

## **Eric Sanford Holch**

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### Education:

Hobart College, Geneva NY - 1970  
Trinity-Pawling School, Pawling NY - 1966

### Employment:

1978 - Present: Artist/Printmaker/Gallery Owner  
Eric Holch Fine Arts - Create, exhibit and sell Ltd. Edition Serigraphs to over 250 galleries throughout US and overseas.

License designs for ties, clothing, towels, snowboards, skis, jigsaw puzzles, etc

1993 - Present: Opened Holch Gallery on Old South Wharf

1998 - Present: Started website [www.ericholch.com](http://www.ericholch.com)

1985 - 1995

Eric Holch Advertising Agency - President of Full service ad agency  
New Canaan, CT

1971 - 1985

Kohler Advertising Agency - Vice-President of oldest Fairfield County ad agency  
Riverside, CT

### Leadership Roles and Board Experience:

Barrier Island Park Society, Boca Grande, FL - BoG

Egan Maritime Foundation, Nantucket - Trustee (12 years), Advisory Committee

Nantucket Community Sailing - Founder, Trustee (12 years), Trustee Emeritus

Nantucket Yacht Club - Commodore 1999-2000, Board of Governors (15 years)

Nantucket Conservation Foundation - Trustee (12 years)

Opera House Cup Committee - Chair (13 years)

Country Club of New Canaan - (5 years)

Waveny Care Center, New Canaan CT - Trustee (6 years)

### Hobbies:

Sailing, skiing, fishing

Eric Holch grew up in Andover MA and Greenwich CT, and spent summers on Nantucket Island. He graduated from Hobart College (1970) and, after a stint in the US National Guard, started his advertising career at the Kohler Company in Riverside CT. At the the same time he was starting a career as a fine artist and in 1976 finished his first serigraph print. In 1985 he opened up his own advertising agency, Holch Advertising in New Canaan CT. Simultaneously his serigraph prints were being represented by over 250 galleries in the US, Japan, Australia, Germany and Bermuda. In the early '90's, Holch and his wife, Betsy, moved to Nantucket and opened the Eric Holch Gallery ([www.ericholch.com](http://www.ericholch.com)) to focus primarily on his art career and licensing. His necktie designs for Alynn Neckwear also became internationally recognized and are still available today. His latest collaboration is with Gilson Snow designing limited edition snowboards and skis featuring his designs. He always credits his experience in advertising and marketing as a huge help in promoting his artwork and contributed to the success of his art career.

Holch's board membership endeavors started with Country Club of New Canaan and Waveny Care Center. After moving to Nantucket he helped start Nantucket Community Sailing and spent 12 years on the Nantucket Conservation Foundation, preserving and maintaining open space. He was Commodore of the Nantucket Yacht Club after spending 15 years involved with the club and several major building renovations. Most recently he was involved with the start-up of the Egan Maritime Foundation and headed up the building of the Shipwreck and Lifesaving Museum, the restoration of a 1940 Monomoy Surfboat to be used in children's programming and the creation of the Nantucket-centric weather app and website: ACKweather and [ACKweather.com](http://ACKweather.com)

On Boca Grande, Holch and his wife, Betsy, live in Boca Bay and are members of the Pass Club, Lemon Bay Golf Club, Boca Grande Pass Yacht Club, BG Womens Club, BG Mens Club and contribute to BIPS, GICIA, BG Health Center, Royal Palm Players, BG Historical Society and BG Community Center.

Holch is currently on the Board of the Barrier Island Park Society.

*This can be edited as necessary.*