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Wall paintings grace the gallery of Wilton Library March 7

Wilton, CT – The walls of Wilton Library’s gallery will be a wonderful showcase for Yenoin Guibbory’s art exhibition, “Wall Painting Maquettes,” beginning Sunday, March 7, with an opening reception from 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. According to Mr. Guibbory, “A maquette is a model of what is conceived of as a larger-scale work, in this case, paintings covering entire walls. They usually precede the creation of the actual work.” Mr. Guibbory said that one of his pieces has been realized full scale, at the Flow of Art Gallery in Norwalk (2008). The wall was about 15’ wide and 7’ high.

A man of many talents, Yenoin started as a classically-trained violinist who then turned to modernist architecture and abstract landscape to then create musically-inspired murals. In the last few years, he has turned to maquettes as his way of expressing his art. Combining his love of music with architecture, his works are informed by the years spent sketching his architectural drawings in the ’50s and ’60s. He continued these drawings during his college years; he graduated West Virginia University with a Ph.D. in musicology in 1970. From the ’70s through the ’90s, alongside a career as a teacher and performer at the State University of New York in Plattsburgh, he developed his style of wall paintings. Starting with his own apartment (1979) he transferred his sense of form and color to the walls and ceilings, using music as a constant inspiration. He continued with another apartment and the two hallways at SUNY (Music and Communications departments). He also taught seminars that highlighted the relationships between music and architecture. Yenoin remarked about his works, “[the] murals evoke musical flow; like architecture, they change alignments and feelings with movement and lighting. They are intended to envelop one with a composition of form and color, which stimulates imagination, engages creativity, and acquires emotional resonance over time.”

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After a 30-year career, he returned to Fairfield County where he created his first maquette in 2007. In addition to Norwalk, the maquettes have been featured at Silvermine Gallery and the Westport Arts Center.

The twenty-five maquettes will be on exhibit through Sunday, March 28. The majority of the paintings are available for purchase with a portion of the proceeds benefiting the library. Wilton Library is located at 137 Old Ridgefield Road in the heart of Wilton Center. The hours are Monday through Thursday, 10 – 8, Friday 10 – 6, Saturday 10 – 5 and Sunday, 1 – 5. For information and directions, visit www.wiltonlibrary.org or call 203-762-3950.

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Caption: Maquette 13 (acrylic on gesso board) is one of the 25 pieces in the “Wall Painting Maquettes” art exhibition by Yenoin Guibbory, opening Sunday, March 7, from 11:30 a.m. – 1 p.m. at Wilton Library. The reception is free and open to the public. For information and directions: www.wiltonlibrary.org/events or call 203-762-3950. Wilton Library, 137 Old Ridgefield Road, Wilton, CT.