

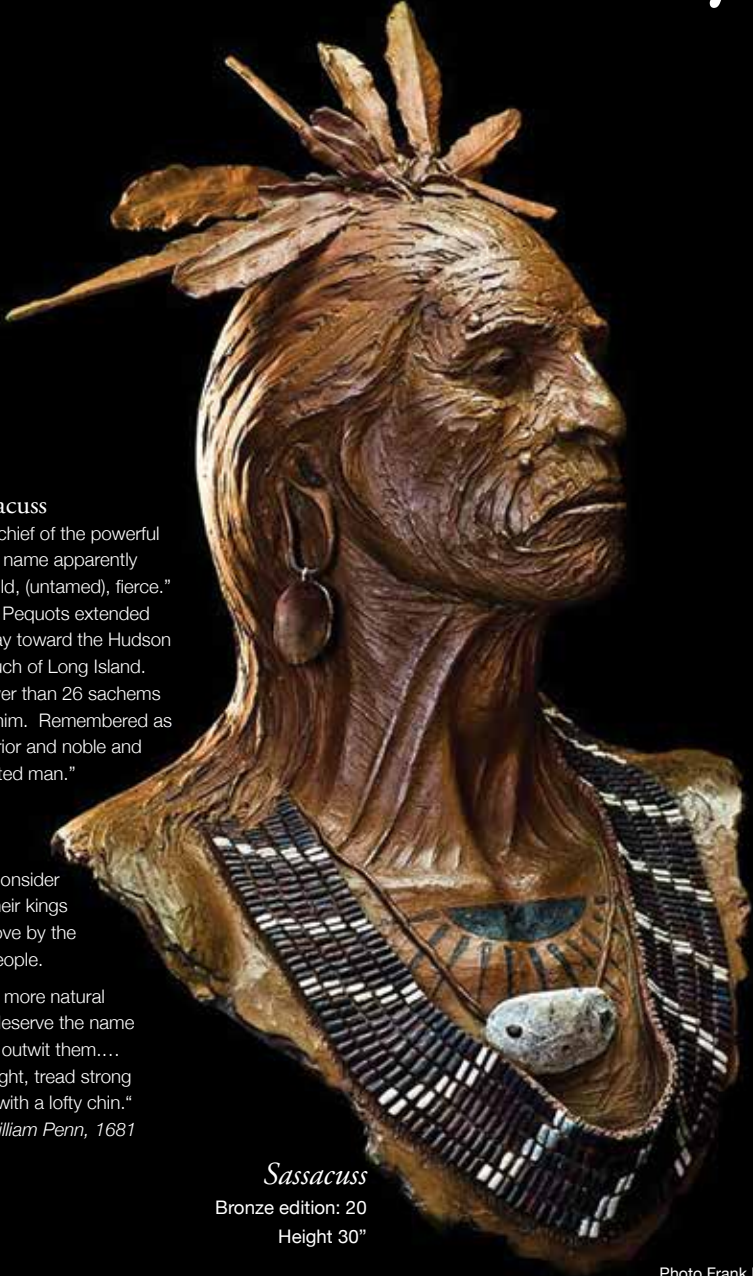
Arts Guide™ 2023

Your guide to the arts for 24 Years!



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EDITOR'S NOTE...

Way back in the last century (does that mean Arts Guide has been around for two centuries?!), I was working as a designer for a monthly newspaper. When the publisher informed me that my full time job was being cut to half time with no benefits, I reluctantly said, "Here's my two week notice."

I decided to start my own design business – mind you, I had no clients, but I was much younger and willing to go out on a limb. After about two weeks of basking in "working for myself," I realized that **I still had no clients** (!!!) – and I needed some income soon or I was going to be in trouble!

My previous job (before the monthly) had been with a weekly arts paper called "Preview!" That was the best job I ever held (before I became my own boss, that is!).

It was early January, 1999, when I made a list of all the galleries and other businesses I had worked with at *Preview!* and began cold calling.

Some of you who advertise today, were those trusting souls who signed up for the first annual *Arts Guide*, based on nothing more than a color mockup with ad rates and sample ads – plus our shared history through *Preview!*

The first issue came out in June, 1999 at a modest 16 pages. Over the past 24 years, the page count has grown to as high as 64 pages, and has settled in at 40 pages for several years.

Also, over those years, we've seen galleries

come and go. We've mourned the passing of old friends like Mary Nyburg (Blue Heron Gallery), Judith Leighton (Leighton Gallery), and my dear friend, Bunzy Sherman (the Potter) among others.

Additionally, we have seen lots of new faces on the scene – from artists to gallery owners.

Through it all, I have loved bringing the *Arts Guide* to readers and advertisers every year. Your enthusiasm and love of this area, its artists, gallerists, restaurants, farmers' markets, and so much more inspire me to keep at it.

Next year marks *Twenty-Five years* of continuous publication (we published even through the first year of the Covid pandemic!)

I thank you all from the very bottom of my heart – for that initial faith that I could pull it off, and for your continuing support as we approach a quarter century together.

Whaddya say? Let's do it all again!

Maureen



My fourth office assistant, Fern Poodle, age 6, loves riding shotgun and "helping out" on delivery days. She provides me with lots of comic relief when I need it most.

My other assistants were brother and sister cats, Hoyt and KK (10 years), and Fern's amazing predecessor, Max Poodle (7 years).

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When I was a child, my Dad would take our family for day trips from our home in Portland to the White Mountains of New Hampshire. He was a truck driver, but he loved driving – even on his days off. Even as a small child, I loved those drives through scenic western Maine and the rugged White Mountains.



To this day I love to hit the road and drive. Some of my favorite drives occurred in the very places you can read about in these pages.

Whaddya say? Let's hit the road and explore!

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Our Cover Artist: *Megan Magill*

Megan Magill's studio practice embraces drawing, printmaking and photography as stepping stones and conspirators to her whimsical paintings which pay homage to all that is strange and wonderful in our lives. Magill lives and works in Brooksville, Maine and Chicago, IL and shows at Gallery B in Castine and the Cynthia Winnings Gallery in Blue Hill. You can see more of Megan Magill's work on her website:

www.megan-magill.com at Gallery B: www.artsy.net/partner/gallery-b and at

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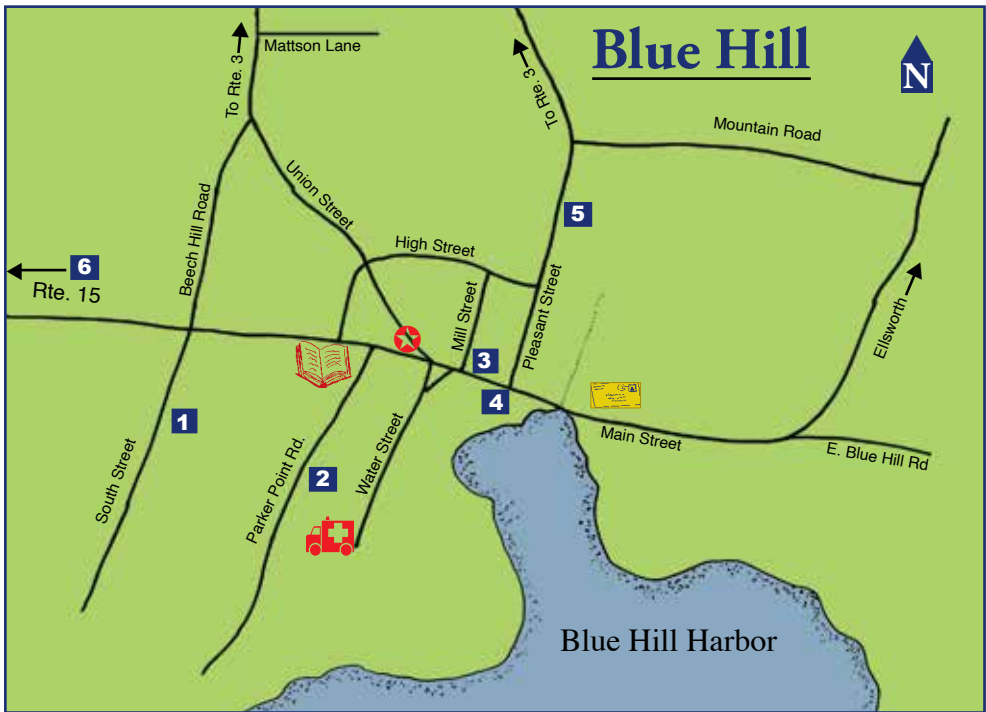
Let's Go For A Drive



To Blue Hill

by Maureen Farr

With several galleries within walking distance of the center of town, Blue Hill is a great place for art lovers. Beginning at the corner of Mill and Main Streets, step into Handworks Gallery, offering fine craft and art from local makers as well as those further afield. Handworks has been a fixture on Main Street for many years, and continues to offer a beautiful, welcoming space filled with fine craft, paintings, jewelry, and more.



