

NATIONAL OPEN JURIED EXHIBITION 2024



"Body/Building (Augustus' Wildest Dreams", Collage on paper by Helen Kauder CWA 2024 Annual Members Juried Show "Best in Show" winner

September 30 — November 22, 2024

The Slater Memorial Museum 108 Crescent Street, Norwich, CT 06360

Opening Reception & Award Ceremony: September 28, 1 – 3 PM



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Names marked with * designate retiring members of the council.

We'd like to recognize Web Designer; Content Strategist, Pauletta De Lucia – Pauletta left the council this past spring but continues to work with us on our website. We appreciate you, Pauletta!



FROM CWA LEADERSHIP

We begin with a huge thank you to all who worked to put this show together, especially our 2024 CWA National Show Chair, Cynthia Cooper; Juror, Sharon Butler; Council President, Janet Leombruni; Social Media Wiz, Ellen Gordon; Membership Chair, Kelly Taylor; Secretary, Margaret Wilson; Reception Pinch Hitter, Pat Carrigan; Graphic Designer, Gretchen Wohlgemuth; and our intrepid art hangers – Janette Maxey, Amy Conover, Renée Hughes and her husband, Patrick. And finally, to the many volunteers – who step up and step in as needs arise, thank you!

A special thank you to the Slater Museum, especially Museum Specialist, Rudolph Guliani for going above and beyond for us.

As we reach the end of 2024, we have many outgoing council members who have dedicated their expertise, time and efforts to keeping CWA going. We are deeply grateful for their service.

Linda Boisvert DeStephanis
Pat Corbett
Marcy LaBella
Lakshmi S. Nair (retiring V.P., remaining on council)
Barbara Rossitto
Phyllis Small
Jacqueline Stella
Kristen Walsh



We are excited to welcome to the following nominees to fill the positions left open. The membership will vote on accepting them to the Council at our annual meeting on October 5th.

> Jennifer Muller, Vice president Lisa Trotta, Treasurer

Finally, we thank our family and friends who support our artistic endeavors. You complete the cycle and it is with much appreciation that we say thank you!

WELCOME TO THE CWA NATIONAL OPEN JURIED EXHIBITION 2024

Greetings! I am extremely pleased to welcome you to the dazzling Converse Gallery here at the Slater Memorial Museum in Norwich, CT for the 2024 CWA National Open Juried Exhibition. The 90 artworks here include 65 artists from 6 states (CT, MA, NY, OH, CO, NC) and were chosen from just shy of 500 entries.

Connecticut Women Artists (CWA), has promoted and supported professional women artists for 95 years. Today, with over 200 elected members, CWA continues to support and promote Connecticut's professional women artists working in a wide range of media.

The opportunity to show in a wide variety of Connecticut galleries speaks to the quality of work and mastery of the CWA artists. CWA provides a great opportunity for artists to network through these events, through our Members Online Gallery, monthly Art Chats, Newsletters, and online presence through social media and our website, ctwomenartists.org.

If you are a member, we encourage you to get involved. It is a great way to get to know your fellow artists and we can always use extra help.

If you are a woman artist residing in CT, and not a member, please consider joining. We accept applications each August and our team reviews them in September. You can learn more on our website.

Looking forward to meeting you at one of our exhibitions!

With Warm Wishes,

Janet Leombruni CWA President CWAPres2023@gmail.com

IMPORTANT REMINDER TO CWA MEMBERS

The CWA Annual Meeting for Members - October 5, 12:30-3:30 PM

For all members who rsvp'd – this year's annual meeting is at Butchers & Bakers Restaurant, The Exchange Building, 270 Farmington Ave #101, Farmington, CT 06032

In addition to lunch and visiting with fellow members, we will hold a brief business meeting including a vote to accept the proposed 2025/2027 roster of officers.

Looking forward to seeing you there!

MANY THANKS TO OUR JUROR, SHARON BUTLER, ARTIST AND WRITER OF THE AWARD-WINNING BLOGAZINE, TWO COATS OF PAINT

Juror's statement:

Many thanks to the CWA organization for inviting me to select work for the annual exhibition. Choosing from nearly 500 jpeg submissions wasn't easy, as each had its strengths. All the artists I picked show a steady commitment to their own idiosyncratic visual languages that conveys something about their personal experiences. At the same time, their work reaches beyond their own particular spheres and speaks to me—and, I hope, to a still wider audience.

Sharon Butler Publisher at Two Coats of Paint September 2024

twocoatsofpaint.com www.sharonlbutler.com

JUROR OF SELECTION & AWARDS:

Sharon Butler, artist and writer of the award-winning blogazine, Two Coats Of Paint

Drawing and writing form the backbone of Sharon Butler's painting practice. In 2007, fascinated by art, writing, and the possibility of new digital platforms, Sharon founded Two Coats of Paint, a blogazine that focuses primarily on painting in NYC. The project has expanded to include a small residency program, podcast, small press, and other initiatives. From 2016-20, she became obsessed with drawing on her phone, posting one digital drawing each day on Instagram. The visual language developed in these tiny digital images -- the "Good Morning Drawings" -- eventually became the basis for the paintings and drawings she continues to make today.

