



Tole It To The Mountains

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Presidential Chit Chat

Autumn Greetings!

Here in New Hampshire fall is taking its time to show us its colors, but gradually we are seeing the beautiful autumn palette. I hope you are all enjoying this season, wherever you are located.

Many of us have recently returned home from NET, having spent time with friends, reacquainting with painting friends from other years and meeting new friends. (Friend theme!) It was also a wonderful opportunity to take a class with a teacher or in a media new to us. NET was amazing with almost 400 people taking classes from 45 teachers/artists. The 25th Anniversary year was a wonderful celebration! If you were not able to be with us this year, I hope you will put the convention on your calendar for October 8-13, 2024! We'll look forward to seeing you there!

We were pleased to unveil the 25th Anniversary Cookbook at NET. More than 250 favorite recipes from your painting friends and artists were collected in a very delicious cookbook! I especially enjoyed reading the history of NET and the significance of the wreath logo at the front of the cookbook. If you were not at NET to buy a cookbook, I will be happy to take orders (along with payment – cash or a check made out to New England Traditions). The cookbooks will be here by our November meeting. The cost is \$12.50. If you need a book sent to you, we would need to add whatever shipping would be. If you like to cook or bake or just enjoy reading a cookbook, I think you'll be very happy. You can send orders to Jacque Seastedt, 49 Sandown Rd., Danville, NH 03819. I would need your order by October 27th.

Although we may still be finishing our NET projects, we also have exciting new seminars to look forward to. Coming up is:

Amy Mogish on October 28 (12-5 PM EST), Apple Cider Donut design
Tracy Moreau on November 9th (6-9 PM EST), Butterfly Kisses (RAK)
Karen Brouwer on November 18 (3-9 PM EST), Zhostova Daisies
Cindy Harrison, January 14th General meeting (Zoom for all)

On November 12 we will be meeting in person at the Londonderry Senior Center, Londonderry, NH, and on Zoom. Our business meeting will begin at 10:00 AM but be sure to come early! We will be enjoying a holiday brunch before the meeting. Please come hungry! Besides enjoying our brunch and visiting, we will have brown bag raffles and Palette Potpourri to browse. During the meeting we will have elections for 2024 and drawings for the awesome annual raffle! Be sure to have your tickets in! You can register for these classes and our November meeting at artroom2create.com. If you will be attending the meeting in person, please be sure to contact Suzi Franklin to let her know that you will be there. An email is preferred (mefpsp@yahoo.com) but if an email is not possible, please call Suzi (207-646-3269). We always want to know if you are coming to the meeting but in November we definitely need numbers for brunch!

The afternoon painting will be a beautiful Rosemary West design taught by Rosemary West herself via Zoom. The design is "Blessed and Thankful", a perfect painting for this time of year. If you are painting at the Senior Center, paint will be provided.

I'm hoping to see you all at our meeting or a painting seminar in person or via Zoom! Get your brushes ready and enjoy the autumn!

Warm wishes,
Jacque Seastedt, President

Save the Dates! 2023 General Meeting Dates

November 12, 2023
January 14, 2024

The **deadline** for the next issue of
Tole it to the Mountains is
December 3, 2023
The Newsletter is published 5 times a year:
Feb, April, August, October and December

Co-VP Chronicles

I cannot believe it is October already. Gee wiz, time flies. I had a great time at NET and I even painted. I finished 5 out of my 7 projects. That's a record for me. It was great to see so many familiar faces and those that I have never met in person. I hope we can do this again next year.

There are a several more seminars, programs and RAK's planned for the remainder of the year. All these events will be broadcast via Zoom. You can read more information or register for one of these awesome programs at - <https://www.artroom2create.com/category-s/150.htm>



October 28th we have Amy Mogish and she is teaching her design called: "Apple Cider Donuts." She used a combination of DecoArt Acrylics and Prismacolor pencils to create this piece. This is a 5-hour program, from Noon to 5 PM, Eastern.



November 9th there is an RAK program that Tracy Moreau will be teaching from 6 to 9 PM, Eastern. Her design is called: "Butterfly Kisses." Thank you, Sue Black for arranging another awesome RAK program.

November 12th the afternoon program is a Zoom event with Rosemary West CDA. The design is called "Blessed and Thankful." You are welcome to paint this project along with others at the Londonderry Senior Center and the JoSonja paints are being provided to in house participants. This program will be from Noon to 4 PM, Eastern.

November 18th we have Karen Brouwer teaching a "Zhostovo Daisies" design. The medium is DecoArt acrylics. Because Karen lives in Australia, this program will start at 3 PM and will end by 9 PM, Eastern.



Next year will be here before we know it and we need to think about who we want to have for seminar teachers. Please, send me an email with your suggestions. There are so many choices today, we are thinking about scaling back on the number of seminars we offer because we lost money on several this year.

*Carolyn
Co-VP and 2023 Seminar Chair*

Afternoon Programs. See What is Coming Up!

