

About the Artist: Joan F. Dromey of Kingston MA, was born and raised in Central Massachusetts, lived in various New England locations and resided on the South Shore for the past 18 years. Growing up, she took classes at the Worcester Art Museum and in secondary school, participating in a variety of exhibitions and winning various awards including Boston Globe All-Scholastic Art awards. She holds a Bachelor of Art degree from the College of the Holy Cross, completing a double major of Fine Arts and Political Science. After graduation, business and professional pursuits left no time for creative work and artistic endeavors. However, on an extended vacation in the summer of 2006, she began to paint once again. Rather than oils or acrylics, which she previously worked in, she began using a new medium - soft pastels, focusing on local landscapes. Since that time she has studied with nationally known pastelists Maggie Price, Liz Haywood-Sullivan, Terry Ludwig, Richard McKinley and Stan Sperlak, as well as taking instruction from noted regional artists, Donna Rossetti-Bailey and Heidi Mayo. Her work and understanding of her newly chosen medium has progressed significantly in the past few years. As a result, her paintings have been accepted into numerous regional and national juried shows and she was recently awarded Signature Membership by Pastel Painters of Maine.



Rainbow Sentinels, 2012

Memberships:

Pastel Painters of Maine, Signature Member
 Pastel Painters Society of Cape Cod
 North River Arts Society
 Cape Cod Art Association - Juried Artist (2009)
 Plymouth Guild for the Arts - Russell Gallery Juried Artist (2007)



Backyard Winter Blues, 2008

Exhibitions & Awards:

- Pastel Painters of Maine International Juried Show 2012, 2011, 2010
- Northeast National Pastel Exhibition, 2011
- Pastel Society of America 38th Annual Juried Show 2010 (*Janet T. Royce Award & Collectors Purchase Award - More Backyard Blues*)
- Annual Bosque Arts Classic 2010, 2009
- Pastel National 2010, Wichita KS
- International Association of Pastels, 14th Exhibition 2009 (*1st Place Award Backyard Winter Blues*)
- Arkansas Pastel Society 2009 National Juried Exhibition
- Pastel Society of New Hampshire, 2009 National Exhibition
- Plymouth Guild for the Arts 42nd Annual Juried Show (*Honorable Mention - Hilltown View*)
- Richeson 75 National Pastels Exhibit, 2009
- Hull Lifesaving Museum 11th Annual Sea & Sky Show 2008 (*1st Prize - Pastels, Center Street Bog*)
- Kingston Arts Festival, 2007, 2008, 2009 (*2nd place - Hobomock Pond, Honorable Mention - Backyard Winter Blues*)
- Plymouth Guild for the Arts 41st Annual Juried Show, 2008
- North River Arts Festival, 2008, 2009, 2010, 2011
- Pastel Painters Society of Cape Cod, For Pastels Only 2008 (*Northwest Pastel Society Award. God at the Mall*), 2009, 2011
- Connecticut Pastel Society, "Renaissance In Pastel", 2008
- Cape Cod Art Association, All New England Show, 2008
- Featured in Best of America Pastel Artists, Volume II