

## CALENDAR

11/1	General meeting <b>Peter Keitel</b> , demonstrating in acrylic	6:45pm
11/7	<b>K. Woodward</b> special zoom demo — Wiring Your Painting for Hanging	7:00pm
11/15	Board Meeting via zoom	6:30pm
11/30	Intake #1 for Holiday Show	1-4pm
12/1	Intake #2 for Holiday Show Hanging for Show	10-11:30am 11:30-3:30pm
12/4	Holiday Show Reception	2-4pm
12/20	Board Meeting via zoom	6:30pm
12/29	Pick up Artwork from Holiday Show	10am-1pm
12/30	Pick up Artwork from Holiday Show	1-5pm

## December 2022 CAL Holiday Show

The 2022 Holiday Show is fast approaching. We are pleased to announce that the show will be “live” at the William Sanford Library in Colonie, NY during the month of December 2022. Each CAL member will be able to submit one (1) piece of artwork for the Holiday Show (\$10.00 fee to enter) and up to two (2) Small Works for sale. The show will include many cash awards. Winners will be announced at the show reception. **You must be a current member to participate.**

*Frozen Bubble*  
by Marthanne Linacre,  
2021 Holiday Show Award  
Best In Show



## **Important Dates:**

**Reception: Sun., Dec 4th, 2 - 4 pm, William Sanford Library**

**Intakes: Weds., Nov 30th, 1 - 4 pm and Thurs. Dec 1st, 10 -11:30 am**

**Hanging: Thurs., Dec 1st, 11:30 am - 3:30 pm**

**Pick-ups: Thurs., Dec 29th, 10am-1pm OR Fri., Dec 30th, 1 -5pm**

## **General Rules for Entry**

Enter one (1) original painting/photograph completed within the last 3 years and not shown in a previous CAL exhibition.

**Entry Fee:** \$10.00 for one piece

**Size limit: 36" X 36"** including the frame's outside dimensions.

Painting must be dry, sturdily framed, wired and ready to hang. Gallery wrapped paintings on canvas must have all edges painted to be accepted. Watercolor, pastels, drawings, etc. must be under glass or acrylic. No prints or art based on greeting cards, calendar art, magazine photos, etc. (Please refer to Sept/Oct 2022 Newsletter for the article on *Preparing Artwork for Shows*. Also, consider attending the **November 7 th, 7:00 pm (zoom) presentation by Kris Woodward on Wiring your painting for hanging.**)

## **Exhibit Categories**

**Paint on Canvas** including oil, acrylics, and water media (any medium used in an aqueous manner)

**Paint on Paper** including oil, acrylics, and water media

### **Pastel**

**Other** (including - drawings (pen/ink, charcoal, pencil/graphite, colored pencil, markers), collage, mixed media (2 or more media), encaustic, photography, digital photography (all forms of digital including manipulated), and traditional printmaking (limited edition of 10, hand-pulled original prints only)

**Emerging Artist:** Anyone who has never received any award from CAL or any other art organization for work in any medium submitted for any show or exhibit. Any award means best in show first, second or third prize or honorable mention or any other competitive recognition. Check the emerging artist box category on the application.

**Judge's Circle:** The judge will be awarding 1st, 2nd , and 3rd places and honorable mentions (# to be determined) to artists whose artwork is mature in artistic vision. The works of these highly developed, advanced artists will be judged only within this group. (This category gives other entrants a greater chance of recognition in their respective categories.)

## **Small Works Sale**

We will be filling the entrance hall to the library gallery with small works for immediate sale. These sale items are in addition to your one entry to the show and will not be judged. There is no fee to enter small artworks.

**Size limit:** 12" x 12" including the frame's outside dimensions.

**Maximum price:** \$75.

**Two (2) small works per artist**

Giclee and prints are acceptable but must be marked as such. Label your piece with name, telephone number and price. Buyers will contact you directly. You may replace any painting you sell. Your replacement

## Holiday Show Entry and Waiver Form

Colonie Art League and the William Sanford Library are released from any liability as to loss or damage to my artwork or equipment during set-up, exhibit or take-down. I have read the above and accept the conditions before entering my painting as submitted below.

