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# NEWSLETTER

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"Happy Family" by Yahong Shen

## November Demonstration

The Chelmsford Art Society is featuring Yahong Shen who will demonstrate Chinese Brush Painting. This traditional Chinese



"Grapes" by Yahong Shen

painting gets its unique style by using ink, rice paper, and calligraphic writing skills. "Poetic sentiments, picturesque language... painting in poetry, and poetry in painting" these are some common sayings on the affinity between painting and poetry. In other words, a painting must have a soul, and the soul is the artist's original conception.

Ms. Shen received her Doctorate of Design degree at the Graduate School of Design, Harvard University. She has made Chinese brush painting her passion for years. Her artwork has appeared in solo and group exhibits in Boston, Wellesley, Chelmsford, MA and Sorrento, Maine. She has given many demonstrations in the New England area including a recent demonstration and class at the Chelmsford Library.

The Chelmsford Art Society will meet on Tuesday, November 27, 2007, at 7:00 PM at the Old Town Hall, 1 North Road, Chelmsford, MA.

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## A Night of Wine and Art

The 2<sup>nd</sup> combined *Harrington's Liquor Wine Tasting* and *CAS Silent Art Auction* took place November 1<sup>st</sup>. Despite the fact that there were half as many wine tasters as last year's event, the art was a welcome addition. Four pieces of artwork sold by David Fingerhut, Sandy Galloway, Tom Gill, and Brenda Slattery (pieces circled on photo insert).

Congratulations to you and all whose work was jurored into the show!

One patron stopped by the CAS table asking how it works. We explained that he could pick out his favorite artwork and he could bid on it. He declared, "This is cool!"

Thank you AGAIN to all who helped out at the event as well as all who submitted artwork! If you missed it, please consider being a part next year. Help to make this a regular event that people will come to, expect, and plan for each year! [More photos and thanks on back of insert.](#)

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## Mark Your CALENDAR—Member Library Show is Coming!

Don't miss your chance to appear on the 2009 CAS Calendar. Bring your artwork and the enclosed form to the library on Sat, Dec 1, 10 11 AM for this juried show. You can bring up to 3 pieces of artwork. All art work will be hung (space permitting). Only one per artist can be chosen to appear in the calendar. The winners will be announced during the opening reception on Saturday, Dec 8, 2 4 PM. This is open to CAS members only. Not a member, well sign up to become a member when you bring your artwork on Dec 1.

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**Publicity Needed!** CAS Board is looking for a marketing person for all our events. If this sounds like something you'd like to try, please call Claire Gagnon at 978.957.5058.



An interested patron looks at the art on display at this year's Silent Art Auction at the Radisson hotel. [MORE photos on the back of the insert.](#)

# HAPPENINGS

Helen Moriarty

"Lowell Quilt Festival" will air in Chelmsford TeleMedia on Channel 8, Thursdays at 7:30 PM and Saturdays at 8 PM, throughout the month of November, 2007. I visit two venues of the Quilt Festival. One at the *Whistler House Museum* and another at the *Brush Gallery* where I interview some quilt knowledgeable people and enjoy the quilts.

On the *Message Board* of the Channel 8, Chelmsford Cable TV, can be seen a *Mini Art Show* featuring Chinese Brush Paintings by Yahong Shen. She will be demonstrating this Chinese painting style at the November 27, 2007 meeting.

Lowell Cable TV, Channel 8 will be showing the "Lowell Quilt Festival" on Wednesday, 5PM and Friday, 5:30 PM.

Billerica Access TV, Channel 8 will be showing various "Happenings" programs on Monday 4 PM and Friday 1 PM

# NEWSWORTHY



Rita Thompson's "Furnished Rooms No. 1"

Rita Thompson's "Furnished Rooms No. 1" has been accepted in the Whistler House Museum *Juried Members Show*. Show dates Nov. 8 thru Dec. 31. Reception: Saturday Nov. 10.

**Congratulations! Robin Martell** sold 14 pieces of artwork and 15 mixed media art cards at her September exhibit, *An Artist's Rorschach*, at Summer Place.

