



## EXHIBITING AROUND TOWN in July—September:

- Tina Kolberg & Margie Mitchell @ The Friendly Home
- Myrna Watskin & Sylvie Culbertson @ Star Physical Therapy
- Laura Davis @ Pittsford Town Hall
- Kathy Bolin @ Presbyterian Church

# Pittsford Art Group

Summer 2014

## Message from the President, Margie Mitchell



Painting is easy when you don't know how,  
but very difficult when you do.

*Edgar Degas*

Realizing when you need to add details and when not too, wanting to make every brushstroke, make a difference, being able to just let go and knowing when to stop...

I don't know about you, but sometimes I just can't get myself to start a new project. It's just getting in the chair. Then I think, how can I not be inspired when there is so much to be inspired by?

These summer months bring sunrises and sunsets, picnics in the park, birds in the meadows, cows and sheep in pastures and crickets in my flower garden sitting on rocks. Or when the shadows fall on a particular barn, building or scene, waterfalls, beautiful landscapes and people everywhere.

I was out to lunch one day and noticed a family sitting nearby. Everyone was focused on a child sitting in a high chair, laughing. My first thought was, this would make a great painting.

I've gotten the muse to start to learn how to do portraits and I'm even taking a class! I'm so inspired! How about you? I'm looking forward to seeing all of the 6 x 6's at our next meeting.

Have a great August-September and see you soon! *Margie Mitchell*

## September Presenter—Stu Chait



Born in Rochester, New York in 1957, Stu Chait is a life long artist. Influenced by his great-grandfather, architect Charles W. Eldridge, Stu realized that art is integral to architecture, and continued to study drawing, pastels, and watercolor, while pursuing his architectural degree.

After graduating with High Honors from the School of Architecture at the University of Tennessee in 1979, Stu returned to Rochester with his wife Cindy. While establishing his award winning architectural practice, Stu's desire to return to fine art continued to grow. Studies with noted art instructor Gail Kellogg further fueled his love of watercolor and a passion to create art. An opportunity to study with internationally renowned abstract artist Steve Car-

penter has challenged Stu to delve into uncharted subject matter, techniques, and applications. As Stu's work progresses, he continues to be inspired by structure and form in both architecture and nature. Challenging the context and techniques of watercolor, Stu's work is provocative and sublime. *(Continued on Page 3)*



## MEMBERS OUT & ABOUT

**Lois Zebelman** has 4 paintings in the exhibit “Celebration of Culture” at the Bridge Gallery in the Strong Behavioral Health building. Also, all of her 6 x 6 paintings at the ROCO were sold. Congratulations!

**Alice Gold’s** work can be seen at the Creative Workshop at the MAG. It will be up through the month of October. She will also have work up in Spectrum Gallery. The opening is the first Friday in October.

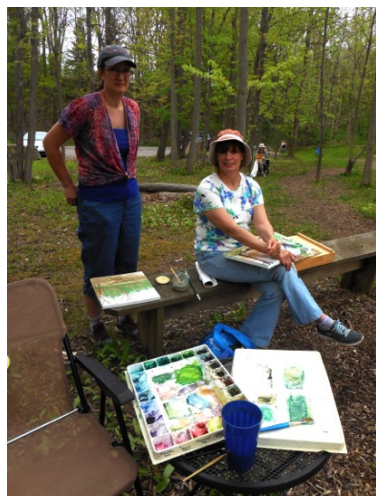
If you are interested in taking a class on mixed media, **Alice Gold** will be teaching one at the MAG starting October 20th—Nov. 17th. Call the Creative Workshop at 276-8959 for details!

**Betsy Liano** will be taking part in Artist Row at the public market on Sunday, September 14th from 10am-4pm. Stop by to see her!

Congratulations to **David Shuttleworth** who sold a painting at The Rochester Friendly Home!



Pictures from the May  
PAG Paint-out in  
Honeoye Falls



## The PAG annual Picnic!

Miss the picnic? There was a great presentation by Dick Kane and artwork displayed by the scholarship winners!



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These explorations have resulted in numerous area and regional shows and awards. In addition to his acceptance to the online galleries of the internationally known Architectural Record, Stu has been highlighted in feature articles in national painting journals. In 2011 Stu was named a Finalist in the Abstract/Experimental Category of The Artist's Magazine 28th Annual Art Competition. Most recently Stu was accepted into the Arena Art Group, the foremost group representing abstract and contemporary art in upstate New York. Constant demand for Stu's unique watercolor techniques led to him being hired as the first adjunct studio faculty of the new Architecture Program at the Rochester Institute of Technology, in addition to teaching several watercolor seminars to fellow artists and architects alike.

**For a sampling of his art please visit:**  
<http://www.chaitstudios.com/ChaitFineArt/>

A huge thank you to all who dedicated their time and effort to making this picnic fantastic!

Sylvia Ball would like to remind members that she is ready to send occasion appropriate cards to members or their families. If you know of someone who is ill, or a member that has passed, please email her at [sxbbka@aol.com](mailto:sxbbka@aol.com) or call 381-9558.  
 Thanks!

**ROTATING  
EXHIBIT SPOTS  
OPEN FOR NEXT  
YEAR!**

Contact Laura Davis if you  
are interested:

davisdyn@rochester.rr.com

Or catch her at our monthly  
meetings. She's the lady with the  
clipboard!

**Dates to  
Remember!**

**Next Meeting  
Thursday,  
September 4th**

**PAG Board  
Members**

**Margie Mitchell**—  
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**Kitty Lawrence**—  
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**Have News to  
Share?**

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**Save the Dates!  
PAG Schedule of Events**

**September 4th**—First Meeting—Stu Chait (abstract) & 6x6 contest

**October 2nd**—Presenter TBA

**November TBA** - Legacy Show

**December 4th**—Presenter TBA

**December**—TBA—PFCU in Mendon Show

**January 8th**—Christ Episcopal Church **(Note: Date & location change!)**  
model/still life charcoal drawings or whatever medium

**February 5th**—Bonnie Haney (Colored Pencil)

**March TBA**—Barnes & Noble Show

**April 2nd**—Presenter TBA

**May 7th**—Elections—Carol Acquilano—(Acrylic)

**June 4th**—tentative picnic date—mini workshops

**6 x 6 Contest!**

Bring in your 6 x 6 artwork in any medium and a  
\$2.00 entry fee to the first meeting. Winner to be selected  
by Stu Chait. Winner takes home the entry fees.

Good luck!

**WANTED: Mini-Workshop Presenters**

**Hi PAG Members!**

**Do you have an art talent you'd like to present to members  
and have them try out? We have openings for mini-  
workshop presenters at the June Picnic!**

**Don't want to go it alone? Grab a fellow artist and  
present together! Share the fun!**

**Interested members should contact  
Margie Mitchell at the next meeting!**