



Juror for Spring Show  
**“All You Need Is Love”**  
 May 7th - 27th, 2022



# Molly McDonald



Molly’s style is direct, whether abstract or representational. The artwork that she creates is in vivid color using oils, acrylics, or collage techniques. Fluid brush strokes and loaded palette knife are her tools. Molly draws her inspiration from life experiences past or present, as in a remembrance of the sea, light of the sun, or treasured moments with family or friends.

### Artist Biography

Art has always been a serious business for Molly, but also, pure fun, joy, and a wonderful opportunity to nurture her mind and spirit while playing.

As an artist who loves to work large or small creating visually arresting abstract landscapes, Molly, when painting I love to get out in the color field and take a vacation in her mind, almost as in meditation. Molly lets past and present experiences join with observation and imagination, a mental and visual blend occurs, the spirit of the moment takes over, energy flows, and a color puzzle unfolds.

Molly taught art in the Guilford Public School System for thirty-six years. As an artist and art educator in the public and private sector she has won national and local awards. Her artwork in pastel, watercolor, oil, acrylic, mixed media, and soapstone sculpture has been exhibited in galleries and juried art exhibits throughout New England, and many pieces are in private collections nationally and internationally. Presently Molly is represented at Cooper and Smith Gallery, Essex, Connecticut, and in regional exhibits such as the Shoreline ArtsTrail, New Haven Paint and Clay Club, Lyme Art Association, Guilford Art League, Connecticut Women Artist, Madison Art League, and Lyme Art Association .

Throughout her career Molly has been active in national and local art education organizations and has exhibited and contributed her artwork to various fundraisers such as New Haven Arts Council, Guilford Arts Center, Guilford Women and Family Life Center, Guilford Hyland House Fundraiser, and Dan Cosgrove Animal Shelter Fundraiser.

Molly says “Painting is a thrill. I am a captive of the smell and feel of paint. I always want to play and push the limits of the material until all of a sudden the artwork seems just right and I walk away and start another one.”

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