



## November 2024 Newsletter

Dear HAL Members and Friends,



The Hamden Art League will host **Bivenne Staiger**, on **November 12th** at 7PM in the Miller Senior Center, Hamden as she presents "**A Goldfinch in Watercolors**". Watch Bivenne capture in watercolor the essence of a goldfinch perched on a cornflower! Birds and flowers are favorite painting motifs for the artist, who will demonstrate how to use color, shapes, value, and other painting elements to create a strong design with visual impact. As an author, illustrator and painting instructor, she has been sharing her watercolor techniques for many years, helping people overcome their hesitancy to paint in this wonderful medium. [www.bivennefineart.com](http://www.bivennefineart.com)



### Call for Artists; Entries online by midnight, Sunday, November 24<sup>th</sup>

The **Winter Exhibition** at Miller Senior Center, is **November 27, 2024 - January 7, 2025**. Receiving for the show is **Tuesday, November 26th, 4:30 - 6:30 pm**. Pick up is at the end of the show, **Tuesday, January 7th** between **4:30-6:30 pm**.

The juror is **Del-Bourree Bach**.

The prospectus is attached to this email.

This year **registration**, submission of images, **and payment must be completed online** by midnight, Sunday, Nov. 24th. Each piece of artwork must be entered separately. Entry is a 2 step process; registration (with a digital image) and payment of the entry fee. Current HAL members may enter two pieces of art \$11 each, including PayPal fee. Non-members, two entries allowed \$21 each, including PayPal fee. Payment is made through the Hamden Art League website. <https://www.hamdenartleague.org/join--pay.html>  
To register for your artwork and submit images click here <https://forms.gle/koAGJM2CuxxtJoEq9> .

**Reception for the Winter Exhibition** is Tuesday, December 10, 7-9 pm, Miller Library Senior Center. Pot luck refreshments welcomed. Please bring store bought food. No alcohol please. HAL members are encouraged to bring an unwrapped, art-related \$15 item for our Student Scholarship Raffle.

Exhibition Hours are in accordance with Miller Senior Center schedule: **8:30 am-4:30 pm weekdays**. Closed weekends and holidays - except exhibit will be open to the public during Hamden's **Silverbells Festival on Saturday, December 14<sup>th</sup>**, 10:30 am – 3:30 pm. We will need several volunteers to sit the Show on Dec. 14<sup>th</sup> during the Festival. A sign-up sheet will be passed around at the next meeting, or you can contact Mary Wargo at [mwargo68@gmail.com](mailto:mwargo68@gmail.com) .

**Awards:** We are always seeking new sources for our awards for both our shows. If you wish to donate an award, or are willing to ask an organization to do so, please use the attachment to this email. Checks for

awards or gift certificates are requested by November 18th and should be sent to Brenda Burt, HAL Treasurer, P.O. Box 185534, Hamden, CT 06518.

See **temporary exhibit of member work** in Hamden's Miller Library. November 1-23, 2025, in the "Program Room" (first floor). Handout detailing artist, name of work and medium is available in the library or by clicking here <https://www.hamdenartleague.org/24libraryexhibit.html> . If you are interested in purchasing artwork, use the contact link on the HAL website.



**Still Life Weekly Gatherings** have returned for the Fall 2024. Six sessions have been scheduled for calendar year 2024: **November 7, 14, 21** and **December 5, 12 and 19**. Still Life Sessions will take place at Veteran's Memorial Hall in Brooksvale Park, Hamden from 10 am to 2 pm. Arrive before 10 am to set up. Each week some participants will be asked to bring in objects to set up a still life for the group. The cost to participate is \$7 per session to pay for facility rental, purchased on line as a block of four sessions for \$29.50 via PayPal.

Registration is a two-step process. Register by clicking

<https://forms.gle/NpmmsGWH5dQ5NduXA> . Payment <https://www.hamdenartleague.org/join--pay.html> .

**Local shows and meetings:** The Willoughby Wallace Library in Branford is having a Small Works fundraiser show consisting of art done by those who have had exhibits at the library. The show runs November 22 - December 20. The Opening reception is Sunday, November 24, 4 - 6 pm. The closing reception is Sunday, December 15, 4 - 6 pm.

The Cheshire Art League will feature painter **Lenny Moskowitz, November 12, 2024, 1 - 3 pm** at the Cheshire Library. Lenny will demonstrate how he begins the painting process by finding the big shapes and by doing a number of small value studies before starting to paint.

The Clinton Art Society will have an Elected Artists exhibit at the Clinton Town Hall November 21 - January 9, 2025. The reception will be Thursday, December 5, 4:30 - 6:30 pm. There will be a Small Works show running concurrently.

Lyme Art Association currently has its Deck the Walls paintings on display. The show will run until December 31, 2024. The opening reception is Sunday, November 10, 2 - 4 pm. Running concurrently is the Bon Appetit member exhibit featuring food from garden to table. Also a guest exhibit of 3-D pieces from the Society of Connecticut Sculptors can be seen in the galleries.

Wendy Kohli has two acrylic paintings from her Mill River Series selected as part of an exhibition, "Crit Ecologies: Artists, Community and Criticality, at the Hudson Valley Museum of Contemporary Art in Peekskill. The exhibition will be on view from September 21 - December 7, 2024.

For details on the show, see <https://www.hudsonvalleymoca.org/exhibitions2/crit-ecologies>

**Membership fees (\$30)** for the 24/25 year were due by September 30th. If you have not already paid, you will be treated as a non-member for exhibitions and workshops. You can send a check, payable to "Hamden Art

League” to Diane Chandler (204 High Street, Wallingford, CT 06492) or pay online (<https://www.hamdenartleague.org/join--pay.html> ). Be a pART!!!

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