

MIXED MEDIA

Reading Art Association
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May - June 2026



RAA 2026 Annual Spring Show

The RAA 2026 Annual Spring Show is over. This was an excellent show. We had 45 works of art in the Main Show and 12 in the Mini Art Sale, There are photos of the show on the website.

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We also had five additional paintings that were interpreted with floral displays by the Reading Garden Club. We hope you didn't miss it.

Spring Show Award Winners

Best of Show

Jeannette Corbett - Oil "Tuscan Landscape"

First Place

Michael Bittner - Acrylic "Reflection"

Second Place

Bill Dexter - Photograph "Motif #1 Gloucester"

Third Place

Sheila Falco - Oil "Irises and Autumn Joy"

Award of Excellence

Kim Ramsey - Colored Pencil "Fruit Still Life"

Ruth Clark - Watercolor "Snow Shower"

Mary Saija Award

Lynne Cassinari - Oil "Rejuvenation!"

Nathalie Nordstrand Award

Kathleen Connors - Watercolor "Before the Berry"

Popular Award

Kim Ramsey - Colored Pencil "Fruit Still Life"

President's Message

Hi Everyone,

I would first like to thank everyone who participated in the Spring Exhibit and the "Art in Bloom" collaboration with the Reading Garden Club. Congratulations to the ribbon winners.

With the Spring Exhibit behind us, our fiscal year has come to a close. I hope you all have a very happy and healthy Spring and Summer.

The Reading Art Association's Board will be planning our new season during the Summer break and will finalize all upcoming demonstrations and exhibit information. As always, notifications and updates can be found on the Reading Art Association Website.

We are still in need of volunteers for exhibit set up and breakdown. We also have some openings on the Board and Committee Chairs. If you are interesting in volunteering, please reach out to me or another Board member.

Reading Art Association is a volunteer group and thrives and continues to grow because of YOU, our members. You help to keep the tradition and rich history alive.

Thank you all!!

Rick Corbett
President/Treasurer, Reading Art Association

Message From Your Newsletter Editor Reading Art Association Spring Exhibit And Sale

On May 1 and 2 we held our annual Spring Exhibit & Sale. It was a terrific show with lots of great art.

In case you could not make it to the event I have posted some photographs on the website.

<http://www.readingart.org/spring2026.shtml>

Brian
Mixed Media Newsletter Editor
Webmaster

People Doings...

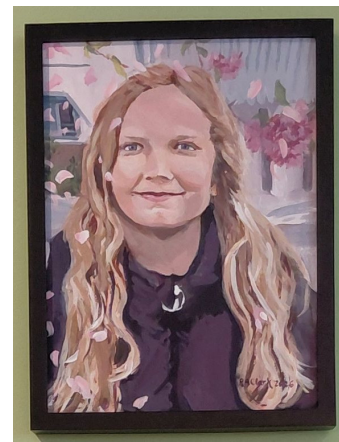
Lynne Cassinari

Lynne exhibited a painting in the Whitelam Bookstore through the month of April.



Ruth Clark

Ruth has a painting in the bookstore through the month of May.



Opportunities...

Figure Drawing in Reading

Creative Arts in Reading is hosting life drawing sessions for artists. Artists will draw from a nude model, starting with short gesture poses and moving on to more lengthy poses in a relaxed and supportive atmosphere. All skill levels welcome!

Upcoming Dates:

Thursday, May 28 | 6:30–9:00 PM
Thursday, June 25 | 6:30–9:00 PM
Thursday, July 30 | 6:30–9:00 PM
Thursday, August 27 | 6:30–9:00 PM

Cost is \$25 and can be paid cash or Venmo at the door or register and pay online at <https://www.weteachcreativearts.org/>

Sessions are facilitated by A.J. Jerrett. For more information, email ajjerrett@gmail.com or call Creative Arts at 781-942-9600.

Location Details:

The art studio is located in the back of the First Congregational Church building in Reading. The official address is 25 Woburn St, but the Creative Arts entrance is on Sanborn Street. Once inside, the studio is the last door on your left. There is also an entrance from the Reading Town Hall parking lot. From that entrance, the studio is the first door on your right.

A.J. Jerrett
617-548-5738
ajjerrett.com

Whitelam Bookstore Display

Consider loaning your art to hang in the Whitelam Bookstore. There is space for only one painting in the store at a time, which is over the fireplace. I am scheduling one painting per month.

There are openings on the schedule, so let me know if you want to be put on the schedule to display your painting.

bkimerer@gmail.com

Tewksbury Library

2025 Themes for Tewksbury Library Art Show

- May 26-August 4 - The Animal World
- August 4-October 13 - Aging
- October 13-December 8 - Shadows
- December 8-February 2 - Signs of the Seasons

For more information, contact Betsy Grecoe at bgrecoe@gmail.com

Greater Haverhill Art Association

Here is a quick overview of the upcoming schedule at the GHAA.

May 10 (9-12) Workshop
May 10 (2:30-4:30) Student Art Pickup
May 23 (2:30-4:30) Annual Open Receiving
May 24 (9-12) Workshop
June 1 (2:30-4:00) Annual Open Reception and Awards
June 8 (2:30-4:30) Annual Open pick-up
June 14 (9-12) Workshop
June 22 (1-2) Board Meeting, Buttonwoods
June 22 (2-4) Pastel Demo with Lisa Regopoulos, Buttonwoods
June 28 (9-12) Workshop

You can download the entire schedule for 2025 from the GHAA website

<https://haverhillartassociation.org/>

Regarding Dues for 2026/2027

Our Treasurer has decided to return to the policy that your dues are due one year after you sign up instead of having everyone pay at the beginning of September.

You can pay your dues using PayPal now. You do not need to have a PayPal account to use it; you can do a one-time payment using a credit card. There is a link on the front page of the website.

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You can also pay your dues by sending them to:

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Deadline for next Mixed Media

The Spring Show was the final event for the 2025/2026 season. The next issue of Mixed Media

will cover the months of September and October since we take July and August off.

I am setting the deadline for items in the September/October issue to Friday, August 21. Send us your news so we can publish it in the newsletter.

Email news to

webmaster@ReadingArt.org

or send using the US Post Office to

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