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Artist Snaps Changing Season in Wilton

by **Katie Drucker** Today



Xiomáro was the artist-in-residence at Weir Farm in March.

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An entertainment lawyer from New York realized the domain name Xiomáro was available, bought the rights to it and adopted the name as one of his identities. Xiomáro is not just a lawyer. He is an artist — an artist who spent the month of March

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as the artist-in-residence at [Weir Farm National Historic Site](#) in Wilton. "When I started getting into photography, I thought I would just promote myself to my clients," said Xiomáro. He soon learned it was hard for his clients to see their lawyer as an artist as well. "Some clients weren't very supportive. I decided to come up with a whole new [artist] identity," he said.

Xiomáro was the perfect name. According to Xiomáro, this old Spanish name means "ready for battle." Xiomáro was facing many battles when he decided to pursue photography.

"A few years ago, I had cancer. People I thought I could rely on were not there for me," Xiomáro said. So he turned to the introspective, solitary art form of photography. Xiomáro's photography brought him to Weir Farm.

"My photography led me here. I wanted to devote a month in a very rustic area like this homestead. I wanted to try to push it — to get better," said Xiomáro.



Xiomáro explains his photographs at Weir Farm on Thursday.

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Weir Farm selects artists to spend one month living and working on the grounds in the Artist-In-Residence Program. To date, 115 artists from across the United States, as well as Tunisia, Germany, Australia and India have participated, according to the National Park Service [website](#).

Over a month, Xiomáro took more than 1,000 shots, culminating in a series called "Weir Farm – The Great Good Place." The series of images include bleak, desolate shots of winter and progress to a photo of a Skunk Cabbage burning a peephole through the snow — a sign of spring.

"The images in this series progress from the monochromatic colors of winter to images of spring fighting its way through," said Xiomáro.

To view or purchase Xiomáro's Weir Farm portfolio visit www.xiomaro.com.

Have you been to visit Weir Farm lately? What do you enjoy the most there?