



Connecticut Pastel Society

Presents the

30th Annual National Exhibition

September 28 - October 28, 2023

Arts Center East

Vernon, Connecticut

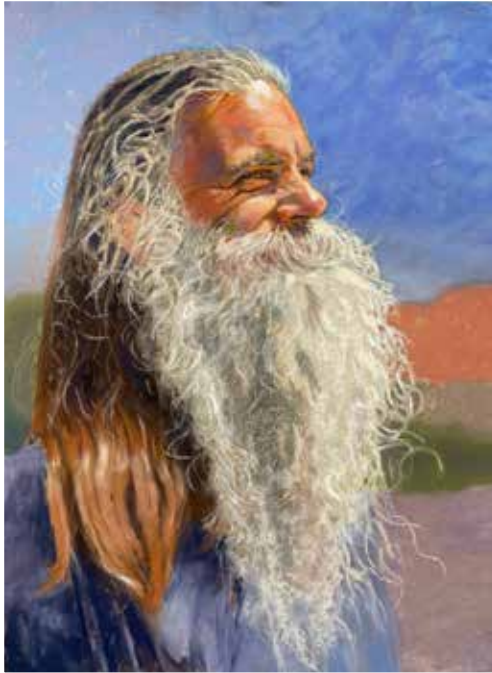
Best in Show: "On The Edge," Maryann Mullett



2023 Renaissance in Pastel

Pure Pigment

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“Dan,” CPS Founders
Award, Liz Masi



“I Couldn’t Resist A
Bite,” CPS Presidents
Award, Judith Leeds

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Reception: Saturday, October 14th, 2 - 4 pm

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become a member, please log on to www.ctpastelsociety.org

A huge thank you goes out to all who volunteered to put this show and
program together. If there are any omissions, incorrect spellings of members’
names, or other errors, we apologize in advance.

A Letter from the President



“By The Stream,”
Art Spirit Foundation Dianne B. Bernhard Award,
Stephanie Vignone

Welcome to CPS’s 2023 Renaissance in Pastel show! This exhibition of world-class pastel paintings is from artists in the US and internationally. Congratulations to all who were juried into the show, as well as the award winners. Thank you to the Jurors of Selection; Wende Caporale, Desmond O’Hagan, and Corey Pitkin; as well as the Judge of Awards, Jeanne Rosier Smith.

We are especially grateful to our dedicated volunteers who made this show possible; Christine Ivers, Karen Israel, Steve Brunetti, Jane Penfield, Mary Ann D’Ambruoso, Pat Boes, Sue DalPonte, Heather Quay, and everyone who helped receive and hang the show!

We are fortunate to have Arts Center East as a lovely venue for the show. Thank you to the staff!

We are confident that all who view the show will enjoy the quality and beauty of the artwork. Enjoy!

Karen Suponski, CPS President

“Great art picks up
where nature ends.”

– Marc Chagall



“Goldenrod, Golden Hour,” Board of
Directors Award, Stephanie Brown



“Invigorating,”
CPS Honor Award,
Judy Perry

“Before The Summer Storm,”
Jack Richeson Award I,
Chris Reid



“Autumn Leaves In The Nubanusit River,”
Philip M. Danylik Memorial Award,
Joelle Feldman

Judge's Statement

This show was an honor and true pleasure to view and I enjoyed lingering over every single painting here. Choosing award winners is a huge challenge, in part because the pieces in this large national show shine in so many different ways and so many pieces have so much merit. To help guide my choices, years ago I came up with a set of general guidelines that help me to sort out my thoughts and reactions to an often subjective process. Here are the four aspects of each piece that I consider.

Some works will be stronger in some areas and some in others; the award winners are generally those which, in my view, have strength in all areas. Congratulations on a beautiful show!

- Composition: Line, color, shape, focal area work together to sustain viewer's interest, rather than leading the eye off the page.
- Technical merit: The application of pigment is confident, showing variety in marks, thickness and/or edge.
- Emotional content: Painting conveys clear mood, intent or point of view.
- Originality: Subject matter is treated with originality, pushes boundaries, takes risks or contains an element of the unexpected.