Her solo exhibitions in New York at Jennifer Baahng Gallery, Theodore Art, and Pocket Utopia have been written about in The Brooklyn Rail, Hyperallergic, artcritical, The New Criterion, The James Kalm Report, Time Out New York, Tussle, and New York Magazine. She has received awards and residencies from Creative Capital and the Warhol Foundation, Connecticut Commission on the Arts, Connecticut State University, Pollock Krasner Foundation, Yaddo, Blue Mountain Center, Pocket Utopia, and Counterproof Press at the University of Connecticut. Her most recent solo exhibition was "Buildingdrawing" at Furnace Art on Paper Archive in Falls Village, Connecticut, in the summer of 2024.

She lives in Queens, NY, works in Brooklyn, and is currently affiliated with the MFA Program at the University of Connecticut in Storrs.

2024 ANNUAL MEMBERS' JURIED SHOW | EXHIBITING ARTISTS

Name	Title	Medium	Price
Laura Barr	Here and There Panel #26	Mixed Media	\$2,000
Regina Berkeley	Luscious lime	Collage	\$500
Lucy Brakoniecki	pas de deux	Oil	\$600
Denise Buckley	CE-10	welded steel	\$2,200
Ruth Carlucci	Medina	Collage	\$500
Jennie Carr	liberty + justice for ALL	Acrylic	\$3,600
Patricia Carrigan	Pond	Oil on canvas	\$2,000
Patricia Carrigan	Rose*	Oil on canvas	\$2,000
Susan Carson	PPO 2	Acrylic on canvas	\$2,000
Susan Carson	Swarm	Acrylic on board	NFS
Sandra Cavanagh	Two Trees and Birds	Oil	\$22,000
Susan Chamberland	Lights of Ville Marie	Photography	\$500
Susan Chamberland	Sand and Surf	Photography	\$600
Yunchieh Chang	Intuition-3	Sumi ink. Collage.	\$2,185
Yunchieh Chang	Intuition-2	Sumi ink. Collage.	\$2,285
Sandra Chase	Gilbert's Toaster	Mixed Media	NFS
Delaney Conner	Say It Again	Fiber Art (Punch Needle Embroidery)	\$5,000
Delaney Conner	U Sure?	Fiber Art (Punch Needle Embroidery)	\$8,500
Cynthia Cooper	what is not forbidden is compulsory (crocodile tears)*	Acrylic	\$4,550
JC Dellenbaugh	Haitian Madonna/Refugee	bronze	\$6,000
Kathleen DeMeo	Thought Process	Monotype (oil-based ink on paper)	\$875
Aliyah Denea	Her Crown	Acrylic, Pastel	\$2,100
Ashley Donovan	Dupe Me	Oil	\$1,900
Anne Doris-Eisner	Awakening*	Acrylic, Ink and Stone on Arches Hotpress Paper	\$3,250
Sheri Fafunwa Ndibe	Harmony	Clay, wax, silk	\$850
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Deborah Fonicello	Totom	Oil on canvas	\$1,500
Ginnie Gardiner	Interspace Ten	Oil on Linen	\$16,000
Nancy Gladwell	Still Life With Container	Oil on panel	\$950
Nancy Gladwell	Family Time	Oil on panel	\$2,800
Nancy Gladwell	Remnants	Oil on panel	\$1,400
Susan Goldberg	Burning Bush	Relief Linoleum Print	\$250
Susan Goldberg	Smoke Jumpers	Relief Linoleum Print	\$250
Lilah Heyman	Sour Taste	Oil	\$1,200
Helen Kauder	Blue Specimen	Collage on paper	\$350
Helen Kauder	Body/Building (Augustus' Wildest Dreams)*	Collage on paper	\$350