**The 6<sup>th</sup> Annual Art Exhibit— Art at the Library.** Come, participate, support, and enjoy the Arts in the community! Show and sale of original paintings, photography, prints, and cards until Saturday, November 10 at the Nevins Memorial Library, 305 Broadway – RT 28, Methuen, MA [www.artsinstitute.org](http://www.artsinstitute.org)

**Far and Away** an exhibit of recent paintings by Debra Bretton Robinson Nov. 1-30, 2007 at Starbucks Coffee, 60 Bedford St., Lexington, MA Reception: Nov. 10<sup>th</sup>, 6:30-8:30pm



Deb Bretton Robinson paintings

**DeAnne Thorn** is shown below at her wonderful show at Summer Place. She displays her creative art work including some which featured her sprayed backgrounds.



Photographed by Helen Moriarty

**The Annual All High School Art Major Show** will be held in the *Parsons Gallery* from November 3<sup>rd</sup> to the 18<sup>th</sup>. Located at the Lexington Arts & Crafts Society facility at 130 Waltham Street in Lexington, the High School Art Majors Show highlights the work of local High School students interested in pursuing a career in the arts. For more info call 781-862-9636 or visit [www.lexingtonma.org/LACS](http://www.lexingtonma.org/LACS)

**Watercolor Collage Workshop** Saturday, November 17 from 10 AM to 3 PM. East Colony's feature artist Bill Earnshaw will conduct a hands-on workshop to teach his unique technique for creating delightful watercolor/collage paintings. Space is limited - please sign up soon to ensure your place in this popular workshop offering. Fee: \$50. Please call East Colony's gallery at 603-621-7400 to sign up. Please contact Bill directly if you have questions at: 603-472-3866 or e-mail [bnle04@yahoo.com](mailto:bnle04@yahoo.com). East Colony Fine Art is at 55 South Commercial St. in Manchester, NH.

**Beginner and Open (4 hr.) Encaustic Workshops** with Tracy Spadafora are offered at her 20 Vernon St. Somerville location on the following dates: Nov. 9, 10, Dec. 7, or 8. For more information call Tracy at 617-484-0160 or email [spad4@charter.net](mailto:spad4@charter.net).



## 2007-2008 CAS Board Members

(front-back, left-right) Gopika Narula, Claire Gagnon, Kathy Clericuzio, Helen Moriarty, Pat Burns, Karen Tarr, Mary O'Connell, Deb Bretton-Robinson, Jim Rainville, Trina Teele, John Giannino, Eileen Byrne

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Claire Gagnon "Red Barn, Kennebunkport"

**Claire Gagnon received first place award** in the acrylic category with her painting "Red Barn, Kennebunkport" during the *6<sup>th</sup> Annual Exhibit and Sale Art at the Library*. The 10 day show runs through Nov. 10 at the Nevins Library in Methuen. **Congratulations as well to Robin Martell** for winning honorable mention at that same show for her "Snow Bank" in the mixed media category.

**Whistler House Museum of Art Annual Member's Exhibit**

November 8 to December 31.  
*Reception, Saturday, November 10<sup>th</sup>* from 2 to 4 PM A diverse representation of Whistler House Museum of Art's artist/member's work including oil, watercolor, sculpture, mixed media, photography, monoprint and more. For more info visit [www.whistlerhouse.org](http://www.whistlerhouse.org).

**How To Submit Your Work To Galleries**

A Demonstration for painters, weavers, sculptors, jewelry-makers...any artist preparing their work for submission to galleries. Tuesday, November 13, 2007 7:30 to 9:30pm For more information and directions please call: 781-862-9696 or visit [www.lexingtonma.org/LACS](http://www.lexingtonma.org/LACS)

**Holiday Marketplace** November 30-December 23. Ceramics, Needle Arts, Metalworkers, Decorative ARTs, Weavers, Polymer-Clay, Painters, Basketry, Woodworkers at the Parson's Gallery and Plummer Studio in Lexington. For more information and directions please call: 781-862-9696 or visit [www.lexingtonma.org/LACS](http://www.lexingtonma.org/LACS)

**An artisan fair** on December 8 and 9 is open to all at *Gallery One at the Mill House*, 5 Pine Street Extension, No. 6 Mill Annex, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor Nashua, New Hampshire 03060, 603-883-0603.