– Jeanne Rosier Smith, IAPS-MC/EP, PSA

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30th Annual National Exhibition List of Award Winners

CPS Best in Show	\$ 1,200	On The Edge.....	Maryann Mullett
CPS Founders Award	1,000	Dan	Liz Masi
CPS Presidents Award	800	I Couldn't Resist A Bite.....	Judith Leeds
Art Spirit Foundation Dianne B. Bernhard Award	750	By The Stream.....	Stephanie Vignone
Board of Directors Award	500	Goldenrod, Golden Hour	Stephanie Brown
CPS Honor Award	500	Invigorating	Judy Perry
Frank Federico Memorial Award	500	Autumn Leaves In The Nubanusit River	Joelle Feldman
Jack Richeson Award 1	300	Before The Summer Storm	Chris Reid
Philip M. Danylik Memorial Award	250	Take Flight	Shauna Shane
Jack Richeson Award 2	225	Effervescence	Karen Suponski
Jerry's Artarama of West Hartford Award.....	200	Pink Skies Cool Dunes.....	Christine Bodnar
Pastel Society of America Award	200	Upton Gold	Kate Bergquist
Pastel Society of the West Coast Award	200	A Day In The Market.....	Romeo Cortez Jr.
Terry Ludwig Pastels Award.....	160	Night Journey	Kate Hendersen
HK Holbein Award of Excellence I.....	152	Oceans: The Color Of Water.....	Vicki Caplin Rooney
HK Holbein Award of Excellence II.....	152	Old Grapes	Donna Martell
Allied Artists of America Award	150	Steps In Spoleto	Nancie King Mertz
Catharine Lorillard Wolfe Art Club Award.....	150	Fast Friends.....	Karen Israel
Central Massachusetts Pastel Society Award	150	Come Sundown	Jeff Fioravanti
Pastel Painters Society of Cape Cod Award.....	150	Crimson And Clover	Maureen Spinale
Salmagundi Club Award	150	Farm Road.....	Catherine Copeland
Uart Award	126	Sunset Stroll To The Sea.....	Susanna DalPonte
Golden Artist Colors (Panpastel) Award	125	Sheer Honesty.....	Eileen Casey
Madison Art Society Award	100	Pedestrian.....	Gigi Liverant
Maryland Pastel Society Award.....	100	Sierra	Alain Picard
Pastel Society of Maine Award.....	100	Log On	Mike Kolasinski
Pastel Society of New Hampshire Award	100	Edge Of Fall.....	Laurinda O'Connor
Pastel Society of New Jersey Award.....	100	Looking 4 Love Again	Christine Ivers
Wholesale Frame Company Award.....	100	Make A Wish	Jessica Turgoose

Total Awards Value

\$ 8,690

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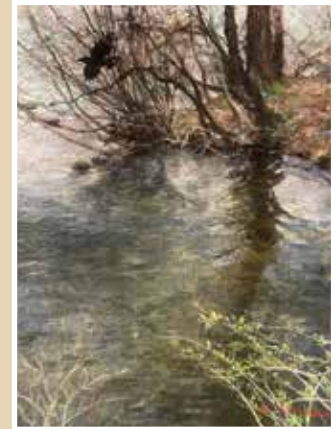
2023 Exhibitors Listed by Number

No.	Title	Price	Artist's Name
1 Farmhouse Kitchen	800.....	Marianne Holterman
2	..... Before The Summer Storm	1500.....	Chris Reid
3	..... Effervescence.....	1200.....	Karen Suponski
4	..... Honoring You.....	800.....	Betsy Cook
5	..... Edge Of Fall	1500.....	Laurinda O'Connor
6	..... Looking 4 Love Again	1500.....	Christine Ivers
7	..... Waffle Or Sugar?	1600.....	Susan Klingler
8	..... Make A Wish.....	650.....	Jessica Turgoose
9	..... I Couldn't Resist A Bite.....	2000.....	Judith Leeds
10	..... Shadow Crossing	800.....	Ted Fuka
11	..... Night Life 1	900.....	Don Arsenaault
12	..... Log On	900.....	Mike Kolasinski
13	..... Just Peachy.....	1000.....	Jane Robbins
14	..... Sunset Stroll To The Sea.....	1100.....	Susanna DalPonte
15	..... Tiny Lighthouse	480.....	Eric Vogel
16	..... Central Square	1500.....	Susan Bosworth
17	..... Dune Grass And Shadow.....	750.....	Allison Krajcik
18	..... Path To The Sound	925.....	Beverly Schirmeier
19	..... Resplendent Autumn	2000.....	Tamara Amoroso
20	..... Flight Of Fancy	800.....	Linda Gotta
21	..... Autumn Leaves In The Nubanusit River ..	1100.....	Joelle Feldman
22	..... Mademoiselle	800.....	Ronnie Gold
23	..... Man Cave	1650.....	Debbie Temple
24	..... Sky Lights.....	1150.....	Viviane Trubey
25	..... 80% Pastel	750.....	Laurel Friedmann
26	..... Dawn Light.....	750.....	Molly Wing-Berman
27	..... Outside The Wedding	1100.....	Jennifer Gillen
28	..... Under The Shade Tree.....	1600.....	Elaine Joseph
29	..... Allure.....	3250.....	William Schneider
30	..... Pink Skies Cool Dunes.....	725.....	Christine Bodnar
31 Another Time.....	950.....	Joe Baker
32 Seriously.....	450.....	Cathleen Nardo
33 Figs.....	550.....	Henie Kurzman