Library



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Town Hall



Hospital

KEY

1. Blue Hill Co-op Community Market
2. Cynthia Winings Gallery
3. Handworks Gallery
4. Jud Hartmann Gallery
5. Kneisel Hall Chamber Music Festival
6. Mark Bell Pottery
(2 miles south from Blue Hill center)

Across from Handworks, visit MAE, whose founder Wendy Hays says she offers “a collection of inspired gifts and home furnishings, carefully selected to enhance the joy of giving – and living – well.”

Swing down Water Street to check out SeaLoft – located in the former Three Wishes building – offering a beautifully curated selection of gifts, apparel, and things for your home. They opened just before press time, and we are happy to give them a shout out here in our pages. Stop in, see what delightful things you may want, and please tell them you read about them in *Arts Guide!*

Moyo Boutique – a fun place to find unusual gifts and home goods – is just across the street at 27 Water Street.

After these stops, head on down Main Street for a visit to Out on a Whimsey – a fabulous store with gifts and toys for all ages. They have a huge selection of jigsaw puzzles for the puzzle lover in your family, and some of the sweetest things for babies.

Across the street, visit Jud Hartmann’s gallery. His bronze sculptures of native Americans are

powerful, with an intensity that lingers in the mind long after a visit to the gallery. In addition to those fabulous bronzes, Jud exhibits fine paintings by seven artists – all with a local connection – including Barron Krody, Sally Ladd-Cole, Carolyn Walton, and Randy Eckard.

Speaking of Randy Eckard, his gallery on Pleasant Street offers you an amazing array of finely crafted watercolors – evocative of that other watercolorist (what’s his name? Oh yes! Wyeth ...). Take a stroll up there and see.

Don’t miss a stop at Blue Hill Books, located across from Randy’s gallery. This is one of *the best* independent bookstores I have ever encountered. If the book you want isn’t on their shelves they will be happy to order it for you.

Just up the road is Kneisel Hall – with classical music concerts every Friday evening and Sunday afternoon all summer by students and faculty. With a focus on excellence, the weekly concerts offer a rare opportunity to enjoy this beautiful music in a superb setting above the village.

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CONTEMPORARY ART
May 23 through October 14, 2023

CYNTHIA WININGS GALLERY

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Return to Main Street for a short walk east. Check out Bucklyn Coffee – tucked into that sweet little yellow building across from the post office, offering arguably the best, locally roasted espresso drinks around.

Then, continuing on past the post office you can stop in at The Meadow of Blue Hill, located next door to the Blue Hill Wine Shop. This

delightful shop offers beautiful decorative items for your home, as well as those unique little gifts you don't know you need 'til you see them! Owners David Caplan and Karen Brandenburg have created a serene oasis at this end of Main Street – well worth the walk.

If you walk up Main Street past Bar Harbor Bank, stop in at 5 Main Street – Inside you'll find a curated selection of goodies and delights from Leaf & Anna, jewelry and apparel from Hanna B. Designs, vintage goods and other treasures from la maison rehash, and your favorite small works of art from a vending machine a la ArtBox.

Just up the street, the Blue Hill Bay Gallery is located on Main Street in the brick building across from the library, showing paintings and photography. Specializing in historical and contemporary Maine landscapes, and open year round, their roster includes six artists in the National Academy and many well-known New England artists. Don't miss their monthly wine and cheese openings in season.

Take a walk down Parker Point Road past the library, where Cynthia Winings Gallery will open for her eleventh summer – offering her own beautiful work, as well as contemporary art by a variety of other excellent artists. Her art openings are always “the place to see and be seen!”

As you leave town, drive south on Route 15: Mark Bell Pottery is located just 2 miles from the center of town. Mark creates exquisitely glazed porcelain pieces; elegant yet simple forms that please the eyes and feel good in your hands.

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Rebekah Raye, Trotting Fox

Continuing on, take a left towards Sedgwick for a stop at Gallery Untitled, located on the right, offering more fine art and sculpture, as well as Ed Bagley's Incredible Self-Portrait Machine!

Are you hungry yet?

Long-time fave, the Fish Net will satisfy your craving for fried seafood, hamburgers and hot dogs, lobster or crab rolls and dinners, as well as ice cream and milk shakes.

Those who prefer a lunch that is prepared using organic ingredients will want to make a stop at the Café in the Blue Hill Co-Op Community Market on South Street.

Sandy's Café is located across from Handworks. The historic building has a wonderful glassed-in porch that provides a great place to dine – breakfast, lunch, or treats...

Siam Sky Thai cuisine is located on Mill Street just a block from Main Street offering authentic Thai dishes in a delightful atmosphere.

John Hikade's Arborvine Restaurant on Main Street across from the Congregational Church is only open for dinner. Call for reservations.

You can enjoy a more casual evening meal in Deep Water Brewing's pub, located behind Arborvine, offering their own suds, other brews and a full bar as well as good food in a friendly brew pub atmosphere.

Don't miss out on lunch or dinner at Blaze, a restaurant and bar located at 66 Main Street and offering a range of choices from hamburgers to pasta dishes, as well as craft beers, and full bar.

Another awesome choice is the Boatyard

Grille, just off Main Street on the East Blue Hill Road and offering a great setting for classic Maine seafood and more.

For lunch or dinner, who wants wood-fired pizza? Barncastle, located on South Street not far from Hannaford Supermarket, makes amazing pizza in their wood-fired oven. In addition, there's a full bar, and a great menu. The building is pretty amazing, too.

If you decide to head to Brooklin, take South Street about 1.5 miles from the roundabout past Tradewinds, Blue Hill Coop, and Barncastle and turn left onto Route 175.

Meanwhile, back in town: On the way south out of town, Marlintini's has long been a favorite stop for burgers, seafood, and more. Friendly service is available in their dining room or pub – where you can catch a game or the latest golf round on their big screen TVs.

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Blue Hill

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Out of town as you head for Deer Isle, Strong Brewing Company is located just opposite the stop sign at the T-junction of Routes 15 and 175. We hear that their wood fired pizza is perfect along with their superb micro-brews! Check out what they are brewing, and take home a growler for that party or barbecue.

Want locally grown, organic produce?

The Blue Hill Co-op Community Market, located on South Street, offers organic, locally grown produce in season, as well as locally raised meats and poultry. This is also a great place for breakfast, lunch, or late afternoon break in their lovely café space.

Shop the Blue Hill Farmer's Market every Saturday from 9-11:30 am, at Blue Hill Fairgrounds, offering a selection of fresh seasonal fruits and vegetables, herbs, and flowers, crafts, and a demonstration by a different craft person each week.

Wine? Flowers?

Don't forget to stop at Blue Hill Wine Shop for a bottle of your favorite red (or white) to go with that picnic lunch or the evening's dinner.

BLUE HILL PENINSULA POTTERS TOURS

August 5 & 6 October 7 & 8

AND POP UP
dowstudio gallery July 2



www.peninsulapotters.com

Liros Gallery Closes

We were sad to learn at press time that Serge Liros (right) was closing his gallery after an amazing 56 years in business. He and his lovely gallery space will be missed.

We wish him all the best in whatever he does next!



In addition to over 1,000 fine wines, they also offer excellent espresso drinks and pastries to eat inside or out on their deck. Ask about their delivery service!

