



NEWSLETTER – APRIL 2026

Letter from the President

Hello Everyone,

April's meeting was really nice with Rebacca Maynard, for those that have missed her presentation, you will be able to view her again at our picnic in June where we will be doing a Batik painting of our own!

Paddle and Pour is coming up soon May 23rd,26, We have decided to use just the metal boards that Joanne Andrews will bring and take home. And set up and take down, HUGE thank you to Joanne!

There will be a sign-up sheet online for volunteers to bring a painting for sale. NO FEE! You will need to bring it by 9am so we have time to hang them. You may also bring prints, cards, bookmarks or anything homemade. All pricing needs to be on them, and small items need to be in a container. Bookmarks are usually \$1 apiece. (LINK: [Paddle & Pour Signup](#))

Anyone that wants can come and hang out with us for an hour, to relieve those that are there all day, me included!

Our location is always next to the bridge on North Main Street coming from town. I do have parking tickets for those that stay awhile. Parking is behind the library. If the weather gets bad, please make sure to leave a cell phone number.

Our next meeting is Thursday May 7th, 2026, in room 204 upstairs, there are stairs or use the elevator. With Barb Jablonski as our speaker. more to come from Barb!

See you then
Margie

Letter from the Newsletter Editor

I was unable to attend the March meeting, so I was thrilled to see all the photos. Please check them out in this month's newsletter.

We will also be welcoming Barbara Jablonski as speaker in May. I have been a student at 2 (or possibly even 3) of Barbara's Plein Air classes, so I can personally attest that I learned a lot, especially about color and value. I'm sure this month's presentation will be equally informative so please try to attend in person.

Mike

UPCOMING & CURRENT CLUB EVENTS

PAG May 7th Meeting at The Pittsford Community Center

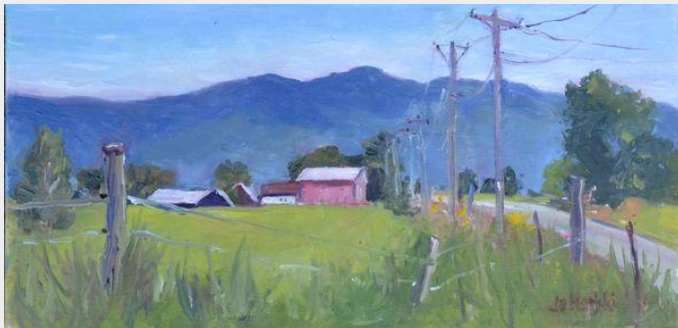
Speaker: Member Barbara Jablonski

Plein Air and Studio Artist



Barbara is a multitalented artist (both visual and a musician as well) and a teacher, offering classes on Plein Air painting as well. Barbara also won best-of-show in the PAG 2026 Spring Show for her seascape.

Here are some of Barbara's own words from her website: <https://barbarajablonski.com/>



Landscapes - water scenes – architecture

"Plein air painting is a personal development experience," says Barbara. "I will always be a 'student of the art.'" She captures color and light while painting contemporary life in her landscapes. Her specialties include architecture, nautical scenes, boats, winter scenes and landscape vistas.

Studio Painting: Barbara has studied oil painting with regional artists Steve Carpenter and Diane Lochochi as well as pastelists Kathryn Bevier and Sari Gaby. Additionally, Barbara has studied with internationally acclaimed artists Anna Marie Bain, Robert Liberace and Stephen Ansael.

Plein Air Painting: Barbara was introduced to painting in nature in 1997. Studies include nationally known plein air master artists Kevin Macpherson, Kenn Backhaus, Mark Boedges, John Budicin, David Lussier, Frank Serrano, as well as pastelists Albert Handell and watercolorist Margaret M. Martin, AWS.

By 2005 Barbara began teaching plein air workshops and giving demonstrations to area art club artists.

"I have been working as a professional artist for over 20 years specializing in oil painting. "My work has been featured in galleries" says Barbara. "I have won several awards for my pieces in art shows and plein air competitions throughout NYS."



