



Photo courtesy Ku-chuan Hsiao

Winter 2017

A Word from the President

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Greetings Art Lovers!

Wow...what an exciting past few weeks we've gone through! I hope Spring will come soon to renew and refresh our palettes with inspirational images to share with our artistic community!

Over the Winter we had a wonderful turnout for our members exhibit at the Chelmsford Library. A tremendous Thank You to Kate-Lynn Coraccio for her graphics and marketing talents, and for the Library's sponsorship of the musical entertainment by pianist Ernie Woessner. Also, thanks to the members and guests who made donations to our "Food from the HeARTs" program that benefits the Chelmsford Food Pantry, it is very much appreciated.

Another big thank you to Dave Drinon for stepping up as a fantastic last minute substitution for Maris Platais, who was unable to present his painting demo. Dave's easygoing, off-the-cuff style made his beautiful seascape seem so effortless (but we all know better!). All who attended Dave's presentation that day gave him a glowing review! We hope to reschedule Maris' demo at the end of May.

Just a friendly reminder: CAS dues should be renewed by April 1st. We appreciate that you choose to support the Chelmsford Art Society so that we may continue to bring the community more fantastic demo's and lectures; provide scholarships to our local teens continuing their Art studies in college; and just covering the day-to-day expenses that we incur on a regular basis.

Please contact us if you can share your computer or web design skills with us, or if you are available to volunteer at our events and meetings, even for just a couple of hours. As they say, "It takes a (creative) village..."

And, many thanks to our dedicated Board Members, we couldn't keep the CAS going without you!

Think Spring! And Keep Creating!

Roberta Witts

IMPORTANT NOTICE!

Please pay your dues during the month of March. Your membership is valid through March 31st; dues are due April 1st of each year. The address and form are attached to this newsletter.

November & January Demonstrations

Mary Woodward presented a lecture about "The Gilded World of Isabella Stewart Gardner" at the Chelmsford Library in November. Mary, an Art Historian, spoke about the life of Boston's arts patroness that typified the lives of many of the wealthy and cultured Americans who lived during the Gilded Age of American history. Mary's illustrated talk included fascinating details of Isabella Stewart Gardner's life, such as her friends, travels and art collections.

Dave Drinon Maris Platais unfortunately was not available as scheduled for the January demo, but happily, Dave Drinon agreed to step in! Dave, a very popular local artist often works en plein air, sometimes at the seashore and sometimes around Lowell. For the past two and a half years, he was the Artist-In-Residence at the Whistler House Museum of Art in Lowell. He demonstrated oil painting, and his approach to starting a painting.

See page 6 for how to view "Seascape by David Drinon" on Cable TV or internet (Happenings with Helen Moriarty).



Arizona Sunset Photo and Article by Sue Trepaney

"Monday at 7:05am the Arizona sky in early February was a splash of color - bright, saturated pinks, yellow and purple created by Nature with a hand that dipped itself in color and wouldn't stop until it reflected on my mother's home, yard and patio—all glowed that morning when I saw a reflection that compelled me to grab my camera, and snap this photograph. When I commented on the sky, my mother's neighbor, Dennis, said 'Yes in Arizona the sun comes up and it goes down and is quite colorful!' When my mom moved to Arizona, she said she loved 'the Arizona sky as it seemed to go on forever'. As artists, we are aware of the beauty that surrounds us, but sometimes it is so overwhelming, one has to write about it!"



Dave Drinon & Roberta Witts at the January CAS demo



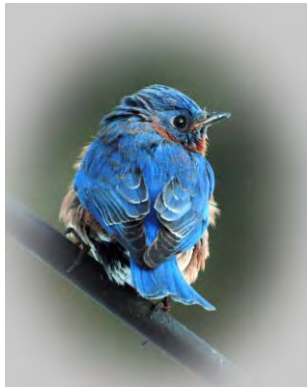
Oil painting started and completed in just two hours! by Dave Drinon during the CAS January demo

"Painting is easy when you don't know how, but very difficult when you do."
- Edgar Degas

Member News

The Summer Place

20 Summer Street, Chelmsford



Ku-chuan Hsiao's photographs are now on display at The Summer Place.

The Summer Place is always free to visit and open to the public daily.



Esther Donlon was accepted as a Signature member of the Rhode Island Watercolor Society (RIWS) towards the end of 2016. To become a Signature member, an artist needs to be juried into three National/Regional level competitions hosted by the RIWS. The RIWS was founded in 1896 and is one of the oldest watercolor organizations in the United States. They currently have over 300 members at various levels.