Need flowers for the dinner table, bedside, or by your reading chair? You can get them at Fairwinds Florist on Main Street, next to Handworks Gallery.

It's rainy – what can I do now?

Maybe you're a bookworm on holiday and you just finished a really great read. Don't despair! There's a fine library and a great bookstore in town.

Blue Hill Books on Pleasant Street has lots of cozy nooks to settle into with a good book on a rainy (or sunny) afternoon. And they will order any book for you if it isn't on their shelves.

History buffs don't need to wait for a rainy day to visit the Jonathan Fisher House (1814) on Route 15, or the Blue Hill Historical Society located in the Holt House on Water Street.

And when the sun comes out...

For the curious outdoor enthusiasts, the Shaw Institute (formerly MERI) is located right on Main Street next door to MAE. A great place for folks of all ages to learn more about the local marine environment and what we can do to preserve and protect it.

Save a little extra time to hike up Blue Hill Mountain and take in the spectacular view. There are several trails up the mountain, and one has a great set of stone steps to help make the hike up and down a little easier.

If you aren't up for a mountain hike, stop at Blue Hill's beautiful waterfront park for a picnic or a quiet nap. Located at the end of Water Street, there are a couple of picnic tables and a small playground for the kids. ■

Let's Go For A Drive



Brooklin, Sedgwick & Brooksville

by Maureen Farr

My first Sunday Drive through Brooklin and Sedgwick was an unforgettable experience for me. The height of Indian summer; wispy clouds floating in a brilliant blue sky, the sun warm, but not as hot as August, and the air holding the promise of a cool night. The more I drove, the more I felt like I had escaped the present. I expected to hear 40s Swing on the radio, or to see some perfectly preserved Ford Roadster pattering along in the other direction. I wouldn't have been surprised if I looked down and saw that I was driving my Dad's '53 Chevy ...

I saw places and views I had never seen before. I experienced that wonderful sense of time stretching on forever – with no particular place to go and nothing to do but drive. Whaddya say? Let's hit the road.

From Blue Hill, head out South Street (Routes 172 & 175) and watch for the turnout for Route 175 to Brooklin about 2-1/2 miles south of town.

Turning left, follow the road past a beautiful cove with a red boathouse on your left to the Blue Hill Falls bridge over the reversing falls.

As you approach Brooklin, turn onto Flye Point Road on your left and drive down to the Lookout Inn for another fabulous location with a killer view. It's been an Inn for more than 200 years. Dinner at the Lookout is a wonderful experience. Be sure to make a reservation in advance!

Just outside Brooklin village, watch for Brooklin Candy Company on your left! This shop is so much more than a candy shop, with

gourmet foods, candies, and craft from around the world. Do not miss it!

A stop at Brooklin General Store is always good – whether it's for groceries, coffee and donut, or lunch – check it out.

And, don't miss the beautiful town library, just across the street.

Leaf & Anna, next door to the General Store, offers a variety of wonderful home goods (candles, beautiful linens, and more), books, and gifts in a warm, inviting space.

Just around the corner, on the right is Mountain Ash Lane – where you can visit Tilia Gallery. Located at #10, and bringing beautiful fine craft and art to Brooklin. Stop in and see what's new! Just beyond on the left, check out

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1. Brooklin Inn
2. Handmade Papers



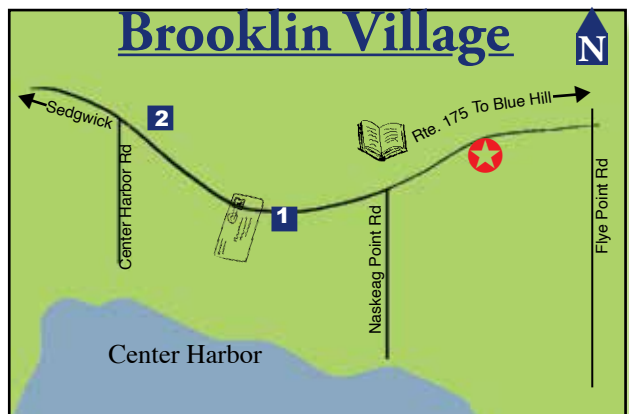
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Brooklin Pottery Co-op. Four local potters show their diverse work at the Co-op which is open Friday to Sunday all summer, and right up until Christmas.

If you want to spend the night, the Brooklin Inn has five guest rooms, but you might need to

book ahead in season. Their dining room and pub are open to the public for dinner seven nights a week. This lovely inn is within walking distance of the center of town, and a lively spot for dinner or a pub fling.

Diagonally across the street, the old Brooklin elementary school houses the studios of at least a half dozen fine artists. Make sure to stop in and see who's open. Their art is varied, and worth a stop.

And not far from there, on the right hand side of the road is Gigi Sarsfield's Handmade Papers. Gigi makes beautiful handmade papers, and turns them into lampshades, blank books, and one-of-a-kind lamps. At night, some of her lamps glow in the windows.

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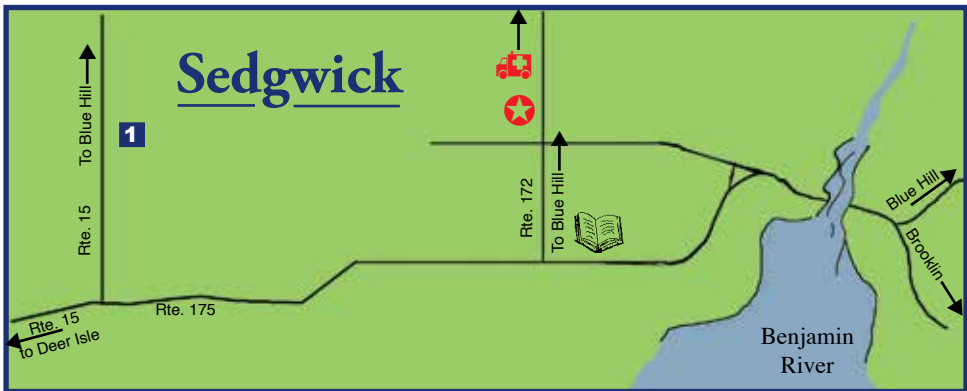
On the road again: Sedgwick

Continue on out of Brooklin and wend your way toward Sedgwick. As you cross the Benjamin River bridge, notice the three pastel colored houses on the left bank. They are the oldest homes in town, and one of my favorite views on this trip.

In the village is the tiny Sedgwick Library on your right. Turn right onto Route 175 and continue up the hill for a fun afternoon outing: a visit to Dan's Flower Farm and Leslie Anderson Studio.

Dan and Juli are always willing to give tours of the field, talk flowers, and cut a bouquet for your dinner table.

Leslie's studio is the perfect place to get out of the sun and cool off by browsing paintings, calendars, and other gift items.



SEDGWICK KEY

1. Makers Market



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Now, it's time to make an about face, and head back into Sedgwick to continue our tour... But, before we leave town, look for the sign for Mermaid Woolens and Summerbeam on your left. Betsy Coakley's amazing sweaters are like the "coat of many colors" – if it was hand knit, that is.

As you drive, you'll catch occasional glimpses of Eggemoggin Reach on your left, with the north shore of Deer Isle on its other side.

Take a right at the junction of Route 15. Just past the turn, on your right, you'll see the sign for El El Frijoles – a great lunch or dinner spot featuring chef Michele Levesque's take on taqueria fare. Step into what feels like a Mexican cantina to order, and enjoy your food there or take it to go.

Makers' Market is in a new location this year, just next door to El El Frijoles. This shop, filled with beautifully crafted jewelry, textiles, and pottery has been one of our favorite stops for several years, and we look forward to seeing them in their new space. In addition, they will have a selection of foods to go, along with coffee.

When you head on up Caterpillar Hill, there's a great scenic turnout, where you can take in the fabulous view before heading on.

If you are looking for a quiet place to walk, turn left onto Cooper Farm Road just before the overlook at the top of Caterpillar Hill. You can park and walk along the gravel road through blueberry fields and into the woods, or drive all the way to the end and take a dip in Walker Pond at the public boat launch area. Ticks are always a concern so make sure to protect against them.

