

# FIVE POINTS NEWS&NOTES

Weekly Creative Camaraderie | At the Gallery and the Annex | Gift Shop Highlight

## AT THE ARTS CENTER:

### 2026 International Printmaking Juried Exhibition

**Juror: Kathleen Schroeder**  
**Through Sunday, August 30**

**Best-in-Show Awarded to:**  
**Heather Huston of Calgary,**  
**Alberta, Canada**



***Interruption, silkscreen, 11" x 14"***  
**By Heather Huston**

## Creative Camaraderie

**Uninstructed Open Studio Time**  
**in the Painting Lab**

**Every Friday, 10am - 1pm**  
**\$10 per session; FREE for**  
**Members; Drop-ins Welcome!**



## YOU ARE CORDIALLY INVITED:

### MEMBERS & PROSPECTIVE MEMBERS PARTY

**Thursday, August 20 from 6 - 8pm FREE**

**RAIN OR SHINE!**

Curious about becoming a member? Already one?

Join us to celebrate everything Five Points membership has to offer. Meet fellow members, connect with artists and staff, tour the Arts Center, and experience the creative community that makes Five Points Arts such a special place.



Events Coordinator Laurie Filippini with her husband and Five Points volunteer, Tom, welcome guests at a recent event.

**RSVP at: [www.fivepointsarts.org/programs-events](http://www.fivepointsarts.org/programs-events)**

## SAVE THE DATES

### *Plein Air* LITCHFIELD 2026

#### AT THE ARTS CENTER:

**Saturday, September 19, 2026 from 4 - 7pm**  
**SOIRÉE & PAINTING SALE**

**Sunday, September 20, 2026 from 9am - 2pm**  
**PAINTING SALE OPEN TO THE PUBLIC**

## AT THE GALLERY:



**Through Saturday, September 19**  
**Artist Talk:**  
**Friday, August 28, 6:30pm**

In the West Gallery:  
**Kathleen Schroeder**  
*Paper, Ink, and Thread*

In the Torrington Downtown  
 Partners Gallery:  
**Peggy Stosz**  
*Waterworld*

In the Torrington Savings  
 Bank Gallery:  
**Richard Alan Cohen**  
*Silver Light*

## AT THE ANNEX:



**Through Sunday, August 9**  
**Brent Aarowitz**  
*Figures, Portraits & Everything Else*

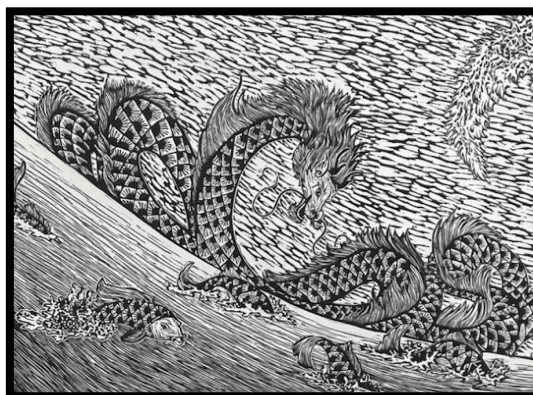
**Tuesday, August 11 -**  
**Monday, August 24**  
**Gary Houle Jr.**  
*Combat Veteran: Mixed Media*

**Tuesday, August 25 -**  
**Monday, September 7**  
**Aurora Russell, Sarah Gristwold,**  
**Alison Darrow & Gillian Whittle**  
*Group Exhibition*

## ARTS CENTER GIFT SHOP: HIGHLIGHT OF THE MONTH

The Arts Center Gift Shop is featuring the artwork of Sydney Samele during the month of August.

Sydney Samele is a printmaker and illustrator who received a Bachelor of Fine Arts degree from Hartford Art School, University of Hartford. She is a member of the Five Points Arts Launchpad 4.0 Program, and currently serves as the Arts Center's Lab Coordinator.



*Journey from Koi  
to Dragon*  
 woodcut, 15" x 60"  
 By Sydney Samele

A 10% discount for Five Points Arts Members is being offered on Samele's artwork during the month of August.

## RUBI TORRES JOINS FIVE POINTS ARTS AS ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT

Rubi Torres is a mixed media artist who received a Bachelor of Arts degree in Art from Central Connecticut State University. She is a Five Points Arts Launchpad artist, and you'll see her busily working at the Front Desk at the Arts Center. She is a welcome new member of the Five Points Arts team!

