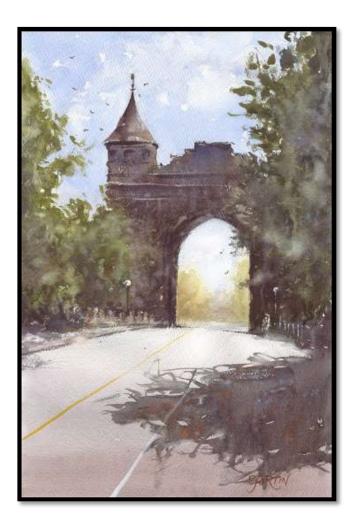


APRIL 2025

Doug Fortin Demo Tuesday April 15, 6:30pm Avon Town Hall, 60 West Main Street



Doug Fortin will demo his watercolor techniques on Tues. April 15, free to the public (\$5 suggested donation). His workshop is Sat. April 19, in the Avon Room 10am – 2pm (\$45 for members and \$55 for non-members).



Doug Fortin is a New England-based artist whose evocative watercolor landscapes celebrate the natural beauty of the world around us. A graduate of the University of Hartford Art School in 2006, Doug spent his early career in San Francisco, immersing himself in the vibrant art scene and honing his craft as a professional artist.

A decade ago, Doug returned to his New England roots, where he discovered a deep connection between his two passions: painting and the great outdoors. Specializing in plein air watercolor landscapes, his work captures the fleeting light, shifting seasons, and timeless charm of the region. By painting directly from nature, Doug brings an immediacy and vitality to his work that reflects his love for the environment and his appreciation of the watercolor medium.

Doug's invites us to pause, reflect, and connect with the serene yet powerful beauty of the natural world.

2025 Programs

ARTIST

Douglas Fortin	Tues. Apr. 15	Sat. Apr. 19
Carol Ganick	Tues. May 20	Sat. May 24
Zufar Bikbov	Tues. June 17	Sat. June 21

DEMO

WORKSHOP

Demos at 6:30pm, Workshops 10am - 2pm. If you are interested in giving a demo next year, please contact AvonArtsAssociation@gmail.com

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The next BOD meeting will be held at the Avon Library on Monday April 7 at 2:30pm.



Diana Lyn Cote held a demo on oil sticks in March.



Artwork by Doug Fortin

Shows / Classes

Avon Arts Spring Show Drop-Off: Mon. June 2, Noon - 2pm. Reception: Sun. June 8, 2-4pm. Pick-Up: Mon. June 30, 11:30am – 1:30pm. Simsbury Library. Music by Pete Hurlbut.

The Board of Director's Show will be at the Simsbury Library. Drop- Off: Mon. June 30, 11:30am – 1:30pm Pick-Up: Thurs. July 31, 11:30am – 2pm.

Member News



Cyd Gorman work in the "TableScapes" fundraiser for the Avon Historical Society.

Carol Ganick, Justine Coleman, Karen Israel, Ruth Jacobson and Shirley Mae Neu have work on display in the Spring Small Works juried exhibition at Kalaveshi Arts Gallery. Reception: Sat. March 29, 6pm at 1136 Simsbury Rd. Suite B2 in Avon.

Deborah Leonard has a solo show at the Farmington Valley Arts Center, in the Drezner Gallery, from April 5-26. Reception: April 5, 2-4pm.

Arleen Pomaski, Kathleen Dal Santo, Deborah Sacks, Roger Niland, Michael Sacks, Shirley Mae Neu, Mariann Weiss and Carmina Ayazides have work in the Canton Artists' Guild " Word Art" Show at Gallery on the Green in Canton, running until April 19.

Welcome to New Member Candy Jeffress.

Membership

Member dues for *Oct. 1, 2024 – Sept. 30, 2025.* Student dues \$25, Individuals \$35 and Families \$40. Please send a check, along with a membership form, and include your address, phone number and email address. *(Note any changes or additions from last year.)* Submit to: **Joan Brault**, 49 Byron Dr. Avon CT 06001

Membership Perks include:

- Program meetings featuring a demo by an artist
- Reduced workshop fee
- Having your news published
- Access to our membership list
- Exhibiting at Avon Town Hall, Spring & Holiday Shows
- Exhibiting on our Website and Facebook pages
- Becoming involved in our business and activities
- Renting our display racks for shows
- Opportunity to have your work in our calendar



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