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## Sustainability Center's art exhibit worth seeing

am one of five artists exhibiting works of fine art at the School House Gallery in hand with the North Country Sustainability Center in Ashburnham. The center is on its way forward by having artists in the area exhibit their work in this roomy gallery.

The first show, «1st Day of School,» has proved to be one of the best shows in the area by showing its sides of education through contemporary abstraction by artist Justin McGonigle and Richard Membrino; impressionist painting and box assemblage of artist Elaine Membrino; collage perfection by artist Michelle Biscottie; and the touching photography of Dave Stewart introducing us to the hint of spring with his photo «Iris.»

The exhibit has already given 50 people (so far this month) a view of what's possible to come. People visiting the farmers market (held on the second Saturday of each month) also get a special bonus by seeing and experiencing original works of art!

All the artists are very excited about having a great place to exhibit, and the folks involved in The Porch (Crafters) come together to make a dynamic group sustaining in the North Country.

To become a member of the NCSC or the <u>School-HouseGallery.org</u> go online and let your fingers do a little walking.

**ELAINE MEMBRINO** 

**Fitchburg**