
CMPS Quarterly Newsletter-September 2022

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CENTRAL MASS PASTEL SOCIETY

Newsletter Headline

President's Message

Dear Artists and Friends:

Marks of Distinction is now open at Fivesparks, [7 Fairbank St, Harvard, MA](#). The show reflects the diversity of subject matter and style of artists working in soft pastel, and we are particularly pleased that it includes artists not usually seen in person here on the East Coast.

Do visit the show from September 1-28, and come to the reception on Saturday, September 10, 4-6 pm if you can. There will be live music, food and wine, and presentation of awards. Our awards judge, Katie Hanson of the Museum of Fine Arts/Boston, will be there. There will be People's Choice voting and a silent auction of two small paintings throughout the show run. The show will also be on our website, but of course, there's no substitute for seeing it in person.

Thank you to all the people who made this gallery show and our upcoming reception possible: Susan Lee, Alexia Rosoff, Anne Vosikas, Keith Demanche, Maria Monaco, Joelle Feldman, Allison Krajcik, Susan Aitcheson, Penelope Hauck, and Gail Devine. The staff at Fivesparks has been phenomenal so please thank them if you see them.

And fear not: the rest of Fall holds lots of interesting and educational events in store: workshops, demos, and artist talks. All are listed with registration links in the "Upcoming CMPS Events" section below.

Finally, we all know Fall is a season of transition. This is as true for CMPS as it is for Nature. We will soon be sending out a call for potential interest in filling available Board and other roles that keep CMPS running. Please look for it and consider how your skills, time, and interests might fit with our open positions.

All the best,

Jane

Jane Robbins, President

MARKS OF DISTINCTION

National Juried Show



September 1-28

at **Fivesparks**
in Harvard, MA

Hours: Tue-Thu Noon-6,
Fri Noon-3, Sat-Sun Noon-4



An exciting exhibition and sale of work from the
best soft pastel artists in the country.

Public awards reception with wine and food

Saturday, September 10, 4-6pm

Awards presented by

Katie Hanson,

Curator, Museum of Fine Arts/Boston

2021 First Place: Laura Mocnik - Refreshing, 2nd Place: Laurinda O'Connor - At the Edge



www.fivesparks.org



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Upcoming CMPS Events

Here are the workshops, demos, and artist talks, with registration links, coming up over the next quarter.

Painting Dramatic Light in the Landscape: Workshop with Jake Aguiar. 9/24 in person. Register [here](#).

Getting the Glow: Workshop with Laura Pollack. 10/1 online. Register [here](#).

Painting Birds: Demo with Mike Beeman. 10/5 online. Register [here](#).

Artist Talk with Liz Balkwill. Save the date, 11/6, 10am online. Registration open soon.

Up Close and Personal: Workshop with Maryann Mullett. 11/12-13 in person. Register [here](#).

Artist Talk with Natasha Isenhour. Save the date, 12/13, 6pm online.

Member News

Karen Israel's pastel, "Another Passenger", won the Pastel Painters Society of Cape Cod Award at the Copley Society of Arts national juried exhibit: "Crossing Borders"

Karen Israel's pastel, "Venus Rising", was accepted into the Nor'easter Juried Exhibit at the New Britain Museum of American Art, 8/11-8/28

Karen Israel's pastel, "High Tea", won the Maryland Pastel Society Award at the PPSC National Exhibition.







Dina Gardner recently had two paintings juried into the Pastel Society of Southern California's "Make Your Mark" Fourth Annual International Exhibition, one painting juried into the CMPS Fourth Annual 'Marks of Distinction' National Exhibition and has three paintings currently on exhibit at the Copley Society of Art/COSO's "Small Works" exhibition which runs through October.

Dina also had a painting, "Light of Day" accepted into the Pastel Society of North Carolina's "Pure Color 2022 6th Annual International Juried Exhibition."





Keith Demanche was part of a Paint Around in Wolfeboro, NH with Maryann Mullett, Lisa Regopoulos and Terri Brooks, with Joelle Feldman Moderating... they swapped paintings every ten minutes and fun was had by all - proceeds of the auctioned paintings were donated to the Wolfeboro Library. He has been plein air painting as much as possible, including while at IAPS in New Mexico and in Colorado at Rocky Mountain National Park in June.

