framed or unframed, any medium and any size to be displayed at MBACC. Sketchbooks and 3-D artwork or crafts are fine for this. There will be celebratory refreshments to go along with time for socializing and viewing this show and tell. Plan ahead to wear fancy hats and/dress and mingle with members and guests.



June Soirée 2024

Plein Air Outings – Paint Outdoors with Friends



Thanks to several volunteers we have trips lined up spring through fall for painters of any mediums. If you've wanted to try plein air and didn't want to

go it alone, please join us!

Open to Members \$5 and Guests \$10. Sign up online on our website under "Events" for the first May 10th outing. The rest of the dates will be added for sign up soon.

There is no instruction. Bring your own materials and lunch or snack. We meet up at the beginning and have a friendly show and tell at the end of each session. Carpools are encouraged.

Questions: email

DedhamArtAssociation@gmail.com

Fees: \$5 for Members; \$10 for non-members

Time: 9:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.

Saturday May 10: Bradley Estate, Canton, MA.

Mark Richards, Coordinator

Saturday June 21: Rocky Woods, Medfield, MA.

Mark Richards, Coordinator

Saturday, August 2: Needham home along the Charles River. Eiblis Goldings, Coordinator

Saturday, August 23: Medfield State Hospital by the Charles River. Mark Richards, Coordinator

September: details to come. Alex Cullen,

Coordinator

Friday, October 17: Dedham home along the Charles River. Bruce Bauman, Coordinator

Mark Your Calendar!

Thursday, May 1: Board Meeting, 10 a.m. (open to all members.) St. Paul's Church, Dedham, MA

Wednesday, May 7: Opening Reception, Spring Members' Exhibit with Art Talk and Awards Presentation by Judy Metcalfe, juror

Monthly meeting - Tuesday, May 13: Daniel Whiteknact, Oil demonstration

Saturday, May 17: Plein Air Workshop with Nancy Howell, Scituate, MA. The workshop is full; to be added to the waitlist send an email to DedhamArtAssociation@gmail.com

Through end of May: Joan Onofrey's Solo Exhibit at Dedham Senior Center

Tuesday, June 3: June Soirée

Annual Meeting, members' show and tell, and social gathering at the Mother Brook Arts and Community Center. NOTE: first Tuesday of the month instead of second Tuesday

July and August: Summer break from meetings

July 23: DAA Free Hands-On Art for Children and Small Works Display at Outdoor Summer Concert at Endicott

September 9: First meeting of the new art year; 2025-2025 membership renewals due

Recap of Critique Night with Susan Lynn and John Caggiano

Members and guests showed their artwork to Professional artists Susan Lynn and John Caggiano on May 8th. Susan and John gave a meaningful critique of each piece. Thank you, Susan and John for an enjoyable and educational evening! To view the critiques, click here.



Recap of Photography Workshop at the Senior Center

Kerry Hawkins and **Jonathan Ralton** taught a workshop at the Ames Senior Center titled, "Photography Fundamentals with your Smart Phone." The workshop was co-sponsored by the Senior Center and Dedham Art Association.



Members' News

Mark Richards will be exhibiting his artwork at his home studio and Gail Hansen and Naomi Wilsey will be exhibiting at Naomi's house as part of Needham Open Studios 2025, May 3 & 4 from 11 am – 4 pm. To view the online map:

www.needhamopenstudios.com/map

Richard Pepp is in a two-person exhibit "Roslindale in Paint" at the Gallery of the Roslindale Branch of the Boston Public Library at 4246 Washington St. The exhibit is on view through May 30, 2025. The opening reception is on May 8th from 5 - 7 pm.

Welcome New Member!

Please welcome our new member: Flora Su

Artist Resources

Class / Workshop proposals

Mother Brook Arts & Community Center in Dedham is looking for class or workshop proposals from instructors for adults, youth, and/or teens across all mediums. Professional artists are invited to propose a class or workshop here. Questions: Erin Becker, Director: erinbecker@motherbrookarts.org

Two Day Workshop with Mark Shasha

Painting the New England Coast with Mark Shasha on 6/21-6/22. Go to markshasha.com for more information.

Life Drawing Class

This Spring, Mother Brook Arts & Community Center is launching weekly, drop-in life drawing sessions in our classroom space. Attendees will draw from life. Click here for more information.

Call for Art

The Town of Franklin's Department of Arts, Culture, and the Creative Economy is inviting visual artists working in all mediums to apply for opportunities to display their work in municipal buildings throughout Franklin. Learn more and apply: Call for Visual Artists

Call for Solo Exhibit

If you are interested in a solo exhibit at the Westwood Library in the gallery, please contact Molly MacDougald mmacdougald@minlib.net at the library if you would like to be considered.