ROBERTA SHEA

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Landscape Oil Painter and Printmaker

"Color and atmosphere are key aspects of Shea's painting. Shea's creativity in the way she seamlessly transitions from the realistic to the abstract is masterful... The brushstroke is bold and painterly and color contrasts are exquisite. She creates a landscape of light, air, atmospheric mystery, and a feeling of place."

—Ridgefield Guild of Artists Juror, Susan Powell, May 2018

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

1968-1974

ART TEACHER, MASUK HIGH SCHOOL

Taught painting, design, drawing, and printmaking courses for high school students

2007 - PRESENT

DOCENT, NEW BRITAIN MUSEUM OF AMERICAN ART

Masterpiece tours for students and adults from the museum's collection of Colonial, Hudson River School, Impressionism, Post-Modern, and Contemporary Galleries

EDUCATION

B.S. ART EDUCATION, SOUTHERN CONNECTICUT STATE UNIVERSITY GRADUATE PRINTMAKING COURSES WITH ANNA AUDETTE YALE UNIVERSITY PRINTMAKING WORKSHOP

NEW BRITAIN MUSEUM OF AMERICAN ART DOCENT TRAINING

WASHINGTON ARTS ASSOCIATION
Studied Oil Painting with Ira Barkoff and Souby Boski
Printmaking with Anthony Kirk

AWARDS AND EXHIBITIONS

- 2018 Ridgefield Guild of Artists Juried Member Show - Second Place Award in Painting, "February Thaw"
- 2017 Washington Arts Association Juried Member Show - Second Place Award in Painting, "The Lowdown"
- 2018 Cyrenius Booth Library Three Newtown Women Artists
- 2016 "A Passion to Paint" An Exhibition of Eleven Connecticut Artists. Woodbury, CT
- 2015 "Heart and Home" Solo Exhibition of Recent Prints and Paintings, Cyrenius Booth Library
- Society of Creative Arts in Newtown Juried Exhibitions and Newtown

- 2017 Woodstock, NY Invitational Monothon Exhibition
- 2014 Mattatuck Museum of Art, Waterbury CT "Sphere of Influence," Group Exhibition
- 2014 Easton Arts Council Members Show
- 2016 Durham Public Library "Prints and Paintings from Ireland and Beyond" Solo Exhibit
- Municipal Center Shows
- 2016 Cartus Corporation Solo Art Exhibit
- 2016 Woodland Café in New Haven, CT. Solo Exhibit
- Member of Connecticut Women Artists
- Member of Gallery 25 in New Milford, CT
- SCAN Art Around Town in Newtown, CT

ACTIVITIES

Spring 2018 – Gallery 25 Monotype Print Demonstration and Exhibition

Spring 2018 – Watertown Art League Monotype Printmaking Demonstration

Spring 2017 – NBMAA Presentation to Docents: "How Artists See Paintings"

Fall 2017 – Newtown Arts Festival Monotype Printmaking Demonstration

Spring 2017 – SCAN Monotype Printmaking Demonstration

Spring 2016 – Durham Public Library Printmaking Workshop and Artist in Residence

Fall 2016 – Booth Library Printmaking Workshop

Summer 2015 – Printmaking residency with Tony Kirk, Cill Rialaig, County Kerry, Ireland

Fall 2014 – Painting Workshop with Eric Aho, Saxton's River, Vermont

Summer 2013 – Painting Workshop with Rick Daskam, Monhegan Island. Maine