RIWS is having an exhibit for new members Jan. 22 – Feb. 24. An Opening Reception was held on Sunday Jan. 22 at the RIWS Gallery, Slater Memorial Park, 831 Armistice Blvd, Pawtucket, RI. Esther has 4 paintings in the exhibit.



Members Exhibit On Saturday, January 14, a Reception was held at the Chelmsford Library for the artists exhibiting their work in the CAS Winter Exhibition. There were refreshments and live music, and many people brought food to be donated to the Chelmsford Food Pantry.

Member News (cont'd)



Kathy Clericuzio's latest colored pencil drawing, "Emergence" was recently showcased on the Strathmore Artists Paper Facebook page, along with other talented artists. What an honor!

Kathy is currently President of the Colored Pencil Society of America (CPSA) District Chapter 112 New England. The Chapter has been meeting at the Billerica Public Library, 15 Concord Rd/3A, Billerica, MA. Their next meeting is Sat., Feb.18, 2017, from 12:00-3:00PM, in the lower level meeting room. All levels of colored pencil artists are welcome! The group will share any work they have completed or are currently working on with the participants. You must first be a member of CPSA to join the chapter. For more information about CPSA, visit www.cpsa.org

Picture Yourself!

17 Central Square, Chelmsford

Donna Hediger will have a selection of paintings on display at Picture Yourself! from mid-February through March.



*Peter Kostoulakos

Peter Kostoulakos is a fine artist, art conservator, and art consultant. He writes articles pertaining to art business, materials, art history, etc. (see sidebar) that he distributes via email. If you are interested in receiving these emails, contact Peter at peter@pkart.com or sign up online: <http://www.pkart.com/> Some recent article topics were: "This 100-Year-Old Dutch Movement Shaped Web Design Today"; "Souza's lawyers were the only ones who made money from his estate"; and "Should Galleries Get 50% on Commissioned Art Projects?"

Basic Care of Paintings

by Peter Kostoulakos*

- Look for structural changes: cracking, flaking, lifting, etc.
- Dust weekly with a soft badger or sable brush.
- Never dust a painting that is not structurally sound.
- Keep temperature and humidity constant: 65 - 70 degrees F and 45% - 55% relative humidity.
- Keep paintings away from radiators, heaters, humidifiers, direct light, fireplace, air conditioners, etc.
- Do not store art in a cellar or attic unless climate controlled.
- Do not store near furnace, boiler, hot water tank, etc.
- Use two hands when carrying a small painting - one hand gripping the side of the frame and the other gripping the bottom of the frame.
- Large paintings should never be handled alone - two or more people are required.
- Bare hands and fingers should not come in contact with the surface of a painting - pressure and body oils will do damage.
- Inspect frame and wall hardware at least once a year.
- Remove dust from back of frame and painting annually.
- Never transport in extreme hot or cold conditions.



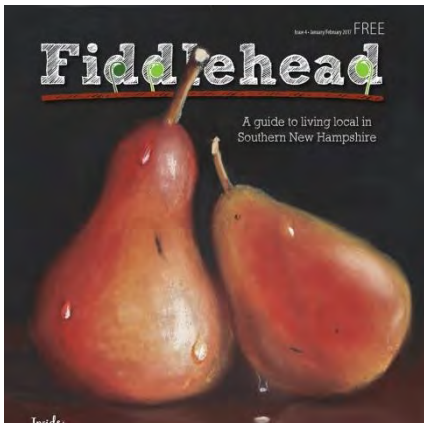
“Do Come In”
by **Rita Thompson**
in the Portals Exhibit
at the CCA

Picture Yourself!

17 Central Square, Chelmsford



Nan Quintin is shown here in front of her display of *Home for the Holidays* paintings exhibited at Picture Yourself!



Member News (cont'd)

The Gallery at the Chelmsford Center for the Arts

The “Portals” Exhibit currently at The Gallery in the Chelmsford Center for the Arts features a wide variety of media interpreting the doorways theme. This exhibit is on display until Sun., March 19, 2017. The Gallery is open to visitors each Saturday and Sunday from 1:00-4:00 pm.

Open Studios at the Chelmsford Center for the Arts “Second Saturdays”, from 1:00-4:00 pm. Stop in and visit the workspaces of resident artists **Donna Berger**, **Trina Teele**, and **Rita Thompson**.