**Please complete 2 copies of this form.** Affix one (1) copy to the back, upper left-hand corner of your artwork. Bring the other copy when you drop off your artwork at intake.

The nonrefundable entry fee is \$10.00 (**cash or check only**)

Artist's Signature \_\_\_\_\_

Name (print) \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_ email address \_\_\_\_\_

Title \_\_\_\_\_

Medium/Category \_\_\_\_\_ Price or NFS \_\_\_\_\_

Emerging Artist \_\_\_\_\_

Feel free to contact the Co-Chairs with questions: Lee York: 518-772-0859 and Pam Agan-Smith (<mailto:pandq85@gmail.com>) or 518-813-3583.

# Our Judge for the 2022 Holiday Show: Rebecca Schoonmaker Abstract Artist



*Rebecca with  
her daughter  
Lucia Mabel*

Rebecca received her MFA from SUNY Albany and has exhibited her work all over New York State. She has taught drawing and design classes as an adjunct instructor at several New York State colleges. Rebecca is a founding member of the Upstate Artists Guild and is currently working on bringing the UAG to a virtual platform where artists can share ideas and opportunities. She has been working in Raku pottery under Elizabeth Neilds since 2005 and enjoys her annual Raku workshop in Otsego, NY. She also works in watercolor/colored pencil, printmaking and collage.

### *Artist Statement:*

I think of my paintings and raku tiles as windows or glimpses into another place. Each piece invites the viewer for an intimate look at a meditative process of mark making, often including a box or square as the dominant shape (a multitude of small windows making up one larger window). The designs in each painting are inspired by beauty and pattern in nature. Each layer is created by reacting to the surface or layer beneath, influenced by the pattern or design below it, either working with or against the layer before. Pattern and layering on the surface cause an abstract perfection and serendipity simultaneously creating emotions.

*-Rebecca Schoonmaker*

Sample of Artwork by Rebecca Schoonmaker



## Card and Bookmark donations needed for Library Holiday Tree

It has been a tradition for the Colonie Art League to support the Sanford Town Library by donating handmade cards and bookmarks with original artwork for sale on their Holiday Tree. **These are needed again this year!** Cards and bookmarks can be of any subject; a holiday theme is not required. Please make a card (with envelope) and/or a bookmark (2"x 6") and deliver it to the library at one of the Holiday Show intakes (plastic sleeves and tassels for bookmarks will be available at the Holiday Show intakes).



### Our November Demoist

Peter Keitel is a local artist who lives in South Westerlo, NY. When he retired in 2002, he found more time to pursue his art. After trying several media, he has settled on painting with acrylics. Most of Peter's paintings are of common objects and scenes in a hyper-realistic style. Peter paints almost entirely from photographs and continues to experiment with a photorealistic style.

Peter's presentation will demonstrate how two of his paintings were developed. Starting with photos, he will show how the images are transferred and developed into the finished work. He will demonstrate several painting techniques and talk about tools that can be used to accomplish his realistic results. Strong images of everyday objects force the viewer to not just look, but to truly see, what is in his paintings. [www.fineartamerica.com/profiles/peter-keitel](http://www.fineartamerica.com/profiles/peter-keitel)

### Membership Update

#### **A BIG WELCOME to New Members to CAL (since August 2022)**

Cheryl Birmingham

Anne Cluett

Deborah (Debbie) Dlugolecki

Gerald Jones

Tracy Loring

Kristine Kelly

Hayley Neighmond

Jan Silverman-Pollow

Erin Shoudy

Roxane Teal

Victoria Tucker

Geralyn Zinc

**Welcome Back and Thank you** to our CAL members who have renewed their memberships for the 2022-23 year!

For those who have not yet renewed, we look forward to hearing from you! Please complete our membership form attached to this newsletter (even if you are a returning member) and either mail to CAL with your dues payment (make check payable to Colonie Art League) OR you may renew online.

<https://www.colonieartleague.com/join-us>

Annual Membership Dues:  
Standard membership: \$40  
Senior rate (age 62+): \$35

The 2022-23 CAL membership year begins September 1, 2022.  
The Membership year is from September through August.