Keith is honored to have his piece "The Distance" accepted into the Guild of Boston Artist's Regional Juried Show, one of fifty artists chosen for the 2022 Uart Online exhibition, and accepted into this year's 'Pastels Only' Maine Juried Exhibition. He had a painting in the Hills Gallery "Flowers for the Hills" show in Newburyport. He will also be in a two person show "Application/Excavation" in Meredith, NH sponsored by the Lakes Center for Arts. He will be doing a 2-day plein air workshop at the library in conjunction with the show in September.

Keith will be hanging the CMPS "Marks of Distinction" show this year at Fivesparks and the "It's Pastel" show for the NH Pastel Society.







Christine Chisholm is very pleased to report that she was accepted into the

following shows this year:

Ct pastel society - Renaissance in Pastel "A New Day"

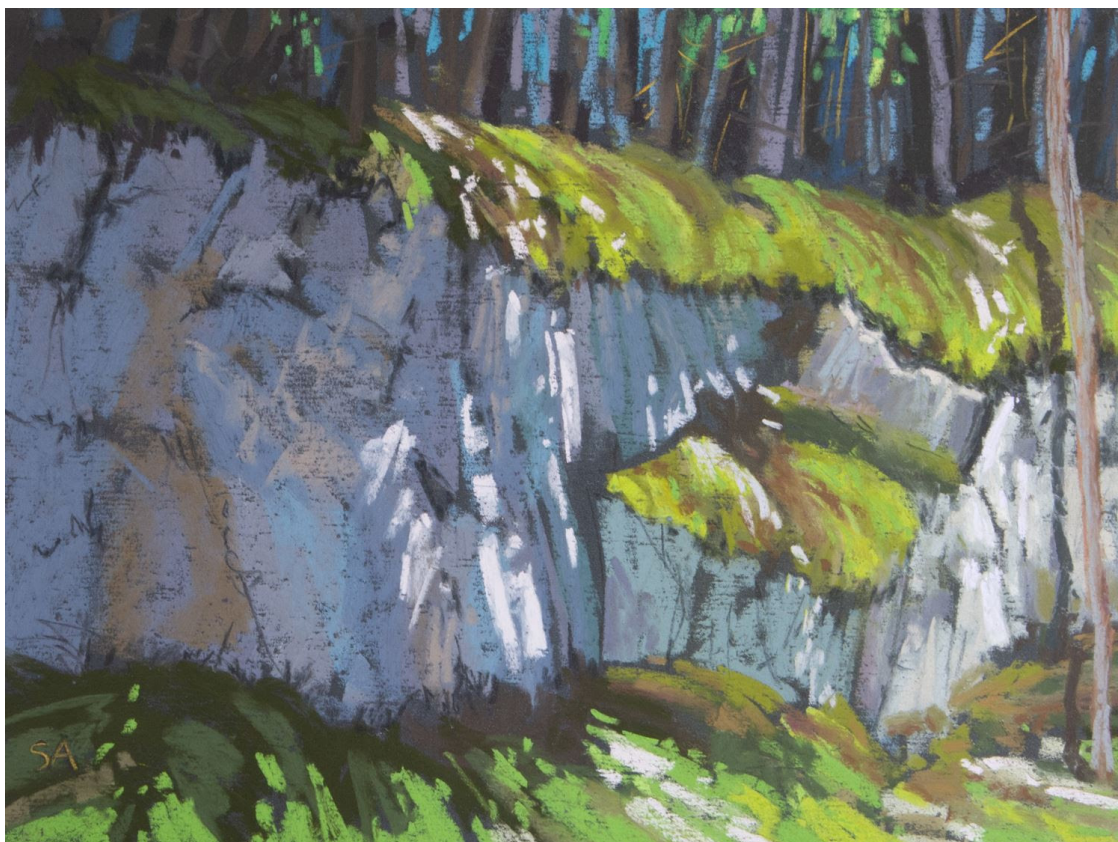
PPSCC - For Pastels Only - "Longing for Summer" I received the Chicago pastel society award for this piece.