The November 12th afternoon program will be at the Londonderry Senior Center and on Zoom. The afternoon program starts at 12:00.

Rosemary West will be teaching. She is teaching her piece titled Blessed and Thankful. It has been re-designed especially for our afternoon program. If you can come in person the paint will be provided, we will be using Jo Sonja paint. If you will be painting on Zoom and do not have the paint you can go online for the conversion chart for the brand you will be using. The surface is a 9 by 12 canvas and great for dry brushing but it can be painted on any surface that you already have. I can't wait to try her technique for those beautiful red roses.



When you purchase the class on the website www.artroom2create.com you are then able to down load the instructions which include the supply list. If anyone has trouble down loading the instructions please call me and I will help you.

On January 14th at 12:00 Cindy Harrison, one of our past presidents will be teaching "You Ain't Seen Nothing Yet". A beautiful New Zealand Red Admiral Butterfly Project incorporating; sponging, watercolor style back ground and stenciling. A fun class using a clipboard as the surface but again you can paint it on any surface you already have, including a memory box.

Looking forward to painting with everyone!

Dotty, Co-VP



2023 Calendar of Events...

January 8	General Meeting 10AM Zoom - 12:30pm (EST) - Afternoon project with Lynne Andrews "Vintage Snowman" - Zoom
January 28	Seminar with Paula Leopold - Colored Pencil "Hummingbird & Hibiscus" Zoom
January 29	Newsletter Deadline
February 4	Seminar with Maxine Thomas (acrylics) Zoom
February 28	Board Meeting - 6-7:30PM Zoom
March 4 & 5	Seminar with Paulette DiGesare (acrylics) Zoom
March 12	General Meeting 10AM Londonderry Senior Center and Zoom Afternoon Program, Dotty Pullo, CDA - Floral Welcome sign; Need help with something? Bring it along and Dotty will help for the first 1/2 hour Zoom
March 26	Newsletter Deadline
April 22	Seminar with Lise Lorentzen (rosemailing acrylics) Zoom
April 10th	RAK - Nancy Scottt, CDA - "Floral Memory" 6:00 PM - Free to members
April 25	Board Meeting 6-7:30PM Zoom
May 6	Seminar with Maureen Baker (acrylics) Zoom
May 7	General Meeting 10AM Londonderry Senior Center and Zoom Afternoon Class - 12:30 PM, in person and Zoom - "Floral Tote" with Chris Watson
June 10	Memory Box, RAK - 1-4 PM, taught by Linda O'Connell (Erika Joanne Design)
June 24	Seminar with Jane Allen (Quikwood) Zoom
July 16	Seminar with Tracy Moreau (acrylics) Zoom
July 24	Memory Box, RAK - 1-4 PM, taught by Laurie Webber
July 30	Newsletter Deadline
August 12	Seminar with Dotty Pullo, CDA (acrylic & Wooly Pine) Zoom
August 29	Board Meeting 6-7:30PM Zoom
September 9	Seminar with Sandy McTier (acrylics) 12:00 - 5:00 Zoom
September 10	General Meeting, 10AM Londonderry Senior Center and Zoom Afternoon Class - Arlene Linton - 12:00 - 4:00 PM (acrylics) Zoom
September 16	RAK with Stephanie Robinson 9:00 - 12:00 (JoSonja and Prismacolor Pencils) Zoom
September 26	Board Meeting 6-7:30PM Zoom
October 1	Newsletter Deadline
October 3-8	NET Convention, Marlboro, MA
October 28	Seminar with Amy Mogish (acrylic) 12:00 - 5:00 Zoom
November 2	Board Meeting 6-7:30 PM Zoom
November 9	RAK Tracy Moreau 6:00 - 9:00 Zoom
November 12	General Meeting 10AM Londonderry Sr. Center & Zoom, Elections, Annual Raffle Drawing. Afternoon class - Rosemary West 12:00 PM (JoSonja Gouache)
November 18	Seminar with Karen Brouwer (acrylics) Zoom
December 3	Newsletter Deadline
January 2	Joint Board meeting - Zoom 6:00
January 14, 2024	General Meeting

*** ALL TIMES ARE LISTED AS EST**

WMDPG General Meeting...Zoom

Date: November 12, 2023

Place: Londonderry Senior Center
535 Mammoth Road, Londonderry
NH & **Zoom**

10:00-11:30 Business Meeting - in person and Zoom

11:30 - 12:00 Brunch food will be offered.
Bring your appetite.

12:00 - 4:00 ZOOM - Rosemary West -
"Blessed and Thankful". Rosemary uses JoSonja paints which will be provided if you plan to paint at the Senior Center. Surface is 9 x 12 canvas but you can paint on any surface you already have.

Register at: <https://www.artroom2create.com/>
and look under the "White Mountain 2023 Seminars & Programs" tab.

