

CHELMSFORD

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NEWSLETTER

LOCAL ARTS NEWS ❖ FEBRUARY 2008



"New England Farmhouse Cold Spring Farm " by Nita Casey

February Demonstration

The Chelmsford Art Society is featuring Nita Casey who will demonstrate oil painting. The artist born and raised in France now lives in Pepperell, MA where she operates "The Gingerbread Gallery", 28 Main St. A very motivated person, she considers herself fortunate to live in a beautiful New England town. "The beauty is all around me, from mountains to the seashore and a little bit of Old World feeling". She gets her ideas while driving the back roads where she discovers countless scenes that intrigue her.



The Gingerbread Art Studio

Nita attended the famed *Ecole des Beaux Arts* at a young age and went on to the *Ecole de Dessin* in Paris. She is a former president of the Chelmsford Art Society, and has won many prizes and had many solo art shows. Just a few years ago, she won the honor of depicting Camp David which was used for the official Christmas card signed by President, and Mrs. Clinton. Presently she has a blog on the internet where she sketches or paints a picture most every day. Check it out

www.gingerbreadartstudio.blogspot.com

The Chelmsford Art Society will meet on Tuesday, February 26, 2008 at 7 PM at the Old Town Hall, 1 North Road, Chelmsford, MA.

Everyone welcome. For information: 978.251.3971.



Art on the Common

Due to a shortage of manpower (artist power) we will not be holding our *Art on the Common* this spring. If you would like to become involved and help to get next year's event going, please let us know!



Join our Board!

We will be electing new board members in March. Please consider this your opportunity to become involved and help make a difference. The CAS Board meets once a month from September through June. The experience is invaluable!

Available CAS Boardmember Seats & Responsibilities:

Vice President assists the President and other board members.

Exhibits person schedules artists at local exhibit spaces.

Hospitality coordinates the refreshments at monthly demonstrations.

Newsletter designs and produces the monthly newsletter.

Secretary takes notes at board meetings.

If this sounds like something you'd like to try, please call Claire Gagnon at 978.957.5058.

CAS EVENTS

February 26, 2008
Nita Casey – Oil Painting

March 25, 2008
**Bernie Petruzzello –
Charcoal Drawing**
~ New Board Elections ~

April 29, 2008
**Noredin Morgan –
Digital Drawing**
May 27, 2008
Mini Painting Workshop

IN THE GALLERY

Mary E. O'Connell

The Summer Place

20 Summer Street
February – Jeffery Stallard
March – available
April – Claire Gagnon
May – Leslie Russell

The Town Offices

50 Billerica Road
February – photography exhibit of
the works of Stephen Curran,
Vera Kaufman, and Elaine Seidel

Consider showing your work!
Please contact Mary E. O'Connell,
moconnell98@comcast.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 Breton-Robinson, Jim Rainville, Trina Teele, John Giannino, Eileen Byrne

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NEWSWORTHY

Autism Awareness All in the Family
Art Exhibit at the Ayer Lofts Art
Gallery February 1-29. Join us Feb. 21
6-9 PM. 172 Middle St. Lowell.

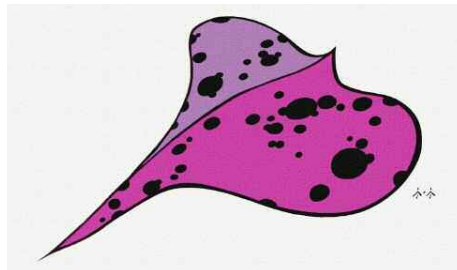
Bob Stegmaier, photographic artist,
was accepted into the "Shape" juried
art show at the *Cambridge Art
Association - Kathryn Schultz Gallery*.
The opening reception is on Saturday
Feb 9th from 12 to 2 PM and the
exhibit is on display from January 29
to February 26. His accepted work is a
fine art figure study. Please stop by for
a look see.

"The Luminous Landscape"

At *The Dickinson Art Gallery*, 1132
Main Street, So. Weymouth, MA,
February 16th - 29th, *Opening
Reception: Sunday, Feb. 24th 1-3 PM*
Featuring the artwork of, Charyl
Weissbach, Lindsay Bentis, Janet
Bartlett Goodman, Dot Simpson
Krause, Julie Shaw-Lutts, and **Tracy
Spadafora**. The gallery is open from
Wednesday to Saturday, 10-5:30 PM,
and Sundays from 12-5 PM
781.331.3384.

www.dickinsonartgallery.com/

Come see **"Pen and Ink Abstract
Flowers"** by Ara Hagopian, an exhibit
showing at the Chelmsford Public
Library for the month of February.
Also, "Don't Tell Yourself No" a chat
with the artist takes place on
February 28 at 7PM in the
McCarthy Room.



CAS Membership Books Please call
our Membership Board representative,
John Giannino at 978-663-0709 or
email gianninojr@comcast.net, if
you have not received your
membership book.

CLASSES & WORKSHOPS

Colleen Sgroi Gallery

Six-week sessions, \$165. Classes
include *Acrylic Painting* with Tom
Gill, and *Realism Drawing* with
Michael Vieira. Check website
www.sgroifolkart.com for times and
kids classe or call 978.667.1009. Next
Session - February 25th thru April 4th

Tea's Art Studio Check out what's
happening at this great Bedford
space. Tea has pay as you go
drawing and painting at various
times. Visit www.teasartstudio.com
or call 781.275.7118 for more info.