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No.	Title	Price	Artist's Name
34 On The Edge.....	1400.....	Maryann Mullett
35 Labor Of Love	275.....	Leslie Carone
36	.... A Blustery Afternoon.....	1200.....	Laurie Greenbaum Beitch
37	.... Breathe.....	800.....	Linda Sweeney
38	.... Smoke And Mirrors	800.....	Jane Penfield
39	.... Dan	3000.....	Liz Masi
40	.... Sheer Honesty	1625.....	Eileen Casey
41	.... Icy Morning,Waiting For Spring.....	1800.....	Ella Delyanis
42	.... Old Grapes.....	7000.....	Donna Martell
43	.... Oceans: The Color Of Water.....	1200.....	Vicki Caplin Rooney
44	.... Steps In Spoleto.....	1400.....	Nancie King Mertz
45	.... A Fall Evening In Litchfield County	700.....	Laura Kinlock
46	.... Cycle Race.....	1100.....	Terri Brooks
47	.... Summer Fruit.....	775.....	Patricia Shoemaker
48	.... Zap Board.....	1800.....	Andrea Pejeau
49	.... Pedestrian	3400.....	Gigi Liverant
50	.... Up To The Trees.....	525.....	Megan McCrea
51	.... Strong Opinions.....	1500.....	Polly Castor
52	.... Emily	1200.....	Tricia Kaman
53	.... Sierra	1750.....	Alain Picard
54	.... Abundant Vessel	1800.....	Mira Vitarello
55	.... A Day In The Market.....	3500.....	Romero Cortez Jr.
56	.... Study In Black And White.....	500.....	Phyllis Phelps
57	.... Simple Pleasures	300.....	Nancy Cronin
58	.... Crimson And Clover.....	1800.....	Maureen Spinale
59	.... Come Sundown	1450.....	Jeff Fioravanti
60	.... Take Flight.....	1600.....	Shauna Shane
61	.... Fast Friends	2200.....	Karen Israel
62	.... Forest Floor	800.....	Marianne Berman
63	.... Street Musician	1000.....	Rick Poston
64	.... Night Journey.....	2400.....	Kate Henderson
65	.... Vanessa In Blue.....	800.....	Matthew Kestner
66	.... Marsh Impressions	500.....	Pamela Cook

“Take Flight,”
Philip M. Danylik Memorial
Award, Shauna Shane



“Effervescence,”
Jack Richeson Award 2,
Karen Suponski



“Pink Skies Cool Dunes,”
Jerry’s Artarama of West
Hartford, CT Award,
Christine Bodnar

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No.	Title	Price	Artist's Name
67	Off-Season Parking.....	500.....	Heather Quay
68	Spring Hillside.....	650.....	Katrina Thorstensen
69	November Moon.....	275.....	Catherine LaPointe Vollmer
70	Exuberance Of The Day.....	625.....	Diana Rogers
71	In The Pink.....	650.....	Carole Rogers
72	Un Tournasol.....	1200.....	Marilyn Caissy
73	Crane And Figure.....	2000.....	Sharon Stanczak
74	Wishing Upon A Rose.....	3000.....	Shuk Lee
75	Melinde's Poppies #2.....	800.....	Joyce Kahn
76	Another Feather In His Cap.....	450.....	Katy Despot
77	Indian Mother And Son.....	3000.....	Yanqi Zhai
78	Upton Gold.....	1500.....	Kate Bergquist
79	Warm Light.....	825.....	Deborah LaFogg Docherty
80	Sharing Secrets.....	550.....	Dave Francis
81	David's Gypsy.....	1500.....	Laura Winn Kane
82	5 Teacups.....	350.....	Sally Lebwohl
83	By The Stream.....	1200.....	Stephanie Vignone
84	Rise.....	700.....	Wendy McClatchy
85	Invigorating.....	800.....	Judy Perry
86	Farm Road.....	550.....	Catherine Copeland
87	Shallow Reflection.....	2000.....	Joyce Hanson
88	Goldenrod, Golden Hour.....	490.....	Stephanie Brown
89	Dune Walk.....	475.....	Elinor Freedman



“Upton Gold,” Pastel Society of America Award, Kate Bergquist



“A Day In The Market,”
Pastel Society of the West
Coast Award,
Romeo Cortez Jr.