PAINTING AND TRAVELING AROUND THE COUNTRY

Barbara loves to camp in the mountains as well as near a lake or seashore. Pictured is a small watercolor of Barbara's "Zen Den".... alias name for her 17-foot 2007 Casita Travel Trailer. She travels the country with her Silky Terrier, Jessie, to plein air paint and vacation. She has traveled to numerous national parks, the Western, Southern and Northeast States. "My Campsite " 6"x8" watercolor.



SIGN UP NOW

MAY 23rd- Pittsford Paddle and Pour

Setup: 9:00AM to Noon

Festival: Noon to 6:30 PM

Fee: NONE!

Signup sheet: [Paddle & Pour Signup](#)

COMING SOON

JUNE PICNIC- Kings Bend Park, June 13, 2026

Watch your email for details

OTHER REMINDERS

Check the PAG website for a list of all upcoming events and meetings. <https://pittsfordartgroup.com/>

Guest Policy

GUESTS interested in joining are welcomed and encouraged to join us at our monthly meetings to hear and see what's going on and to watch our wonderful demonstrators. To help with rising costs it would be appreciated if an entirely optional \$5.00 donation was made to the group for in-person attendance. Any donation amount made will be applied to the joining fee.

Sunshine Committee

Sylvia Ball will send occasion-appropriate cards to members or their families. If you know of someone who is ill or a member that has passed, please contact Sylvia.

ROTATING EXHIBITS FOR 2026

THERE ARE ALMOST ALWAYS OPENINGS. WE NEED YOUR HELP!

The rotating exhibits are an opportunity for members to display their work at various locations around town. If you have questions about this schedule, please contact **Joanne Andrews**. Remember - you can share any of these exhibit spaces with other members!

We will soon have the schedule posted online for easier access!

Venue->	Pittsford Town Hall	Friendly Home Main	Star P.T.	Presbyterian Church	Lily Brook
# pieces->	12	22	16	12	12
Jan- Mar	B. Jablonski		L. Davis	L. Davis J. Paperno	A. Limbeck
Apr- Jun	D. Ingerick	J. Andrews	N. Varon		D. Johnson
Jul - Sep	L. Sciortino	A. Limbeck J. Miller		H. Jusko	J. Andrews
Oct - Dec	K. Wallin		P. Fahy	N. Welsh	H. Jusko

CLUB LEADERSHIP 2025 – 2026 Positions

Current Positions

Executive Board Officers

- President, Margaret Mitchell
- Vice-President, Mike Kamish
- Treasurer, Debi Bloom
- Recording Secretary, OPEN
- Corresponding Secretary, Joe Sirianni

Standing Committees

- Membership, (Open)
- Refreshments, Paula Fahey
- Rotating Exhibits, Joanne Andrews
- Sunshine, Sylvia Ball
- Website, Joe Sirianni
- Publicity, (Open)
- Newsletter, Mike Kamish
- Speakers, Margie Mitchell

Open Positions

We are now seeking new Board and Committee Members to replace leaders that have been at it for years. This is your club – please be part of it by participating on the Board or a Committee. Open positions are listed below. Current leaders will “show you the ropes” so we can make this very easy. Everyone who has participated in this way says they get a lot more out of the club – and make new friends – when they actively participate in this way. Please participate!

Open Executive Board Officers

- Recording Secretary
- Corresponding Secretary (acting: Joe)

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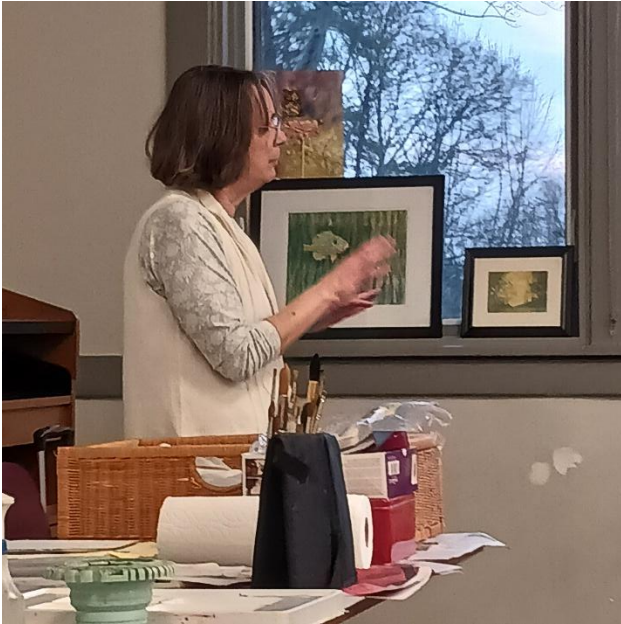
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- Speakers (acting: Margie)
- Publicity (Open)
- Membership (Open)