Check the CCA web site for news and upcoming events:
<http://www.chelmsfordarts.org>

Whitty Gallery, Hollis NH

Wild Salamander Creative Arts Center
30 Ash Street, Hollis, NH
“Beauty and the Beast” Exhibit
William Turner and **Mary Ellen Brown**
Show Dates: February 10 - March 17
gallery@wildsalamander.com
603-465-9453.



The Summer Place

20 Summer Street, Chelmsford
Priti Lathia will have a selection of her paintings exhibited at The Summer Place from mid-February through March.

Western Avenue Studios

122 Western Avenue, Lowell
Visit artists in their workspaces during Open Studios on the “First Saturdays” of every month.

Loading Dock Gallery

The Loading Dock Gallery is open Wednesday through Saturday, 12 noon to 5:30 pm, Thursday evenings until 8:30 pm and Sunday 12 noon to 4 pm. For more information, call 978-656-1687 or visit www.theloadingdockgallery.com

The magazine cover art of the Jan/Feb issue of *Fiddlehead* is “Together Forever” by artist **Mary Ellen Brown** of Hudson NH.
Maryellenbrown-fineart.com

Fiddlehead magazine is a print & online publication with a focus on healthy lifestyles, farm-to-table restaurants, local farms, and the Buy Local movement. Check them out on Facebook!

“Happenings” – Demos on Cable TV

“Happenings with Helen Moriarty” To watch art demonstrations that are presented at our meetings and other programs, tune in to the Cable channels at the times listed below. You may also watch on your computer at any time. Just follow the starred directions below. Hope you enjoy the shows!

Helen Moriarty, Chelmsford TV Producer

Chelmsford Cable TV - Channel 8, Verizon - Channel 38

Monday 9:30 AM; Thursday 7:30 PM; Saturday 8:30 PM

Lowell Cable TV - Channel 8

Monday 10:00 AM

Billerica Cable TV - Channel 8

Monday 4:30 AM; 4:00 PM; Friday 1:00 PM

* To View Online: Some of the most recent "Happenings" may also be viewed on the website www.chelmsfordtv.org On the Home page, click on Watch - On Demand - Search - type in "Happenings" and Artist's Name – Hit Enter. You should get the Streaming show.

Opportunities

Volunteers are needed - You are needed! Please consider volunteering. There are many tasks involved in keeping the CAS an active and engaged community.

Some Volunteer Opportunities include:

At our Meetings – setup, greeter, raffle ticket sales (and procurement of raffle items), demonstrator's assistant, food service

At our Exhibits – setup, intake/registration, labelling, hanging, judge assistance, sales and more!

Other – Field Trip Coordinator, Volunteers Coordinator, Webmaster

Many opportunities exist! Contact Roberta Witts or Sue Trepaney.

Current Need: Hospitality Assistant

A “job-share” opportunity to help Ivana at meetings and to substitute when Ivana is not available. Contact Roberta or Ivana.

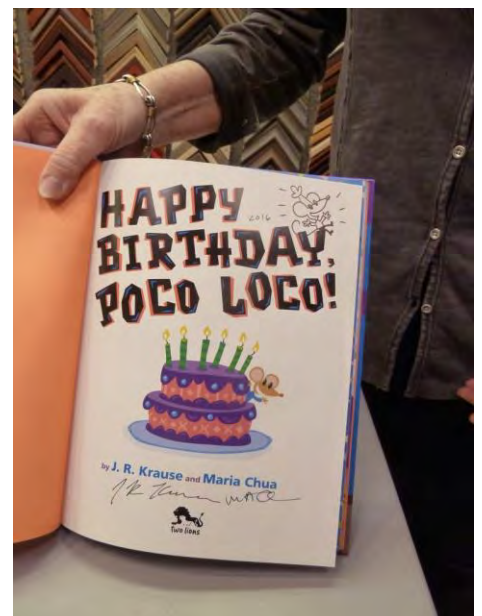
Current Need: Webmaster

The CAS is looking for a dedicated webmaster to keep our web site updated <http://www.chelmsfordartsociety.com> If interested, or if you know of someone who might be, contact Roberta Witts.

Happy Birthday Poco Loco!

This book was written by J. R. Krause and Maria Chua, a husband and wife team. J. R. Krause is from Chelmsford and has worked on The Simpsons TV show animation.

Signed books were donated to the Chelmsford Art Society by the authors. They are available in Roberta Witts' frame shop, Picture Yourself! and they sell for \$20.00 each; all proceeds go to the CAS.



February & March CAS Programs

Please note that the following programs will be held at the Chelmsford Center for the Arts, 1A North Rd, Chelmsford, MA.

See page 9 for a complete listing of CAS programs.