Members \$15, Non-members \$25

Things To Bring to the Meeting

- A Friend or Guest
- Ornament for David's House or Veteran's home.
- Something for the Palette Potpourri
- Your painted name tag
- Money for raffles & fundraiser tickets
- Brown Bag Raffle donations
- **Memory Boxes UNFINISHED/FINISHED**
- Your regular painting supplies
- Painted candy dish if you took one home

Don't forget to send in your Palette Potpourri pictures to lkell13@comcast.net or have them ready to show live or on Zoom at the meeting.



General Meeting Registration Form

Name: _____

Phone: _____

Guest: _____

Email: _____

Registration for the afternoon program can be done online at <https://www.artroom2create.com/>. We ask that if you plan to attend in-person for the meeting, that you send Suzi Franklin an email so that we know how many seats to set up.

REGISTRATION DEADLINE - Wednesday , November 8th

Please indicate the following:

Business Meeting

Pre-registered

Yes / No

Guest

Yes / No

Email your RSVP to Suzi Franklin at:

mefpsp@yahoo.com

Tel. 207-646-3269

2023 WMDPG Officers & Board of Directors

President	Jacque Seastedt
Vice President	Carolyn Swasey / Dotty Pullo
Newsletter Editor	Sue Hodgkins
Secretary	Sue Duffy
Treasurer	Betty Vitale
Membership Sec	Suzi Franklin
Past Pres. Advisor	Janice Fusco
Board Members	Leeanne Kelly Shirley Cochis Mary Frambach



**Directions to
Londonderry Senior Center
535 Mammoth Road, Londonderry NH**

From I93 take exit 5 (NH-28)(both from North and South). Turn right on NH-28N. Continue straight to stay on NH-28 N (1.3 miles). Turn left onto Mammoth Road. (.4 miles). Destination will be on the left.

2023 Presidential Appointments...

Annual Raffle	Leeanne Kelly
Historian	Kris Lafayette
Hospitality	Leeanne Kelly
Memory Box Program	Marilyn Moses & Jacque Seastedt
NEDA Representative	Mary Frambach
Committee Chair	Cheryl Barb
Nominating Committee	OPEN
Parliamentarian	Marilyn Moses
Service Project/Charity	
Seminars//Workshops	Carolyn Swasey
Social Media	Donna Frost
	Carolyn Swasey
Website	Sue Hodgkins
Atta Girl/Boy	Kris Lafayette



NOTE

Due to some members sensitivity to fragrances, we respectfully ask that you refrain from bringing or wearing strong perfumes, candles etc.

Thank you!!!

BROWN BAG RAFFLE

Gather your unwanted treasures and bring them to our White Mountain Guild meetings to raffle off! You may place them in boxes, brown or plastic shopping bags, whatever works for you...will work for the Guild. What a great way to evaluate your supplies and earn money for our guild. Treasures may include surfaces, books, patterns, painted items, paint...

General Meeting Raffle Rules

- Raffle is held at general meetings
- Members will bring bagged or boxed items to be raffled in new or like new condition
- Painting supplies, surfaces, paint, mediums, books, magazines, useful items
- Painted items
- Tickets will be sold at the general meeting
- Drawing for these items will be at the same general meeting
- All proceeds go to White Mountain Decorative Painters' Guild



WMDPG General Meeting Minutes - Sunday, September 10, 2023

The September 10, 2023 business meeting of White Mountain Decorative Painters' Guild convened at 10:00 a.m. at the Londonderry (NH) Senior Center. President Jacque Seastedt opened the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance to the flag, then greeted 16 in person members and 13 members on Zoom. She issued a special welcome to new members.

Vice President Carolyn Swasey spoke about future workshops: Amy Mogish in September, Karen Brouwer in November. Details and project photos are available on ArtRoom2Create. Sue Black has lined up Tracy Moreau in November and Erika Joanne on September 16 for free, RAK (Random Acts of Kindness) classes. There have been some concerns about shrinking participation in seminars. Therefore, in 2024 we will probably reduce the number of classes to one per quarter.

Vice President Dotty Pullo CDA announced a Rosemary West class for November, Cindy Harrison for January 2024, Janice Fusco for March. Nothing has been scheduled for the remainder of 2024. Dotty is soliciting members willing to contact teachers and sponsor meetings for the remainder of 2024. Please let her know if you can help.

Sue Duffy, Secretary, solicited comments on the minutes of the April 2023 meeting. As none were proposed, it was moved and voted to accept the minutes as published in the newsletter.

Betty Vitale, Treasurer, wasn't able to attend the meeting but had previously reported \$29,000 in our account.

Suzi Franklin reported a total membership of 186. Registration for 2024 is now open.

Newsletter Editor Sue Hodgkins is now using Constant Contact for group emails, including newsletter distribution. She reports very few messages have bounced back to her. However, if you think you've missed a newsletter, or know someone who did, please let Sue know so it can be remedied. Deadline for the next newsletter is October 1.

