

Fall 2021

Message from President Dan Lake

One of the major goals of the East Greenwich Art Club is "...arranging lectures and discussions on art". To meet that goal, the organization has hosted many fine artists over its 62 years who have enlightened us and encouraged us to create our own works of art.

I am happy to report that we have found some of the most creative talent in Rhode Island to showcase during the rest of our 2021-2022 program.

We have Lucas James Xavier Kolasa for our **December** meeting, and he is a world-class talent whose work is so unique and interesting that you will want to see it to believe it. Lucas has learned his trade from some of the world's most famous artists and will share his knowledge and talent with us. More at http://eunoiagallery.com/dance-logo

Then in **February**, we have a unique program that features creativity in a dual form. Our panel of presenters includes Sue Brescia, who's recent book "The Year the World Stood Still" is a must-have for Rhode Islanders who have lived through these past two difficult years. Filled with poignant stories and wonderful charcoal drawings, it is hard to imagine that this writer and artist is first and foremost a musician! More at http://suebrescia.com

Likewise, Sara Hale Folger will join us. Sarah's art is creative, following along with her very strong musical talent. More at https://www.theartuniverse.com

The third member of our panel is a 13 year old artist named Luke Labriola who studies at the Nancy Stephens School of Art in East Greenwich and who also happens to be a very talented piano player. Each of these panelists need to be seen AND heard!

In **March** we have one of our favorite local artists, Susan Shaw, doing a live demonstration Susan will work through a sequence of watercolor poured-paint applications for background, mid-ground, and finer information and details done with a brush, using transparent initial applications and some opaque pigments for detail. More at http://susanshawpottery.com

April will be a showing by Ian Mohon, who is now capturing his painting process from beginning to end so he can explain how he creates his work, which often features overlayed painting on intricate background patterns. More at http://mohonfineart.com

May will be a member meeting, where we can discuss future programs and plans.

June will feature fabric artist Michele Leavitt, who is known for her fabric art. Michele "quilts" most of her artwork. Her paper collages are reminiscent of quilts, incorporating both formal pattern-making and crazy, un-patterned pieces. More at

http://www.michelecleavitt.com/Artist.aspx

This is such a creative lineup that we hope you will attend these sessions and bring guests who can nurture their own creative spirits.

The East Greenwich Art Club will next meet on Tuesday, December 7, 2021, from 7-8:30 PM, for a presentation by

Lucas James Xavier Kolasa at the First Baptist Church, 30 Pierce St., East Greenwich. Use the Montrose St. entrance on the side by the parking lot. The meeting is free and open to the public. Refreshments will be served.



Lucas James Xavier Kolasa is an artist with the desire to make the world a better place through art. He co-founded Eunoia Gallery to do just that.

We also encourage you to visit our **existing exhibit at the Cranston Library until** closing, November 26.

We would like to thank <u>Crestar Picture Framing</u> in East Greenwich for hosting our first exhibit since 2019!. Do visit and view their fine selection of ready-made and discounted frames.

And we would also like to thank Mi Ok Song for leading our members through an experience with hands and feet, a lively demonstration with model Jeannine Anderson, who displayed courage as well as hands and feet for our drawing pleasure!

Student Scholarship

Linda Sanfilippo and Dan Lake will co-chair the Scholarship Committee that will be establishing the student scholarship to be awarded in 2022. If you are interested in working with that committee, please contact Dan at info@eastgreenwichartclub.org



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

Refreshments will be provided.

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Artist of the Month

Jeannine Anderson

I once told a friend that when I retired from my flower shop, I was going to take watercolor lessons. His response was "why are you waiting, why not do it now". Yeah, why not do it now.? One of my customers was an artist, JoAnn Wilks (For Arts Sake), had a studio and gave lessons, and was literally 2 minutes away and she was having a "paint along" class that month. My son had gotten me good quality art supplies as a Christmas present. How many other "signs" did I need? I signed up and was "hooked". Here I am, around 20 years later, still painting (now mostly in oil) and enjoying it immensely. They say, "Paint what you know best." Well, I paint a lot of flowers and plants, still lifes, and landscapes ...probably because of owning a flower shop for 26 years. I sum it up by saying, I paint a lot of things from nature plus anything else I like.