Further on, just beyond the Sedgwick School – on the left, and easy to miss – is Sanctuary Cove, a lovely hiking trail owned and maintained by Blue Hill Heritage Trust with parking for two or three cars, a map of the trails that take you through the woods to the shore of the Bagaduce River.

Head back south towards Deer Isle, and watch for the sign for

Bucks Harbor on your right. Make this turn and you are in for another great drive.

Next Stop: Brooksville...

In less than a mile, watch for the sign for Walker Pond Pottery Studio and Gallery on your left just past the cemetery. Potter David McBeth's works

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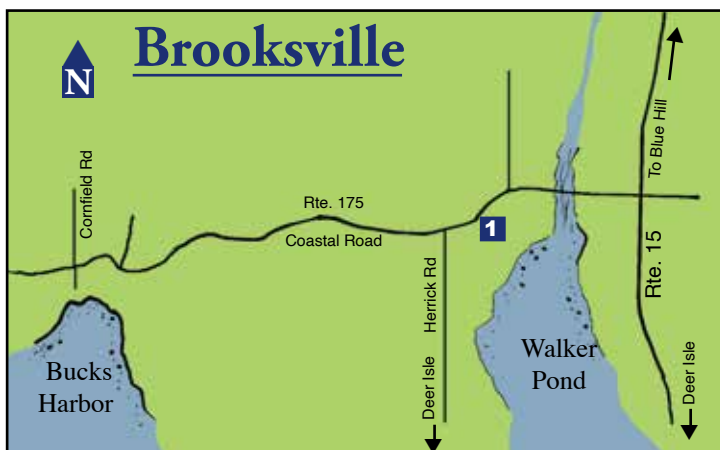


Walker Pond Pottery Studio And Gallery

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KEY 1. Walker Pond Pottery Studio & Gallery

NOTABLE...

Blue Hill Peninsula Potters

by Carole Ann Fer

For generations the Blue Hill Peninsula has been home to an active fishing community, as well as a much beloved vacation destination. Also located here, is the world renowned Haystack Mountain School of Crafts which draws in many artists and craftspeople, who often find themselves calling this alluring peninsula home. The Blue Hill Peninsula Potters are a part of this magnetic draw. Revived in 2001, from a previous incarnation, this guild of established and emerging studio potters continue the traditions of kiln openings, studio tours and visits by appointments with this, their 2023 Annual Potters Tour. This year's talented and varied group of ceramic artists includes 18 members, with studios in Blue Hill, Brooklin, Brooksville, Deer Isle, Penobscot, and Surry, showing everything from dinnerware to tiles, table lamps to sculptural pieces. You will find functional and decorative works in porcelain, stoneware, as well as salt and wood-fired pieces.

Members include: Vivian Pyle (VKP Studio), and Ellen Sedgwick (Ellen Sedgwick Pottery), Surry; Elise Teixeira & Codey Stange (E & C Ceramics), East Blue Hill; Leslie Day (LD Studio), and Mark Bell (Mark Bell Pottery), Blue Hill; Geoff Miller (Lowell Hill Pottery), Penobscot; Melody Lewis-Kane (Clay Forms Pottery), Sedgwick; David McBeth (Walker Pond Pottery), Brooksville; Carole Ann Fer (dowstudio), Melissa Greene (Greene-Ziner Gallery), and Marcia Kola (Mountainville Studios), Deer Isle; Lynn Curran (Random Pottery Studio), Odette Heideman (OH Pottery), and Co-Op members, Cathy

Rees, Elsie Sealander, and Ann Cutting (Brooklin Pottery Co-Op), Brooklin.



Works by member potters (clockwise from top): Brooklin Co-op member Elise Sealander; Lynn Curran, Random Pottery; Missy Greene, Greene-Ziner Gallery;

Vivian Pyle, VKP Studio; Carole Ann Fer, dowstudio; and Odette Heideman, OH Pottery.

At left: David McBeth putting the final bricks in his kiln prior to firing.

There will be two tours for your viewing and shopping pleasure: Saturday and Sunday, August 5th and 6th and again Saturday and Sunday, October 7th and 8th with some studios open on Monday, October 9th.

You will find information and a map of locations on their website. Whether you are around on the tour dates, or somewhere in between, visiting these talented ceramic artists and their studios is sure to be a highlight of your visit to the area.

Please go to www.peninsulapotters.com for more information, and the map. ■

Photos courtesy: Blue Hill Peninsula Potters.

Adam Gallery celebrates 20 years

by *Maureen Farr*

Artist/owners of Adam Gallery, Susan Parish Adam and Joshua Adam met at Colorado College where they found themselves painting in adjoining studios. After graduating side by side with a B.A. in Fine Arts, they began to paint professionally and haven't stopped since.

Twenty-eight years later, having lived, painted, and exhibited their work in many corners of the world, they opened their own gallery in 2003. They both paint in oils, and Adam Gallery highlights their distinctive painting styles.

Susan grew up in Connecticut, spending her summers here in Castine. Josh is a California native who, as a child, heard stories from his grandmother of her summers spent on an island in Penobscot Bay.

Their love of Maine and its rich painting heritage brought them together, and they have been painting ever since. They are prolific artists, with unique and complementary styles, filling their gallery space with new oil paintings every summer season.



Evening at the Bell, 24 x 36 inches, oil on canvas by Joshua Adam.

In 2020, The Adam Gallery opened a second location at 7 Main Street along with their sister-in-law Julia Parish and her handmade one-of-a-kind jewelry.



The airy, light-filled Adam Gallery at 7 Main Street.

www.artsguides.com



Josh and Susan Adam.

Photos courtesy: Adam Gallery



Downtown Castine, 36x36 inches, oil on canvas by Susan Parish Adam.

Look for Josh and Susan Adam this fall in Carl Little's upcoming book "Art of Penobscot Bay." ■

Adam Gallery is open from Memorial Day weekend through September. Visit their website for more information: www.adamgalleryonline.com

DIAA Gallery celebrates 50 years

Founded in 1973, the DIAA is a nonprofit organization dedicated to promoting the visual arts through exhibitions and education. In addition to artist exhibitions, the Association conducts educational outreach, convening local artists, students, and the extended community for discussions and other events related to the visual arts.

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DIAA welcomes new members of all ages, including professional and emerging artists and patrons – and it is easy to join.

The organization has approximately 100 fine art and fine craft artists (painters, sculptors, printmakers, jewelers, photographers, fiber artists and more) and patrons interested in the arts. Most live in Maine at least part of the year, but there is no residency requirement.

As a member-run, all-volunteer Association, members manage the Gallery, hang and promote exhibitions, and conduct community outreach. Exhibitions change every two weeks during the summer months.

Member artists are committed to promoting the visual arts in this part of Maine, supporting local student artists, and encouraging conversations about the arts within the community.

The gallery, located on Main Street in Deer Isle village, is open from 10 am to 5 pm every day except Monday.

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are functional, solidly made, and will look good in any setting. David tells us that since he has retired from teaching this is now his full time home. Wish him well if you see him on your visit to the pottery studio.

Meandering on down the road, you soon come to Bucks Harbor. Condon's Garage, made famous in Robert McCloskey's book, *Blueberries for Sal*, sits on your right as you come downhill into town.

Bucks Harbor Market is a good place to stop for a cooling drink, some lunch, or supplies for a picnic. They sell local, fresh vegetables all summer, good cheeses and wines, and have a great butcher counter, as well as the usual groceries.

Bucks – the restaurant behind the market – offers what Chef Jonathan Chase refers to as “comfort food” to patrons. A great place to meet friends and enjoy a good meal.

You can always pick up picnic supplies, a good bottle of wine or some beer at the market and continue on...

Back in the car, continue to wend your way out to Cape Rosier, taking a left at the sign for Cape Rosier, about two miles from Bucks Harbor, and follow along the pretty wooded road until you get to the Rosier Grange.