The newly revised Bylaws and Standing Rules of WMDPG have been emailed to all. You may contact any officer if you have questions about the changes. **There will be a Zoom vote of the membership in November (which requires a quorum) to ratify the documents.** It is critical that we accomplish this by the end of the year in order to complete state filings, IRS matters, banking, etc. and move forward as an independent entity.

Mary Frambach and Cheryl Barb need volunteers to fill empty slots at NET for the class display and volunteer room. Volunteers no longer need to clean classrooms. Clare Marjorosy, Linda Kapp and Donna Frost all offered their time to help. Carolyn Swasey will raffle one free class to those who help out.

Jacque Seastedt described the NET Anniversary Cookbook to be sold at the convention for \$12.50. It contains recipes submitted by members throughout the country. You may reserve a copy through Lynn Barbadora (lbarbadora@yahoo.com) if you don't plan to be at NET.

Donna Frost addressed members with an innovative concept for encouraging beginner painters through OLLI (Osher Lifelong Learning Institute), a senior adult enrichment learning program administered statewide by University of New Hampshire. Donna has been involved with OLLI for some time as both an instructor and Curriculum Committee member for the Concord, NH region. Dotty Pullo has taught for OLLI, as well. Donna proposes that WMDPG offer a series of beginner level painting classes using our members as instructors. OLLI classes are not free, as they require a one-year enrollment in OLLI (\$40) and a modest class fee to defray expenses. However, they are relatively low cost as OLLI is a non-profit, all volunteer organization. White Mountain would need to submit a proposal to OLLI for 2024. Dotty Pullo offered to head up a committee to draw up the proposal. Jacque Seastedt offered to

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teach. Sue Hodgkins, Kris Lafayette, Melanie Knox and Sue Duffy offered to assist on the committee, and Carolyn Swasey offered to serve as class assistant. We would need project ideas and sources for class materials, for starters.

Leanne Kelley, Hospitality Chair, offered condolences to Linda Conners, whose partner passed away recently.

Leanne has been hard at work soliciting incentive prizes for the annual raffle. She has a set of place-mats depicting four seasons (Kris Lafayette), a large set of Prismacolor colored pencils, a painted box, a painted tin pocket (Shirley Cochis) a large canvas she painted with a snow shoe scene. She also has obtained donated prizes such as a free ArtRoom2 Create class, a gift certificate and some packets.

There were many submissions to Palette Potpourri – apparently lots of people were busy painting during the summer! They included a painted tray, rope bowls, a painted ice skate and a Zentangle project, to name just a few. Linnea Rydout won the drawing (a canvas) but graciously donated it back to the Guild to save mailing costs.

Jacque Seastedt reminded everyone we will be voting for officers in November. Volunteers needed! She has prepped some round candy bowls to be decorated for future table centerpieces. They will belong to the Guild, filled and returned for each meeting. By the November meeting, they will all be beautifully painted by our members.

We hope to donate Christmas ornaments to David's house and/or the NH Veterans' Home in Tilton, NH. Please paint some and either take them with you to NET or to the November meeting. Carolyn Swasey and Sue Duffy will coordinate this effort.

The November meeting includes a Rosemary West workshop which will begin promptly at noon. Due to the length of the workshop, it will be a brunch meeting rather than brown bag lunch. **Suzi reminded us all not to forget to sign up for the meeting!** We need a head count in advance. Since there was no further business to come before the meeting, a motion and was made seconded at 11:25 to adjourn.

Respectfully submitted,
Susanna Duffy, Secretary

Keep in Touch

We use an email service, to email the newsletter to members but to access the newsletter you have to click on a link in the email. Because we are selling things like raffle tickets and seminars, we have to use a service that provides an "opt out" (unsubscribe) that a member can use so we are not guilty of spamming. The email service also works with email providers to guarantee we aren't spamming and so our newsletter emails, hopefully, do not end up in your junk file.

To click on the link or any link, move your mouse to that word or sentence and do a left click. If you aren't using a mouse but a cell phone, tablet, or iPad, tap on the word or sentence with your finger.

If you lose a newsletter you can find the current and past newsletters posted on our website www.wmdpgh.org. The newsletter is posted on the website soon after it is emailed.

Join our Facebook Page!

We also announce on our Facebook page when the newsletter has been emailed. Printed newsletters go to the post office within a day or two of the email.

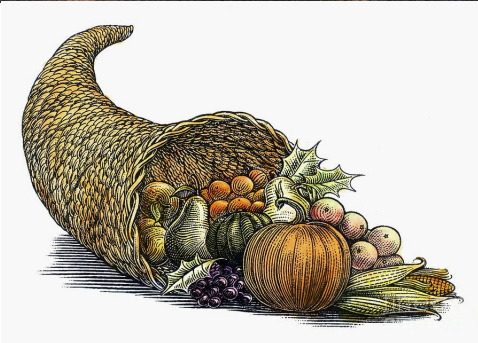
Our Facebook page is also a good way to see reminders and sometimes, tips that are shared from other websites.

