COMMENT BOOK - GALLERY SHOW: TREES OF WEST HARTFORD
West Hartford Public Library
December 2019 – February 2020

Loved it! Please do more like it! TB, WH

Fantastic! I love the variety. Granby

12/3 Loved it! Thank you. DK, West Hartford

Great exhibition. I’m inspired to go visit some of the trees I saw in the artwork. PK

12/4 I LOVE TREES! C Redington, West Hartford

What talent – bravo and thank you. John Wuskell

12.5.19 WH CT

Very nice work!

Wonderful show. Wonderful library. 12/5 M Leblanc

Wonderful exhibit! Beautiful trees & memories.

Lovely exhibit! Trees have always captivated my imagination, and each artist has beautifully expressed their own love of trees – in their images and their words. Thank you for this glimpse into the magnificent trees of West Hartford (my childhood home).

D. Hathaway, Colorado Springs, CO

Thank you to all who have made this show possible! It’s been a joy to spend time today among West Hartford’s trees!

B. Duncan, Avon, CT Dec. 7, ‘19

A fabulous exhibit – so glad Elizabeth Appel told us about it! Michael & Naomi Cohen

Great show!

Enlightening arts! Luv it. Sherrill Glover

Enjoyed this exhibit a lot! Good to see WH trees in a variety of mediums. I appreciated the artists’ comments. M. Griffin 12/11/19

How imaginative to have a theme that asks us to look at the natural world, acknowledging the wonder, beauty, fierceness, tenderness of the trees that line our lives.

Mary Okolita-Toth 12/12/19
Wonderful show, especially on a cold winter day. Watching the trees helped bring some well-needed peace to my mind.

Inspiring – life awareness – lovely.

Stunning in its variety of images and thoughtful reflections. I am inspired to be more mindful of the surrounding trees. Well done, WHPL!!

Inspiring and Diverse. A True Testament to the Beauty of this Town & People.

I love trees! I happen to be reading “The Understory: A Novel” by Richard Powers. How serendipitous to chance upon this Gallery. Beautiful work everyone ♥ 12-16

Didn’t know there were so many noteworthy trees in West Htfd! Beautiful!

Lovely work! Thank you for sharing! 12-17

I loved it. Thank you for sharing all this beauty. 12/19/19 Luz

Beautiful collection of Art! Local artist are incredible and it’s so nice to see the support of the library to display their work! Great job to the continued work of the WeHa Artists Emporium too!

12/21/19 I loved it. I’m only sorry I couldn’t take part in the rest of the “Trees” project, the most creative one ever! Marlene Wenograd

These were all absolutely beautiful. I adored the Winter Birch. It was so wintery but amazing to me! It’s so interesting to think what the art means to me! I’ll recommend to others. Rebecca

A subject matter – trees – dear to my heart. LOVELY! Thank you all for not only your artistry but your reflections on these and other beloved trees of West Hartford. An encore next year please! Gina

Lovely exhibit! Jane Carroll

Lillian Donner – Jacobson | Beautiful exhibit. The cards with explanations were perfect.
Thank you.

Great! Monica P.

The explanations are beautiful. Peggie Geiger

Where is item #1? I cannot find it. Nice exhibit, now I can go hunting throughout town for the trees exhibited here and discover them for myself.

Inspiring and educational. Trees of our neighborhood, the special side of them presented by our local artists. Love it. Sharlean

What a gift to WH residents.
Excellent and varied exhibit of local trees. Glad we stopped in.
The Campbells – Kenneth Square Pt.

Very beautiful and inspiring. So nice to see all of this local work as well. - Gabriel L.

I’m inspired and grounded by our talented artists! What a gift – thank you! Sarah T.
Beautiful. Thank you. – HS

Visually Rejuvenating – Lana L. (from Florida 😊)

Very enjoyable. Thank you! J. Rome
Beautiful – TY

Nice. F.G.

Thank you for sharing your talent and perspectives. I especially enjoyed all the different medias (eco-printing on silk, wow!) and the white oak reappearing in multiple works. Thank you for sharing your stories along with each piece! Beautiful. – Ed 1/2/2020

1/4/2020 It’s great to see the variety of West Hartford trees welcoming the new decade – Margaret

1/4 Lovely exhibit! Thank you. Was looking for the “Tree Spirit” photo as described but we don’t see it. Would love to compare them. Nancy

1/7/2020 Thank you for the beautiful art works. Beth Ann

1/7/2020 What a wonderful exhibit! Edith

1/6/2020 Great exhibit of art work! Phyllis from Kentucky

1/06/2020 Thank you for the lovely tree exhibit. Varied, dynamic and beautiful! Mary

1/7/2020 So peaceful and enjoyable to look and read about the special trees in our town. Thanks for putting together such a wonderful exhibit. Mary Ellen

1/10/2020 Beautiful exhibit – sculpture enthralling – Clara K.

1/10 Each Tree is Beautiful! SM

1/10 My favorite is the oak in Beachland Pk. Had a picture of it in the fall but was too late to submit.

Loved all the pieces in the show! My absolute favorite was Ellen Darling’s photopainting of the Winter Birch. A. G.

