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It's Never Too Late for Art



Debbie Mueller, award winning oil painter and Huggins Hospital Gynecologist will be exhibiting her work at Huggins Hospital during the months of May and June.

Mueller's path to becoming an artist is surprising and unconventional. After a life of believing she had no artistic ability, she was visiting her parents in 2016 and during a dull, rainy day, her mother suggested painting as an activity.

Mueller looked for a reason to decline- the idea held little interest for her, but lacking anything better to do, she accepted and created her first painting. It was a terrible painting, but she loved the way it made her feel- focused, meditative, and productive. Upon returning home, she went to the art supply store and came home with canvases and paint, and her journey began. During the last five years, she has studied, and in her words, "covered a mile of canvas" to grow as an artist and achieve some significant successes.

In 2018, she was awarded First Place in Artist's Magazine's annual art competition for landscape paintings by artists with less than 6 years of experience. She has gone on to win Best in Show

awards through the Art Guild of the Kennebunks and the Parrsboro International Plein Air Festival, as well as other significant awards from the New Hampshire Art Association and the Cape Cod Art Center. Her paintings have been juried into highly competitive national shows for Oil Painters of America and the National Society of Acrylic and Oil Painters. Her work is now available through Mast Cove Gallery in Kennebunkport, Kennedy Gallery in Portsmouth, and Cortile Gallery in Provincetown.

Mueller has selected a variety of landscape paintings for this exhibition. Some are “Plein Air” paintings, done outdoors on a portable easel, being able to respond to the immediacy of the light and atmospheric conditions, while others were done in her home studio. She will donate 20% of the proceeds of any sales to the Sunshine Fund at Huggins Hospital, a fund that assists employees in crisis. Her work can be viewed on her [website](#) and questions can be directed to debbiemuellerart@gmail.com.

GWAC funds two opportunities for artists and cultural organizations within the School District: Brookfield, Effingham, New Durham, Ossipee, Tuftonboro, and Wolfeboro. Both opportunities offer awards up to \$500. Apply Now!

[Learn More about the Art Education Fund](#)

[Learn More about the Priscilla Hodges Scholarship](#)

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Locating and Writing Grants for Individual Artists



WHEN: Friday, May 7th
TIME: 3pm to 5pm via ZOOM
FREE with a suggested donation of \$10

Learn how to locate and write applications for art grants. Your instructor, Liz Helfer, will share tips for assembling a successful application and answer questions about the GWAC Art Education Fund and Priscilla Hodges Scholarship.

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A Call to Tuftonboro Artists

The Tuftonboro Historical Society invites Tuftonboro artists to join in an

art display at the newly renovated Tuftonboro Library. The theme of this exhibit will be "Tuftonboro Artists: Past and Present" and will be on display for the month of June. To participate, contact GWAC and Historical Society member, Nancy Piper, at nancypiper6@gmail.com.



Share Your News

Do you have an exhibition coming up? A new venue? A studio update? We want to share your art news! Please send press releases and tidbits to info@governorwentworthartscouncil.org

May Board Meeting

Join us on May 4 at 6:30 pm for our board meeting. All members welcome.

[May 4 Board Meeting Zoom Link](#)

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