

# ART LOVERS NEWSLETTER

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Dear Art Lovers,

I had every intention of setting up my easel on the roof deck and painting "June Afternoon" *en plein air*, but we had some very hot days in June and I was forced to paint this view looking through my studio window. This water tank across the street is surrounded by buildings that are mostly older New York, as you can tell by the pipes and bricks and architectural flourishes that are no longer used in new construction. You can barely see the top of the Flatiron Building off in the distance.



"June Afternoon", 12 x 16 Oil on canvas



"Illuminated Water Tank", 14" x 18", Oil on canvas

There were many warm evenings this summer to enjoy the 360 degree views of the city from our roof deck. We took advantage of them with several dinner gatherings. During one of our picnics I looked up at our own building's water tank and noticed how brightly it's illuminated. Multi-colored lights make it very festive, and it's bracketed by the gold top of the New York Life building on the left and the Met Life tower on the right.

Also visible from our roof deck is the Empire State Building. It's only seven blocks away and looms very large and high from our vantage point. At night this majestic tower is made even more commanding by its bright illumination. Colored lights are often beamed up the tower to commemorate a significant global event, or a country's flag, or an important local event. In this picture the blue is saying thanks for a big win by the New York Yankees.

This painting is my tribute to a building that symbolizes New York to the rest of the world. It's the perfect building to represent America's, and the world's, most dynamic city and the ideal building to paint in a nighttime setting.



"Empire State at Night", 30" x 48", Oil on canvas

Can you tell how much I like living here? If you're interested in these paintings or any of the other unsold ones you can view at my web site - [www.theviewoutmywindow.com](http://www.theviewoutmywindow.com), please email me by replying to this email or reach me at [gbc@nyc.rr.com](mailto:gbc@nyc.rr.com). Recession pricing will be in effect for a little while longer.



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