

Art Sale

Paintings and Pastels by Henry Rawles

to benefit the Grandview Heights Public Library Foundation



About Mr. Rawles and his watercolors

For nearly 50 years, Henry A. Rawles Jr. was a frequent patron of the Grandview Heights Public Library. His wife, Beverly Archer Rawles, said that he loved the library and that he began painting in the mid-1970s using a book that he checked out from the library.

Working in mostly watercolors and pastels, Mr. Rawles liked to paint natural scenes and sites he was fond of, particularly in Ohio and his native Virginia. He was quite prolific and painted every day. He completed at least 1,000 paintings. He exhibited his work locally, including in the library, and many in the Tri-Village area became familiar with his work.

When Mr. Rawles passed in 2010, he honored the library with a \$70,000 bequest. In addition to that most generous bequest, in 2017 Mrs. Rawles made an unconditional donation of 16 of Mr. Rawles' finest works to the library, to keep or sell. Another of Mr. Rawles' paintings, donated at the time of his death, hangs permanently in the library.

Mrs. Rawles passed away in 2019, and in the spirit of giving that mirrored her husband's, she donated \$25,000 to the library. We are proud and humbled to be the recipients of such generosity.

About the Art Sale

The GHPL Foundation is offering **15 of these beautiful works** for sale to the public as a Foundation fundraiser for the library.

The minimum suggested donation for each of these pieces is \$25.

To purchase artwork(s), inquire at any library service desk. To inquire online, contact the Grandview Heights Public Library Foundation at foundation@ghpl.org. Include: name, painting number, purchase amount, and payment method. Orders are first come, first served.



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