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Lynnfield Art Guild

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Greetings from our President Joanne Mills

Our burdens are lightening up and it seems that we can look forward with some optimism. The change will be so welcome.

Speaking of change, those of you who watched our demo on January 21st may be well aware of one. An art form quite new and never seen before by the Guild. White line block printing was certainly a new experience for all of us, and because its requirements are such (new tools and some expense), not many will be likely to try it. What it did bring us is an appreciation of the many ways in which artists approach their subjects and the tools they use. It brings to mind what we would know about such a work that we might see in a gallery. It isn't an easy art form to present in a demo, much less a Zoom demo. Kudos to Kate Hanlon for doing such a good job. It was a bit longer than our usual demos, but there is so much involved in the process, that it required extra time.

This makes me very aware of the time we have on our hands because of COVID. It affords us an opportunity to experiment with new techniques; perhaps a different medium or a stretch into a different art form. The internet has a lot of useful information out there for us to access and YouTube also has so many useful videos.

Open minds, open hearts.

Stay safe.







We would like to welcome the following new members who joined Lynnfield Art Guild in January:

Pauline Finberg Karen Nelson

Contact: Bev Tomasello, Newsletter Editor at 978-587-2884 (leave a message) or send an email to b tomasello@comcast.net with your exhibit information.

Please contact me if you know that a member is seriously ill or has passed away: a get well or sympathy card will be sent.

DEADLINE for the March newsletter submissions: February 22, 2021.

Abstract Art
Presented by
Ray Gilbert
Thursday, February 18, 2021
7:00 – 8:30 p.m.
(via ZOOM)



ARTIST STATEMENT:

Raymond J. Gilbert - An American artist born in 1966 in Lynn, MA. is a Graduate of Boston School of the Museum of Fine Arts and Tufts University (BFA 1993). Gilbert is an Artist member of the Boston Copley Society of Art working in multiple mixed medium paintings and woodcuts. His work draws much from current life events creating contemporary historical paintings. Gilbert's creative process generally starts by throwing sweeping lines and pulling out abstract forms which begin to materialize into a basic composition (that may or may not have a preconceived agenda) and pulling in image and working out details with active sketchbooks and cell phone images. A work is deemed finished when a coherent balance between color, space and form has been accomplished. Gilbert has won awards in painting and printmaking; his works can be found in private collections in North America, Canada, Europe and South Africa. "An internal response to an external image is in my opinion one of the highest achievements of visual art, it is something that stays with you. It transcends borders or language, it is global...for all people. It is this desire to speak beyond cultures to that common thread that links us all which continues to drive my work to whatever end it finds." R. Gilbert from www.RayGilbert.com

2021 Calendar of Demos and Events

Feb. 18	Ray Gilbert	Abstract Art
Mar. 18	Michael Holter	Watercolor
Apr. 15	Ken Jordan	Photography
May 20	Dan Abenaim	Science of Painting
	Bill Deveney	Perspective Drawing

*Note: Due to Covid-19, upcoming demonstrations will be done via ZOOM.

ARTISTS EXHIBITING IN THE NEXT MONTHS

Mary Lynch's paintings will be on display at The Savings Bank, South Lynnfield from January 15 to February 26. (Note: the bank may be closed due to Covid-19.)

Beverly Cook's paintings will be on display at **The Wakefield Cooperative Bank, Lynnfield Center** from January 15 to March 1.

Please contact **only** Ulkiye or Peter if you would like to exhibit in either Wakefield Cooperative Bank or The Savings Bank.

Ulkiye Karaman for **Wakefield Cooperative Bank** at 617-860-8974.

Peter Cain for The Savings Bank at 978-694-1006.

To display art at the **Lynnfield Public Library**, contact **Pat Kelly**, <u>kelly@noblenet.org</u>.

To display at the **Lucius Beebe Memorial Library**, **Wakefield**, contact **Jeff Klapes**, 781-246-6334, ext. 2 or <u>Klapes@Noblenet.org</u>.

To display art at the **Stoneham Library**, please contact **Maureen Saltzman**, 781-438-1324, saltzman@noblenet.org.

Order of events for ZOOM Demos:

6:45 - 7:00 PM	Sign in for the meeting and socializing time.
7:00 PM	President's announcements, welcome and
	introduction of the demonstrator.
7:15 - 8:15 PM	Demonstration by artist. All participants
	muted.
8:15 - 8:30 PM	All are unmuted for questions and answers.
8:30	Thank the artist.
8:30 - 8:45 PM	Post meeting socializing.

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"Art in Bloom" News

The Village Home & Garden Club of Lynnfield will be hosting their annual "Art in Bloom" program VIRTUALLY this year. It will be presented online starting on April 12th. A survey has been sent out to each member of the Garden Club to get a final headcount on members who are available to create a floral interpretation of this year's virtual show. Some members are planning to interpret the art pieces that they had received for the 2020 show that was cancelled last spring. Other members will be choosing art from the Art Guild's online shows from the past year (Spring and Fall of 2020). If you have a piece that you plan to submit that you would like to have available for the Garden Club members to choose from, please submit a photo of your work to Sheila Falco (sfc0224@gmail.com) and or Yvonne Blacker (<u>yvonneblacker@gmail.com</u>) no later than February 12th. Separate images of the art and flower arrangements will be presented side by side in a gallery style format. Artists statements and contact information will also be included along with interpretation details from each floral designer. We look forward to sharing the Art in Bloom show virtually with a widespread audience this year! The website location of the show will be provided at a later date.

Photos of Kate Hanlon's Demo









