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“Children at Play” is Wilton Library’s November art exhibition opening Nov. 2

Wilton, CT – Though influenced by the ebb and flow of the Seine River in Paris most of the year, Elizabeth Lefevre’s art exhibition at Wilton Library reflects frolicking children from America. The artist’s opening reception for “Children at Play,” is Sunday, Nov. 2, from 11:30 a.m. – 1 p.m. at the library and is open to the public. The artist divides her time between home in Paris on the Seine and Wilton, CT. According to Lefevre, “An artist is truly inspired by their surroundings and that is why I did the series of children in the States. The emphasis is on children’s movements and emotions shown during play and how this evokes feelings of nostalgia in the viewer.” Lefevre will be exhibiting more than 30 paintings in acrylic and oil.

Born in Seneca Falls, NY, she lived in upstate New York until her study abroad programs with Hamilton College and William Smith College brought her to Paris, Rome Venice and Florence. During that time she met her future husband and started an international life moving freely between the US and Europe. Since living in Europe for the past twenty-five years, she has undergone many influences in her art. “I have painted the Seine River like the Impressionists, indoor scenes like the Dutch and oceanscapes in Bretagne, like the Fauvists,” she recently stated. Over the years, she has studied at the Atelier de la Grande Chaumière in Paris, the Beaux Art in Tournai, Belgium, and since 1999 has worked at the American School of Paris teaching studio art and sculpture. As a mother of four children, she seems to come back to her love of children and family. Lefevre also noted, “My dual identity, Franco-American, has led me to explore in my art a certain European heritage which can be seen in my use of many layers of oil paint. The theme of children at play allows me to work quickly and spontaneously which expresses the movement inherent in the children themselves.”

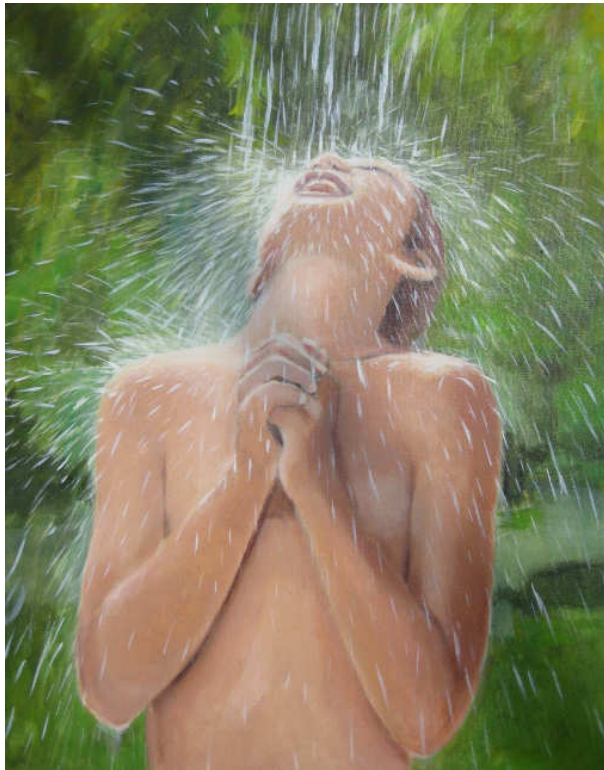
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The majority of Lefevre's works will be available for purchase with a portion of the proceeds benefiting Wilton Library's art fund. The fund provides new books and other materials on art and art instruction for the collection. Wilton Library is open Mondays through Thursdays, 10 – 8, Fridays 10 – 6, Saturdays 10 – 5 and Sundays 1 – 5. The library will be closed for Thanksgiving Day on Thursday, Nov. 27. The exhibition runs through Nov. 28. Wilton Library is located at 137 Old Ridgefield Road in the heart of Wilton Center. For information and directions, visit www.wiltonlibrary.org or call (203) 762-3950.

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Caption: Elizabeth Lefevre opens her exhibition, "Children at Play," at Wilton Library on Sunday, Nov. 2, from 11:30 – a.m. – 1 p.m. A resident of Paris and Wilton, CT, Ms. Lefevre will exhibit more than 30 paintings, including "Shower," (shown here) in acrylic and oil. The reception is open to the public. Wilton Library is located at 137 Old Ridgefield Road in the heart of Wilton Center. For information and directions, visit www.wiltolibrary.org or call (203) 762-3950. The exhibition runs through Friday, Nov. 28.