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Rosemary Benivegna

ARTIST'S STATEMENT

I originally received a Bachelor of Fine Arts Degree in Interior Design from Pratt Institute, but shortly after starting my first job in a large New York architectural firm, I returned to school to study architecture. I received a Master of Architecture Degree from Columbia University and have worked as an architect since 1972.

In recent years, I have gone back to my roots in Fine Art. Since 2003, I have studied drawing, pastel and watercolor painting at the Creative Arts Workshop in New Haven and other workshops in the New York and New England areas.

My subject matter has largely been taken from my sketching and photography excursions to landscape settings. Originally, I was interested in compositions capturing the dramatic light and shadow patterns of fallen trees.

Years of professional experience in the field of architecture and interest in building form have more recently influenced my subject matter in several areas: assemblages of structures, which create opportunities for designs of overlapping forms, textures and alternating colors; candid glimpses of people in urban settings, which help to create a story for the observer and simplified landscapes of rich and sometimes unexpected colors.

SOLO SHOWS

Art in the Hallway 300 George Street, New Haven, CT
February 20 – April 2, 2009

JURIED SHOWS

Connecticut Watercolor Society Fall Exhibition West Hartford, CT
December 7 – 23, 2007

GROUP SHOWS

(Arts Space) City-Wide Open Studios Members' Exhibition New Haven, CT
June 25 – July 25, 2009

Golden Bells Art Exhibit/ Hamden Art League Hamden, CT
April 6 - 29, 2009 & April 7- 23, 2008

Silver Bells Art Exhibit/ Hamden Art League Hamden, CT
December 1 – 17, 2008

Three Viewpoints/ Case Memorial Library Orange, CT (Three Person Show)
September 4 – 27, 2007

City-wide Open/ Studios Weekend III (Alternative Spaces & Installations)
New Haven, CT
October 29 – 30, 2005

Winter & Summer Student Shows/ Creative Arts Workshop New Haven, CT
February and July 2003, 2004, 2005 and 2006

AWARDS

TJB Landscape Award \$75 – Hamden Art League/ Golden Bells Art Exhibit

FORMAL EDUCATION

Columbia University, New York, NY

School of Architecture, Master of Architecture 1971

Pratt Institute, Brooklyn, NY

School of Art, Bachelor of Fine Arts in Interior Design 1965

MEMBERSHIPS

Arts Council of Greater New Haven – (2007 – Present)

Women’s Caucus for Art – (2006 – Present)

Hamden Art League – (2007 – Present)