About 5 years later, I met a club member at a dinner party who said he was a painter. I said that I painted, also. He told me that he belonged to EG Art Club and suggested that I join. He was so persuasive that I decided to join. The members were friendly, encouraging and it was like being in a family. There is so much to learn from fellow artists who are willing to share their knowledge. It's one of the best things I've ever done. I hope to have many more years of being able to paint and hang around with artists. It doesn't require athleticism so it's something that I might be able to take with me into.... senility. Who was that persistent member that goaded me into joining the club? It was Art Stenberg! Thank you ever so much, Art!





About Town – Supporting Our Members

Celeste Chute-Wright: I have always had a deep and abiding affinity for pets of all kinds. I also enjoy painting them. Dogs, cats, birds and fish are some of the animals in my pet paintings. When painting, I consider the qualities conveying the personality of the pet. Then, I put pencil to paper or paint to canvas and begin.

* I am available for pet portrait commissions and can customize your painting to your specifications. All artwork is under Copyright by the artist. Visit my website: https://celestechutewrightart.com

Here is Molly.



Beth Johnston:



- * After Thanksgiving, on November 27, 28 and 29, I will be participating in Northeast Connecticut's Artist Open Studio tour. My home and studio will be open for visitors and all paintings will be discounted.
- Hours will be 10AM 5PM each day
- 15 Davis St, Putnam CT 06260
- Putnam also has great shops and restaurants to consider when doing the tour.
- For a complete list of all participating Artists, visit the AOSCT website.
- * January 11th to February 25th, I will have about 40 paintings exhibited at a private club in Hartford, CT 06105.
- Please contact me for more details as I will need to let the club know who will be attending.
- Open Reception will be held on Friday, January 14th, 5:30-7:00PM. Wine and cheese will be served and guest are invited to stay for dinner, with reservations-Exhibit is open to the public Tuesday through Friday 9AM-8PM,

Nancy Nielsen/nansea studio



Photography & Sea Glass/Driftwood items, Coasters, Ornaments, Small framed art, Angels, Mosaic tiles & more

Small Business Saturday SHOP RI

www.sbsshopri.com

Crowne Plaza

801 Greenwich Ave., Warwick, RI

November 27

Saturday 9 - 4

I have great gift items for the holidays and all occasions.

Nancy Nielsen

nanseastudio@gmailcom

Rosemarie Manson is participating in the Member Show at Attleboro Arts Museum. The show is from December 11, 2021 to January 28, 2022. The opening is on December 11, from 1:00-4:00.

Share the Good News!

Consider copying this information about our art club and sharing with others who may be interested in joining. Also ask local businesses to share this information with their clientele.

Who We Are

The East Greenwich Art Club is a group of artists who enjoy promoting their art, learning new techniques and subjects, support and camaraderie. Artists of all levels are welcome, as well as art enthusiasts who want to engage with our members and learn more about the arts. Our members come from around the state and beyond.

From the traditional to the abstract, many of Rhode Island's most accomplished artists offer presentations, demonstrations, and art dialogue with our members and guests throughout the year. Meetings are held on the first Tuesday of each month with exceptions of January, July and August. Please visit our calendar for meeting schedule, evening topics, and presentations.

The East Greenwich Art Club also displays throughout the year at member's shows, a variety of unique exhibitions, and at several local locations.

Benefits of Membership Include

Award-winning Guest Artists at Meetings
Community Events
Plein Air Art Excursions
Annual Art Exhibits
Artist Workshops
Museum Trips
Monthly Newsletter

"East Greenwich Art Club is a step up in my development as an artist. Being with like-minded folks supports my passion to continue to be the best I can be. Seeing a variety of approaches to art stimulates my creativity and validates my work, as well."

EGAC Member



ESTABLISHED 1959

In 1959 the East Greenwich Art Club was founded by local artists who came together to encourage each other in their art. The purpose was to foster the production, exhibition and sale of works of art by local and other artists by arranging lectures and discussions on art.

For nearly 60 years the Club has also aided and contributed to the furtherance of artistic education among the school children of East Greenwich by offering an East Greenwich Art Club Student Award each year to a deserving and talented student.

We welcome you to attend our next meeting as a guest where you can experience our friendly club in person! For more about our Club, past, present and future events and exhibits, and read our newsletters, visit our website.

Our meetings are held

at
First Baptist Church Hall *
30 Peirce Street
East Greenwich, RI 02818

Accessible. Street parking as well as a lot diagonally across the street.

Multiple Experiences in the arts welcome! All media encouraged!

> Visit our website http://eastgreenwichartclub.org