CMPS - Marks of Distinction - "Tangled" and "Winter Morning Walk"

Longing For Summer - Chicago pastel society award - PPSCC For Pastels Only 2022 Show



Susan Aitcheson will have a pastel painting in the Catharine Lorillard Wolfe Art Club 2022 Juried Associates and Members show which opens September 30 at the Lyme Art Association. The reception is Friday October 7th. She is also pleased to have an oil painting juried into the Guild of Boston Artists 2022 New England Juried Regional Show. This show opens on September 3rd. September is a busy month because the Providence Art Club will have its Fall Members Show and will have an oil painting in that show. She is very honored to have her work accepted in these shows.



Jane Robbins is honored to have been elected Signature member of the Pastel Society of America. She is also pleased to have been accepted to Pastels Only (Pastel Society of Maine); the Catherine Lorillard Wolfe Art Club Juried Associates and Members Show (2 pieces), and Marks of Distinction (CMPS). Shown below are three paintings, Serenity, 16x20; Clarity, 12x16; and Dark Side of the Dune, 18x24.





Clarity, 16x20



Serenity, 16x20



Dark Side of the Dune, 18x24

Shuk Susan Lee's "Holiday Stroll" won First Place in the Ultra Modern/ Experimental category of the Pastel Society of the West Coast's Pastels USA 99 Voices International Juried Show at Morro Bay, CA. See attached.

A painting has been selected to the New England Regional Juried Show at the Boston Guild of Artists gallery on Newbury St, Boston. This is a mixed media show.

One of her most recent paintings has been juried into the Pastel Society of America's 50th annual Brilliance show at the National Arts Club at New York City for the very first time! The show will start on 9/6 - 10/6.

Other upcoming shows included CMPS's Marks of Distinction, PSME's International Juried Show, PSNC's "Pure Color" International online Juried Show, and the Salmagundi Club's Summer Exhibition which is ongoing now.





Paul Fraser - I am the chair for the NHPS members show We had it in Wolfeboro NH. A fun paint around was followed by awards to winners. Aline Ordman was the judge and I was pleased to receive the landscape award

I will be teaching a class in Millis Ma for seniors in September

I will have a piece of work at the Zullo Gallery in medfield Ma

I also have booth at the warner Fall Festival on October 7-8-9 stop by to see my work

I will also have a booth with my daughter in lyn field in November

Eileen Casey attended the International Association of Pastel Societies Convention where she was presented with Eminent Pastelist Status. She was given an Award of Excellence for "Lunaria" in the Master Circle Show.

Eileen Casey's "Night Nest" and "Another World", (which got the PS of Western New York Award). were accented to the Adirondack Pastel Society Show in Valley Forge.

and many, were accepted to the Barnstable Pastel Society Show in May, 2018.

"Spring Bliss" was awarded Second Place at the Creative Arts Center's All Cape Cod Show and "Country Home" was awarded Second Place at the Cape Cod Art Center's "Town or Country" Show.

She received First for "Pond Light" and Second for "Just Being Koi" at the Sandwich Arts Alliance's June Kershaw Exhibition.

Eileen and Christine Bodnar will have a joint Pastel Exhibition at the Scituate Art Association in September.

Eileen teaches Pastel classes to all levels at CCAC in Barnstable and CAC in Chatham.

Upcoming Events From Our Members

Jeanne Rosier Smith: Fall Color

2 hour live demo

Foliage season is coming soon: be ready for it with this live demo on handling nature's most glorious show with subtlety and sensitivity. Learn to balance the brilliance of fall color with just the right neutrals, and create depth and a strong compositional framework with your trees.

