

# Local artist commissioned to create pieces for cancer research

BY DANIEL SCHWAB

Essex-based artist Ronald Suchiu's talent was auctioned off Oct. 16.

For the second year in a row, Suchiu has been commissioned to create art for the National Lymphoma Research Foundation (NLRFF).

During a gala at the Mariotte Marquee in New York's Times Square, a Christie's auctioneer sold Suchiu's artistic talents to the highest bidder for \$11,000.

The proceeds will be going directly to the NLRFF.

He will create two paintings. The first will be of Californian golf pro George Beebe, who Suchiu will be meeting in January.

The second piece will be of Marsha Greenburg, a founding member of the National Lymphoma

Research Foundation.

Last year, Suchiu raised \$7,000 by being commissioned to create a surrealist painting of Adam and Eve.

Over the years, Suchiu has donated thousands of dollars to a variety of different charities.

His wife Colleen is a breast cancer survivor and

recently, Suchiu said he's been concentrating his efforts on raising money for cancer research.

"Finding a cure for lymphoma is the key to finding a cure for all other cancer," he said.

Each year the NLRFF attempts to raise \$1,000,000 during its gala dinner.



ADAM AND EVE – Ron Suchiu raised \$7,000 last year by being commissioned to create this painting for the National Lymphoma Research Foundation. This year, Suchiu raised \$11,000 to create two pieces of art.

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The Essex branch raised more than \$1,400 for Community Living Essex County during the annual event held at Country View Golf Course in Chatham.

"We tried to find someone who could use the money and we like to have it go to an Essex-based organization," said DPM Insurance Operations Manager Cindy Barnett.

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