

UPCOMING GROUP SHOW

Up to 50 works

June 13-July 4, 2013

Addison Art Gallery

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Painting New England

Cape Cod's summer season kicks off with a trifecta of plein air painting events followed by exhibitions of the artists' labors at the charming, highly respected, Addison Art Gallery.

These annual events draw hundreds of collectors, museum docents and art enthusiasts who enjoy witnessing paintings move from sketches to finished works.

"The opportunity to watch artists create paintings with spontaneity and care, while in the scene being captured, gives collectors a deep understanding of the inspiration and process behind plein air painting. The thrill of watching a blank canvas become a beautiful

work of art draws people from states away again and again," remarks Helen Addison, gallery owner.

The first plein air event begins at 8 a.m. Saturday, June 15, when gallery artists and invited guests will be painting at Chases Ocean Grove in Dennisport. An evening reception will feature the wet paintings and give collectors an opportunity to meet a plethora of artists.

On Saturday, June 22, an Art, Garden and Wine Reception will be held from 4 to 6 p.m. The gallery will present paintings of beautiful Orleans and its surroundings, including works created during the garden tour.

Painting Orleans commences at 8 a.m.

Saturday, June 29, when award-winning artists use their finely honed skills to capture this charming New England village. A show of works painted that day as well as other new works from across the country and France will be on view during a reception from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m.

Gallery mainstay Paul Schulenburg believes that the plein air experience is valuable in many ways that an outside observer may not comprehend. "All your senses are involved when you are personally experiencing a location firsthand," he says. "The eye perceives light and shadows most acutely from direct observation. The world is meant to be seen



Paul Schulenburg plein air painting at Rock Harbor, Orleans, Cape Cod, during last year's event.



Robert Noreika, *Convergence*, acrylic, 18 x 30"



Paul Schulenburg, *Cottages by the Water*, oil on panel, 16 x 20"



Robert Abele, *Dutra's Market*, oil on panel, 16 x 20"

in three dimensions. Nothing substitutes for being there. The plein air experience also provides the artist a chance to essentially live within the painting."

Artist Robert Abele agrees that a plein air image has a certain quality to it that can only

be achieved by producing the work outdoors. "No other form of painting brings you as close as direct observation of the landscape while being surrounded by it," he says. "The dialogue shared here is not only intimate but almost impossible to recreate in the studio."

All of the works also will be available for viewing at addisonart.com. ●

For a direct link to the exhibiting gallery go to  www.americanartcollector.com