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1 Crowell Gallery begins the new year with works from its  
2 permanent collection

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5 As it does annually, Crowell Art Gallery at Moore Free  
6 Library, 23 West St., is featuring the Robert L. Crowell Art  
7 Collection.

8 The collection will be shown until Friday, Jan. 30, during  
9 the library's operating hours: Tuesdays, Wednesdays, and Fridays,  
10 1 to 5 p.m.; Thursdays, 1 to 6 p.m.; and Saturdays, 10 a.m. to 1  
11 p.m.

12           Displayed will be artwork by Mallory Lake, Jules Olitski,  
13 Emily Mason, Wolf Kahn, Janet Fish, Eric Aho, Diedre Scherer,  
14 Roger Sandes, James Urbaska, David Brewster, Marcy  
15 Hermansader, Michaela Harlow, Clare Adams, Bobbi Comfort,  
16 Susan Osgood, Johnny Swing, and Jim Florschutz.

17           “Initially, the gallery was only open in the summer, and  
18 so there were three short months when the collection would be  
19 hung,” Gallery Manager Lee Anne Parker said in a [2025](#)  
20 [interview](#). As time went on, she said, library staff decided that,  
21 with the full year that the library and the gallery would be open,  
22 they’d show different artists from the area throughout the year.

23           Parker has been volunteering there since 2016, and she  
24 has overseen the annual exhibition since 2017.

25           The Crowell Gallery was opened to the public in 2000  
26 “to show the collection of contemporary Southern Vermont artists  
27 that Robert and Muriel Crowell had purchased from local artists,”  
28 Parker explained. Robert Crowell would drive around and visit  
29 artists with his second wife, Muriel.

30           “If there was stuff that he liked or she liked [...] he would  
31 purchase it and bring it back and put it, you know, it would  
32 become part of the collection,” Parker said. “So kind of a labor of  
33 love.”

34           The gallery was converted from a 200-year-old barn on  
35 the Moore property. The building itself was restored by local  
36 artisans Dan and Gary MacArthur, Parker said.

37           Admission to the gallery is free. For more information,  
38 visit [moorefreelibrary.org](http://moorefreelibrary.org).

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