Memory Box Program

The photo below is of the boxes we received at the September meeting. As you can see, they are beautiful! Thank you all so much. We also had 8 new boxes delivered to us at NET. They are beautifully painted in a variety of designs as always and have original painted sides and insides to them. It was nice to see the variety of shapes and sizes. A photo of the boxes will be in the next newsletter. The most popular box sizes seem to be 7 and 8 inches, with an occasional 4-6" and a 9". The boxes can be oval, round, square and heart shaped. We will be bringing several boxes to the November meeting for you to take home to paint, if you wish. Happy painting!

Thank you!

Jacque Seastedt and Marilyn Moses



October: Rhonda J. Payne McKenna (3), Lana Raymond (2); Sherill Martens (4); Arlene Menzigan (4); Carolyn Voyles (9); Judith Murphy (10); Janice Tomlin (10); Margaret Jerman (16); Judy Giffin (17); Carol Tischenko (17); Mary Beth Henze (18); Sharron Jones (18); Kathy Nielsen (20); Karen Talbot (20); Marie Forte (21); Paula Atkinson (24); Carol MaCLean (28); Nancy Meeks (28); Robbin Miles (28); Kathleen Reagan-Papstein (29); Sandy Phillips (29); Joy Garnett (29); Cecelia Denton (31);

November: Heather Branham (2), Eileen Vanetten (2), Sheila Smith (3), Shirley Phillis (5); Betty Vitale (9), Judith Meiorow (10), Peggy Daly (13), Therese Silva (13), Luanne Widzisz (13), Christine Taylor-Leonard (18), Stephanie Pooler (20), Judy Severin (20), Judy Uhoch (21); Barbara Butler (24), Carol Kemp (29)

December: Fran Gelinias (5), Carol Bell (6), Bobbie Redington (8), Lois Denton (10), Marie Velez (11), Linda Conners (14), Jeanne Sutton (14), Deborah Ferrell (18), Carolyn Culwell (19), Linda LaRocco (20), Kathleen Tanguay (21), Wendy Goldberg (25), Vicki Michael (27), Janet Ferrell (30), Sharon Tooker (30), Heidi Allison (31)

**If your birthday is not listed please contact
Leeanne Kelly at lkell13@comcast.net**

Hospitality

Any hospitality news that you'd like to pass along please send it to to me (email below) If you have any questions, let me know. I appreciate hearing from you as otherwise, I may not hear of something and the news would miss going out the the membership.

Thank you,
Leeanne Kelly Lkell13@comcast.net.

Palette Potpourri

Please send finished project pictures with designer and medium information. I'd appreciate them about a week before the November general meeting if you'd like to be featured in a slide show at the meeting. Otherwise, bring them to the General meeting or be prepared to show them on Zoom.

Please send them to me, Leeanne Kelly
Lkell13@comcast.net.

Proposed Bylaws

In order to complete the transition from a sub chapter of SDP, we are in need of updating our by-laws. We will be voting on these at the November meeting. Please make an effort to join us and vote.

White Mountain Decorative Painters' Guild By-Laws September 1, 2023

Article I. Name

The name of this organization shall be the White Mountain Decorative Painters' Guild. White Mountain Decorative Painters' Guild is a non-profit organization, recognized by the State of New Hampshire.

Article II. Purpose

The Purpose of this Guild shall be to stimulate interest in, and appreciation for, the art and history of Tole/Decorative Painting and Decorative Art in all forms and to provide its members information and activities related to Tole/Decorative Painting and Decorative Art.

Article III. Membership

1. Membership shall be by annual application and payment of membership fees/dues. These fees/dues are set forth in the Standing Rules Section 1.
2. A member in good standing shall be defined as a member who is current with dues with White Mountain Decorative Painters' Guild.

Article IV. Dues

1. Membership dues shall be determined by vote of the membership upon recommendation of the executive board.
2. Membership dues shall be paid annually.
3. Amount of dues shall be as stated in the Standing Rules.

Article V. Meetings

1. Regular meetings of this Guild shall be held as stated in the Standing Rules.
2. The Executive Board shall have the authority to change dates of meetings, and set places and times for meetings, provided sufficient notice is given to members.
3. A quorum shall consist of not less than 1/5 (20%) of the current membership present.
4. The privilege of holding office, making motions, debating and voting shall be limited to current members in good standing.

Article VI. Elected Officers

1. The elected officers of this Guild shall be President, Vice President/President Elect, Newsletter Editor, Secretary, Membership Secretary and Treasurer.
2. Duties of the officers shall be as follows:
 - The **President** shall preside over meetings of the chapter and meetings of the Executive Board; shall be a member of ex-officio of all committees, except the Nominating Committee; shall sign checks in the absence of the Treasurer; shall appoint the necessary committee chairpersons needed for the proper function-

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ing of the Guild; shall otherwise follow the official job description of the President as drawn by the Executive Board; and shall perform such other duties as usually pertain to the office. Following the term, the President shall act as advisor to the Executive Board for a period of one year.