RECENT EVENTS

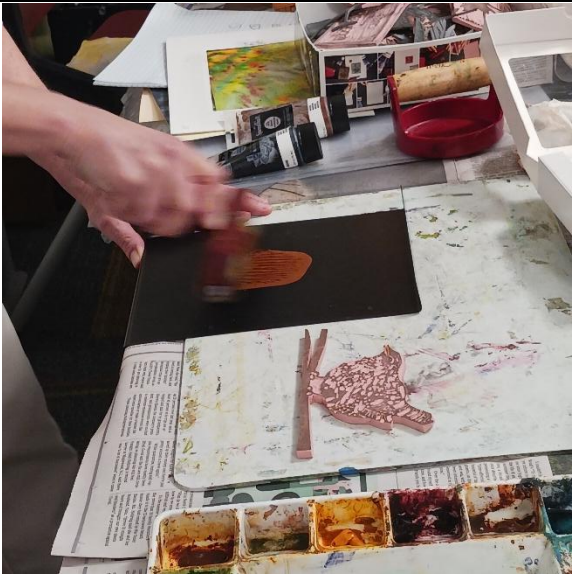
PAG April 2nd Regular Meeting at The Pittsford Community Center

Speaker: Rebecca Maynard

Rebecca showed us 4 different ways to use watercolor. Check out the photos below!









MEETING NOTES – General Meeting 4/2/2026

**Pittsford Art Group
General Meeting
Spiegel Community Center
36 Lincoln Avenue
Pittsford, NY 14534**

The meeting was called to order at 7:00pm.

Absolutely fabulous meeting, Rebecca Maynard showed us 4 different ways to use watercolor, including the technique we will be using at the picnic. We will be needing some supplies for that: rice paper, irons just for wax, wax.

Margie also reported that we signed up for Paddle and Pour, and she decided to exclude the foam boards. Joe will issue a sign-up sheet for volunteers to help during the day, to relieve people that are there all day plus identify who will bring paintings (done).

Barnes and Noble Award certificates were passed out to two members that were unable to attend the awards ceremony.



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Joanne

Submitted by Margie Mitchell

Feedback from Darla at the Friendly Home

Darla, Event Manager for the Friendly Home and Lily Brook, has passed along a reminder:

When securing WALL CARDS and paintings to the walls at Friendly Home and Lily Brook, please use PAINTERS TAPE and NOT adhesive clay (as we have in the past). The adhesive clay is a bit too strong and has from time to time been causing small marks and paint damage to the walls. So, going forward, please only use PAINTERS TAPE.

This is especially important at Lily Brook where they just painted their wall where the gallery is. So, for all future show managers and artists displaying their work – please only use painter’s tape (if needed).

Darla went on to say that if you forget to bring painter’s tape, please contact Darla at 789-3154 and she can provide some for you.

News from Barbara Jablonski

PLEIN AIR WORKSHOP

with
BARBARA JABLONSKI

Wednesday, May 13th – Friday, May 15th



Barbara Jablonski invites artists using any painting medium as well as artists who wish to learn OIL or ACRYLIC painting as a new medium to register for this plein air painting workshop

This 3-day workshop introduces elements and techniques including:

- Composition, perspective, value, temperature and design
- Drawing, line, and painting techniques
- The use of materials, equipment and mixing of oil and acrylic colors
- Learn to paint landscapes, architecture and waterscapes.

TAKE ADVANTAGE OF EARLY REGISTRATION FEE

REGISTRATION FEE IS \$235 UNTIL APRIL 21ST

REGISTRATION FEE IS \$250 AFTER APRIL 21ST

HOW TO REGISTER Go to Barbara's website:
WWW.BARBARAJABLONSKI.COM and then to the
Webpage: '26 WORKSHOP EN PLEIN AIR
Print out workshop information and complete the registration form. Mail Registration For and check to Barbara Jablonski.