



NEW ENGLAND WATERCOLOR SOCIETY

Prospectus for 2025 Signature Members Show

February 4, 2025 - March 2, 2025

hosted by

The Guild of Boston Artists
162 Newbury Street, Boston, MA 02116

Up to \$4,000 in Awards

CALENDAR

November 1, 2024	Submissions open
January 15, 2025	Deadline for submissions (Smarter Entry)
January 17	Notification of Participation
January 28	Shipped work due
January 29	Delivery of art starting at 10:30 am (assigned time)
January 30	Demo by Jean Francois Arnaud 5 - 7 pm
January 31 - Feb 2	Workshop with Jean Francois Arnaud
February 3	Notification of awards
February 4	Show opens
February 8	Awards reception 2 - 4 pm
March 2	Show closes. Art pickup 4 - 6 pm
March 4	Shipped works will be repacked and returned

ELIGIBILITY

- Open to all NEWS Signature Members, one painting per person.
- All work must be for sale and meet framed size limitations. No P.O.R.'s (Price on Request), no N.F.S.'s. All work must be painted with aqua media including watercolor, acrylic, casein, egg tempera, gouache and water based inks on paper or synthetic paper such as Yupo, Collage with only aqua media is acceptable. No AI.
- All work must be original: 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 and must be the work of the artist from reference to completion.
- Work may not be withdrawn early.
- No changes in pricing or catalog information can be made after submission.

- The Screening Committee has the right to refuse any painting that does not meet **the stated specifications or is not accurately represented by image submitted**. As a signature member of NEWS it is an honor to exhibit in the SMS, therefore it is expected that you submit your best work, framed in a professional manner with white or off white mat.
- Paintings may not have been previously exhibited in a NEWS show or at the Guild of Boston Artists.
- Review guidelines and regulations at newenglandwatercolorsociety.org/exhibitions-howto.html

SUBMISSION OF ENTRIES

- Enter online via the NEWS website at newenglandwatercolorsociety.org/exhibitions-upcoming.html
- Submit your image as JPG, TIF or PNG files not greater than 4MB. The longer side should be 1,200 pixels or greater.
- Paintings will be sold at the price originally stated by the artist. No changes will be accepted. Please edit your entries carefully.
- Only one image may be submitted.
- \$30 entry fee through Smarter Entry.
- No CD entries, no slides.
- Dues must be up to date.

NOTE

- Submitted JPGs must accurately represent the painting. An online gallery will be created from these images, therefore the quality and clarity of your image is very important.
- Awards will be based on the actual painting that is delivered to the Guild of Boston Artists.
- NEWS and the Guild of Boston Artists reserve the right to photograph paintings or use digital images for publicity purposes.

FRAMING OF SUBMITTED WORK

Framed paintings must be in a rectangular format with the bottom edge square to the floor. Work may be floated within the frame, mounted on a white or off-white mounting board with at least one inch of mat visible on all sides or presented with a single or double mat. White and off-white mats only, liner mat less than 3/8" may be colored. All work must be framed under acrylic (Plexiglass). 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 be in "as if new" condition. Work not conforming to regulations WILL NOT BE EXHIBITED. **Note - Size limitation of 36 inches in width, based on outside measurement of frame, 36" and not a fraction more.**

DELIVERY OF SUBMITTED WORK

- Hand delivered artwork must be received at the Guild of Boston Artists, 162 Newbury Street, Boston, MA 02116 on Wednesday, January 29, 2025 starting at 10:30 am. (assigned times TBA) Drop off and pick up instructions will be e-mailed to participating artists by January 20, 2025. Complete the label that is at the end of this prospectus and attach it to the hanging wire of the painting.
- Shipped works must be received at the Guild of Boston Artists, 162 Newbury Street, Boston, MA 02116 by January 28, 2025. Be sure to attach the completed label to your hanging wire. **A prepaid return shipping label must be included.**

Note: Except for mailed work, please deliver your work unwrapped.

NOTIFICATION OF PARTICIPATION

- Participating artists will be posted on the NEWS website January 17, 2025.
- We will immediately notify artists whose paintings do not adhere to the stated specifications.

EXHIBITION HOURS

Tuesday-Saturday, 10:30 am to 5:30 pm, Sunday 12:00 to 4:00 pm; closed Monday.

SALES

A 40% commission will be retained by NEWS on all sale

RETURN OF WORK:

- Work must be picked up at the Guild of Boston Artists, 162 Newbury Street, Boston, MA on Sunday, March 2, 2025, 4:00 - 6 pm.
- Shipped works will be re-packed and returned to the artist after March 4, 2025

JUROR OF SELECTION AND AWARDS:

We are pleased to announce that international award winning watercolor artist, and teacher, Jean Francois Arnaud will be the juror for the 2025 Signature Members Show. Jean paints fast, capturing those fleeting moments with quick gestural strokes. He describes his artistic approach as predominantly impressionistic, focused on capturing the ambiance, light, and atmosphere of a landscape. "I believe the memories of a place aren't composed of the number of windows or minor details, but in the emotion it evokes."

WORKSHOP AND DEMO

There will be a workshop with Jean Francois Arnaud on Friday, January 31 - February 2, 2025 from 9 AM - 4PM. See our website for complete details and to sign up at newenglandwatercolorsociety.org/learn-workshops.html

There will be a demo by on Thursday, January 30, 2025 from 5 - 7 pm. This is a wonderful opportunity to see a master watercolor artist in action. It is open to the public and donations are encouraged.

LIABILITY

While all reasonable care will be taken, the New England Watercolor Society and the Guild of Boston Artists will not accept liability for any loss or damage.

RESOURCES FOR MORE INFORMATION

Website: newenglandwatercolorsociety.org

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**Registration form for all submissions to Signature Members Show.
Please type or print legibly.**

Title of painting _____

Artist name (to appear on label) _____

Price _____

Media _____

Frame size H _____ **W (36" max outside dimension of frame)** _____

Phone _____ **Cell** _____

Email _____

Address: _____

Town _____ **State** ____ **Zip code** _____

2025 Dues must be up to date.

**May we share your town and email or telephone number with others
from your area who want to work out cooperative delivery of paintings?**

Yes _____ **No** _____