

## The Artists

### Professional Organizations

Pastel Painters of Maine - Signature Member

- ◆ Pastel Society of New Hampshire - Signature Member
- ◆ Art Guild of the Kennebunks
- ◆ Maine Women in the Arts
- ◆ Saco Bay Artists
- ◆ New Hampshire Art Association
- ◆ York Art Association

### Gallery Affiliations

- ◆ "The Port Gallery", Wendy Webster Good Fine Art  
11 Ocean Ave., Kennebunkport, ME 04046
- ◆ Robert Lincoln Levy Gallery  
136 State St., Portsmouth, NH 03801

**Charlotte Thibault** lives in New Hampshire along the Contoocook River and loves to paint the water, the rural countryside and the Maine coast. She paints plein air and in the studio: landscapes, seascapes, harbor scenes, still life and concept paintings exploring her imagination with color.

As a young woman, she attended Philadelphia College of Art, where she majored in illustration. She later studied painting and drawing at the New Hampshire Institute of Art under James Aponovich, Beth Johansson, Stan Moeller and Sean Beavers.



Charlotte spent 31 years as the newsroom artist and graphic journalist for the Concord Monitor. During that time, she also created Civil War-themed maps and paintings for books and conferences. Her painting of Col. Cross and the Fifth New Hampshire at Antietam is in the collection of the New Hampshire Historical Society. Charlotte retired from the newspaper industry in 2016 to become a full-time painter.

She is a member of Plein Air Painters of Maine, New Hampshire Plein Air Artists, Center for the Arts New Hampshire, the Boothbay Region Art Foundation and Art Guild of the Kennebunks. Charlotte exhibits her work throughout New England and on her website CharlotteThibault.com.

# Art In The Park 2023

**4 DAYS 6 ARTISTS WORKS OF ART**



### **Opening Reception: Meet the Artists**

Sunday, July 16 ◆ Artists Arrive in Ocean Park

Monday, July 17 ◆ Meet the Artists!

4:00 - 6:00 pm at the  
Bandstand (11 Temple Ave.)

### **Grand Exhibit and Wet Paint Sale**

Wednesday, July 19 ◆ 5:00-7:30 pm

The Temple, 50 Temple Ave. in Ocean Park

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**The Ocean Park  
Association**

14 Temple Avenue  
Ocean Park, Maine

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Check at Jakeman Hall to see where the artists are painting in Ocean Park \*\* am -4 pm.

30% of all proceeds go to support Ocean Park Association programs. You are welcome to watch them paint. You are welcome to ask them questions. You are welcome to commission them to paint your cottage, your family, a special place, or a pet.

## The Artists

**Melanie Barash Levitt** graduated from the Rhode Island School of Design in 1990. She currently lives in the White Mountains of NH and is the owner of Jackson Art Studio & Gallery. Melanie is an award winning artist who paints in a loose, impressionistic style with a brush or a palette knife in oils. As a plein air artist, Levitt paints on location braving the elements to capture the mood of the scene. Her favorite subjects are the mountains, rivers and small farms of NH and the rugged coasts of Maine. Her artwork resides in the home of many collectors through the US, Canada and Europe. She exhibits her work in galleries and shows throughout NH, ME, VT and NY. She has been featured in Boston Chronicle (WCBV TV, ABC), NH Chronicle (WMUR 9), and has been published in various newspapers and magazines. She also has received numerous awards for her paintings in regional shows and juried events and is a recent member of the Salmagundi Art Club in NYC.



**Christine Tullson Mathieu** is a contemporary Plein Air painter from Providence, RI. She exhibits her original oil and water color paintings throughout New England.

Christine received her BA in Art Studio from the University of Rhode Island. She studied watercolor, fantasy illustration and children's book illustration at Rhode Island School of Design.

She has participated in numerous juried exhibitions at several art associations, museums, and Plein Air festivals including: Providence Art Club, Newport Art Museum, Attleboro Art Museum, Ocean Park Plein Air, Castine Plein Air, Cuttyhunk, and Blackstone Valley Plein Air. In 2017, Christine traveled to Bermuda to participate in her first international Plein Air event and went back to the Bermuda Plein Air Festival in 2019.



**Debbie Mueller** is an accidental artist. After believing that she had no artistic ability for her whole life, she reluctantly agreed to paint with her mother one afternoon in 2016, and it changed her life.

She has pursued her painting education with the same passion and drive as she brought to her training and career as a physician, and it has resulted in some remarkable successes, such as winning Artist Magazine's annual competition in the landscape category for artists with less than 6 years of experience in 2018, and Best of Show at the Parrsboro International Plein Air Festival in 2020. She is represented by a number of fine galleries in Portsmouth, NH as well as on Cape Cod. Her work has appeared in Cape Cod Life, Artists Magazine, Plein Air Magazine, Southwest Art, and American Art Collector Magazine.

She lives with her family in Durham, New Hampshire, and continues to work as a Gynecologist in Wolfeboro, New Hampshire.

**Bill Paarlberg** lives in Kittery Point, Maine, and loves to draw and paint outdoors. He is motivated by the beauty of the outdoors and the character that seems to linger in old buildings. He paints for a couple weeks each summer on Smuttynose and Appledore Islands at the Isles of Shoals. He teaches watercolor, sketchbook, and plein air classes at Sanctuary Arts in Eliot, Maine, and at the Currier Museum of Art, Manchester, New Hampshire. Follow him on Instagram at [billpaarlberg](https://www.instagram.com/billpaarlberg), and at [www.paarlberg.com](http://www.paarlberg.com).



## Ellen Pelletier

Working primarily with pastels, my joy in painting is to capture a mood, a feeling, a sense of space. I am pleased when viewers enjoy these qualities in my paintings.

I have taken courses at Heartwood College of Art, and workshops with several members of the Pastel Society of America. My paintings have won awards in national competitions and local shows; and hang both here and abroad.