



**June 2019**

## Message from our President

This month's featured presenter is Dennis Lavarado a portrait artist who has painted hundreds of portraits of sports figures and celebrities. It has been a long time since we have featured a portratist, so we are happy to welcome Dennis. Please try to make the meeting to mingle with your fellow artists and enjoy the program. There are so many different kinds of art and so much to learn about the techniques and materials that are used - it boggles the mind.

Last month's presenter was a pleasure to watch and listen to. I think Howard would be a wonderful person to conduct a workshop for us. I will ask at the meeting for a show of hands as to how many of you would be interested in a workshop. I know that Howard is willing to come back. The church hall is not air conditioned so we should stay away from the months of July and August with the possibility of arranging something for late September or October. I will have more information about this at the meeting. If you are unable to attend the meeting you can email me if you are interested. Once I have enough interest I can proceed with the planning.

As usual, we are short-handed and need volunteers for various positions, including Presidency, Vice Presidency, Secretary, plus people to help on different committees: Art shows, Publicity, Programs, etc. Please let us know where your interests lie.

Please support Celeste Chute-Wright and Michele Lilly who have come forward to take on planning the Plein Air forays for us this year. It is something that has been talked about for a few years and we are fortunate to have these two women take on the task of getting it off the ground. It is a fun thing to do.....it isn't anything you have to commit to attending every session. You should put it on your Bucket List.

I will circulate a sign-up sheet for hospitality for September, October and November (as we do not meet in July and August).

If any of you have any new ideas, questions or comments on what we do or how we do it please feel free to contact either Nancy Moretti or me (Jeannine). We will be happy to hear from you.

## Announcement

Each year, the East Greenwich Art Club gives an award to a local art student. This \$1,000 award is based upon the quality of art work included in a portfolio that has been juried by the East Greenwich Art Club Scholarship Committee. The student must apply the scholarship money to advance his/her education next semester.

This year's winner, Teah Markstone of East Greenwich High School was recommended by her art teacher, Amanda Rogers, and Anna Sullivan of EGAC presented her with the scholarship money at the high school Awards Night on May 23. Join us on June 4 to meet Teah. She will share her marvelous work with our members. Thanks to the committee members – June Flori, Anna Sullivan and Joyce Neville.

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We meet at 7pm on the first  
Tuesday of month, except for July,  
August, & January at  
The First Baptist Church Hall,  
30 Pierce Street, East Greenwich,  
RI 02818

All are welcome!!!

Hospitality for the evening will be  
provided by Rosemarie Manson,  
Michele Lilly and Cynthia Bell.

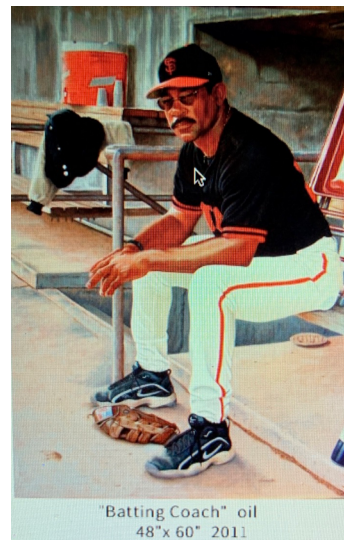
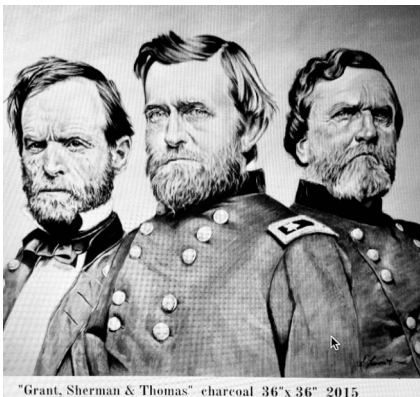
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Lavarato, a portrait artist.

## PRESENTER for JUNE: Dennis Lavorato

### Artist Statement

This is where I tell you about my life, all the schooling I've had and the jobs and commissions I've completed. So here goes, oh yes, this the short version. I attended SVA (the School of Visual Arts, NYC) and The Herbert Berghof Studios, NYC I have worked and have been commissioned by Corporations all over the US and Europe. Here's the short list. The Departments of Tourism and of State for the States of South Carolina, Massachusetts, Georgia, Illinois, Indiana, amongst many others. Cadbury Chocolate, Atlantic Records, Dell Books, A & S Co., to name a few. I was born and raised in Brooklyn, NY. I have Illustrated adolescent children's books "Sunny" and "David's War and David's Peace". I have been painting and drawing since I was 14 years old. "Love what you do, do what you love." That's what my Dad always said, so I took his advice, and there you have it. For the long version please e-mail me or call.

