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What a Way to Start the Year!

Only 31 days into 2024 and so far, for me, it's been great and I wanted to share my good fortune with you.

To begin,

I won 1st place in an art show in Middletown NJ run by the Art Society of Monmouth County. I'm especially proud of this painting, "Red Truck and Log Cabin", and am thrilled by the recognition. To see it and more of my work, click on the image below.



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And then,

A Vermont newspaper, the Mountain Times featured an article about me

highlighting my passion for art. I've included the article below and to see the original article, **click on the Mountain Times banner.**



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Anthony Russo reclaims painting passion



Submitted
Anthony Russo

By Victoria Gaither

French Painter Henri Matisse said, "Creativity takes courage." It took a lifetime of courage for Painter Anthony Russo to find his brush stroke as a painter and artist.

"I always liked painting, but getting a regular job got in the way, and I had three boys," said Russo.

He also thought "that I wasn't good enough and switched majors" in college to have a successful career as a tax accountant later.

Somewhere inside Russo, the math wasn't adding up, and he ventured into picking up the brush and painting again.

Russo lives on the New Jersey Shore but spends winter in Killington and serves as a Killington Ambassador, also known as the "green coats" on the mountain, who greet guests and answer questions.

"There are a lot of things I get out of the program. I have met all kinds of people. I enjoy meeting people and being out on the mountain. It's a cool way to give back," he said.

Two years ago, finishing up his day on the mountain, he saw a beautiful sunset over the ski patrol hut, and as he explained, "The sky lit up, and I was waiting for the last chair and saw this sky. I took a picture."

On advice from another ambassador, he later painted the scene. "I decided to paint the Killington ski patrol hut," he said. He sold 50 prints, with all monies donated to the Vermont Adaptive Ski and Sports Program, something he is still proud to speak about today. Russo uses acrylics, oils, and inks as his medium. He finds inspiration in everyday life and on social media.

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