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Brooklyn Artist Honored Once More

Norwich, CT...3/25/15. Brooklyn's Normand Chartier was recently inducted into the Slater Memorial Museum's permanent collection with three of his children's illustrations and three of his fine art watercolor paintings. Chartier is well known for both mediums.

Over 35 years of illustrating and painting he produced 75 children's books, and an unknown number of illustrations for kid's magazines and Sesame Street commercial products, all for national and international publishers. He received 35 national and international honors and awards for his work, like three of the International Reading Association's Children's Choice Awards, and three New York Society of Illustrators Books of the Year picks.

During that time period he also produced many hundreds of watercolor paintings of Northeast Connecticut and Coastal Connecticut, as well as Coastal Maine. More than three hundred of these were purchased by people from all over the U.S. and some from Europe. His Coastal Maine paintings were noticed by Down East Books of Camden, Maine, who asked if they could produce a 96 page fine art book of his paintings. It came out in 2005, and became their first book to be featured by Publisher's Weekly, the industry's bible.

Around that time, after being pushed by deadline after deadline, Chartier decided to semi-retire, and spend more time on painting. He also took a job with the Brooklyn School to work with special needs children, which is a very rewarding endeavor to him.

Since that time he has been noticed by four museums/collections for his entire body of work. He is considered a major contributor of The North East Children's Literature Collection at The Thomas Dodd Center in Storrs. He and his work were inducted into The Mazza Museum in Findlay, Ohio, which is the world's largest museum dedicated to children's art by the most respected and honored artists over a period of more than a hundred years. In 2014 he was inducted into the permanent collections of fine art and illustration of The New Britain Museum of American Art. And now the same honor from Norwich's Slater Memorial Museum.

For more info and lists of his book titles and awards go to www.normandchartier.com

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