



Paul Loescher, "Waiting for Peace, Litchfield, CT"

My Town

Young Artists Exhibition

On view at the Lyme Art Association
June 5 - July 17, 2026

Calling Young Artists!

What does home look like to you? It might be the street where you live, your favorite park, your school, your neighborhood, a local shop, the shoreline, the woods behind your house—or even a memory, tradition, or moment that captures what your town feels like.

Inspired by Connecticut's rich history and the America 250 Connecticut themes, My Town encourages young artists to explore what makes their community unique—its people, places, culture, and everyday life. Artwork may be realistic, imaginative, or personal, and we welcome all mediums and styles.

We can't wait to see your creative visions of the places you call home!



Entering the Exhibition

Each artist may submit two pieces. *If two artworks are entered, LAA may choose, based on the number of submissions, to display only one artwork if there is a space limitation.*

Please go to lymeartassociation.org/exhibitions/young-artists-exhibition and fill out the form for each young artist.

Any 2-dimensional hand drawn or painted mediums are welcome - from paints to pencils or pastels to markers and crayons. Choose your best work!

Artwork **must be framed**, with a wire (much preferred) or sawtooth hanger. Framed pieces should be no bigger than 18 x 24 inches. We will not accept unframed pieces.

Please attach an entry tag (see below) to the back of your piece with the artist's name, title of piece, and artist's age.

Please also email a photo of your piece **before it is in the frame** to paul@lymeartassociation.org

Important Dates

We will be accepting artwork through June 1 from 10am - 5pm. **The deadline for submission is May 31, 2026.** Fill out the attached form, and bring it and your piece to the Lyme Art Association at 90 Lyme Street.

Art will be available for pickup after July 17, 2026. We may have the opportunity to exhibit some of the art in local libraries following the show. We will contact you with more information if this is a possibility!

Family Day and Awards Presentation: June 20th, 10am-1pm

We are planning a family celebration on **Saturday, June 20th** featuring prizes for each age group (5-7, 8-10, 11-13, and 14-18), certificates for each artist, and fun activities for all! Awards will be presented at 11am.

For more information, contact Paul Michael at paul@lymeartassociation.org or 860-434-7802.



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Submission Form

We are delighted that you are entering your art in the *My Town* exhibition!! Please fill out this form (or go online and fill it out) and bring it with you when you bring your art to the Lyme Art Association at 90 Lyme Street, Old Lyme by May 31, 2026. We are open from 10am - 5pm.

Remember to email a photo of your work before it is framed to paul@lymeartassociation.org.

Artist's Name: _____

Age (*actual age during exhibition; not grade level*): _____

Street, Town, State, Zip: _____

School District/Homeschool: _____

Art School (if enrolled): _____

Parent's Name(s): _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____

Title: _____

Medium: _____ Size (framed): _____

While the utmost care will be taken in handling all works, the LAA, its directors and agents assume no liability for damage, loss, or theft of submitted work. Submission of all artwork, framing, and other materials is at my sole risk. Many submitted artworks will be shared online, and by entering, you grant the Lyme Art Association permission to use the artwork for this purpose. If two artworks are entered, LAA may choose to display only one piece due to space limitations.

Parent's Signature: _____ Date: _____

Removal Signature: _____ Date: _____



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Title of Piece: _____