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West Hartford Art League opens new show Sept. 14

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WEST HARTFORD >> Work by 80 local artists will be on display at the West Hartford Art League as part of their "80 Years, 80 Days" exhibit, celebrating the Art Leagues 80 Anniversary, and opening Sept. 14. Styles ranges from contemporary to realistic, and includes members, award winning artists, art students and faculty. In addition to paintings, the exhibit also includes pottery, photography, and fiber work. A variety of artists who have been associated with the Art League over the years were chosen by the director, Roxanne Stachelek, as a way to show the scope of people associated with the League since its founding in 1934. "Our organization has touched many lives over its 80 year history and really the people associated with our organization are what make the Art League what it is today. Since 1934, we have been a gathering place for the community, a place for artists to learn, meet other artists, and for the public to learn about and view work by local artists."

The 80 Days, 80 Days exhibit will also detail some of the Art Leagues history as it grew from a one room schoolhouse into an art organization set in three buildings with over 700 members that offers four annual sessions of classes for all levels of artists, a summer camp, and monthly exhibitions in its two galleries.

In conjunction with the exhibit, there will be a series of artist demonstrations and talks every Sunday until Oct. 12 by participating artists. A schedule can be found on the Art Leagues website at www.westhartford

art.org/upcoming-exhibits

The public is invited to the opening reception Sunday, Sept. 14, from 2-4 p.m, The exhibit is on display in both of the Art League's galleries at 37 Buena Vista Road through October 12. Gallery hours are Thursday through Sunday from 1-4 p.m. Call (860) 231-8019 for more information.

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