- The **Vice President** shall preside in the absence of the president; shall assist the President; shall serve as the coordinator of programs; shall otherwise follow the official job description of the Vice President as drawn by the Executive Board, and shall perform such other duties that may be assigned by the Executive Board or which usually pertain to this office.
- The **Treasurer** shall receive monies of the Guild, shall keep an accurate record of receipts and expenditures, pay all bills on approval of the President, present a statement of account at every Guild meeting and when requested by the Executive Board, and shall make an annual report of the preceding year at the first business meeting of the new year. The Treasurer shall otherwise follow the official job description of the treasurer as drawn by the Executive Board, and shall perform such duties as usually pertain to the office.
- The **Secretary** shall record minutes of all meetings of the Guild and the Executive Board, these minutes shall be kept in books which are the property of the Guild, and shall be a complete and clear record of activities. The Secretary shall provide a copy of all minutes to each Executive Board member within TEN (10) days of each meeting; shall otherwise follow the official job description for the secretary as drawn by the Executive Board; and shall perform such other duties as usually pertain to the office.
- The **Membership Secretary** shall collect membership dues and keep a list of membership, handle the membership roster at meetings, and general meeting receipts, shall otherwise follow the official job description of the Membership Secretary as drawn by the Executive Board, and shall perform such duties as usually pertain to the office.
- The **Newsletter Editor** shall follow the official job description of the Newsletter Editor as drawn by the Executive Board; and shall perform such other duties as usually pertain to the office.
- The **Parliamentarian** is appointed by the President after the annual election and prior to the first subsequent meeting. The Parliamentarian shall serve for one year at the will of the President. The Parliamentarian attends all Executive Board and Guild meetings and serves on the Executive Board without a vote.
- Three **Directors** shall be elected by the membership at the annual election. Their term of office shall be one year. No Director may hold the office of Director for more than two consecutive full terms.

Article VII. Executive Board

1. The Executive Board shall consist of the elected officers, the three directors, the Parliamentarian and the immediate Past President.
2. The duties of the Executive Board shall be:
 - a. To transact necessary business in the intervals between Guild meetings, and such other business as may be referred to it by the Guild.
 - b. To prepare and submit to the Guild for approval an annual budget.
 - c. To review all unbudgeted expenses and make recommendations to the Guild regarding payment. A majority of the board, not including any vacancy, shall constitute a quorum.
 - d. If a board member is absent from two consecutive board meetings without notification to the President, the President shall ask said member to resign. Three consecutive absences shall constitute automatic removal.

Article VIII. Committees

1. Standing committees will be created as may be needed to promote the objectives and interests of the Guild. Chairmen shall be appointed by the President. The President and Chairman will determine the size of the committee and will seek volunteers. In the event that there are insufficient volunteers, the President will appoint members using the Chairman's recommendations as a guide.
2. Special committees may be created at the discretion of the President. The duties of any special committee

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and chairman thereof shall be stated upon their appointment, and such committees shall cease to exist when their final report is accepted or adopted.

Article IX. Nominations and Elections

1. Nominations shall be in September for the coming year.
 - a. The Nominating Committee shall be appointed by the President. The Nominating Committee shall be appointed at least two months before the meeting at which elections will be held.
 - b. The Nominating Committee shall prepare a slate for the election of officers and directors and shall submit it to the members prior to the meeting which elections will be held, either through means of the chapter newsletter, a special mailing, or at a previous meeting. Before a member's name can be submitted as a nominee for any office, either by the committee or by a member from the floor, the nominee must give consent. The listing of names on the ballot will be in order of nomination.
 - c. Nominations from the floor will be accepted

1. Elections shall take place in November.
 - a. A majority vote of those present is required to elect. A quorum must be present.
 - b. Elected officers shall take the position at the end of the January meeting after their installation and shall hold office until the January meeting of the following year.
 - c. A vacancy in the office of President shall be filled by the Vice-President for the unexpired term and the normal succeeding full term. A vacancy in any other office shall be filled by selection of the Board of Directors for the unexpired term. A Vice-President so selected shall not succeed to the office of the Presidency except by election at the next regular election.

Article X. Amendments

1. These by-laws may be altered or changed by a two-thirds vote of the members present at a meeting at which a quorum is present, provided that the proposed changes have been presented in writing to the members at least two weeks prior to the meeting at which voting takes place.

Article XI. Parliamentary Authority

Robert's rules of order, newly revised, shall be the parliamentary authority for all matters not in conflict with these by-laws.

Article XII. Dissolution

In the event of dissolution of the Guild, all liabilities and obligations of the Guild shall be paid, satisfied, and discharged, or adequate provision made therefore. Any remaining assets as are in the treasury at the time shall be given to another non-profit group as determined by a majority of the remaining membership.



