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From Jeff Harold: **Telling a Story**

There have been many great story tellers in literature throughout history.

- Mark Twain, Ernest Hemingway, John Ronald Reuel Tolkien, Sir Arthur Conan Doyle, H. G. Wells are all ones that I've enjoyed reading.
- If you like science fiction space battles, Jack Campbell is my favorite.

Music is also all about telling stories. For me, nothing quite matches Harry Chapin and Jim Croce.

There are also great story tellers in the other arts; here are some of my favorites: I love some of Edward Hoppers work and then there's Edgar Degas, Henri de Toulouse-Lautrec, Andrew Wyeth and Winslow Homer.

Photography has its fair share, too:

Henri Cartier-Bresson, Dorothea Lange, Rober Capa, Jay Maisel, just to name a few.

I tend to classify pictures into 3 categories: ones that show a beautiful scene (real or not), ones that tell a story, and then there are the abstracts. All are legitimate forms of art. I enjoy them all and have created work in each of those categories.

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If you have a picture that you feel tells a good story, please share it with us!

You can bring it to our next live meeting in March.

Jeff Harold

How much story telling do you do in your artwork?

Tom Trausch and I discussed two of our pictures (copied above).

- Both tell the same story but with different results.
- Both show a lone figure walking into the back of the scene but the feeling of the story is different due to the different mediums used.

The colors that Tom used convey a very positive feeling.

My black and white color scheme conveys a more somber feeling.

Questions: Contact Jeff Harold at jeffharoldphotography@gmail.com



From Phil Schorn: January News

It is a new year, and a lot of news already. I had a lot of fun doing my New Years' challenge. I give this out to my students as well. It is where you start and complete an entire drawing of your choice over the New Year's holiday.



A coleus from the Botanical Gardens
color pencil
5" x 7"



I've done several renderings with just black, white and silver color pencils. This Magnolia 8" x 8", is from the tree in my backyard.



I finished this Lily over the holiday's
color pencil,
18" x 18"



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Upcoming Events in 2024

- Adler Arts Center Member Show; Jan - Feb 2024
- College of Lake County Wright Gallery Member Show; Jan - Feb 2024
- "The Fine Art of Color Pencil", Adler Arts Center, April 2024, Reception April 5th, 7-9 pm. This is a show of only my art!



From Phil Schorn: January News, cont.

Classes

All are listed and open for registration on my [classes web page](#).

Note: I record most of the projects that I give my students so you can see how I approach the project and explain what I did.

January

Intermediate Color Pencil and Beginner Watercolor Pencil classes are full.

February

Beginner Color Pencil:	Feb. 5, 12, 19, 26	6-9 pm	Adler Arts Center, Libertyville
Beginner Watercolor Pencil:	Jan 30, Feb 6, 20, 27	1-4 pm	Gorton Community Center, Lake Forest

March

Beginner Color Pencil:	March 5, 12, 19, 26	1-4 pm	Gorton Community Center, Lake Forest
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Classes are subject to change. Check website for additional zoom classes and videos.

KITS and VIDEOS

The kits have everything that you will need to create your own color pencil piece. I have the Reference, how-to-video, drawing paper, drawing tips and the pencils. Projects include: Grapes, Flower, Fall Leaf, Butterfly and a Winter Cardinal.

I have also put together several videos on color pencil techniques and the step by step workshops I have written for Color Pencil Magazine. All are available for purchase/download.

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From Ernest Schweit: Favorite 2023 Images

From the images I made in 2023, in the deserts of AZ, the shorelines of Big Sur, CA, and the forests of Lake County, IL, I selected those that, months after creating them, still evoke a strong feeling of what I had experienced the day I made them, and that best reflect how I see the natural world: a place of drama, color, texture, shape and contradiction.



"Immersion"
McDonald Woods near Lake Villa, IL



"Autumn Glow"
Independence Grove in
Libertyville, IL



"Day at the Shore"
Beach near San Pedro, CA



"Scattered"
Garappata State Park in Big Sur, CA

Questions?

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Also see my [website](#), social media accounts on
[Instagram](#) and [Facebook](#); and my [blog](#).



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From Ernest Schweit: **Upcoming Shows in 2024**

After a break of nearly a month, I return to the exhibition circuit with two gallery shows later this month.

Mark your calendar for opening night receptions and to see my work at:

- Jan 19 from 5-7:30 p.m.
The Robert T. Wright Community Gallery of Art
Located in the main CLC building, 19351 W. Washington St., Grayslake.
If you miss the reception, the show runs Jan 19 to Feb 15.
- Jan 12 from 7-9 p.m.
The David Adler Center Show
1700 N. Milwaukee Ave., Libertyville.
The show runs through March 2.

For details:
check my social media accounts (previous page) and
my newsletter ([subscribe](#)).



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Other Member News

From Clarese Ornstein

I will have watercolors on display at:

- The Adler Arts Center Members Exhibition Jan 12 - March 2
- The CLC Wright Community Gallery of Art Members Exhibition Jan 19 - Feb 15

I will also be taking a photography class with Mike Caplan in January in Sturgeon Bay.

Questions: Contact Clarise at socoro@comcast.net