

**Northeastern CT Art Guild Inc
Annual Members' Meeting Minutes
April 9, 2026**

**Putnam Municipal Complex, 200 School St, Putnam CT 06260 – Room
112 5:30 pm – 6:00 pm, Social Time. 6:00 pm – 7:45 pm meeting and
presentations**

Attendance: Angela Kasper, Darlyne Wolfburg, Tom Thornton, Jean Arcand, Beth Johnston, Jay Bartholomew, Anna Mancini, Jen Atwood, Deb Leblanc, Alison Ciarlante, Karen McFarlin, Bruce Fitzback, Steve Veilleux, Marcia Donofrio, Jeff Payette, Julia Caprera, Laura Tedeschi, John Morgan, Carmine Angeloni, Greg Shea

1. Call to Order: Beth Johnston called the meeting to order at 6:02 p.m.
2. Approval of Minutes of March 11, 2026 : A motion to approve the minutes was made by Anna Mancini, and seconded by Jean Arcand.
3. Treasurer's Report & Membership – Steve Veilleux reported that membership is at 59, and funds total \$16,450.39. \$7,000 of which is in a C.D.:
4. Hospitality – Thank you Liz Fecteau, Scott Robinson and Mindy Delp for tonight's refreshments. See Jen Atwood to sign up for our next meetings.
5. Open Business:
 - a. Art Guild Home committee update – Angela Kasper, Jen Atwood, Jay Bartholomew, Bruce Fitzback. , Alla Markelova
 - b. Exhibits – See updates in Monday's Newsletter
 - i. The Courthouse Exhibit – Takedown TBD There has been one sale..
 - ii. ARTicles Gallery – Pick up May 16th
 - iii. Jewett City – April Artist, Karen McFarlin. See website to register.
 - c. Classes – See updates in Monday Newsletter
 - d. Events – See updates in Monday Newsletter
 - i. Colonial Health & Rehab – see Jen Atwood
6. New Business
 - a. Art in the Park – Date change to 9/20 from 9/27, Jen Atwood
 - b. Art Festival at Taylor Brook – 5/15, 12-5pm, Alison Ciarlante
 - c. Putnam Restaurant Stroll – April 18th, 12-4pm. Do we want to have a booth set up for Art Guild
 - d. Monday Newsletter Support – All submissions need to be written properly and completely (dates, times, locations, URLs, full sentences) and sent by Sunday at 6pm.

e. Exhibits

i. May – Vanilla Bean, 4/28-5/26,

ii. June 13, 14 - Putnam Fine Arts & Crafts Festival –

iii. July - Juried Member Exhibit - Silver Circle Gallery

1. Hanging - July 1 or 2, depending on schedule of Juror. Time TBD

2. Take down – Friday July 31, time TBD

Iv This Saturday April 11: The Old Townhouse in Pomfret: the art of Laura Tedeschi will be on display.

7. Adjourn : Beth Johnston adjourned the meeting at 6:23 p.m.

8. “Shedding Light: An Artist’s Journey Making Tintypes in the 21st Century” a.

Award-winning, fine artist and photographer Greg Shea will give a brief history and explanation of the Wet Plate Collodion photographic process. He will then discuss how he uses this historic process from 1851 to create modern tintype portraits at his New Haven studio and elsewhere.

b. For nearly 30 years, Greg has been the Senior Museum Preparator at the Yale Center for British Art. He is a past President, and currently the Curator of the Permanent Collection for the New Haven Paint & Clay Club. His work has been published internationally, exhibited in numerous museums and galleries throughout the US, and is in many public and private collections.