

AVON *Arts* Association

APRIL 2024

Kate Tortland Demo
Tuesday April 16, 6:30pm
Avon Town Hall, 60 West Main Street



Kate Tortland will demonstrate at a free class on *April 16*, open to the public (*\$5 suggested donation*). She will hold a workshop on *Sat. April 20, 10am – 2pm*, \$45 for members and \$55 for non-members.



Kate Tortland is a contemporary painter living and working in Connecticut and Italy. Her work focuses on exploratory abstraction as well as traditional landscapes.

Kate works in various media and has work available in galleries throughout New England, as well as by commission. She has work in Massachusetts at the Christina Gallery on Martha's Vineyard as well as the Greylock Gallery in Williamstown. In Connecticut, you may find her work at the Alofft Gallery in Litchfield.

Kate is glad to be able to welcome friends back into her studio space in Simsbury, to view artwork with a friend, or to enjoy a cup of coffee and a chat. The gallery is open by appointment as she is usually in the space working on a new piece.

"In my journey with the arts, I enjoy working with galleries, interior designers, and private clients alike. Each relationship is special, and in each way I am able to meet people exactly where they are. Whether it is designing a collection for a gallery, whose buyers I will never meet, to developing commissioned pieces that are perfect for your recent interior design project, or working one-on-one with art lovers, to design a piece that will be loved for years to come - all of it is what I love to do. " - KateTortland@gmail.com

2024 Program

ARTIST	DEMO	WORKSHOP
Kate Tortland ...	Tues. April 16.....	Sat April 20
Deb Velasquez ...	Tues. May 14.....	Sun. May 19*
Zbigniew Grzyb ...	Tues. June 18.....	Sat. June 22

**Note change of day. Demos at 6:30pm, Workshops 10am - 2pm (set up at 9:30am).*

If you have a suggestion for the Program next year, please contact [Lena Stein](#).

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Avon Arts Board meetings are held the first Monday of the month at 2:30 pm at the Avon Library, unless otherwise noted.

Entries / Shows / Classes

The Investors Center in Avon wants 10 to 20 pieces of artwork for 3-6 months. Artist contact information may be displayed and no commission is charged. Contact: **Brooke Salsbury** brookes@theinvestorscenter.com

Carla Niehaus invites Avon Arts members to attend a free online watercolor session, Fridays at 1pm. For more information, contact carlaniehaus@mac.com

Avon Arts Members Spring Show is for members and their guests. Members may submit up to three pieces, one of which may be from another artist. Drop-Off: *Sat. June 1, 10 - 11:30am*. Reception: *Sun. June 2, 2-4pm*
Pick-Up: *June 29, 10am-Noon*, Simsbury Library.

The West Hartford Art League has classes and workshops taught by members Melissa Meredith, Karen Israel and Carol Ganick: www.westhartfordart.org.

The Community Gallery of North Canaan needs art to display and classes to be taught at the Great Falls Brewing Company, 75 Main St. North Canaan. Contact Kara: kara@greatfallsbrews.com.



Member News

Michael Sacks won an award for work in the 123rd Annual juried exhibition of the New Haven Paint & Clay Club at the Guilford Art Center, 411 Church St. Guilford.

Alicia Carmona Levy, Deborah Leonard, Lori Racicot, Rita Bond, Ruth Jacobson and Julia Parker Post will be participating in a group show during the month of April at the Simsbury Library.

Karen Israel won Second Place at the American Artists Professional League's Exhibit: *Realism on the Hudson*, at the Howland Cultural Center Beacon NY, running to April 24. She also has work in a group show running to April 20, Gallery One at Hygienic Gallery, New London.

Cyd Gorman has a piece in the "Unboxed Exhibit" running until April 5 at the Workspace Gallery, 903 Main St. Manchester CT 06040. She also has a painting on display at the Community Art Gallery of North Canaan.

Shirley Mae Neu, Arleen Pomaski, Roger Niland, Mariann Weiss, Darla Di Russo, Sarah Hathaway, Karen Israel, Deborah and Michael Sacks have work in the Member/Guest show at Canton Artists' Guild Gallery on the Green, running to April 14.

Rita Bond, Kate Emery, Carol Ganick, Karen Israel, Arleen Pomaski and Beckie Sahl have been accepted into the CT+6 show at the West Hartford Art League. Opening reception is Sun. April 14, 2-4 pm.

Shirley Mae Neu work accepted in the Arts of Tolland

Annual Juried exhibit - April 7 - 28. She also has two pieces at Arts Center East in Vernon through April 13.



Shauna Shane gave a demo and workshop on painting techniques at Avon Town Hall in March.

Membership

Member dues is for Oct. 1, 23 – Sept. 30, 2024. Student dues are \$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** or bring it to the next demo meeting. **New members are always welcome; so bring along a friend.**

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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