DIAA Gallery Exhibitions for 2023:

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As the DIAA Gallery celebrates a half century, *Arts Guide* wishes them another successful half century! ■

For more information: www.deerisleartists.com, call the Gallery at 207-598-9656, or visit the gallery at 15 Main Street, Deer Isle.

Taking a left at the grange will send you towards the water, still on a beautiful wooded road. You'll see some lobster boats moored in the cove. Continuing on for less than a mile, you'll come to a beach on your left. This is a good place to stop for some sunbathing, a picnic, or to put your feet in the water.

Keep going on a lovely meander through the woods, and past Four Season Farm, until you come to the Nearing Homestead – on your right almost to the little Harborside community, and just before the road opens to the water again.

Respect their hours, but if you hit it on the right day, stop in for a tour and a visit with this year's stewards. You might also plan your trip so you can attend their Monday night lecture series...

And since you're in the neighborhood, why not take a side trip to the Holbrook Island Sanctuary on your way back out? You can park and walk around, have a picnic (did you remember to pick up picnic stuff at the market?), take a nap, put your feet (or kayak) in the water...

Of course, you can always split this fun drive into TWO afternoons! ■

Let's Go For A Drive



by Maureen Farr

Whether you start out from Blue Hill or Deer Isle – or some other place in between – your drive to Castine will take you through some of the most beautiful parts of this area. Wherever you begin, you'll head in the direction of Penobscot on Route 175 (check a larger map if you aren't sure where that is!).

Continue on past Penobscot, following signs for Castine anywhere there's a junction choice. Just outside of Penobscot, you'll see the waters of Northern Bay on your left. If you packed a lunch, there's a little picnic area with a couple of picnic tables right by the shore. Don't worry if you didn't bring lunch. The Bayview – a classic Maine takeout place – is less than a quarter mile further on your left. Don't be too hasty though. You might want to save your appetite for lunch in Castine...

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KEY

- 1. Adam Gallery
- 2. Castine Historical Society
- 3. Compass Rose Books
- 4. Gallery B
- 5. Julia Parrish
- 6. Pentagöet Inn
- 7. Wilson Museum
- 8. Windmill Hill Provisions

Keep an eye out for Smalling-Finsen Gallery and Studio about a half mile further on the left side of the road. Walter Smalling paints beautiful landscapes, while sisters Susan and Jill Finsen fill their somewhat abstract canvasses with vibrant color. Stop in and let them know you saw them in *Arts Guide!*

Continue on – watching for Castine signs at a couple of junctions, after 5 or so miles watch for a sign on your right for Dolphin Books and Prints – a good stopping point for book and print lovers.

Just before you get to Castine, you'll come to the crest of a hill and below is one of the prettiest little bays you could hope to see. There's a sign where the road crosses over the water that identifies it as The British Canal – dating to Revolutionary times.

After crossing the British Canal, the road goes uphill. As you approach the curve, stop in at Windmill Hill Provisions for supplies for a picnic, gifts, or a choice of over 100 Maine craft beers, kombuchas, and ciders. New owner, Anne Coyle, invites you to stop in and see what treats you may want (or need!).

As the road curves right and bisects Castine's beautiful golf course watch out for golf carts and errant balls!

Castine takes great pride in its strategic position during the Revolution, and you'll find signs all over town marking different events from colonial times. I encourage you to walk around town, check them out, and have fun learning some history.

You are now on Battle Avenue (*remember that history folks!*). Take the first left onto Main Street and get ready for the quintessential colonial Maine town. Castine's seafaring history is evident in its homes, and the town is proud to say that they still have 350 of their original elm trees — quite an accomplishment!

Take your time and appreciate the shady Main Street, the stately old homes – the *feel* of this beautiful town – before you reach the end of Main Street and find a parking space. Park on Main St, or in the waterfront parking lot.

Lunch anyone?

If you arrive at lunchtime, you may want to refuel before you walk around town. There are

several choices, depending on what and how you want to eat.

Danny Murphy's Pub, located on the town wharf, serves lunch and dinner, as well as being *the* place to go in town for pizza and beer for many years. If you want to hang out with the locals, this is the place to do it.

At press time, we couldn't find out if Otter's would be open on the waterfront wharf this summer. If it is, it's a great spot to sit, sip, and dine looking out over Castine harbor.

Want some tasty takeout? Check out the Captain's Catch on the edge of the town wharf for all things takeout – from seafood to burgers!

At the corner of Main and Water Streets, the Castine Variety, has its original 1920 ice cream counter still in place. Stop in and sit down for coffee or a bite to eat, including breakfast and lunch specials, lobster and crab rolls.

Across the street, T&C Grocery offers lunch and pizza to go, gas for the car, and groceries. You can also stop in at The Taproom, offering casual fare and live entertainment!

There's also Compass Rose – yes! That's right. Their bookstore café offerings include their famous cookies to enjoy with great coffees, cappuccino, teas, or chai, and (usually) light lunch items including homemade soups and sandwiches.

Okay, now what can I do?

Now that you are fed and ready to go, let's get walking. Castine is so picturesque and so filled with history, that you may have trouble deciding where to go first.

Let's begin at the parking lot on the waterfront. Continuing up Main Street, stop in at Compass Rose Bookstore. Owner, Johanna Barrett, has transformed the space into a bright and airy book lover's haven. I'm sure she will be happy to help you with books, coffee, tea, and snacks! I love supporting these great independent bookstores.

Gallery B, next door is a contemporary fine arts gallery featuring sculpture, paintings, jewelry, tiles, pottery, art quilts, and photography by several regional artists.

Just beyond Gallery B, step into Julia Parish Jewelry for some gorgeous one-of-a-kind silver and gold jewelry.

Across the street, in the Pentagöet Inn, you'll find Birdsong, a charming space offering vintage inspired gifts, antiques, and just plain "whimsy" – and not to be missed! Pentagöet's restaurant is a wonderful place for dinner after an afternoon ramble – or anytime for that matter!

Going further up Main Street – past the beautiful Castine Inn – you'll see the Post Office on your right. It's seen over 175 years of continuous service, and it boasts being the second oldest post office in the country.

Continue up to Battle Avenue, take a left, and walk a couple of shady blocks to the Adam Gallery (140 Battle Avenue) on your right.

Husband and wife artists Josh and Susan Parrish Adam both do fabulous paintings in oils. If their green flag is out, they say they're open, so come on in. The gallery is housed in a beautiful carriage house behind their house.

After the Adam Gallery, take Tarratine Street – directly across the road – and head down to Perkins Street to the Wilson Museum. Located in a brick building right on the water, it's hard to miss.

Featuring anthropology, geology, and history of the area around Castine, the Museum also has a Blacksmith Shop on the grounds. The blacksmith shop is open Sundays and Wednesdays from 2-5PM in July and August, providing demos and information. An interesting stop for those history buffs in the group.

After the Wilson Museum, continue exploring – there's lots to see. Walk over to the historic town common to the Castine Historical Society – located in the 1859 Abbott School – with a permanent exhibit on the ill-fated Penobscot Expedition of 1779 as well as seasonal exhibits that highlight other significant aspects of the town's extraordinary past. Don't miss the Castine Community Bicentennial Quilt.

The Castine Historical Society sponsors programs and lectures throughout the season. There is even a small gift shop featuring artwork, gifts, Sea Bags, and books with a local historical flair.

The Castine Historical Society exhibits and Gift Shop are open daily early June through Labor Day and then on a more limited schedule through Columbus Day; researchers can schedule appointments with the Curator year-round.

