



Community Arts Association Inc

P.O. Box 307

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Newsletter

May 2024

NEXT MEETING

Hello Members,

The Next Meeting will take place on Tuesday, May 14, 2024 at 7:30pm at Trinity Episcopal church in Allendale, NJ. Adriana Hearn and Debra Manders are providing the refreshments for the meeting.

Our season concludes with our General meeting on May 14th, the workshop on May 15th and the Member Show reception on May 18th.

We thank Glenda and Linda for the wonderful artists they engaged this past season. We look forward to next year and hope to see you at this last meeting and the show reception to close out yet another successful CAA season.

You will be receiving a survey in the next few weeks. This is to help us get ideas to improve participation and how we can make CAA even better in the future.

Have a wonderful, safe summer and keep painting!
See you in September.

PROGRAM NEWS

The demonstrator for the May meeting is watercolorist Judith Hummer. She is also our judge for the *CAA Members Show* and the Yupo workshop demonstrator for May 15.

Judith Hummer states about her work and process that “many times my paintings will begin with an abstract base with no preconceived idea in mind. After my initial splashing and spattering has dried, I proceed to analyze it, turning the paper around until a subject pops into mind. Work then begins to develop my intended subject, revealing it bit by bit, almost like a sculptor. Wiping away



watercolor on Yupo paper
by Judith Hummer



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color, adding a different color, or creating different textures, all contribute to getting my idea across. This method helps keep my work exciting, fresh and full of energy. I have found that Yupo paper keeps my attention and broadens my creativity. There is never a dull moment when working on Yupo; it presents many challenges but also provides great rewards.”

Follow-up News - Doug Safranek, our April guest artist, got back to me to say that it was a real pleasure to speak with our CAA group, which he called “a lively community of artists (who were) very engaged with what I had to offer them. It was a really fun evening indeed!”

I have also had several reports from members and board members who were in attendance on April 9, and all had good things to say. Linda Barboni said that Douglas was a dream to work with, and that the samples and historical overview of egg tempera he presented were fascinating. Almost everyone who saw the presentation expressed interest in trying egg tempera themselves. Mr. Safranek was apparently very persuasive and encouraging!

Doug will be having a solo show at the Sugar Hill Children’s Museum of Art and Storytelling, starting in June and continuing through the summer. The museum is at 898 St. Nicholas Avenue at 155th street in Harlem. Several people would like to go. If you are one of them, let me know. We’ll see about getting a group together.

ARTIST OF THE MONTH

**Congratulations to Susan Lais Hostetler,
our Artist of the Month!**

Artist Statement: Watercolor paints and pen & ink are the tools to which I’ve always gravitated. I discovered a dark lovely bottle of ink and a nib pen when I was young, and I’ve been a fan ever since. Watercolors I picked up because they went with ink it seemed to me. I’ve been carrying around little paint sets since I was a child, and although as an adult I know that watercolors are hard, fast, and difficult to control, I nearly always find the colors pleasing, even if I think I’ve botched it.

Website: SusanLaisHostetler.com and
Facebook/Instagram: [@susanlaishostetler](https://www.instagram.com/susanlaishostetler)



Dry Dock Gleaming
Plein Air Watercolor on
Lake Champlain, ADK
by Susan Lais Hostetler

MEMBER NEWS

Mary Walker-Baptiste - Mary Walker-Baptiste was one of 12 artists who were selected to have their art piece recreated into greeting cards for the 2nd Annual Greeting Card competition for the Ridgewood Arts Foundation Fundraiser Gala, held Friday, April 5, at the Unitarian Society of Ridgewood.

Mary Walker-Baptiste is having a solo show at The Unitarian Society of Ridgewood, Cottage Place, from May 11 - June 9. Reception will be Sunday, June 9, 2-5pm



Tournesol II
alcohol ink by Mary Walker-Baptiste

Linda Barboni - Garrison Art Center 60th Anniversary Live Auction presented by Swann Galleries NYC, Saturday, May 11 from 3-7 pm. This is Linda Barboni's painting, *In the Gardens at StoneCrop*, that will be auctioned:



In the Gardens at StoneCrop
by Linda Barboni

Jennifer Merz - Jennifer Merz was delighted to take part in a special presentation at NYU in March, at the Casa Italiana: "It Begins with a Name: Learning to Remember the Triangle Fire" commemorating the anniversary of the Triangle Factory Fire. Lecture by Edvige Giunta of NJ City University with Jennifer Merz, author/illustrator of *STEADFAST: Frances Perkins, Champion of Workers' Rights*, and with Etrita Abdullahu, dancer, the event highlighted the tragedy of the fire and the ensuing movement for social change and workers' rights, spurred largely by Frances Perkins. A panel discussion and book signing followed.





Gramps
oil by Fran McManus

Fran McManus - Fran McManus's oil painting titled *Gramps* has been accepted into the *2024 Allied Artists of America Associate Online Exhibition*. The exhibition will be on view on www.alliedartistsofamerica.org from May 15, 2024 - May 15, 2026

Fran McManus's *Sunflowers with White Pitcher* was juried into the Catharine Lorillard Wolfe Art Club Show at the Lyme Art Association in Old Lyme, CT from April 19 - May 30, 2024.