“Night Journey,”
Terry Ludwig
Pastels Award,
Kate Henderson



“Oceans: The Color Of Water,” HK Holbein
Award of Excellence I, Vicki Caplin Rooney

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No.	Title	Price	Artist's Name
19.....	Resplendent Autumn.....	2,000.....	Tamara Amoroso
11.....	Night Life 1.....	900.....	Don Arsenaunt
31.....	Another Time.....	950.....	Joe Baker
78.....	Upton Gold.....	1,500.....	Kate Bergquist
62.....	Forest Floor.....	800.....	Marianne Berman
30.....	Pink Skies Cool Dunes.....	725.....	Christine Bodnar
16.....	Central Square.....	1,500.....	Susan Bosworth
46.....	Cycle Race.....	1,100.....	Terri Brooks
88.....	Goldenrod, Golden Hour.....	490.....	Stephanie Brown
72.....	Un Tournasol.....	1,200.....	Marilyn Caissy
43.....	Oceans: The Color Of Water.....	1,200.....	Vicki Caplin Rooney
35.....	Labor Of Love.....	275.....	Leslie Carone
40.....	Sheer Honesty.....	1,625.....	Eileen Casey
51.....	Strong Opinions.....	1,500.....	Polly Castor
4.....	Honoring You.....	800.....	Betsy Cook
66.....	Marsh Impressions.....	500.....	Pamela Cook
86.....	Farm Road.....	550.....	Catherine Copeland
55.....	A Day In The Market.....	3,500.....	Romeo Cortez Jr.
57.....	Simple Pleasures.....	300.....	Nancy Cronin
14.....	Sunset Stroll To The Sea.....	1,100.....	Susanna DalPonte
41.....	Icy Morning, Waiting For Spring.....	1,800.....	Ella Delyanis
76.....	Another Feather In His Cap.....	450.....	Katy Despot
21.....	Autumn Leaves In The Nubanusit River... ..	1,100.....	Joelle Feldman
59.....	Come Sundown.....	1,450.....	Jeff Fioravanti
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25.....	80% Pastel.....	750.....	Laurel Friedmann
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36.....	A Blustery Afternoon.....	1,200.....	Laurie Greenbaum Beitch
87.....	Shallow Reflection.....	2,000.....	Joyce Hanson
64.....	Night Journey.....	2,400.....	Kate Henderson
1.....	Farmhouse Kitchen.....	800.....	Marianne Holtermann
61.....	Fast Friends.....	2,200.....	Karen Israel



“Old Grapes,” HK Holbein Award of Excellence II, Donna Martell



“Steps In Spoleto,” Allied Artists of America Award, Nancie King Mertz



“Fast Friends,” Catherine Lorillard Wolfe Art Club Award, Karen Israel

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6	Looking 4 Love Again	1,500	Christine Ivers
28	Under The Shade Tree	1,600	Elaine Joseph
75	Melinde's Poppies 2	800	Joyce Kahn
52	Emily	1,200	Tricia Kaman
65	Vanessa In Blue	800	Matthew Kestner
44	Steps In Spoleto	1,400	Nancie King Mertz
45	A Fall Evening In Litchfield County	700	Laura Kinlock
7	Waffle Or Sugar?	1,600	Susan Klinger
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74	Wishing Upon A Rose	3,000	Shuk Lee
9	I Couldn't Resist A Bite	2,000	Judith Leeds
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42	Old Grapes	7,000	Donna Martell
39	Dan	3,000	Liz Masi
84	Rise	700	Wendy McClatchy
50	Up To The Trees	525	Megan McCrea
34	On The Edge	1,400	Maryann Mullett
32	Seriously	450	Chathleen Nardo
5	Edge Of Fall	1,500	Laurinda O'Connor
48	Zap Board	1,800	Andrea Pejeau
38	Smoke And Mirrors	800	Jane Penfield
85	Invigorating	800	Judy Perry
56	Study In Black And White	500	Phyllis Phelps
53	Sierra	1,750	Alain Picard
63	Street Musician	1,000	Rick Poston
67	Off-Season Parking	500	Heather Quay
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47	Summer Fruit.....	775	Patricia Shoemaker
58	Crimson And Clover.....	1,800	Maureen Spinale
73	Crane And Figure.....	2,000	Sharon Stanczak
3	Effervescence	1,200	Karen Suponski
37	Breath	800	Linda Sweeney
23	Man Cave.....	1,650	Debbie Temple
68	Spring Hillside.....	650	Katrina Thorstensen
24	Sky Lights.....	1,150	Viviane Trubey
8	Make A Wish.....	650	Jessica Turgoose
83	By The Stream	1,200	Stephanie Vignone
54	Abundant Vessel	1,800	Mira Vitarello
15	Tiny Lighthouse.....	480	Eric Vogel
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“Come Sundown,” Central Massachusetts Pastel Society Award, Jeff Fioravanti



“Farm Road,” Salmagundi Club Award, Catherine Copeland



“Crimson And Clover,” Pastel Painters Society of Cape Cod Award, Maureen Spinale

Our Grateful Thanks

The Connecticut Pastel Society wishes to thank the donors of the Awards Program for Renaissance in Pastel 2023. We encourage you to patronize those who support our exhibition. (Donors are listed alphabetically by category.)

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