Date: September 14, 6:00-8:00pm EST

Price: Members \$20 Non-members \$40

EpiphanyFineArt.com

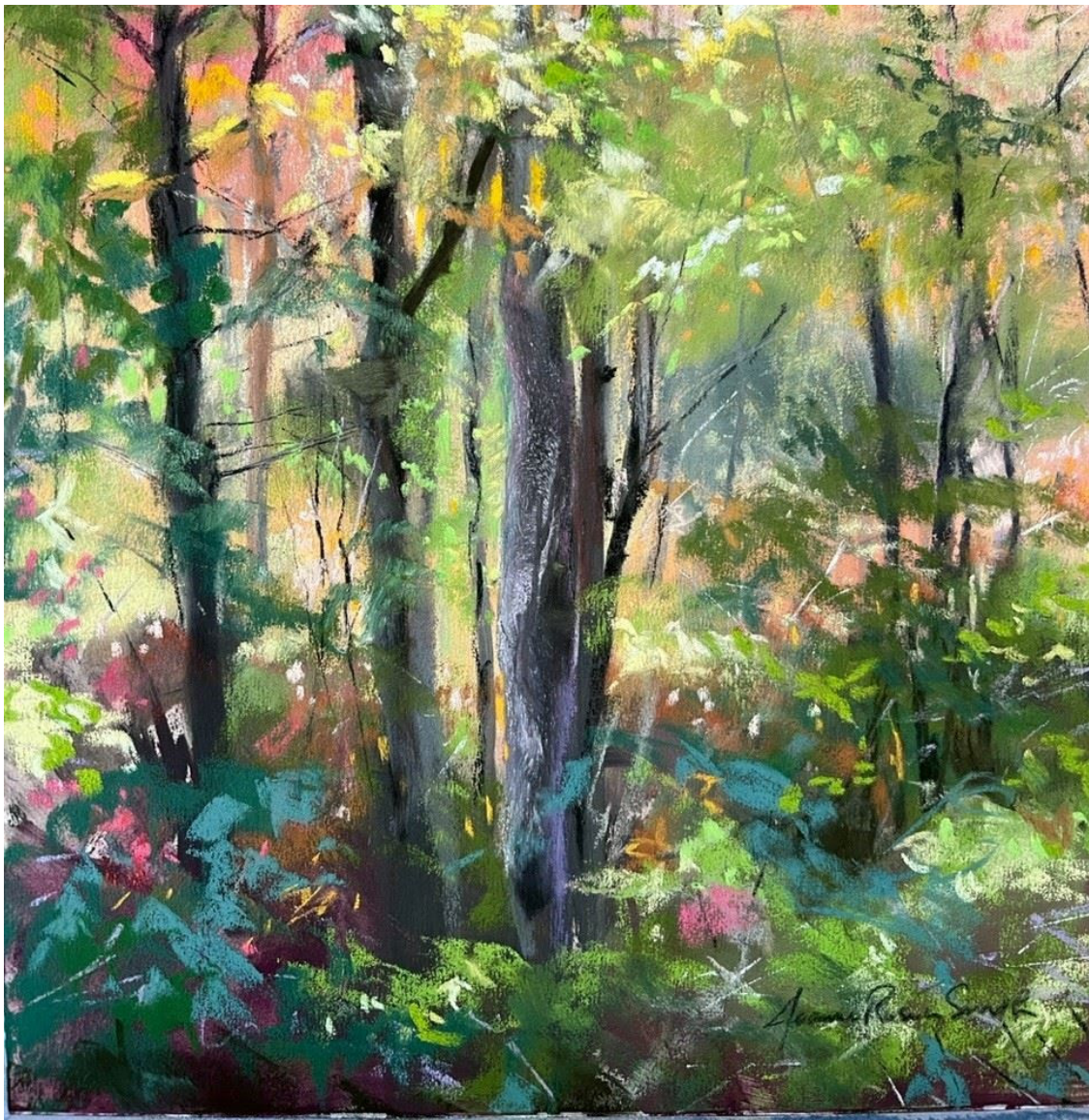
[Sign Up Here](#)

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This Fall Jane Robbins will be teaching two classes: [Fall: Form and Color](#) at her home studio in Saunderstown, RI; and [The Figure in Pastel](#) at Wickford Art Association in Wickford, RI. See links for more information.

Karen Israel

1. Zoom Class Mondays Oct 31st - Nov 21st with the Penn Studio School of Art called **Going Beyond the Photo Reference**

<https://pennstudioschool.com/fall-online-classes-workshops-2022/p/going-beyond-the-photo-reference-unleashing-creativity-with-soft-pastel-online-course-w/-karen-israel>

2. ZOOM Workshop 10/22/22 : The Wow Factor, design and composition:<https://pastelsocietyofcentralflorida.com/workshops/karen-israel-presents-the-wow-factor->



Notices of Possible Interest from Other Pastel Societies

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