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Name	Title	Medium	Price
Brigid Kennedy	Dawn II	Oil, acrylic, graphite on Dura-Lar archival film	\$1,500
Anna Kirby	I go in and out of sleep to pass the time.	Analog paper collage	\$1,000
Evelyn Oliver Knight	Shared Vessel	Art Quilt	NFS
Marcy LaBella	The White Cat	Oil on Cradled Wood Panel	\$1,200
Giselle Landers	Low Tide	Acrylic	\$1,200
Giselle Landers	Outshoot	Acrylic on MDF Wood	\$1,400
Erika Larskaya	If Bridges Could Talk	Mixed Media	\$1,200
Erika Larskaya	risky shift	Mixed Media	\$1,200
Robin Le	Plight of the Insomniac	Mixed Media	\$345
Robin Le	Rowing & Flowing	Mixed Media	\$345
Marsha Massih	Red Boudoir	Oil	\$3,000
Janice Mauro	Aerial Maps	Hydrocal, Acrylic, Resin with Paint	\$1,860
Janette Maxey	River of Blue Tape	Oil	NFS
Janette Maxey	Big Blue Sponge*	Oil	NFS
Eleanor Miller	Radient sky*	Oil	\$4,000
Eleanor Miller	Brown Argus	Oil	\$1,800
Janvier Miller	Interior with Canvases	acrylic on canvas	\$3,800
Eileen Mooney	Self Portrait with Bun and Sweater	oil on masonite	NFS
Sue Mullaney	Bags	Collage	\$500
Jennifer Muller	Flight of Fancy	Mixed Media Beaded Sculpture	\$1,725
Donna Namnoum	Reaching: Black and White	Glazed Stoneware	\$600
Donna Namnoum	Red Hot Volcano Flowers	Glazed Stoneware	\$600
Heather Neilson	Dwell	Oil and Cold Wax	\$2,600
Heather Neilson	Reflect	Oil and Cold Wax	\$2,600
Jana Ott	Sunday Painter	Oil	NFS
Jana Ott	Winter Portrait	Oil	NFS
Donna Owens	Alabama Hills	Photography	
Agnes Preston-Brame	not always what it seems	Acrylic	\$3,250
Gwendolyn Quezaire-Presutti	New England	Mixed, collage, paint & markers	\$500
Susanna Rakusin	Clusterscape 26: Rickle	Tissue collage, pen and ink, acrylic paint on arches	\$350
Susanna Rakusin	Clusterscape 27: Mingling	Tissue collage, pen and ink, acrylic paint on arches	\$350
Diana Rogers	Path to the Willow	Soft Pastel	NFS
Beryl Salinger Schmitt	The smallest coffins are the heaviest, Tallis, prayer shawl	Acrylic gesso on paper bags	\$1,000
Beryl Salinger Schmitt	Austral Winter Calves	Oil and mixed media on paper bags	\$1,200

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Julie Schnatz Rybeck	Shifting Tides	Mixed Media	\$600
Hillary Seltzer	The Sun is Rising	Acrylic	\$700
Joan Shapiro	Hidden Caves	Acrylic	\$275
Patricia Shoemaker	Espresso and OJ	Soft Pastel	\$875
Katie Simmons	Vaccinium oxycoccos	Ballpoint pen and natural dye on cotton	\$16,000
Phyllis Small	Falling for You	Fiber Art	\$1,800
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Suzanne Starr	Shadow Echoes	Acrylic	\$1,200
Rhea Sutter	The Body Politic	Found Object recycled into 3D Art, Mixed Media	\$500
Lisa Tellier	Sunken Garden Summer	Collage	\$800
Lisa Trotta	Fresh Out of the Shower	Digital Photography	\$200
Lisa Trotta	Reaching for the Light	Digital Photography	\$200
Lynn Walker	MOON OVER MARSH	Oil	\$8,000
Anna Webersen	Ebullient Nature	Acrylic and crayon on panel	\$3,500
Anna Webersen	Drawn Together	Acrylic and crayon on linen	\$3,500
Candice Weigle-Spier	Family!	Mixed Media	NFS
Wendy Williams	Handbreadth	Acrylic and ink on canvas	\$1,800
Wendy Williams	Knobs and surprises	Acrylic	\$1,500
Wendy Williams	Nothing to Say- It Grows	Acrylic	\$750
Margaret Wilson	12 Months of Self	Oil pastel, oil on paper	\$1,500

^{*} indicates award winner

UPCOMING CWA SHOWS - 2025

Our next show will be the **CWA Council show** at the Jorgensen Center for the Performing Arts at UCONN in Storrs, CT.

Our **Annual Juried Members show** will be held at the Art League of New Britain later in the spring of 2025.

Our **2025 National Open Juried Show** will be held next fall at the Silpe Gallery on the campus of University of Hartford.

Look for details coming soon:

CTwomenartists.org or onlinejuriedshows.com

IMPORTANT REMINDER TO ALL ARTISTS IN THIS EXHIBITION

Pick-up of artwork is on
November 23rd at the museum
from 11am – 2pm. There is no
storage. Any work not picked up
by the deadline stated cannot be
stored and will be disposed of as
deemed appropriate by the gallery.
CWA will not be responsible for
any artwork left on the premises
after 2pm. Artists who arranged for
shipping are not affected.

2024 AWARD WINNERS

We are excited to announnce this year's award winning artworks. On the cover is our 1st Prize, Best in Show Award winner, *Body/Building* (Augustus' Wildest Dreams) by Helen Kauder. Below are the rest of our 2024 awardees. Congratulations to all!



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Frances Hudson Storrs award – Cynthia Cooper



Big Blue Sponge
Margaret Miller Cooper award – Janette Maxey



Rose
2nd place Award – Patricia Carrigan



Radiant sky
Katharine Seymour Day award – Eleanor Miller



Awakening
Inez Temple award – Anne Doris-Eisner