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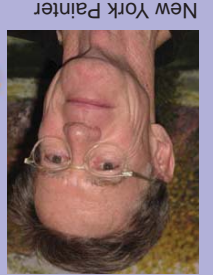
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In the next Art Lovers Newsletter I will show some new paintings I'm finishing up this month. One is a live view out my window of a water tank against brick walls lit up by the late afternoon June sun. Another is of two dancers in full joyous leap against a dark purple stage curtain. There's also a still life I'm doing for my Muse as an anniversary gift and, finally, two more paintings in the fantasy rooftop series I mentioned in the last newsletter.

Of course I hope you will look at all my paintings at www.theviewoutmywindow.com. If any of the paintings interest, please email me at gbc@nyc.rr.com to discuss.



New York Painter

Cityscapes, Landscapes, Photographs

Gary Conger

Dear Art Lovers,

This first painting I did for Rick Crootof, winner of the Art Lovers Sweepstakes offered in the March 2011 Art Lovers Newsletter. The photograph Rick submitted of the view out his window – a dramatic moonrise over the lake at his New Hampshire house – can be viewed in the May 2011 Art Lovers Newsletter. The challenge of this painting was capturing the unusual light the moon made casting its reflected beams across the water while the setting sun illuminated trees on the far shore. I thank my Muse for picking this picture out of the hat, and I thank Rick for having such a good eye with his camera.



"New Hampshire Moonrise"
16" x 12", Oil on canvas



"Vermont Crossing, Spring"
24" x 18", Oil on canvas

New Hampshire has many such beautiful scenes of course, but my favorite New England state for landscape painting is Vermont. I've painted one Vermont scene four times, once for each of the four seasons. "Vermont Crossing, Spring", the view from an old railroad crossing in quiet little Shaftsbury, shows a spring-greening mountain behind grassy fields, bushy pines, a dusty road and, yes, a red farm house. I think the spring painting is the happiest of the four, though the other three seasonal views have their merits. Please look at all four of them in the Landscapes section of my website www.theviewoutmywindow.com.

In this larger Vermont painting I wanted to display a friend's magnificent house perched at the top of a long grassy slope and nestled into a cluster of trees putting on their fall colors. The challenge, and fun, of the painting was depicting the reflection of the house in the lovely green pond that sits below it. Reflections are ghostly things I learned, but they are fun to capture when they're not looking and you sneak up on them.



"Vermont House and Pond"
36" x 24" Oil on canvas