

NOVEMBER 2024

Robert Noreika Demo Tuesday Nov. 19, 6:30pm Avon Town Hall, 60 West Main Street



Robert Noreika will demo watercolor painting on Tues. Nov. 19, free and open to the public (*\$5 suggested donation*). His workshop is Sat. Nov. 23, in the Avon Room 10am – 2pm, (*\$45 for members and \$55 for non-members*).



Robert Noreika is a graduate of Paier School of Art and has been a professional artist for over forty years. As a prominent national award winning artist, his work hangs in both corporate and private collections throughout the United States, Europe and Japan. He has illustrated several children's books and magazine editorials. In November 2009, the New Britain Museum of American Art acquired for their permanent collection his *"Catfish with Turtle"*. Bob's work is also featured in *"100 Artists of New England"* by Schiffer Publishing. He is represented in numerous galleries, teaching and lecturing throughout New England.

In 2015, Bob became a Signature Member at the American Watercolor Society. Bob is an elected member of the National Society of Painters in Casein and Acrylic, the Salmagundi Club, the Lyme Art Association, the Connecticut Watercolor Society and the Connecticut Plein Air Painters Society. He is also a member of the Connecticut Academy of Fine Arts and is a signature member of the New England Watercolor Society. Bob's work has received awards and was selected for the AWS traveling exhibition that toured the country in 2011 and 2013.

Bob's passion for art is matched by a natural talent to paint a wide variety of subjects, highlighted by expressive coastal scenes, intimate woodland pictorials and street scenes. Over the past decade, Bob works passionately on large formatted works on both canvas and paper. These studio pieces incorporate his years of observation, rendering and careful studies of aquatic life. This ongoing series is called "Turtle-esque" expressing gestural fluidity in a semi-abstract setting.

2024 - 25 Program

ARTIST DEMO WORKSHOP

Bob Norieka	Tues. Nov. 19Sat. Nov. 23
Laura Eden	Tues. Feb. 18Sat. Feb. 22
Diana Lyn Cote	Tues. Mar. 18Sat. Mar. 22
Douglas Fortin	Tues. Apr. 15Sat. Apr. 19
Zufar Bikbov	Tues. May 20Sat. May 24
TBD	Tues. June 17Sat. June 21

Demos at 6:30pm, Workshops 10am - 2pm If you have a suggestion for the Program next year, please contact <u>Lena Stein</u>.

Board of Directors 2024-25

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The next BOD meeting will be held at the Avon Library on Nov. 4 at 2:30pm.



Karen Israel gave a pastel painting demo at Avon Town Hall in October.

Entries / Shows / Classes

Avon Library Holiday Show is for members and their guests. Submit up to two pieces. Drop-Off: *Fri. Nov. 1, 10am - Noon.* Reception: *Sat. Nov. 9, 2 - 4pm.* Music by John Brighenti. Pick-Up: *Sat. Nov. 30, 10am - Noon.* Entry Fees for Members: \$20 for the first piece, \$25 for the second piece. Entry Fees for Guests: \$30 for the first piece, \$35 for the second piece. Proceeds will benefit our Student Scholarship Awards.

Karen Israel will be teaching a one day workshop in Still LIfe in pastel at the New Britain Art League on Nov 16th. She will also be teaching an online workshop on Fur and Feathers with the Penn Studio School of Art, *Tuesdays, Jan. 7-21, 12:30-3pm.* Her pastel painting, *"The Guardian of Central Park West" (below)* won the Art Du en France Award at the Pastel Society of America's 52nd National.

Member News



Cyd Goman had a photograph accepted into the Five Points Gallery Small Works juried exhibition. This show will run from Nov. 22 to Jan. 3. The opening reception will be Friday Nov. 22 from 6-8pm.

Joan Brault, Alicia Carmona-Levy, Roger Niland, Sarah Hathaway, Justine Coleman, Cyd Gorman, Shirley Mae Neu, Ishrat Abid, Carmina Ayazides, Ellen Maniatty and Julia Parker Post have work at an Avon Town Hall exhibit, running until November 16. Carmina Ayazides, Mariann Weiss, Deborah Sacks and Michael Sacks have work in the Canton Artists' Guild "56th Annual Juried Exhibit" at Gallery on the Green in Canton. This exhibit will run until Nov. 10.

Justine Coleman will be exhibiting at the Christmas Cottage on Thur. & Fri. Nov. 7 & 8 from 9am - 6pm and Sat. Nov. 9 from 9am - 3pm. Cash or checks (*no credit cards*) will be accepted at this event held at the St. Matthew Lutheran Church, 224 Lovely St. Avon.

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



We wish to thank <u>Jerry's Artarama</u> of West Hartford for generously providing gift cards for our monthly demo meeting door prize.

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