Proposed Standing Rules

White Mountain Decorative Painters' Guild

Standing Rules

September 1, 2023

1. Membership dues shall be Fifteen (\$15.00) per year (as of January 1, 2023) Renewals will be accepted after September 1 of the current. New members joining after August 31st will be considered a member for the remaining year through the end of the following year.
2. The financial records of this chapter shall be kept on a calendar basis, from January 1 through December 31. Depending on the gross receipts of the Guild, the President will appoint annually a three-member Audit Committee (excluding officers) to conduct an audit or utilize the services of a CPA.
3. Business meetings of the Guild shall normally be scheduled not less than five times annually. They will normally be scheduled in the months of January, March, May September, and November.
4. Nominees for the office and the Executive Board may advertise in the newsletter, may speak for 2 minutes on the day of the election prior to balloting, and may pass out personal qualification sheets on the day of election. Telephone campaigning is not allowed.
5. Officers and committee chairpersons are authorized to spend budgeted items. Budgets of the operating committees will be submitted to the Executive Board for approval within the limits of the annual approved budget. Unbudgeted items equal to or less than \$50.00 shall be approved by a responsible officer. Unbudgeted items in excess of \$50.00 shall be submitted to the Executive Board for study and recommendation. This recommendation shall be submitted to the Guild at its next regular meeting for action. These procedures shall be followed in all cases where any committee asks for unbudgeted appropriation in excess of \$50.00. In case of emergency, official business of the Executive Board may be conducted by the President with the board members by email.
6. The President is directed and authorized to obtain annual liability insurance for the Guild activities.
7. These Standing Rules may be amended by a majority of the voters at any meeting wherein there is a quorum.

NOMINATIONS OF OFFICERS

The follow slate of officers are being nominated to the WMDPG Board for 2024:

President	Janice Fusco
Co-Vice Presidents	Dotty Pullo and Carolyn Swasey
Treasurer	Betty Vitale
Secretary	Suzi Franklin
Membership Secretary	Sue Duffy
Newsletter Editor	Sue Hodgkins
Board of Directors (3)	Mary Frambach
	Leeanne Kelly
	Sue Black

If you would like to nominate yourself, or someone you know, for any of these positions, please email [Jacque Seastedt](mailto:Jacque.Seastedt@comcast.net) so that the names can be added to the ballot. jseastedt@comcast.net

Upcoming Painting Opportunities

Remaining *White Mountain Decorative Painters* 2023 Seminar Schedule

October 28th - Amy Mogish
(acrylic) 12:00 - 5:00 Zoom



November 18th - Karen Brouwer -
(acrylics) Zoom



Memory Box Painting Opportunities

November 9th - Tracy Moreau
Tracy is teaching this program to allow our members to paint boxes that can be donated to one of White Mountain's charitable donation programs. If you are an out-of-state member, you are expected to donate your painted box to a local charitable program. If you select not to donate your box or are not a member, your registration fee to attend this program is \$20.00.

Tracy Moreau *"Butterfly Kisses."*

Free to members (a discount code was emailed to members on 10/10/2023).
Nonmembers \$20.00

WMDPG (White Mountain Decorative Painters)

An RAK class is scheduled for Wednesday, November 9th and starts at 6 PM, Eastern Time.



Register at <https://www.artroom2create.com/categories/150.htm> under the 'White Mountain' tab

Memory box classes are offered through Zoom and are free to us with the expectation that a box will be donated to the Memory Box Program or donated to a hospital near you.

Painters can register at <https://www.artroom2create.com/> under the 'White Mountain Seminars' tab.

Upcoming Painting Opportunities (cont)

Afternoon Programs

November 12th - Rosemary West 12:00-4:00 “Blessed and Thankful” JoSonja paint

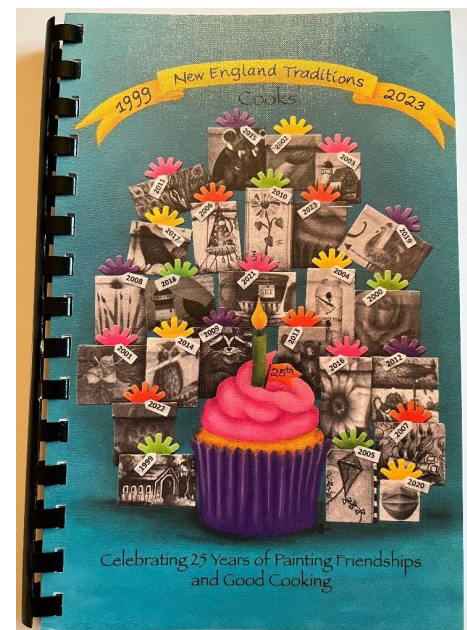


January 14th - Cindy Harrison, 12-4 “You Ain’t Seen Nothing Yet”. A beautiful New Zealand Red Admiral Butterfly Project incorporating; sponging, watercolor style back ground and stenciling. A fun class using a clipboard as the surface but again you can paint it on any surface you already have, including a memory box.