On the opposite corner of the town common

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Garden & Market

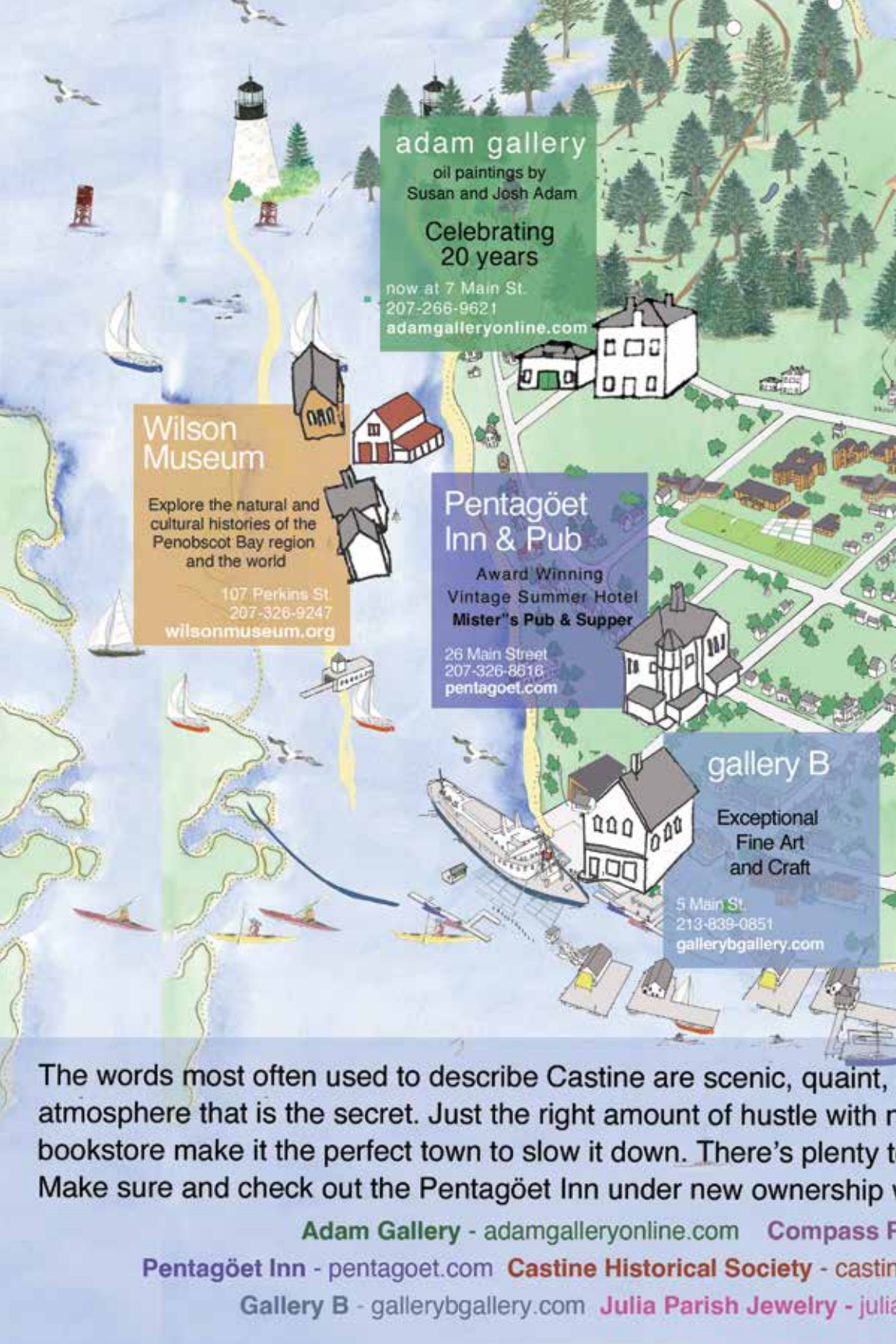


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Let's Go For A Drive



by Maureen Farr

I can still remember the beautiful June day when I first fell in love with Deer Isle. Driving over the bridge was slightly terrifying, but in the ensuing years I have come to appreciate the bridge as a true work of art in its own right. Some people say they have a love-hate relationship with the bridge; mine is a love-love relationship. I love it in all kinds of weather, night and day, rain or shine. I marvel at its structure, and the way it makes noises in the wind. I love approaching it on a foggy night; suddenly, it appears out of the fog, and I feel a twinge of fear as I think "I wonder if it's all there." Then, as I drive on, more and more of the structure emerges from the fog, and before I know it I'm on the other side and speeding towards home. Most of all, though, I love its height and length – the very real (and yet symbolic) connection between our island and the mainland.



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Your drive to Deer Isle **really** begins once you have made it over the bridge (it's OK, you can breathe now!). Stop at the information center at the curve in the road and look for more information on things to do and see.



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Icarus On The Beach 24x24 acrylic and casein on wood panel, 2023.



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When you leave the information center, take a right and head down to the end of Little Deer Isle to the Eggmoggin Colony, and a great view of Pumpkin Island Lighthouse.

Make sure to watch for the sign for Wilson Studios on your right as you drive. Doug Wilson creates beautiful, functional and architectural iron work.

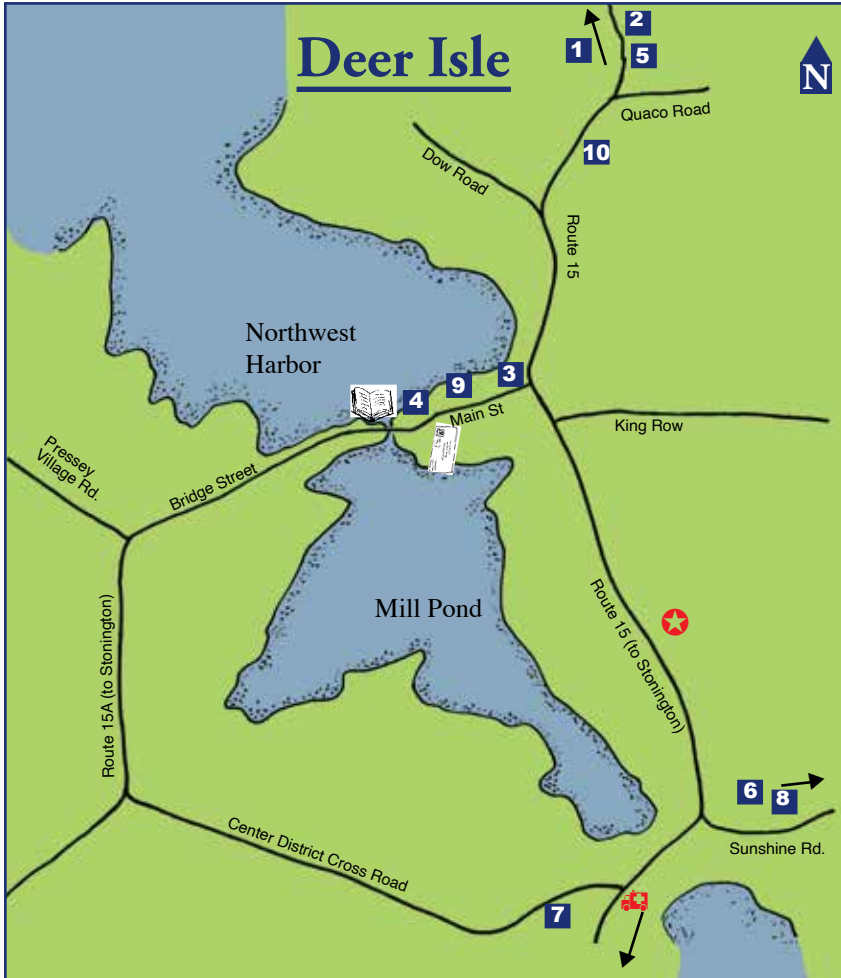
After that little side trip, head south again on Route 15 towards the Deer Isle village.

The next diversion takes you left at the

Reach Road. About 2/10 of a mile on your right you'll see Greene-Ziner Gallery and Yellow Birch Farmstand. Melissa Greene makes exquisite earthenware pots and Eric Ziner creates sculptural metalwork. They tell us their organic farmstand has the same open hours as their gallery this year, offering produce, eggs, goat cheese and yogurt, and so much more.

Returning again to Rte. 15, and just before you get to Deer Isle village (about 5 miles from the bridge), watch for Carolyn Walton Gallery

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DEER ISLE MAP KEY:

- 1. Buzz Masters Studio
- 2. Carolyn Walton Gallery
- 3. Devta Doolan Studio
- 4. DIAA Gallery
- 5. Greene / Ziner Gallery (Reach Road)

- 6. Haystack Mountain School of Crafts
- 7. Lorrie Snyder Designs
- 8. Nervous Nellie's Jams & Jellies
- 9. Summerall Gallery
- 10. Turtle Gallery
- 5. Yellow Birch Farm

on your left. Carolyn's oil paintings are exquisite, and her gallery space is bright and inviting.

