The Lynnfield Art Guild Presents Artist Larry Grob, January 19th via Zoom

The Lynnfield Art Guild (LAG) is presenting a Pastel Snow Scene demonstration by artist and teacher Larry Grob, Thursday, January 19th, 2023 at 7:00 – 8:30 p.m. via Zoom.

This demonstration is open to all members via invitation; prospective members are encouraged to join the Guild at <u>www.lynnfieldarts.org</u> to take advantage of this and upcoming special artistic opportunities, including free attendance at all live and virtual demonstrations and the ability to display art, network with other artists and show pieces in our popular exhibits.

Larry Grob is a New England based artist who works both in-studio and en plein air. His coastal and interior views—favorite locales include Cape Ann and the North Shore, the Maine seaside and islands, and the hills and farms of southern Vermont—are representational in style, with tendencies towards abstraction in his compositions.

Informed by his early training as a geographer and inspired by the naturalistic painting of California's impressionists and various Swiss alpine painters, Larry strives to capture light and the forces of nature in views that he hopes will elicit viewers' connections with the land. "I'm a pastelist with a passion for creating images that fuel ecological awareness and encourage us to approach our surroundings with a lighter hand", says Larry. "Landscapes help me explore both the range of my medium and the stories that our land tells us...if we only stop to look and listen."

Larry works primarily with soft pastels, painting on various sanded papers that impart 'incidental' tones and textures to the finished work. He describes pastels as an ideal medium..."immediate, direct, and easy to move around with in whatever outdoor place I find myself. Perhaps above all," Larry adds, "pastels let me explore that area between too much detail and just enough."

His work has earned him recognition from the Pastel Society of America, the International Association of Pastel Societies, and various professional arts associations. In the New England area, Larry participates in exhibitions at the Codman Estate Fine Art Festival (Lincoln, MA), Art in the Barn (Essex, MA), the North Shore Arts Association (Gloucester), the Concord Art Association, and Crane Estate Art Show (Ipswich). Work is also on view at the Eventide Gallery in Essex, and in Florentine Frames Gallery in Weston, MA.

Larry offers work for sale as pastel originals and as limited edition giclée prints, and he teaches workshops in studio and plein air pastels. Visit his website at <u>www.larrygrobartist.com</u>. He is thrilled to be able to share his work with LAG.

Membership in the Lynnfield Art Guild is open to artisans, photographers and artists of all levels, with student, supporting and family memberships available. Please visit our website <u>www.lynnfieldarts.org</u> and check out our Lynnfield Arts Facebook (*Lynnfield Arts*) and Instagram (*@lynnfieldartguild*) pages.

Please join us on Saturdays in February from 11AM to 3PM to view the creative work of our Lynnfield Art Guild members in "Love is in the Air", a special gallery at the Beebe Estate, 235 West Foster Street, Melrose, MA. Opening reception for members and the public is on Friday, February 3 from 6PM to 8PM.

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