

Artists have long found inspiration on the shores and villages of Cape Ann. The town of Rockport is the fortunate recipient of a unique collection of paintings from many artists living and working in the area dating back to the early part of the last century.

Recent changes in the community preservation law have made it possible to apply for, and thanks to a vote by town residents, receive funds for the preservation of this unique town collection.

On November 19 to December 31, the Town-Owned Art committee, with the help of town residents and the Rockport Art Association, invites you to join us at the Opening Reception Sunday November 21 from 1 to 4pm. at the Rockport Art Association, Maddox Gallery. Light refreshments have been donated for this event.

The exhibit includes rarely seen pieces from town buildings, a few recently restored oils and watercolors, and many more in critical need and hidden from view. Some pieces you may have seen but simply did not notice.

Committee members Karen Berger, Linda Cote and Donald Mosher, will be available to answer any questions about the restoration program recently begun. Restoration includes creation of a secure digital inventory and conservation of oils, watercolors and sculpture.