



NEWSLETTER

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April
2019

Please Note: Monthly meetings: Third Wednesday of the month—at:

Methuen Community Television

20 Aegean Drive Unit 1 - Methuen, MA 01844

Next Meeting board meeting: Tuesday, 4/8/19..Nevins Memorial Library, 7PM

Members are invited to attend

Next Monthly Meeting, Wednesday, April 17, at 7PM at MCTV

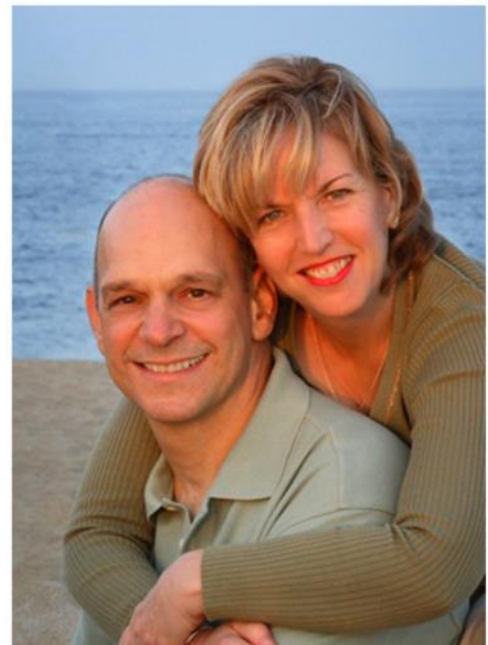
Ed Pedi Photography

Best described as a Photographic Artist, Ed's passion, enthusiasm and love for photography is beautifully reflected in his creative, storytelling portraits. Dating back to the age of twelve, when he received his first camera as a gift from his parents, photography has been his passion. In 1992, following a twenty-five year career with the US Government, Ed took a leap of faith and followed his dream of pursuing a career in photography. Happily, he never looked back. Several years in to his career, he discovered his true love was photographing family and children and this became his photographic specialty.

Through Ed's extreme commitment and dedication to his craft, he has earned a reputation as one of New England's premiere family portrait photographers. His calm nature and friendly, outgoing personality is embraced by children and adults alike who feel naturally relaxed in his presence. His playful, childlike nature and his patience in working with children, enables him to create images that evoke real life emotion and capture true feelings.

In 2005, following a 30 year insurance career; Linda joined the studio full time. Her primary role includes the marketing, bookkeeping and general PR for the business but she is also an invaluable assistant to Ed during their portrait sessions.

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"Clouds come floating into my life, no longer to carry rain or usher storm, but to add color to my sunset sky."

Rabindranath Tagore



President's Message

Next Board Meeting:

On **Tuesday, April 8th**, we will have our Quarterly AIGMV Board meeting at the Nevins Memorial Library at 7:00pm. All AIGMV Members are invited to attend and one of the items under discussion will be the review of our healthy financial position as an art organization. Please plan on attending and share your opinions and ideas for our future.

Don't miss the April meeting!

This month we will have a wonderful presentation by Ed Pedi supported by his wife Linda. Ed is a portrait photographer who has invented techniques to make even the most cantankerous child, smile, and pose for photographs. He has created rocks out of fiberglass that he poses families on so they look naturally posed. His rocks are even bought by other photographers! Ed is charismatic and will keep us on the edge of our seats during his presentation at Methuen Community TV on Wednesday, April 17th at 7:00pm. Please plan to be there, you will have fun and learn a lot about how portraits are set up and capture the life and spirit of the person (s) being photographed

With the weather getting better many of us will venture out for plein air painting and enjoy the area we live in with so many picturesque opportunities to capture! Also please be working on your entries for our Nevins Library Fall Show with the theme "**Casting Shadows**" - a perfect theme for those early morning or dusk art compositions en plein air!

Thank you for your continuing support of the AIGMV. Keep on creating,

Best Regards,
David

Would you like to be "Artist of the Month" in our Newsletter?

Send in JPGs of your work and inspire your fellow artists.

Each month, as space allows, we will feature your latest works.

Or maybe you have a suggestion or hint to make better photos or paintings?

Let us know so we can share the info with our group.

Are you trying a new technique? Let us know what you have been up to.

Send JPGs or your comments to Gail Fuller : g.g.fuller@gmail.com

Have you tried an acrylic pour?

At right is a pour on a 12 x 36 gallery wrapped canvas. Colors used: White, Black, Yellow, Blue and Red. Every painting will surprise you.

It is fun to try as a group.

Lots of info on this process on

YouTube





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work of our members!

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*Would you like to be the
City of Methuen Artist of the Month?*

Contact: *Michele Ambra*

in the mayor's office

at 978-983-8505

Remember!!! If your contact information changes....let us know. We wouldn't want you to miss your Newsletters or updates. The quickest way to get information is via Email.

Please make sure we have your current Email address.

If you have information that you would like added to the Newsletter, please submit to Gail Fuller by the 5th of the month.

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2018 CALENDAR

April 9..... Board Meeting, Nevins Mem. Library, 7PM

17.....Meeting

May 15.....Meeting -Scholarship Award

June 19.....Meeting

July 9.....Board Meeting, Nevins Mem. Library, 7PM

July and August.....Hiatus

September 18.....Meeting

October 16.....Meeting

Art at the Library 2019

November 20.....Meeting

December 18.....Holiday Pot Luck Party

*"I have an idea that the only thing which makes it possible to regard this world we live in without disgust is the beauty which now and then men create out of the chaos. The pictures they paint, the music they compose, the books they write, and the lives they lead. Of all these the richest in beauty is the beautiful life. That is the perfect work of art."
W. Somerset Maugham*

2019 Art at the Library Theme
"Casting Shadows"

*"The aim of art is to represent not the outward appearance of things,
but their inward significance."*

Aristotle



*Join our Group
Artists and Art lovers
are
always welcome*

*“To be creative means to be in love with life. You can be creative only if you love life enough that you want to enhance its beauty, you want to bring a little more music to it, a little more poetry to it, a little more dance to it.”
Osho*

Membership Changes
Changes have been made to renewal dates for AIGMV membership.
Starting this year, membership fees will be due on October 1
If you are currently a member, consider your dues paid until
October 1, 2019
Annual dues remain at \$25

Wanted—Demonstrators
For AIGMV MONTHLY MEETINGS
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