

## From Ernest Schweit: **New work showcases colors of fall**

Fall of 2023 will be remembered, I suspect, as one of the most colorful in recent memory...at least in this area of the Midwest.

The trees have been ablaze with color: reds, yellows and purples have been a welcome change from the shades of green we've seen all summer. And the early morning fog that sometimes settles over the ponds and wetlands has left the landscape looking moody, like a fine painting.

I've greeted sunrise at several locations, including the Daniel P. Wright Forest Preserve near Mettawa, Independence Grove in Libertyville, McDonald Forest Preserve in Lindenhurst, and Ryerson Nature Center in Lincolnshire. Of the 422 images I've made at those locales, only a painfully small percentage are good enough to be seen by the public.

One of them is "[Immersion](#)," taken at McDonald Forest Preserve, where the early morning sun cast a warm glow over a low-lying area of trees and grasses.

After a half-mile hike into the forest, the road took a turn, revealing the wetland cast in a lovely yellow glow. The light only lasted a few minutes, but it was long enough to make several images.



Immersion



"Simple Lines:" available at upcoming Tonality show

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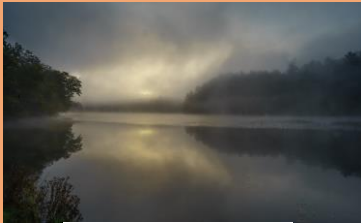


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Awakening

## From Ernest Schweit: Recent and Future Shows

My photography is being featured in a **one man show during Nov. at Tonicity**, a new brewery and restaurant in Mundelein, kicking off their featured artist series.

I'm showing about 20 pieces, including several new images printed on canvas, local landscapes printed on metal, and images from my Arizona and California portfolios. Originals and prints may be purchased at the restaurant during open hours. The timing couldn't be better because Nov. is the start of the holiday shopping season!

I am super excited about this show because [Tonicity](#) is such a unique space. Located in a former Mundelein fire station at 169 N. Seymour Ave., it's a gastropub and brewery that features the work of local visual and performing artists alongside a lineup of craft beer brewed on site, and a complete menu prepared by chef Don Phillips.

I have the honor of being the first featured artist; thanks to partners Zach Gelfand, Tony Bena and Phillips for the opportunity.

I also showed 10 Nov. at **Second Friday Open Studio at [Positive Space Studios](#)**, where my wife, Maureen and I have a studio/gallery.

Coming up, I'll have work in **the Grayslake Arts Alliance's annual Holiday Show and Sale** Nov. 24 at the Grayslake Village Hall.

Help us grow: I'd love it if you pass along my newsletter to friends. The more readers the better! [Click here](#) to sign up for news of upcoming shows and new work.

The LCAL board would like to acknowledge Ernest for working with Tonicity in their goal to support local artists:

"Ernest has been instrumental in helping us figure out how to support local artists through these events. Thanks Ernest!"

(posted on [Tonicity's Facebook page](#)).

**Questions?** Contact: *Ernest, M. Fisher Studios; 847 609 8070*

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

Ernest J. Schweit  
FINE ART PHOTOGRAPHY

## From Phil Schorn: November News



### Save the Date

Friday, April 5th 7-9pm, Adler Arts Center, Libertyville. This will be my reception for “The Fine Art of Color Pencil.” I will be taking over the "entire gallery." I’m in the process of creating all new work for this show. This is something that has been in the works for quite some time, discussions on this started many months ago and everything fell into place recently.



### 5-Year Anniversary

Many of my students have heard me say “This is something I get to do”. There is a reason why I say it. This month, my family and I will be celebrating my 5 year mark of being cancer free. It is an exciting time for my family! – to read the entire story “[click here](#)” I made a page, under "More" on the navigation bar.

### Exhibit

Last week I was at **Stevenson High School** setting up in their Art Gallery. The exhibit will run till mid-December and I will be talking with the various art classes



**Questions?** Go to [pschornstudio.com](http://pschornstudio.com)



## From Phil Schorn: November News, cont.

### Next Show

On Friday, November 24<sup>th</sup> from 3-7 pm, I will have my tent setup on Center Street for Grayslake's Annual Tree Lighting Ceremony. Several artists will be taking part in this event. I will have the popular drawing kits, my books and many pieces of art. This is an excellent time for that holiday gift.



### Classes

Offering a class as a gift is something to think about with the holidays/winter coming up. All are listed and open for registration on my classes page.

Private lessons are going strong and I have received several inquiries about openings. If you are interested please email me.

My December Intermediate class is Full!

### Drawing Kits & Videos

Visit my the [Kits](#) purchase page to find drawing kits that have everything you 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 Cardinal. A great holiday gift idea.

I've 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.

*P. Schorn* STUDIO

## From Maureen Rivkin: **Upcoming Event**



Painting in Fiber

I'll be a **guest artist Nov/Dec at Blue Moon Gallery**, 18 Nov 2023 – 7 Jan 2024! I will be debuting my latest collection of new works called “paintings in fiber,” and will be the *first* fiber artists to show at Blue Moon Gallery.

Opening receptions will be 6-9 pm on 18 Nov and 16 Dec.  
The gallery is open weekends 1-4 pm, but closed 23-24 and 30-31 Dec.

If you're not familiar with Blue Moon Gallery, it's a truly great contemporary art gallery, on Hwy 120 in Grayslake, a unique find in the northwest suburbs.

More information about my exhibit can be found on [Facebook](#) (if you RSVP to this link, you'll receive reminders to the event) and on the Blue Moon [website](#) (Go to Events and November. As you'll see, I'll be in the company of some very innovative and talented artists!)

I'll be in touch!  
Maureen

**Questions?** Contact Maureen at [mfisherrivkin@gmail.com](mailto:mfisherrivkin@gmail.com)



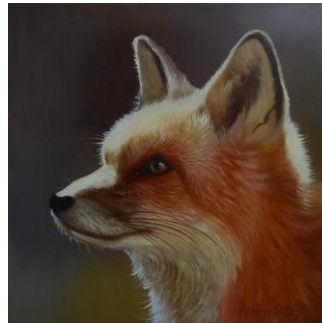
Painting in Fiber



## Other Member News

### From Aruna Sarode

I'm happy to share that my painting "Koi" (12"x16") (right) was awarded the 2nd prize at the "Water Works" juried art show at Main Street Art Gallery, Lake Zurich.



I'm honored that my oil painting, "Red Fox" (left) was selected into the Mountain Oyster Club Art Show at Tucson, AZ. The show starts Nov 19.

**Questions:** Contact Aruna at her [website](#), or on [Facebook](#) or [Instagram](#).

### From Norine Fendrych

I was happy to participate in the Lure of the Local, art exhibition, by Mundelein Arts Commission that was open on weekends from Oct. until 12 Nov. This curated group art exhibition brought together local artists from Mundelein and Lake County in various stages of their careers.

**Questions:** Contact Norine at [fendrychn@gmail.com](mailto:fendrychn@gmail.com)

