

- [Classifieds](#)
- [Ads](#)

[Homepage](#) 

Local artist shares her ‘Journeys’ in new Westboro Gallery exhibit

By Staff reports

Tue Aug 25, 2009, 01:52 PM EDT

WESTBOROUGH - This Sunday, Aug. 30, the Westboro Gallery will celebrate the opening of a new show entitled “Life Journeys” featuring Shrewsbury artist Shari Fox with an open-to-the-public reception from 2 to 5 p.m. at the gallery’s satellite space at Tatnuck Bookseller & Cafe, 18 Lyman St., Westborough.

The exhibit itself will run through Nov. 14.

As the title of the art exhibit suggests, the inspiration for Fox’s work has been informed by her passage through different stages of her life. Her earlier works were inspired by art from other cultures, which she experienced during trips to Japan, Hong Kong and Indonesia. After getting married and having children, her artwork became more autobiographical.

“This exhibit follows my life over the past 14 years,” Fox said. “As I have traveled the world and come back to make a home and a family, my artwork has reflected this.”

The assemblage “Biological Clock,” for example, uses objects that allude to a desired shift in lifestyle Fox experienced in her early 30s. Maps symbolizing her global wanderings are juxtaposed with clock parts, bird eggs, and a white picket fence representing her desire to settle down. After getting married and having children, Fox moved on to works like “Late Talker,” which depicts her son at two years old under a magnifying glass, surrounded by tape measure and clocks. The piece expresses her worry that he was not yet talking.

As the subject matter of her work has evolved, so too has the media with which she chooses to create it. Always experimenting with innovative methods of self-expression, Fox has worked in media of all types and has a remarkable ability to successfully transition from one medium to the next with great facility. The show at Tatnuck Bookseller will include lithographs, monotypes and encaustic work influenced by her travels, along with mixed media, assemblage, watercolor and digital photography.

“My artwork will be forever changing with my life,” she said.

Fox teaches art at Shrewsbury High School, where she has been for almost 15 years, and holds both a Bachelor of Arts and a Post-Baccalaureate degree in studio art from Brandeis University, as well as a Master of Arts degree in teaching from the Rhode Island School of Design.

The Westboro Gallery (www.westborogallery.com) presents works by established and emerging Central New England artists and artisans. Since 1998 the not-for-profit cooperative's mission has been to bring art to the community and to support its members, enabling them to show and sell their work.

The board of directors examines portfolios and works of those wishing to be juried in for membership at its monthly meetings. The gallery's satellite exhibition space at Tatnuck Bookseller & Café regularly displays work for sale by gallery artists and artisans in group shows that change periodically.