NAA's International Painting
Workshop: **Tuscany, Italy Plein
Air Painting with Kevin Shea**
April 25-May 10, 2008



**Cords, Braids, Kumihimo & Bead
Edge Design Neckpieces**, a work-
shop by Marion Hunziker-Larsen
(www.jewelsinfiber.com) March 29-
30, 10 AM - 5 PM, at the LACS,
\$215. www.lexingtonma.org/LACS
781.862.9696

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made known to our Membership Board
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CALL FOR ART

The Chelmsford Historical Society and the Chelmsford Library will host a special exhibit this spring entitled, **"Our Community: Who We Are - Snapshots of Chelmsford,"** to celebrate the people and places of Chelmsford. You are invited to participate in this special exhibition which opens in May at the *Ralph Parlee Agricultural Center* at the *Barrett Byam Homestead* and moves to the Library for the month of June. Enter a photo of your grandmother or newest grandchild, your family outings, celebrations, special occasions and everyday happenings. Pictures from people who live or work in Chelmsford are eligible for this juried exhibition. You may enter as many as 5 photographs. Submit photos and a brief statement explaining the events and people pictured to Susan Gates, 7 Trotting Road, Chelmsford 01824 or email a digital image (350 dpi JPEG) to sjuliangates@comcast.net or drop off photo submissions at the Library's Community Services Department. **DO NOT SEND YOUR ONLY COPY BY MAIL.** Be sure to include your name, address, telephone number and email address. Deadline is April 15, 2008. Photos will be ready to pick up at the Library (Community Services Dept) at the end of the June library exhibit. Questions? Call Susan Julian Gates, 978.250.9161.



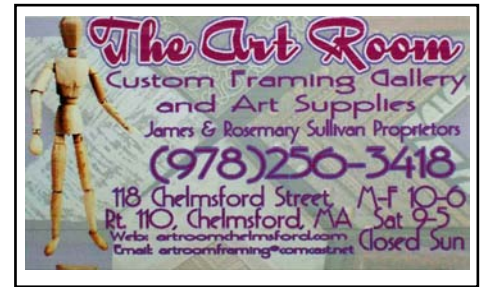
"Going to the Dogs" Show
Brush Art Gallery and Greyhound Welfare Deadline: February 22, 2008. Artwork submitted to this exhibition is not limited to greyhounds, but must be related to dogs - paintings, photography, sculpture, high-end crafts, etc. For complete details and prospectus call 978.459.7819 or visit www.thebrush.org/greyhounds.htm



Brush Art Gallery Members' Show 2008: A Juried Exhibition
Deadline for Entry: February 20 (postmarked.) Running from March 9th to April 5th, this is an exhibition of diverse works submitted by artist members of the *Brush Art Gallery & Studios*. (Become a *Brush Art Gallery* member and download an application.) 1st, 2nd and 3rd place winners are awarded a well-publicized group show, *The Winners' Circle*. For complete details, please download our prospectus. www.thebrush.org or call 978.459.7819

2008 Westford Regional Art Event *Parish Center for the Arts* will be March 28th-30th. Everyone's invited to participate! Display your own art or simply enjoy the talent of local adults, children, professionals and amateurs. Opening reception includes awards, prizes, music and refreshments. An impressive representation of media is displayed; many pieces available for sale. All entries will be judged and prizes will be awarded. *Receiving:* Deliver artwork to the PCA, Monday, March 24th, 7-9 PM., or Tuesday, March 25th, 9:30-1:30 during the day. For more info contact the PCA at 978.692.6333 or visit www.westford.com/pca/gallery_wra_e_details.htm

Hawthorn Suites Hotel in N. Chelmsford is looking for artists to display their art in the lobby area. If you are interested in this opportunity, please contact Jennifer Hogan directly her at 978.256.5151, Fax: 978.256.6633



"Art enables us to find ourselves
and lose ourselves
at the same time."

Thomas Merton

HAPPENINGS

Helen Moriarty

"Granite State Opera" will air on Chelmsford TeleMedia on Channel 8, Thursdays at 7:30 PM and Saturdays at 8 PM, throughout the month of February, 2008. I was invited to a party in New Hampshire where two opera singers entertained.

Lowell Cable TV, Channel 8 will be showing "Chinese Brush Painting with Yahong Shen" on Wednesday, 5 PM and Friday, 5:30 PM. This show features the artist brush painting a beautiful floral picture.

Billerica Access TV, Channel 8 will be showing various "Happenings" programs on Sunday 7:30 PM, Monday 4 PM and Friday 1 PM.

On the *Message Board* of the Channel 8, Chelmsford Cable TV, can be seen a *Mini Art Show* featuring paintings by February Oil demonstrator, Nita Casey.

"Art is much less important than life,
but what a poor life without it."

Robert Motherwell

Newsletter Submissions. Send your news to Trina Teele at 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.

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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 CAS website

Bring application and fee to our monthly CAS meetings.
Last Tuesday of each month (excluding summer)
7:00 pm, Old Town Hall Chelmsford, 1 North Rd.

For more information, visit our website at www.chelmsfordartsociety.com/ or
contact Claire Gagnon at 978.957.5058 or at creativartist@aol.com
Fees are payable on a yearly basis and are due by April 1st of each year.

Renewal of Membership

Name _____

*Please update any personal information
using the previous column.*

Fees:

Make checks payable to Chelmsford Art Society

Single \$20

Family \$30

Senior (60+) \$15

Student \$15

Donation to the scholarship fund. \$ _____

Or mail to:

Chelmsford Art Society
P.O. Box 211
North Chelmsford, MA 01863

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my newsletter!