Peter Koutrouba, Pastel - Wed. Feb. 22, 2017 at 7 PM

The Chelmsford Art Society is presenting Peter Koutrouba, who will demonstrate pastel painting. Although he has extensive education in drafting, which can be detected in his works, he is a self-taught artist who uses many mediums. As a boy, he was always working in art. Now, as a 30-year Marine Veteran, he has painted scenes from across the globe.

Throughout his military career as a Marine Officer, he took advantage of photo and painting opportunities in the countries he served in or visited. The artist has worked with acrylics, watercolors, oils, and pastels with exemplary results.

His present themes range from San Diego, Japan, Italy, Greece, New England and Hawaii. On his website he features these varied subjects which can be purchased on the internet. A world traveler, Peter resides in Pepperell, Massachusetts and Ewa Beach, Oahu, Hawaii.

Mary Rose O'Connell, Oil - Wed. Mar. 29, 2017 at 7 PM

Mary Rose O'Connell, a lifelong resident of Massachusetts, is a classically trained artist working in various genres. She is primarily an oil painter with concentrations in landscape, portrait, pet and horse portraits, and still life painting.

Her paintings and commission works are done in both oil and acrylic with a wide variety of options from gallery wrap to gilded framing. The paintings are often done from life and may also be done from high quality photographs when desired.

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.

Looking Ahead: April & May Programs

Andrew Kusmin will talk about his book "Palette of Dreams" on Wed. April 26; **Maris Platais** will be presenting a demo on Wed. May 31; join us for a mini painting workshop and pizza party on Wed. May 10 (5:00-8:00) – bring your own supplies!



**Dragon Boats,
Waikiki Beach, Hawaii**
Pastel Painting by
Peter Koutrouba



**Along the Iron Fence,
Boston, MA**
Oil Painting by
Mary Rose O'Connell

Calls for Artists

Westford Regional Art Event

Parish Center for the Arts, 10 Lincoln St., Westford

March 31 – April 9

Online registration opens March 5; Deadline March 25;

Deliver artwork March 26 & 27.

For more info: http://westford.org/pca/?page_id=302

Gallery 529

529 King St., Littleton

"Inspired Blooms" is the current exhibit, until March 29.

Trina Teele has two paintings in this show!

"America" Let's focus on the positive! April 2-30, 2017

What is America to you? Is it the beautiful vistas of the National Parks? The diverse population? When you think of America, what comes to mind? Deadline March 28.

For more info: <http://gallery529.com/juried-shows/>

Picture Yourself!

17 Central Square, Chelmsford

If you would like to have your artwork featured at the Picture Yourself! frame shop in Chelmsford, contact Roberta Witts.

Thank You Hannaford Supermarket!

Hannaford Supermarket 66 Drum Hill Rd., Chelmsford is donating \$1.00 to the Chelmsford Art Society for every reusable tote bag that is bought in their store during the month of March!

Looking Ahead...49th Annual 4th of July Exhibit

The Chelmsford Art Society has started planning for our annual exhibit. This is our big event of the year and we need your help! Please start thinking about how you would like to help.

... and next year will be our **50th Annual 4th of July Exhibit!** This is a special occasion and we would like to celebrate it in a big way! If you have any memorabilia, or photos of CAS meetings, members, exhibits, etc. we would like to borrow them to create a scrapbook of the history of the Chelmsford Art Society. We are considering a party, an exhibit, and perhaps a special logo for this event.

Let us know if you have any ideas!

Next Newsletter: May 15, 2017

Please share your Art news with our members! Also, let us know if you know of any Calls for Artists, upcoming art events/ exhibits or artist opportunities in our area. The next newsletter will be published on May 15, 2017; deadline is May 8, 2017. Email news items and .jpgs to nan@nanquintin.com

Membership Information

Membership is open to anyone who lives in Chelmsford or its surrounding communities who is interested in the arts, produces artwork or is a supporter of the arts.

Members will receive the Members Directory, quarterly newsletters and notices of special events.

Fees are payable on a yearly basis and are due April 1st of each year. Membership is valid through March 31st regardless of the date dues were received.

Special CAS members-only discounts at Picture Yourself! Frame Shop and Gallery.

Membership fees are as follows:

Single \$25

Family \$40

Senior Citizen \$20 (60 and over)

Student \$20 (up to grade 12)

To join now, click this link to download the Membership Form:

http://www.chelmsfordartsociety.org/Application_for_membership_form.pdf

Download CAS brochure to learn more about membership:

<http://www.chelmsfordartsociety.org/MembershipBrochure.pdf>

Every time you renew your membership, check that all your information is updated!