Next, you'll see Frederica Marshall's studio sign on your left. She exhibits her watercolors and Asian brush paintings, offers classes for kids and adults. Her husband, Herman Kidder, operates Kidder Forge here, creating jewelry and small forged items.

Just beyond, you'll find Turtle Gallery on your left. This is always a good stop – fabulous jewelry by an assortment of nationally known designers, paintings, sculpture, prints, photography and so much more. Owner Elena Kubler's keen eye for fine art and contemporary craft is reflected in her rotating shows. Stop in and congratulate her on this milestone year.

Make sure to stop at Ronald Harte Antiques, located in the ever-so-charming Old Firehouse on your right. Ronald has a fabulous assortment of antiques – all beautifully displayed.

Turn right onto Main Street, park your car, and prepare to walk around, grab some coffee,

and do a little gallery hopping!

Starting at the corner of Main Street, Devta Doolan Studio is open for its seventh season. Devta continues to create and exhibit his signature high karat gold and fine gemstone jewelry while also representing an esteemed, hand-picked group of skilled jewelers and craftspeople from across the country. Expect new forms and new artists with the same beautiful view.

In the center of Main Street, 44 North Coffee features a small café with their own fresh roasted coffee by the cup or bagged beans to take home, and a variety of fresh baked pastries daily.

Next stop is Summerall Gallery, where owner/artist Jennie Summerall will be showing her own new collage work as well as a variety of interesting items.

Next door, the Deer Isle Artists Association's member artists display their work in rotating shows throughout the summer.

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Head out of town on Route 15A for a stop at the Deer Isle-Stonington Historical Society's Salome Sellers House (home to the historical society, and a fascinating step back in time).

Next door, pop into the Island Heritage Trust office for information on trails, island land preservation, and unique gifts.

But wait! Let's not get away from the village too far just yet – you'll want to check out the B. W. Bulger Gallery and Atelier, on the first floor of the Seamark Building on Church Street. Also, on the second floor of the Seamark Building, Holley Mead's Deer Isle Designs offers interior design services.

This summer, you will find the Little Village Flower Shop in a sweet little building parked in front of Seamark. Owner, Teri Rippetto, offers beautiful bouquets all summer.

Continue south on Rte. 15 and take a right

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onto Center District Crossroad for a visit to furniture maker Lorrie Snyder's workshop, located at 38 Center District Crossroad. She makes some beautiful pieces using locally sourced woods. She says she is only open by appointment or for commissions this year.

Next, take a drive out Sunshine Road to visit a couple of great stops: Your first one is Nervous Nellie's Jams and Jellies on your left. This funky place is a must-stop for anyone visiting Deer Isle. Peter Beerits' whimsical sculptures, made from salvaged wood and found objects, are scattered everywhere.

Just a little further on, Christine York Studio, on your right, features Christine's abstract watercolors, plus jewelry, textiles, and sculpture.

If you're wandering around on Wednesday, plan a trip out to Haystack Mountain School of Crafts for their weekly guided studio tour. It starts at 1pm from the Gateway Building. Check with them to make sure it's happening and to see if you need to reserve space.

How about some lunch... ?

There's a Treat In is located on Rte. 15 about two miles north of the village. With takeout from hot dogs and hamburgers, to ice cream, this is a good lunch place. They have a lovely area with picnic tables or you can take away.

At Bridge End Park by the bridge – LDI Lobster Dock & Dine offers fabulous lobster rolls, along with hamburgers, and a superb spicy tuna sandwich. Place your order, and sit at a picnic table overlooking boats on Eggemoggin Reach and the beautiful Deer Isle bridge.

What about dinner (and lunch)?

At press time, the new owners of Pilgrim's Inn announced the late May reopening the Whale's Rib Tavern this year. We couldn't be happier about this news, as this wonderful place has been closed for several years.

With unarguably the best dining deck on the island, Aragosta at Goose Cove and Chef Devin Finigan will continue offering a superb farm-to-table menu. *You will need a reservation, so plan ahead!*

For a relaxing picnic away from lots of people, there's Mariner's Park, located on the right side of

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Sunshine Road just after the turn from Route 15. The park is maintained by the Evergreen Garden Club, and provides only the basics – there is no restroom or running water, just open, rolling fields, a simple boat launch, and picnic area. Please respect this little haven – it’s maintained completely by volunteers.

Shore Acres Preserve on Greenlaw District Road, off Sunshine Road, offers a 1.5 mile trail loop through woods and along the shore. This beautiful woods to shore preserve is maintained by the Island Heritage Trust (IHT).

IHT also maintains a nice hiking trail to Barred Island, located on Goose Cove Road off Rte. 15A. Because of nesting shore birds, dogs are not allowed on this trail –leasehd or not.

Did you bring your kayaks? The islands and waters here are some of the most beautiful in the state for sea kayaking.

Whether you like to shop, gallery hop, dine, hike, swim, kayak, or sail – there’s plenty to do here. If this is your first visit, we hope you enjoy it, and plan to come back another year. ■

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(also called the town “green”) sits the Witherle Memorial Library in a Beaux-Arts Style building circa 1913. This is a wonderful place to pick up a walking map of the town, use their free Wi-Fi and look at the wonderful paintings and architectural details around the building. If you are staying for some time, get a library card to take full advantage of the myriad of services and programs this busy little library offers. Open six days a week (closed Sundays).

Along the way, watch for those historical marker signs – offering fascinating glimpses into the history of Castine – sometimes gruesome, but always interesting.

How about the Farmer’s Market?

Every Thursday on the Town Common in June, July, and August from 9-11:30 AM, you can go to Castine’s Farmer’s Market, offering locally-grown vegetables, fruits, and more.

Hungry for dinner?

There are several choices, all walkable. The Pentagöet Inn offers fine dining and lodging in an 1894 Queen Anne Victorian right on Main

Street. Nancy English wrote in “Chow Maine” that the experience was “one of the best meals on the Maine coast for ambience, service, and great food.”

Mister’s Pub and Supper – at Pentagöet Inn is a must-visit – an intimate room loaded with charm. Stopp in for a drink and a nosh, and let us know how it was!

For more casual settings, head to Otters at 15 Sea Street or Danny Murphy’s Pub down at the waterfront.

All in all, Castine is a small town with a lot to offer. Take a drive out and see for yourself!

Kayaking anyone?

The folks at Castine Kayak Adventures offer naturalist ecotours, exploring marine sea life, geology and Castine’s rich historical past. They offer personalized instruction and customized trip planning; sunrise, morning, afternoon, and sunset, full moon trips and overnight tours; PLUS what would be my ideal – *bioluminescent night tours!* Imagine watching the phosphorescence swirl away from your paddle in the dark! ■

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To Ellsworth

by Maureen Farr

Your visit to Ellsworth will begin at the top of the hill entering town on Route 3 (or Rte 172 coming from Blue Hill). Stop in at Courthouse Gallery, located in the historic Courthouse building, and offering another lineup of exceptional artists in groups and solo shows.

Downhill by the Union River bridge, visit Rooster Brother, offering everything from their own fresh roasted and ground coffees to the finest cookware.

Crossing over the bridge, take a left and head up State Street. First stop, Pyramid Studios, offering beautiful, jewelry in a fabulous faux-Egyptian motif shop. Don and Dave Herrington have been creating fine jewelry from gold, silver, and precious stones for over 30 years.

Take a short stroll up State Street to that beautiful library. The main part of the library is one of the oldest houses in town.

Heading back to Main Street, you can stroll up and down both sides of the street and find something for everyone: toys and games and children's clothing, more jewelry at two more locations, flowers, housewares, clothing and gifts, antiques, even handmade chocolates.

For antiques hounds, there are two Antiques Malls in downtown Ellsworth. One is located in the former Austin Furniture building on Main Street. The Old Creamery Antiques Mall – on Hancock Street – is still going strong, with some marvelous treasures on two floors.

