



## January 2023 - 3S Newsletter

To begin the New Year, I want to wish all my readers, my friends, a healthy and happy New Year. 2022 was a very good year and here's hoping 2023 will be even better. May the new year be as full of inspiration as last year!

Last year, in September, I had the great good fortune to travel to Turkey. It opened a new world of culture and art to me. When I returned home, I did a little investigating on the internet to find out, "What is Turkish art?".

What I found is that traditional Turkish art has many facets and is expressed in many mediums including metal, glass, wood, leather, as well as handwritten books, lamps, stone carvings and more. However, the traditional arts of miniatures, calligraphy and marbling are some of the most well-known. For myself, I had never heard of an art form called "Marbling".

### Marbling

Known as ebru, marbling is believed to have been invented in 13th-century Turkistan and has been present in China, India, Persia, and Anatolia. During the Seljuk and Ottoman empires, marbling was used to decorate books as well as official decrees and documents. During its heyday, new forms and techniques of marbling were perfected and Turkey became the center of this particular art form up until the 1920s when marbler workshops were a common sight in Istanbul's Beyazıt district. The art form of marbling is defined by the creation of colorful patterns through the sprinkling and meticulous brushing of color on a pan of water with oil. The patterns are then transferred to paper with beautiful creations that are different every time.



[Click here to learn about Turkish Marbling](#)

## Art Shows in 2023



[Details about the library](#)

**Mark your calendars for this Art Show:**

**Sat. Feb. 11, 2023 from what 7pm to 9pm.**

This will be a fun event at the Elberon Library 168 Lincoln Ave. Long Branch NJ



**Mark your calendars for this Art Show:**

**Sunday May 21,2023 from 2pm to 4pm.**

This will be a fun event at the Township of Ocean Library 701 Deal Road,  
Ocean, NJ

**Do you have a favorite photo you would like to see transformed into an oil painting?** I can customize that photo into an oil painting to bring it to life. And it's the perfect gift! If interested, call or send me an email and we can discuss your ideas. Email at [anthon3669@gmail.com](mailto:anthon3669@gmail.com)

## **A photo in Turkey leads to an inspiration for an oil painting**



*Photograph in Turkey*



*Oil Painting of the Turkish photograph*

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