Sunflowers with White Pitcher
oil by Fran McManus

Rose Scaglione - FOR SALE: Rose Scaglione has a Logan mat cutter for sale. Contact: 845-641-4720 if interested.

Here is a good resource for mat boards: matboardhq.com

PAINTING WORKSHOP

Judith Hummer is giving a Painting on Yupo Workshop on May 15, 2024 from 9:30am-3:30pm at the Trinity Episcopal Church in Allendale, NJ. Please see the attached form to find the information and register.

MEMBER SHOW UPDATE

We are pleased to say that we will have 31 paintings in the 2024 Member Show. Thank you to all those participating.

The reception is **MAY 18 from 1 to 4 PM** at the Clifton Art Center 900 Clifton Ave, Clifton, NJ.

The awards ceremony will be held at approximately 2:30 PM. This will include the scholarship awards to the two talented and deserving high school students.

If you are planning to attend, we ask that you bring a dish to share. We hope to see many members come to support CAA and to enjoy the wonderful artwork of your fellow members. The flyer for the show is attached.

QUOTE OF THE MONTH

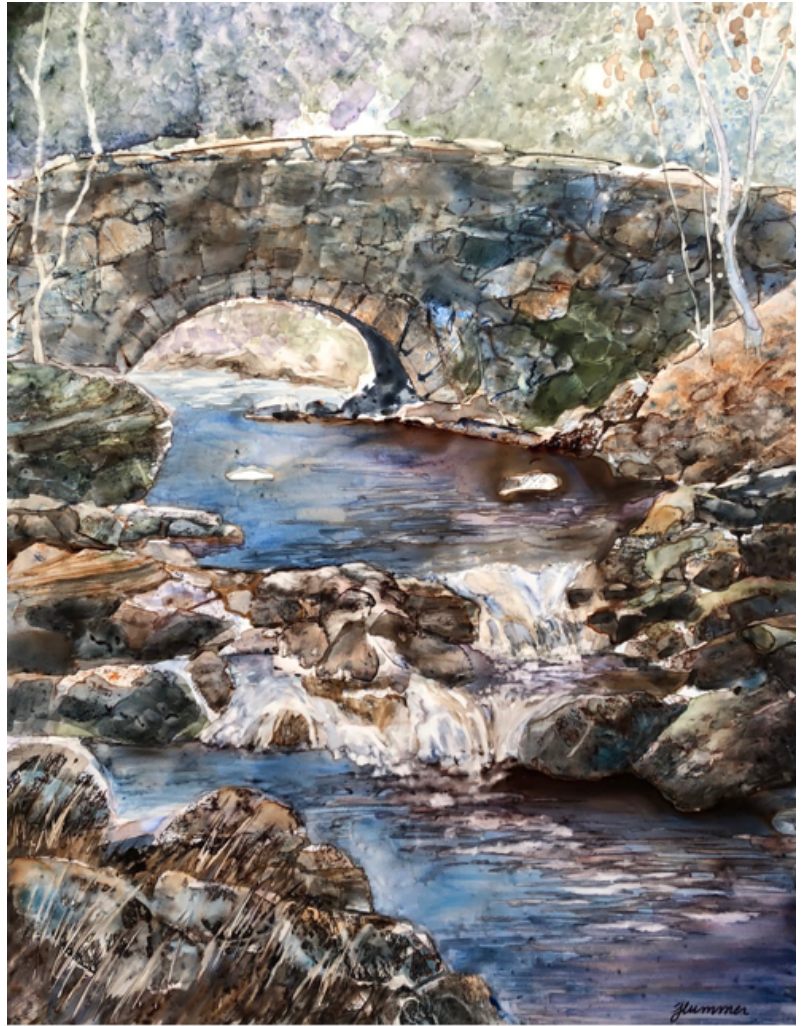
“Art is too important not to share.” – Romero Britto

**Judith Hummer
Painting on Yupo
Workshop**

**May 15, 2024
9:30-3:30**

**Sponsored by Community
Arts Association**

Trinity Episcopal Church
55 George Street
Allendale, NJ



Judith Hummer loves experimenting with techniques that allow her to use watercolor in a way that evokes emotions, environments and movement. She experiments with various painting surfaces including 140 lb cold press, Yupo (a plasticized material), clay board and rice paper. Her subject matter is quite diverse including urban, countryside landscape, florals and water scenes.

Bring your own paints, palettes and brushes. The Yupo will be supplied
Come and have fun creating exciting pieces utilizing a new approach. The sky's the limit!!!

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Judith Hummer Painting on Yupo Workshop, May 15, 2024

Name: _____

Address: _____

Email: _____ Phone: _____

Price Schedule: CAA Members: \$80, Nonmembers: \$120 (fee can be applied to membership)

Please return sign-up form and check, payable to Community Arts Association, to:
Linda Barboni, 7 Grist Mill Run, Mahwah, NJ 07430

No substitutions without prior notification. If you cannot attend after making a reservation, please contact Linda Barboni by phone or email: 845-551-9162, lindabarboni@gmail.com



Community Arts Association ARTISTS' PERSPECTIVES

Open to the public
May 8th thru June 29th, 2024
Wednesdays thru Saturdays • 1pm till 4pm

Please Note: Saturday, June 8th the Gallery will be closed due to a fund-raiser event that day



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MEET & GREET
Saturday, May 18th
1pm till 4pm

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