**Wednesday AFTERNOON Paint** Please join us on Wednesday afternoons at the Old Town Hall from 12:30-3:30PM for an informal painting session. We have a lot of fun and enjoy learning about each others painting styles. This is a great way to get to know each other and share! *Questions, please call Helen Moriarty 978-251-3971.*

**CALL FOR ART**

**CAS Members' Library Show** at the Chelmsford Public Library. The December exhibit is special this year because paintings will be chosen from this show to be used for a 2009 calendar. This calendar will be sold at the 4<sup>th</sup> of July Festival 2008 to celebrate our 40<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the 4<sup>th</sup> of July Festival.

*Library hanging* 10-11 AM  
 December 1, 2007, Sat.  
*Reception at Library* 2-4 PM  
 December 8, 2007, Sat.  
*Pick up and Sign out at Library Desk*  
 December 27-29, Thur. 9-9 PM,  
 Fri. & Sat. 9-5 PM

**Photography – NO FEE** Alexia Foundation Grant – Proposal Rec'd Dec 1 2007-Jan 16 2008, \$15,000 for production of a proposed project. No formal application. Send proposal. Mission: to further cultural understanding and world peace. For information, go to web site [www.alexiafoundation.org](http://www.alexiafoundation.org), or send email to DCSuther@syr.edu.

**Contemporary American Self-Portraiture – NO FEE** Show is Jan 30-Feb 20. Send 1-5 images (slides or 300dpi digital images) with list, statement, bio, SASE to Jennifer Reis, Gallery Director, at [j.reis@moreheadstate.edu](mailto:j.reis@moreheadstate.edu). Send email for complete mailing address.

**CAS Membership Books** Please call our Membership Board representative, John Giannino at 978-663-0709 or email [gianninojr@aol.com](mailto:gianninojr@aol.com), if you have not received your membership book.

**Newsletter delivery** issues should be made known to our Membership Board representative, John Giannino, call 978-663-0709 or email [gianninojr@aol.com](mailto:gianninojr@aol.com)

*Newsletter Submissions. Send your news to Trina Teele at [teele.design@comcast.net](mailto:teele.design@comcast.net) or call 978-244-0410. The Newsletter should come out the second week of each month throughout the CAS year (excepting summer) so plan accordingly. Submission Deadline: last day of the month.*

**IN THE GALLERY**

Mary E. O'Connell

**The Summer Place**

20 Summer Street  
 December – David Fingerhut  
 January – Bob Frank  
 February – available  
 March – Paula Mingoelli  
 April – Claire Gagnon  
 May – Leslie Russell

**The Town Offices**

50 Billerica Road  
 November – Helen Moriarty,  
 Margo Kelly, George Rainville,  
 John Giannino, Elaine Seidell,  
 and Rita Thompson  
 December & January – Rec. Dept.  
 February – available

*Consider showing your work!  
 Please contact Mary E. O'Connell,  
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Photographs by Gopika Narula

Sandy Galloway, Jenn Heater, Deb Bretton-Robinson, Helen Moriarty, Marie Marchand



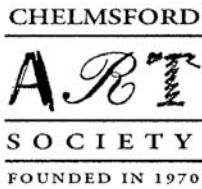
Photograph by Elaine Seidel

Helen Moriarty, Claire Gagnon, Gopika Narula, Sandy Galloway, Deb Bretton-Robinson, Brenda Slattery, Marie Marchand

**More Photos and Thanks from the Silent Art Auction**

Thank you also to the volunteers who make it possible: Sandy Galloway, Jen Heater, Heidi Jackson, Marie Marchand, Helen Moriarty, Gopika Narula, Deb Robinson, Brenda Slattery, and Trina Teele. Without the help from these volunteers, it would not be possible to have such a great event.

