

New Hampshire
State Council on the

Arts



New Hampshire's
Percent for Art Program
A Public Process for Public Buildings

Laconia Courthouse,
Laconia

A Renovation Project
2009 – 2011*

*Approved in FY2005 Capital Budget

About the Laconia Courthouse

The Laconia Courthouse, housing both the Laconia District Court and the Belknap County Family Division, was originally constructed as a high school for the City of Laconia on the site of the Gilford Academy near the Winnepesaukee River. It is listed in the National Register of Historic Places.

Desired Themes for Artwork

The Site Selection Committee identified these themes, metaphors and tone for the artwork.

- Lakes, mountains & water
- Education & leadership
- Public service
- Strong community bonds
- People
- Landscapes
- Positive future
- Vacationland & destination
- Enjoyment
- Industrial heritage
- Soothing & non-aggressive
- Tranquil
- Positive future
- Quality of life
- Inspirational & peaceful scenes



***Backyard and Millpond* by Amy Brnger.**
**This oil on canvas showcases a summer day
by the water in NH.**



Backyard and Mill Pond is installed in a nook within the 3rd floor waiting area.



***We Are New Hampshire!* by Cynthia Fisher**
This mosaic explores the flora and fauna of NH and is installed in the family division reception area.



***A Moment's Pause* by Dustan Knight. This watercolor expresses a smoky morning fog in the foothills around the lakes.**



***A Moment's Pause* is installed in the 2nd floor waiting area.**



***Water and Earth* by Teresa Taylor. This is stoneware is installed in the 2nd floor waiting area.**



***Shoreline Series* by Don Williams. This mixed media to symbolizes the waves on the lakes and found objects on the beaches.**



Shoreline Series are located in the
County Clerk reception area.



***Glen Ellis Falls in Fog* by Dana Clemons. This photograph is located in the 1st to 2nd floor stairwell.**



***Columbus Day Hike Up Rattlesnake* by Gordon Carlisle.**
This panoramic series of paintings is installed in the
2nd floor waiting area.

Percent for Art Program

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