**Remember, you must be a member to participate in CAL shows.**

If you have any questions about your membership status, please contact Pam Agan-Smith, Membership Chair: [pandg85@gmail.com](mailto:pandg85@gmail.com)

## CAL Volunteers Needed

**Dee Foley** is looking for another member to assist her with identifying and contacting potential demoists. Dee's contact info is in the Board of Director's list at the end of the newsletter.

**Lynn Kaiser** is looking for another member to assist her as New Member Liaison.

## Member Classes, Workshops and Services

### *Join us for Wednesday Open Studio*

**Where:** St. Matthew's Church in Latham

**How much?** \$5 donation

**For whom?** open to all CAL members

**When?** anytime on Wednesdays, 10-2

Enjoy painting with friends. Bring your lunch, art supplies, and a dose of humor. Take advantage of the CAL DVD's and library.

## CAL Library

The library at St Matthew's is in the back room, open from 10 AM to 2 PM and 6:30pm to 9pm Wednesdays. Books and DVDs. Call to make sure that the church is open, Chris 518 879-2927 or Kris 518-461-2809.

## Art Classes with Kris Woodward

*Watercolor, Pastel, Acrylic, Oil and Drawing*

**Kris Woodward** has classes on Wednesday night 6:30-9:30 currently alternating St. Matthew's and Zoom. Also, Thursday morning either at her home gardens or St. Matthew's depending on the weather, 9:30-2:30. [Kristin.woodward10@gmail.com](mailto:Kristin.woodward10@gmail.com), 518-461-2809. Students are required to have COVID shots.

## Ruotolo Design Shack

**Richard Ruotolo** is a new CAL member this year and our new CAL Webmaster. He brings with him 25 years' experience in the design industry. View samples of his art and client work at [www.ruotolodesignshack.com](http://www.ruotolodesignshack.com). See more on Facebook and Instagram. Contact Rich for all your graphic design, illustration, and photography needs.

## Community Art Venues

### Colonie Town Hall

If you are interested in using the corridor walls as a venue for your art, the Town Supervisor's office would be happy to arrange that for you.

Contact the Supervisor's Office at 783-2728.

### Niskayuna Library community room

Contact: Circulation Desk 386-2249

### Ballston Community Library community room

Contact: Deborah 399-8174 ext. 2

## CAL Board of Directors

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## CAL Website

Our website [www.colonieartleague.com](http://www.colonieartleague.com), is not a commercial website and does not sell directly or indirectly to potential clients. It will only display your wares and contact information if someone wants to buy. There is a page for CAL members to display artwork which is labeled "Member Art for Sale". One option if using the CAL website is to make a page with your name on it and include a few examples of your artwork along with your contact information, phone number, or email address. If you wish to participate, email the details to [ruotolodesignshack@gmail.com](mailto:ruotolodesignshack@gmail.com).

## CALnews **Schedule**

We will send out five issues per year and email blasts for additional information as necessary. Below is the proposed schedule:

**1) SEPTEMBER/OCTOBER ISSUE**

August 5th - Newsletter copy deadline for articles/info

**2) NOVEMBER/DECEMBER ISSUE**

October 5th - Newsletter copy deadline

October 15th - Newsletters get emailed to membership

**3) JANUARY/FEBRUARY** membership list and show information only

January 5th - membership list and show info sent to Jean

**4) MARCH/APRIL ISSUE**

February 5th - Newsletter copy deadline

February 15th - Newsletters get emailed to membership

**5) MAY/JUNE ISSUE**

April 5th - Newsletter copy deadline

April 15th - Newsletters get emailed to membership



**P.O. Box 941, Latham, NY 12110**

**How did you learn about CAL?**

- Website
- Publicity (i.e., CAL newsletter, newspaper, etc.)
- CAL shows
- Friend
- Other \_\_\_\_\_

Membership forms can be downloaded from our website [www.coloniartleague.com](http://www.coloniartleague.com) There is also the option of completing the form on-line and paying with PayPal.