Individually they are remarkable, all together they are spectacular! Thank you artists and Library for putting them all together 😊 Kirsten K.
What an amazing exhibit! We are lucky to live in such a beautiful town, with so many talented artists – a community that values the arts. Thank you! Stacey M.

Thank you to all the artists! Tara & Steve

Magnificent! Nancy

Magnificent! Carol L.

Wish I was as talented as all the amazing artists here – thank you! Beautiful. B.P.

Wonderful display of our beautiful town. Thank you. Mary

Beautiful! Thanks to Violet Davenport for telling me about it! Sincerely, Ginny H.

Lovely exhibit of W.H. trees and W.H. artists – Lorna G.

Good luck Ellen – Lynn & Frank

Fabulous show!! Thanks for organizing it! Ruth G. – WH

Thank you for hosting this fabulous show! Be D. – Avon

Thank you for hosting a nice event! B.P.

We just moved here from Portland OR where stumptown reflects a logging past – the trees preserve and root us – Philippa

Such a nice exhibit and event! Joan Blade Johnson

A delight for the eyes and the spirit. Praise to all those involved! Marie P. Healey

Wonderful and varied appreciation of trees!

I love the writing that enhances each artwork! Voice and visual helps us to appreciate the inspiration sourcing the piece!

Very happy show! Thanks.

Great Show. Jan S.

Beautiful exhibit! Loved the “Dream Tree”! Ann & Gil

The beautiful birch in Westmoor Pk. So glad it was captured so well. MCP

Beautiful exhibit! It was a wonderful experience to go along with the book I’m reading, The Overstory.

Jan. 2020 Wonderful trees! Lynn Rappaport

Jan. 14 This is a wonderful exhibit. Variety of trees & roots and different kinds is just marvelous. I’ve always loved trees. Glad I’m not alone. Catherine Belanger, South Windsor
Loved the variety of techniques! What a great idea to sponsor this exhibit. N. Pacht

What an amazing art show! I’m overjoyed to see and hear from these talented tree lovers. Your words are beautiful and your Art inspiring! Thank you for celebrating our awesome trees. You Rock, West Hartford Public Library! ♥ A fellow tree lover.

Very nice. Frederick W.

Fabulous theme, tremendous exhibit. Karen Gale, Windsor, CT Jan. 31

Loved the write-ups for each of the exhibits as well as the exhibits themselves. I am a tree person and the write-ups captured many of my feelings & thoughts of trees.
Ginny Hole, South Windsor, CT Jan. 31, 2020

What a wonderful way to point people toward noticing the beauty and possibilities for art in the nature all around us. Sue

Thank you for this wonderful show! I love Aspen Forest by Rugg Diehl! Others are lovely, too! I love the theme! A. Redman

Great show! The Cronins

What a wonderful idea! Keep these contests coming & celebrate nature’s beauty in our town! Anabela Xavier

Fabulous! It was a pleasure to view and I will look at every tree with more appreciation. Jane Ranagan

Beautiful! Suzanne S.

What a wonderful representation of the beautiful trees that inspired the artists. Thank you! Barbara P.

Thanks! Loved it.

Our future is the past – T. Gobeki

Perfect exhibition 😊

Beautiful works. So peaceful! Tom C.

Great photos + pieces of art depicting wondrous trees in our own town of West Hartford!

Thank you – Tree-riffic! Linda Therriault

Absolutely fantastic! (And my favorite tree is in 3 or 4 pictures) Bob C.

Beautiful show! I enjoyed it all... especially the wonderful photography. K. J. 2/20/2020

Beautiful show, thank those who shared with us!
Lovely and so truly reflective of what unites us all – our place as part of nature – thank you to all artists, organizers and to the WHPL for an amazing vision of our shared world! Patricia Ryan

2/20/2020 Inspiring exhibit. Thank you all for sharing 😊 Diane Cadrain – you rock! Also loved Susan Perl’s vase. *Susan Hope*

2-21-2020 Interesting exhibit and great idea – thank you. Ginny Vocelli

2-21 I like all the trees! – Audrey

2-21-2020 Giants, snow-filled, color – black ‘n white, bound to the earth, arms reaching, extended. – Thank you all for a beautiful exhibit. Faith

Highly inspired show! Trees need advocates these days!

Beautiful show! Wonderful topic. Excellent, thoughtful commentaries by the artists – Bill Millhouse

Superb show – inspired, inspiring, beautifully displayed – a gem, and great credit to WH and the fabulous library! Bob Wolfe

How to say in words the delight at every contribution – the heartfelt joy of each artist’s experience. Marilyn Adams

Beautiful show. Love all the trees in W.H. – next Rocks?

So much beauty lives in, under and through West Hartford. This fantastic gallery has put new lenses in my appreciated focus glasses! Oh: and the lenses are rainbow-colored in all the right ways. Our world.

Beautiful! All of them. It must have been hard to pick! Great job.

Such a pleasure to walk through this gallery! Each piece is just lovely. Ann M.

Moving! Beth

Thank you for the opportunity to exhibit – honored to be included among so many wonderful pieces – Kristen Fallon “Rooted in the Earth” (Elizabeth Park)