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Gorse Mill Studios, at 31 Thorpe Road, Needham announces its annual holiday open studio and art sale event. This exciting event will take place on Saturday, Dec. 1, from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m., and Sunday, Dec. 2, from noon to 5 p.m. Don't miss this opportunity as Gorse Mill Studios is only open to the public for a few exhibitions and events every year.

The holiday open studio event will feature art demonstrations, displays and sales. This free, family-friendly event will feature 21 artists demonstrating and selling one of a kind pottery, paintings, photography, jewelry, mosaics, glass and sculpture. Come meet the artists in their personal work spaces and find the perfect holiday gift for giving.

This year the Gorse Mill Studios artists will be donating 10% of the proceeds from this event to the Needham Community Council.

#### **About Gorse Mill**

Gorse Mill is a former textile factory that was renovated in 2007 to create art studios and the Gorse Mill Gallery. Among the building's artists are potters, ceramicists, glass blowers, painters, sculptors, mosaic artists, jewelers, photographers, authors, illustrators, stained-glass artists, graphic designers, mixed-media artists, and a storyteller. After-school children's art classes are also offered here. For more information, visit [GorseMillStudios.com](http://GorseMillStudios.com)

#### **About the Needham Community Council**

The Needham Community Council was established in May, 1930 as a private volunteer agency to provide Needham residents with food supports. Council programs have changed and expanded throughout the years but the mission remains the same; to support Needham residents with un-met health, educational or social needs, and to promote volunteerism and a sense of shared responsibility. The Council is funded by generous donations from the community; no tax dollars support the mission. In addition to the original Food Pantry, which now supports over 200 Needham families, the Council provides several transportation programs, an English as a 2<sup>nd</sup> Language [ESL] Adult Tutoring Program, extensive holiday outreach programs, a medical equipment loan program, the Child Assault Prevention Program [CAP] in the elementary schools and a myriad of volunteer opportunities; all at no charge. Visit the Council website at [www.needhamcommunitycouncil.org](http://www.needhamcommunitycouncil.org)

## **Medium/Participating Artists/Hometown**

### **Ceramic, Clay, Pottery**

John Dorsey - Dedham  
Susan Goldman - Newton  
Steven Branfman - Newton  
Amber Dorval - Needham  
Sarah Whitlock - Needham

### **Photographers**

Rick Bern - Needham  
Max Krieger - Needham

### **Jewelry**

Pat Brazill - Westwood  
Todd Krieger - Needham

### **Glass/Sculpture/Mosaics**

Simple Syrup Glass Studio - Needham  
Laura Zaganjori - Newton  
Adina Troen-Krasnow - Needham

### **Painters/Illustration/Mixed Media**

Liz Gribin - Needham  
Ruth LaGue - West Roxbury  
Karen Krieger - Needham  
Barbara Johansen Newman - Needham  
Joanne Cataldo - Needham Heights  
Maggie Schmidt - Newton  
John Judge - Needham  
John Lechner - Needham  
Amalia Tagaris - Brookline