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Who's Hungry?

You can get some fabulous Indian and Sri Lankan fare at Serendib, on the corner of Main and State Streets.

Just up the block, try lunch or dinner at Provender Kitchen + Bar. Located on Main Street in a great 1930s-era setting, Provender offers new American cuisine – bistro dishes and craft cocktails, as well as Vegan dishes that attract people from near and far.

86 This offers amazing sandwiches, soups and salads in their location at the corner of Franklin and Main Street.

John Edwards Natural Foods, offering health food, organic produce, and wines, also has a wonderful Wine Cellar Gallery downstairs.

Don't miss Airline Brewing Company, located next door in the former Finn's. They offer a casual, wood-hued outpost dishing out English-American pub classics alongside a variety of beers.

One door down, Flexit Café offers delicious coffee, soups, sandwiches, salads, baked goods, a juice bar, and smoothies.

Just across the street, Riverside Café serves breakfast and lunch seven days a week, opening as early as 7 AM.

Try Margaritas, for ... Mexican, of course! Margaritas is a nice addition to the world food cuisine scene in Ellsworth – offering authentic Mexican food in a festive atmosphere.

Ice cream? Hit up Morton's Moo, offering homemade ice cream, is located just off Main Street on School Street.

While you are right in the vicinity, stop in at TRIO a cooperative gallery next door to The Grand, featuring the wonderful work of three local artists, plus a nice selection of goods and gifts.

All in all, Ellsworth is really upping the game in terms of dining, and so much more. You don't have to just stroll – you can hop in your car and head out High Street to even more shopping and dining experiences!

There's lots to see and do, so allow yourself plenty of time to really explore this town. ■



Tom Curry, *Summer Shimmer*, oil on canvas, 78 x 84 inches



William Irvine



Kate Emlen



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Let's Go For A Drive



by Maureen Farr

Stonington ... the epitome of a working Maine harbor. Early morning fog drifts over the islands, creating an ethereal view for anyone fortunate enough to be paying attention as they drive downhill into town. Fishing boats leave the harbor at first light, returning mid-afternoon with the fresh catch. This once-quiet little fishing village has undergone a transformation. Main Street has become a mecca for visitors, with galleries, shops, and restaurants offering a variety of tastes, smells, and visual delights. Let's explore ...

Stonington is home to many fine galleries. Traveling south on Rte. 15, just past Lily's House, watch for Alice's Art studio on your right, offering her unique, found object folk art.

Moving on, as you approach town, you will see Geoffrey Warner's Studio on your left. Geoff, a fine cabinet and furniture maker, showcases his own work, as well as that of a few other gifted artists. One of his most popular creations is

the Owl Chair – available to purchase or you can take a workshop to assemble your own as you learn.

As you continue downhill, your next stop is the Hoy Gallery. The gallery, located in a large white barn, is a great place to stop and enjoy Jill Hoy's vibrant landscapes of the coast of Maine.

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- 1. Art by Katy Gallery
21 Weed Field Road
- 2. Boyce's Motel
- 3. J McVeigh Jewelry
- 4. Jill Hoy Gallery
- 5. Owl Furniture
- 6. Stonington Farmer's Market

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Further downhill, we come to the miniature village, located next to 44 North Coffee/Café. These miniature houses are on display all summer. Each fall, island families take a house home and care for it over the winter, making any necessary repairs before it is returned to the village in the spring.

Next stop, the gWatson Gallery, exhibiting what owner Ron Watson describes as the best in contemporary painting.

I want an ice cream cone ... or lunch

Stonington Ice Cream Company's shop, between gWatson Gallery and the library, is hard to miss. Owner Ron Watson has a recipe for one of the

finest lobster rolls around – but don't wait, they sell out fast! You can sit on their little deck, or enjoy your cone as you walk along the sidewalk. They also offer an excellent lobster roll for lunch!

Across the street, the Granite Museum offers a fascinating look into the island's granite quarrying history. For example, did you know that granite from Deer Isle was used in Rockefeller Center?

As we continue our walk, there's Prints and Reprints. Offering a variety of old books and prints, this little shop is a fun place to browse.

If you need a little pick-me-up, stop into 44 North Coffee Café – located next door to gWatson Gallery – for some great Deer Isle-roasted coffee and delicious pastries..

Or take a lunch break at the Harbor Café and rub elbows with locals as well as other folks "from away."

While you're busy wandering in and out of all these shops and galleries, don't forget to look out on the harbor! Constantly changing, it really is one of the most beautiful harbors on the coast.

Two doors beyond Harbor Café, the Dry Dock offers wonderful gifts, jewelry, clothing, cards, and pottery from Maine artists.

The Opera House continues to provide us with another great roster of films and live performances. Find out more in the local papers.


Continuing on West Main Street, John McVeigh Studio will showcase his own gorgeous jewelry, as well as that of many nationally acclaimed jewelers. Don't miss one of his Friday night Cabaret Nights – usually standing room only – for a marvelous evening of music.

Further on, we come to Marlinspike Chandelier on the water side, featuring artistic nautical weaving and rope work for everything from pets to boats.

Meanwhile, further along West Main, we walk down towards the water to Dockside, offering all sorts of nautical gifts, magazines, cards, and books.

Getting back in the car, take a spin out Sand Beach Road for a lovely little drive with great views and glimpses of the water. At the end of this little scenic drive, you will be at Burnt Cove Market – if you need anything, pop in!

Heading back to downtown Stonington, watch for a sign on your right for Art by Katy Gallery on Weed Field Road. Artist/owner,



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Katy Allgeyer, has re-opened her gallery with a nice lineup of shows this summer. Her opening receptions are always fun.

Be sure to tell her you saw her in *Arts Guide!*

I'm so hungry I could eat a bear ...

Take a leisurely stroll down Bayview Street towards the water and grab something to go, or enjoy lunch or dinner at Fin & Fern, located across from the ticket office for the Isle au Haut Boat Company.

The Stonecutter's Kitchen, located behind Harborview Store, offers great seafood, pizza, and more. Stop in, place your order to eat there or to go, and enjoy some great seafood and more in their dining room, or on the deck, overlooking Stonington's busy working harbor.

Harbor Café serves excellent seafood, burgers, etc. Daily specials might include a lobster ravioli to rival the best, prime rib, or Italian night. And for the early birds, Harbor Café opens *really early* for breakfast seven days a week.

Don't miss out on Burnt Cove Boil – Stonington's Best Kept Secret (see our article, page 15, for all the details!)

For groceries, there's the Harborview Store. Driving, head to Burnt Cove Market and V&S Variety, out of town on Route 15A, for groceries and everything from soup to nuts to fabrics and hardware.

Want to cook your own lobster?

Stop in at the Stonington Lobster Co-Op, located just outside of town on Indian Point Road. You can walk down on the dock and pick your lobsters from the day's fresh catch. If you don't know how to cook 'em, they will tell you!

SUMMER 2023 FEATURED ARTISTS:

- * Welcome to Katy Allgeyer's Studio & Special Events *
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If you're looking for fresh, locally harvested fish, lobster, and crabmeat, stop at Coldwater Seafood on Route 15 at the corner of Cemetery Road. This locally-owned business also offers fresh clams dug daily, and at least four or five varieties of smoked mussels always available.

Live lobsters can be bought and taken home, or steamed right there. Stop in and say you read about them in *Arts Guide!* ■

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Farmer's Markets

CASTINE

Thursdays, Mid-June –September:

9:30-11:30AM

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STONINGTON

Fridays, mid-May – mid-October:

10AM-NOON

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BROOKSVILLE

Tuesdays, June – September:

9:30 - NOON

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August 11, 12, & 13: MCA Guild Fine Craft Show, Bar Harbor

September 16 & 17: MCA Guild Fine Craft Show, Scarborough

September 22, 23, & 24: Common Ground Country Fair, Union

October 28 & 29: MCA Guild Fine Craft Show, Brunswick

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Makers' Market, Sedgwick; Mainely Gallery, Belfast

Maine Craft Gallery, Portland; Maine Center for Craft, Gardiner