

# March 2023 President's Message

Things are moving forward but we will need YOU to step up and offer your talents if we are to continue "...encouraging the production, exhibition and sale of works of art by local and other artists...".

Who wants to help manage an exhibit space on Main Street in East Greenwich? We have an opportunity to show our work in a small lobby at 33 Main Street. The first works 5 artists' works will be hung soon, but after our initial showing, we will need help managing a changeover of artists every two months. This means not just hanging pieces, but selecting who will show work when, creating the process for intake and pickup, and creating labels and what should go on those labels. This means we need a team, even if only a pair, of members who will take on this task. If you would like see this space established, please send a message to <a href="mailto:info@eastgreenwithartclub.org">info@eastgreenwithartclub.org</a> indicating you are interested in managing this new exhibit space.

We are also awaiting a second opportunity for downtown East Greenwich exhibits. We will keep you posted, and if that opportunity becomes available, we will call for more volunteers!

Both of these initiatives have as a goal to make our club visible to the community and to work toward the establishment of a physical space in the future.

Meanwhile, regarding our charge to "...aid and contribute to the furtherance of artistic education among school children..."

We have worked to connect the East Greenwich School District art staff and students and the East Greenwich Recreation Department to refurbish the Town kiosks located in several key locations about town. If the suggested activities come to fruition, the kiosks will list town organizations, INCLUDING the East Greenwich Art Club, along with eye-catching graphics created by students working with their instructors at the High School. The goal is to have graphic posters developed by the end of the school year for use after that time.

Along with that is support for students wishing to learn how to hang an art exhibit. Ian Mohon will speak to interested students and work with several to set up a student art show at the East Greenwich Public Library in May. (Meanwhile, take note of OUR art exhibit in April!)

Regarding our charge **to arrange lectures and discussions on art**, please join us on March 7<sup>th</sup> to observe a master painter show us her techniques. Following soon after will be dual presentation by a GI JOE toy designer and the first woman to work designing exterior car designs for a major auto manufacturer. Together they will take us on a journey to the present where they continue to grow as artists even after they retired from their illustrious careers.

If these activities are not enough... check out our **three short workshops** coming up this spring. Then sign up for a Saturday adventure with friends as you can also continue your own growth as artists.

See you soon,

Dan

I have updated our web page. Please visit to keep informed of our latest news. http://eastgreenwichartclub.org



We meet on the first Tuesday of the month at 7:00, except for January, July and August at the

# United Methodist Church 1558 So. County Trail East Greenwich, RI

Snacks will be provided courtesy of these members:

Thank you to Ann Bianchi, Celeste Chute-Wright, Trish Marcarccio and Deb Calabro for signing up to provide Hospitality for the March meeting.

#### Officers and Committees

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### **About Town – Supporting Fellow Artists**

- . **Trish Marcaccio** was recently accepted into the Rhode Island Watercolor Society Exhibit "Spring Break". The exhibit will be online from February 25-March 24th.
- Save the Date April 15th 2023 Group Show SAVE the DATE

  Saturday April 15 2023 4-6pm at the Providence Art Club

  People, Places and Things
  is a group show with Susan Aitcheson,

is a group show with Susan Aitcheson, Judy Vilmain and Valerie Albert Weingard.

We will have new paintings and hope that you will join us at the Opening Reception. The show is from April 15th until May 5th 2023.



**Susan Aitcheson** 



Valerie Albert Weingard.



**Judy Vilmain** 

### **South County Art Association**

First place in our Paint, Print and Drawing exhibit goes to Mi Ok Song for her drawing titled "Plein Air". This exhibit will be on show until March 11. Gallery is open Wednesday-Sunday from 1-5pm.



. Beth Johnston will participate in one event and will also demonstrate encaustic techniques in a second event.

# Arts Worcester - Impact: Member Exhibit in collaboration with the Fitchburg Art Museum

February 25 - April 8, 2023

Artist's work will consider humanity's complex relationship with our environment, along with one of ten artworks on loan from the Fitchburg Art Museum.

https://artsworcester.org/

# Glastonbury Arts - "Waxing Creative" - Demonstration of Encaustic Techniques

March 11, 2023 1-3pm

I will cover basic materials and techniques used when creating an Encaustic painting including equipment options, supports, safety concerns, types of media, ways to create color and add accents. The process of layering wax, embedding paper, carving, and transferring images are just some of the techniques that will be demonstrated.

https://www.glastonburyarts.org/got-art

- . FOR ALL EGAC MEMBERS Our Spring Member Show will be at the East Greenwich Library:
  - . Hanging at EG Library on Saturday, April 1 from 10:00-1:00
  - . Take down is Saturday, April 29<sup>th</sup> from 10:00-2:00
- East Greenwich High School Student Show at the E.G. Library:
   Supported by the East Greenwich Art Club and the Senior High
   School CTE Art Program \*Dates and times to come.

### **Workshop Opportunity**

### **Spring Nests with Ann Bianchi**

Bird's nests and eggs highlight new life, weavings, and soothing oval subjects. A welcome to spring! They build and create their nests as an artist creates a work of art...carefully, not perfect, but with attention to details and each one an original! Surprise objects are often woven between the sticks and twigs, the bird's signature.

Choose your favorite drawing or painting materials and join us for this exciting "Spring Nests" workshop. Create with your favorite materials, or try new ones while enjoying perspective, depth, value, and highlights in your work. Ann will share information, demonstrations, and guidance to draw nests and eggs with limited or full color, in natural or contemporary hues. To begin the workshop, we'll first practice together in pencil, choose our photos or subjects, and create! Bring supplies including practice paper, firm surfaces (suggested 8 x 10 or 9x11 or 10 x 10) to create on and any materials you will need or a material fee of \$8 if workshop provides supplies.

Material Suggestions: Graphite Pencils, Colored Pencils, Oil Pastels, Acrylics, or mixed media.

Visual reference of a nest is helpful. Ann will also provide many and some actual nests.

Instructor: Ann E. Bianchi

Saturday, April 15

Location: East Greenwich Recreation Building, 1127 Frenchtown Road

9:00am-1:30pm

\$60 member/ \$70 nonmember

## **Important Membership Information**

#### Per our bylaws:

"Dues are payable on January 1 of each year and shall be considered in arrears unless received by the Financial Secretary by April

- 1. A member who does not resign and whose dues remain unpaid on April 1 shall be dropped from membership".
- 2. Please let us know if you have resigned and no longer wish to receive newsletters and to exhibit. If you intend to send dues to our Financial Secretary before April 1, please do so to continue your much needed support and to continue to receive newsletters and participate in our exhibits. If not, we will place you on an inactive list and stop sending any communication.