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## Opportunities for our Members: To Paint

From Celeste Chute-Wright:

If you enjoy painting outside there will be opportunities to paint en plein air with other members of EGAC. I am currently in the process of coordinating some dates/ times and locations for painting outside. I will be discussing this with the group of us at our next EGAC meeting. Suggestions are welcomed.

We will be having our **June Plein Air Session** in Pawtuxet Park from 10AM-1PM on Monday June 17th. The address for Pawtuxet Park is: 2 East View St. Warwick RI. We will be meeting by the white gazebo near the parking lot.

Thank You! Celeste, e-mail: [cchutewright@cox.net](mailto:cchutewright@cox.net)

## To Exhibit

A REMINDER: Our next show is planned for the **Warwick Public Library in their meeting/conference room in June.**

**Delivery:** Saturday June 1 – 10:00-12:00

**Reception:** Thursday June 13 – 6:00-8:00

**Pick Up:** Saturday June 29 – 10:00-2:00

**Location:** Warwick Library, 600 Sandy Lane, Warwick RI 02889. The Library is open Mon-Thurs 9AM-PM, Fri. and Sat. 9AM-5PM, Sun. 1 PM-5PM

**Entry Fee:** \$5.00 per entry

**Number of pieces:** 2

**Size:** No more than 105 inches total perimeter, including frame. All art must be framed with wire, ready to hang. Wire should be tight and approximately 1/3 down from the top of the frame with preferably flat hangers. No saw-toothed hangers. Unframed, gallery-wrapped canvas must be a minimum of 1-1/2" deep. Matted works, cards, etc. may be brought to opening and placed in bins, but must be taken home at end of evening. Sold pieces are subject to **club commission – 10%**.

**Liability:** Entries are submitted at your own risk. While all art is handled with care, neither the East Greenwich Art Club, its members, or the Warwick Library is responsible for any lost or damaged art.

. There will be another opportunity to hang in the **Warwick Library's common area: OUR 2019 ANNUAL SHOW in September.**

. And the Annual Show at **the Cranston Library will be in October 2020.**

## About Town – Supporting Our Members

### Ron Joseph

Ron is exhibiting his photos at the New England Institute of Technology  
1 New England Tech Boulevard  
(previously 1408 Division Road)  
East Greenwich, RI 02818

. The photos can be seen in the Library until the end of May.

### Ann Bianchi

Ann Bianchi has been painting indoors over the winter but she's busy making plans for the warmer months. Her Nature Show continues at East Farm URI thru Spring 2020. She sells and shows her work at The Fantastic Umbrella Factory, Charlestown RI. and creates commission Oils for Historical Societies throughout RI. She continues to be active with the Wickford Arts as an instructor (Acrylic Painting Class in August), busy as a Pet Portrait Artist/fundraiser, working on this summer's WAA Festival and excited to be in September's Poetry and Art show. She'll also be teaching Shibori at South County Arts. She recently demo painted there for Kingston Days. She's setting up appointments as an Event Painter for Weddings, Parties and Special Events. Looking forward to Summer!

### Rita Williams

Rita has an ongoing exhibit of her welcome slates, and 4 x 6 paintings on easels.  
at [The Fantastic Umbrella Factory](#) in Charlestown, RI.

### Rosemarie Manson

Continues to exhibit at [Main St. Coffee](#)

Several of our members are exhibiting at New Hope Art Gallery. Show continues until July.



# Artist of the Month: Ron Joseph

## Artist Statement

I have taken photos for many years as a hobby but became more seriously involved at retirement. As a result, I became a member of the Wickford Art Association and the East Greenwich Art Club. My primary interest is taking unusual pictures. It may be the subject itself, angles, focus or perception.

I don't focus on any one type of subject because good opportunities to photograph interesting subjects appear in many different places. It doesn't make any difference where you are in the world, the seashore, the mountains, your backyard, a street corner or in the city you'll find exciting scenes to capture but you must use your imagination to create an unusual picture.

My pictures span a variety of experiences such as the excitement of seeing a wave break in unusual patterns, the solitude of a fence in the winter, peering out a kitchen window or seeing an empty but stately dining room. To some the forest looks like trees and fields but to me as a photographer the forest is alive with colors, movement, darkness and sometimes neglect, therefore, these are the things I try to capture. So, in my pictures I portray not only those things that I see but also what I feel about the image in my lens.

I have exhibited in a number of shows including shows for the East Greenwich Art Club, the Wickford Art Association, the Warwick Center for the Arts as well as the Spring Bull and New Hope Galleries. View Ron's photos on the following page.



## Ron's Photos



Bergen, Norway



Electric Company, Providence



Tokyo Children



Shanghai, China from the harbor