Special thanks to The Art Room and Picture Frame who let us borrow their easels for the evening, and most especially to Harrington Liquor who invited us to display our artwork again this year.



Application for

# Chelmsford Library Holiday Show - Dec 2007 & Jan 2008

Receiving, Saturday, December 1, 2007, 10 to 11 am

Opening Reception, Saturday, December 8, 2007, 2 to 4 pm

We are excited about the up coming Chelmsford Library Show in Dec. & Jan. All work submitted will be accepted. The show will also be juried to select artwork that will appear in a CAS 2009 Art calendar. The winners will be announced during the Opening Reception. The CAS Art calendar will be produced to celebrate the 40<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Fourth of July Art Festival and be for sale at the 4<sup>th</sup> of July.

### Eligibility

To be eligible, you must be a member of the Chelmsford Art Society (CAS membership dues paid for year 2007/2008). The CAS accepts two-dimensional artwork (max 3 pieces per member). The art work must be original, properly framed, with a wire on the back (no saw tooth or clips). The CAS reserves the right to refuse any artwork.

### Receiving

Saturday, December 1, 2007, 10 to 11 am, at the Chelmsford Library. Make sure to bring your artwork by 11 am to facilitate the work by our juror.

### Jury

Saturday, December 1, 2007, at 11 am. All work will be accepted in the show, but certain artworks will be selected to appear in the 2009 CAS calendar.

### Opening Reception

Saturday, December 8, 2007, 2 to 4 pm, at the Chelmsford Library. The winners will be announced during the reception. Enjoy the music, light refreshments, and celebrate the Holiday!

### Pick up of Artwork

Sign out your work at the library desk on Tuesday, Jan. 29, Wednesday Jan. 30 and Thursday Jan. 31.

### NO Entry Fee – Event is FREE for CAS Members

### Commission

The artist receives 80% of the selling price and the remaining 20% goes to the CAS.

For information, visit our web site at [www.chelmsfordartsociety.com/](http://www.chelmsfordartsociety.com/) or contact Claire Gagnon at 978-957-5058 or at [creativartist@aol.com](mailto:creativartist@aol.com).

<p>Name _____</p> <p>Address1 _____</p> <p>Address2 _____</p> <p>City _____ State _____ Zip _____</p> <p>Phone _____</p> <p>Email _____</p> <p>I understand that the Chelmsford Art Society, and the CAS Board Members, and the Chelmsford Library are not liable for any loss or damages sustained by participation in this event. Permission for the organizer to photograph artwork entered in the event and make it appear in the 2009 CAS calendar is assumed by completion of registration.</p> <p>I have read and agree to the above terms.</p> <p>_____ Signature</p> <p>_____ Date</p>	<p>Title _____</p> <p>Medium _____</p> <p>Size _____ Price _____</p> <p>Title _____</p> <p>Medium _____</p> <p>Size _____ Price _____</p> <p>Title _____</p> <p>Medium _____</p> <p>Size _____ Price _____</p>
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# CAS EVENTS

November 27, 2007  
**Yahong Shen –  
Chinese Brush Painting**

December 8, 2007, Sat.  
**Member Library Show  
Chelmsford Library**

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Reception at Library 2-4 PM • December 8, 2007, Sat.  
Pick up & Sign out at Library Desk • (Tuesday-  
Thursday) January 29, 30, 31, 9-9 PM*

January 29, 2008  
**Monique Sakellarios –  
Critique and Marketing Concerns**

February 26, 2008  
**Nita Casey – Oil Painting**

March 25, 2008  
**Bernie Petruzzello –  
Charcoal Drawing**

April 29, 2008  
**Noredin Morgan –  
Digital Drawing**

May 17, 2008 Sat.  
**Art on the Common**  
*Chelmsford Common.*  
*Rain Location: Old Town Hall*

May 27, 2008  
**Mini Painting Workshop**



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