

Theresa Kennish

Theresa Kennish has been an educator and visual artist for over 33 years. Recently retired as an elementary teacher in the Ventnor School District, she holds a BS in Education from West Chester University and a Master's in Elementary Education from Marygrove College. She holds the honor of being named Teacher of the Year for the Ventnor School District for the 2001 and the 2021 school years. Theresa is the Ocean City Art Center teacher for our after-school art program and for the summer art camp. She is known for allowing her students to be creative and to express themselves in their work. Theresa enjoys students of all ages and celebrates the mutual inspiration that occurs. Students get the chance to try new techniques and grow individually as artists at their own pace. Students in her classes get to experience drawing, painting, pastels, collage and mixed media. Theresa's rich teaching legacy has proven instrumental in identifying and differentiating her instruction to each student, encouraging growth and development.

Theresa has developed her lifelong love of art as a visual artist while pursuing her teaching career. She has participated in juried and monthly art shows in the region, including the Ocean City Fine Arts League, Ocean City Arts Center, Makt Arts Studio and Nashville North Studios, formerly of Linwood, N.J. Her first solo show was in 2021 at Nashville North Studios and she is presently affiliated and showing her work at the Ocean City Fine Arts League. She was awarded first place in the Ocean City Art League Petite Show December 2016 and Honorable Mention in the November 2017 Ocean City Art Center Juried Show. More recently, Theresa was awarded 3rd Place by the Absecon Cultural Arts Alliance for her submission to the December 2024 show, Anything Goes. Her passion for her art and learning new techniques has taken her to continuing education classes at Tyler School of Art in Philadelphia as well as attending the Artist/Teacher Institute at Stockton University.