Chelmsford Art Society Programs 2016 – 2017

Date & Time	Demonstration / Event	Location
Sept. 28, 2016 Wed. 7 PM	Tom Gill Acrylics	Chelmsford Center for the Arts, 1A North Rd.
Oct. 26, 2016 Wed. 7 PM	Mary Ellen Brown Pastel	Chelmsford Center for the Arts, 1A North Rd.
Nov. 30, 2016 Wed. 7 PM	Mary Woodward Lecture: "The Gilded World of Isabella Stewart Gardner"	*Chelmsford Library, 25 Boston Rd
Dec. 5, 2016 Mon. 5 - 7 PM <i>Snow Date: Dec. 7, Wed. 5 - 7 PM</i>	Holiday Member Show <i>Receiving</i>	*Chelmsford Library, 25 Boston Rd
Jan. 14, 2017 Sat. 2 - 4 PM	Holiday Member Show <i>Reception</i>	*Chelmsford Library, 25 Boston Rd
Jan. 19-21, 2017 Thurs. - Sat.	Holiday Member Show <i>Pick up & Sign out Artwork at Library Desk</i>	*Chelmsford Library, 25 Boston Rd
Jan. 21, 2017 Sat. 2 PM <i>Snow Date Jan. 22 Sun. 2 PM</i>	Dave Drinon** Oil	*Chelmsford Library, 25 Boston Road Chelmsford, MA
Feb. 22, 2017 Wed. 7 PM	Peter Koutrouba Pastel	Chelmsford Center for the Arts, 1A North Rd.
March 29, 2017 Wed. 7 PM	Mary Rose O'Connell Oil	Chelmsford Center for the Arts, 1A North Rd.
April 26, 2017 Wed. 7 PM	Andrew Kusmin Book Discussion	Chelmsford Center for the Arts, 1A North Rd.
May 10, 2017 Wed. 5-8 PM	Mini Paintings Workshop/ Pizza Party	Chelmsford Center for the Arts, 1A North Rd.
May 31, 2017 Wed. 7 PM	Maris Platais Acrylic	Chelmsford Center for the Arts, 1A North Rd.

Meetings are held at the Chelmsford Center for the Arts, 1A North Rd., Chelmsford, MA (unless otherwise noted*)

Most Programs start at 7:00 PM and all programs are free and open to the public.

**Dave Drinon substituted for Maris Platais.

Note schedule changes: Andrew Kusmin will talk about his book "Palette of Dreams" on Wed. April 26; Maris Platais will be presenting a demo on Wed. May 31; the Mini Painting Workshop previously scheduled for that date will be on Wed. May 10 from 5:00 to 8:00 (please bring your own supplies, pizza will be provided).

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Scholarship Information

The Chelmsford Art Society offers a scholarship annually to local teens continuing their Art studies in college.

Applications will be available in March; and interviews with students will be scheduled in April.

About the Chelmsford Art Society

All residents of Chelmsford, Massachusetts and its surrounding communities who have an interest in the arts and crafts are invited to become members of the Chelmsford Art Society.

Membership is open to any person who produces art or craftwork or has an active interest in the arts and crafts.

CAS meetings are held on the last Wednesday of the month at the Chelmsford Center for the Arts, September through May.

The CAS sponsors the 4th of July Art Show at the CCA which is a highlight of the Town of Chelmsford's 4th of July Celebrations.

The Chelmsford Art Society has many volunteer opportunities and depends entirely on the continued enthusiasm and involvement of its members.



Roberta Witts and Tom Christiano were judges at the WinterFest Photography Exhibit which was sponsored by the Chelmsford Cultural Council.



Application for membership to the
Chelmsford Art Society

Please print clearly

Date _____

New Membership

Name _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Phone _____

E-Mail _____

Website _____

Preferred media/style of interest:

Please add my email and URL to the CAS website

Please save paper and email me my newsletter!

Renewal of Membership

Name _____

Please update any personal information using the New Membership section.

Fees:

Make checks payable to Chelmsford Art Society

Single \$25 Family \$40

Senior (60+) \$20 Student \$20

Donation to the scholarship fund. \$ _____

Fees are due every April 1.

Bring application and fee to our monthly CAS meeting

(check dates for meetings on website or newsletter)

Or mail to:

Chelmsford Art Society

PO Box 401

Chelmsford, MA 01824

For more information, visit our website at
<http://www.chelmsfordartsociety.org/>

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