

## Revised Qualifications for Signature Membership in New England Watercolor Society

Any artist residing in New England who has been accepted into four (4) New England Watercolor Society biennial exhibitions (one of which must be a NEWS North American Open show) can become a Signature Artist Member. **Acceptances into NEWS Gallery Exhibitions do not count towards qualifying entries for Signature Membership status.**

In addition to this, any artist who wins 3 Awards of Merit in a NEWS Gallery show, which includes NEWS Signature and Associate Members, will get to have that count as 1 regional show in the above requirements. This can only be used one time, and is retroactive to the beginning of the gallery shows in 2021. In this case, an artist would still have to be accepted into at least one North American open show, and two other Open Shows to achieve Signature Member Status.

There are currently 3 NEWS Gallery shows a year where this would apply.

**Associate Memberships** are available.  
For information contact: [Art@EJBarnes.com](mailto:Art@EJBarnes.com)  
Please visit our website at:  
[newenglandwatercolorssociety.org](http://newenglandwatercolorssociety.org)

### Liability

Neither the New England Watercolor Society nor the Plymouth Center for the Arts shall be held liable for any loss or damage.

### Submissions

[newenglandwatercolorssociety.org](http://newenglandwatercolorssociety.org)

NEW ENGLAND WATERCOLOR SOCIETY  
11 North Street  
Plymouth, MA 02360  
ADDRESS SERVICE REQUESTED

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*Promoting Excellence in Aqua Media since 1885*



## GALLERY EXHIBITION SCHEDULE 2025

New England Watercolor Gallery  
at Plymouth Center for the Arts  
11 North Street, Plymouth, MA 02360

Jan -Feb: Wednesday - Saturday, 11am - 3pm;  
Sunday: 12 to 3  
March - December: Wednesday - Saturday, 10am-4 pm  
Sunday 1-4pm  
Closed: December 25, 2024- January 7th, 2025

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## NEW ENGLAND WATERCOLOR SOCIETY

### Juried Gallery Exhibition Schedule

#### Brushes With Nature Show- Jan 17-March 5

December 12 - Entries Due  
December 19 - Accepted works posted on the NEWS website  
January 16 - Drop off, 12-2pm  
Reception and Awards, Thursday, February 20, 6 to 8pm  
March 6 - Pick Up, 12-2pm

#### Spring Into Art All Members Show- Mar 7- May 7

Feb 6 - Entries Due  
Feb 13 - Accepted works posted on the NEWS website  
March 6 - Drop off, 12-2pm  
Reception and Awards, Thursday, April 3, 6 to 8pm  
May 8 - Pick Up, 12-2pm

#### Works By Signature Members- May 9 - July 9

April 10- Entries Due  
April 17 - Accepted works posted on the NEWS website  
May 8 - Drop off, 12-2pm  
Reception and Awards, Thursday, June 26, 6 to 8pm  
July 10 - Pick Up, 12-2pm

#### Celebrating New England All Members Jul 11 -Sept 3

June 12 - Entries Due  
June 19 - Accepted works posted on the NEWS website  
July 10 - Drop off, 12-2pm  
Reception and Awards, Thursday, August 7, 6 to 8pm  
September 4 - Pick Up, 12-2pm

#### Works By Associate Members Show- Sep 5- Nov 5

August 7 - Entries Due  
August 14 - Works posted on the NEWS website  
September 4- Drop off, 12-2pm  
Reception and Awards, Thursday, October 23, 6 to 8pm  
November 6 - Pick up, 12-2pm

#### All Members Watercolor Gone Wild! Nov 7 - Jan 14, 2026

October 2nd - Entries Due  
October 9 - Accepted works posted on the NEWS website  
November 6 - Drop off, 12-2pm  
Reception and Awards, Thursday, November 20, 6 to 8pm  
January 15 - Pick Up, 12-2pm

### Eligibility

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- Artists must be an Associate or Signature Member of NEWS to enter NEWS Gallery Exhibitions.
- All work must be painted with aqua media including watercolor, acrylic, casein, egg tempera, gouache and inks, and painted on unvarnished paper or synthetic paper such as Yupo.
- No photocopies, color laser prints, multiple prints, pastels or computer generated work.
- Work may not have been created in a class or workshop under a teacher's supervision.
- The Screening Committee has the right to refuse any painting that does not meet the stated specifications or is not accurately represented by the image submitted.
- **All work must be for sale.**
- No changes in pricing information may be made after acceptance.
- Art may not be withdrawn early.
- Art may be taken at time of purchases; a replacement painting is requested from the artist for the show.
- Artwork may not have been exhibited at PCA, but may have been exhibited in a past New England Watercolor Society exhibition.
- COMPLETE REGULATIONS ONLINE AT: [newenglandwatercolorssociety.org](http://newenglandwatercolorssociety.org)

### Submission of Entries

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- Submit images and pay entry fee online via <https://client.smarterentry.com/NEWS>
- Submit your image files not greater than 4MB. The image should not be less than 2000 pixels on the longest side.

### Entry Fees

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#### NEWS Members and Associate Members

\$20 one entry, \$25 two entries, \$30 three entries. Entry fees are collected at the time of entering images. Please be sure your membership dues are paid for the year before entering

### Notification of Acceptance & Awards

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All NEWS Gallery exhibits will be juried for 3 \$100 Awards of Merit as noted

### Framing of Accepted Work

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White and off-white mats only, not more than 10% value. Mats must be a minimum of 2 inches wide unless work is floated in the frame. All work must be framed under Plexiglas.

Wires must be attached so that they are not visible when the work is hanging. No sawtooth hangers allowed. Mat, frame and glazing package must have a professional look and must be in "as new" condition. Work not conforming to regulations WILL NOT BE EXHIBITED. **Size limitation of 30" in width, not a fraction more, based on outside measurement of frame.**

### Delivery of Accepted Work

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Hand delivered artwork must be received during specified hours. See schedule on left.

Shipped works must be received prior to drop off date, have a prepaid return postage label and a NEWS@PCA form enclosed. Please ship works to NEWS Gallery, 11 North St, Plymouth, MA 02360

### Sales

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A 40% commission will be retained by NEWS to be split with PCA on all sales. Paintings will be sold at the price originally stated. No changes will be accepted. No Price On Request (POR) and no Not For Sale (NFS).

### Return of Work

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Work must be picked up at the PCA following the show at the stated pick up date. Shipped works will be repacked and returned to the shipper after the exhibition.

### Note

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It is the obligation of artists to exhibit accepted works. NEWS and PCA reserve the right to photograph or use digital images for publicity purposes. Acceptances into NEWS Gallery Shows do not count towards qualifying entries for Signature Membership status.