#### **About The Gallery**

The purpose of the gallery in Stillwater Public Library is to provide education through exhibits and displays, to increase community involvement in the library, and to provide an enjoyable environment for the library's users.

#### **About This Exhibit**

This gallery show reflects themes found in We Are Water MN, a traveling exhibit and community engagement initiative that explores the science, history, story, culture, and relationships of water in Minnesota, and, in this case, the lower St. Croix River Valley.

We Are Water MN is funded in part with money from the Clean Water, Land, & Legacy Fund and by the National Endowment for the Humanities. For more information about the gallery, email us at splinfo@stillwatermn.gov.

# Stillwater

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# In The Gallery Oct-Dec 2023

# WE ARE WATER

#### Artist Reception Thursday, Nov. 16 6:30-7:30 PM

# Bob White

Bob White is an artist and author whose work expresses a misspent youth. Instead of doing his homework, his nose was constantly in the outdoor books and sporting magazines of the day. Consequently, he has wandered between Alaska and Patagonia for four decades as an itinerant fishing guide, looking for gainful employment. He now paints and writes for a living; which is to say, he's still searching. Bob@bobwhitestudio.com bobwhitestudio.com

#### Wynn Davis

Wynn's mixed media work reflects his participation in the outdoors. Running over 5,400 miles a year, in some of the country's most erogenous, wild, and urban areas has sharpened her mind, invigorated my body, and intensified my emotions. Some of the salvaged materials he finds along the road or in Little Free Libraries, and some he paints or draws. The pieces are records of observations, experiences, and feelings, brought together by curiosity and imagination.

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# About the Artists



### Kami Mendlik

"The ever-changing is the constant in which keeps me endlessly curious and infinitely challenged."

In 2008, Kami Mendlik started and founded the St Croix River School of Painting in Stillwater, MN where she teaches the fundamentals of painting with a special emphasis on color. She has always had a special affinity for water. Especially the St Croix River, streams, and ponds here in the Valley.

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# David Spohn

Raised in Chicago, David has lived in MN for close to 50 years. Through his prints, drawings and books, his artistic goal has been to honor the quiet beauty of nature. His work concerns the small spaces in our natural world, and the simple stories that make our world a better place to live. Living in the St. Croix Valley, and particularly living in a woods surrounded by streams and ponds has provided the inspiration for most of David's work. spohnhouse@frontiernet.net

# **Tony Hilscher**

"My dedication as a painter, as someone who needs to translate the real world into a visual poem, is a lifelong journey." Tony devotes his time and passion to painting his impressions of the natural world, both in studio and plein-air work, whether it be the rivers and wetlands of the St. Croix Valley or the western region of the country.

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#### Lena Wolf Rothman

"Wherever color or light are present, where humans interact, where people engage in their work or daily pursuits, where landscapes reveal interesting line, moods, and color, I see life. For in the light we behold beauty, joy and color. Herein lies God's creation. My goal as an artist is to express this through the subjects I paint."

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#### **Bob Snyder**

Robert is a retired landscape contractor and designer. He is also a Vietnam Veteran. Robert works mostly in watercolor and pencil and his subject matter varies, often including landscapes, military themes, sports figures, and portraits.

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