NET COOKBOOKS

It is not too late to get a NET cookbook if you missed getting one at NET. Our own Jacque Seastedt is happy to take orders (along with payment – cash or a check made out to New England Traditions). The cookbooks will be here by our November meeting. The cost is \$12.50. If you need a book sent to you, we would need to add whatever the shipping would be. If you like to cook or bake or just enjoy reading a cookbook, you will be very happy. You can send orders to Jacque Seastedt, 49 Sandown Rd., Danville, NH 03819. Jacque needs your order by October 27th.



Annual Raffle!!



2023 Annual Raffle cont.

Incentive prizes!!1



A Message from our Annual Raffle Chair

Hello All,

The winner of the Sept. annual raffle incentive prize was Mary Ellen Snell. Thank you for purchasing all those raffle tickets. I'm getting excited to raffle these awesome prizes away soon. We have supply certificates, class certificates and wonderful painted pieces, I just can't wait. I am also getting very excited about next years prizes. At NET I received some fabulous, donated incentive prizes and a few surfaces that would be amazing painted up for the grand prizes. I want to thank everyone who donated their painting skills. Mary Kate Erickson, Shirley Cochis, Kris Lafayette and myself LOL! I am also so thankful for the gift certificates of classes donated by Carolyn Swazey and Cindy Harrison. I so appreciate them and if you're interested in donating for next year I wouldn't refuse. So we have just a month to get some more tickets in for the raffle, please send them on in. All information is right here in the newsletter.

Thank you so much for everything,
Leeanne
Lkell13@comcast.net

YANKEE ARTIST GUILD Presents
 Erika Joanne's pencil and paint class
 Taught by Barbara Boardman, a certified Erika Joanne teacher
Sunday, January 21, 2024 via Zoom



Barbara will teach a great design by Erika Joanne, a mixed media project, using paint and colored pencils on watercolor paper.

The class fee is **\$30 for members and \$35 for non-members**, which includes an e-packet with full directions, 2 pattern sizes, colored photos, paint, and pencil lists.

Supplies:

- 7 Jo Sonja colors: Carbon Black, Colony Blue, Mouse, Mustard Seed, Naphthol Crimson, Pine Green, Warm White.
- 6 Prisma Color pencils: Black, Dark Brown, Kelly Green, Orange, Peacock Blue, Poppy Red.
- 140 cold press watercolor paper.

Sign up by November 1st and receive paints free upon request available at the banquet.

Please return this form if you plan to attend the general meeting, or if you will only be joining us to paint with Barbara.

Name _____ phone# _____

Address _____ email _____

City/State/Zip _____

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| <input type="checkbox"/> I will attend the general meeting | <input type="checkbox"/> I will not attend the General meeting |
| <input type="checkbox"/> I will attend the afternoon program | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> I am enclosing \$30 - members | <input type="checkbox"/> I am enclosing \$35 – non members |

Mail to: Barbara Rolla, 4 Woodland Heights, Ware, MA 01082
If you have any questions, please email Barbara Rolla at: brolla1@comcast.net or phone: 413-967-5444.



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GUILD 2023 NON-PROFIT RAFFLE TICKET.**

(ONE CHANCE TO WIN).

\$1.00 PER TICKET OR 6 FOR \$5.00.

Drawing November
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White Mountain Decorative Painters' Guild
2024 Membership Application

Check applicable: Renewal New Member referred by: _____

Name: _____
Last First

Address: _____

City _____ State _____ 9 Digit Zip Code _____

Preferred Phone _____ E-Mail Address _____

Or No Email: _____

Check if this is a new address, phone or email: _____

Let Us Wish You Happy Birthday: MM _____ DD _____

Which way are you most likely to attend meetings? Zoom _____ In Person _____

Would you be willing to teach at a meeting or a workshop either in person or via Zoom?

Yes ___ No ___ Medium Taught _____

Would you be interested on serving on the board or a committee? Yes _____ No _____

Do you give permission to have your phone/email listed to membership? Yes _____ No _____

Do you give permission to WMDPG to post your picture within our Newsletter, Website or Facebook Page?

Newsletter _____ Website _____ Facebook _____

Enclosed Fees:

2024 Membership Fee: \$15.00

Newsletter Hardcopy add \$10/year (optional) _____

I do not have a computer! Mail for Free! _____

Total enclosed _____

Today's Date: _____

Questions? Call Suzi Franklin 207-646-3269 or email at: mefpsp@yahoo.com

Please send form and payment (check made payable to WMDPG), to:

Suzi Franklin
176 Atlantic Avenue
Wells, ME 04090

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They can also be found on the website www.WMDPGNH.org*

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