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Hi all. I want to thank everyone who volunteered their time and talents to make our Spring Show at Dean Collage a big success! As the saying goes, "Many hands make light work". The show's results are a great example. Things went smoothly due to the leadership and team work of the volunteers. It was another example of the generosity and the many talents of our FAA members. I'm so proud!

The artwork was excellent. Many people commented that they thought it was the best show ever. There were between 200 to 300 people who attended the show and artwork sales were at least \$1.3K.

BBQ Party Time! Our year will end on Sunday June 8th, when we will have our annual party. The party will begin at 12 pm and end around 4 pm at Susan Plume's home, located at: 11 Haverstock Rd. in Franklin. You can contact Susan at 508-533-3408 or at plume@yahoo.com.

FAA will be providing hamburgers and hot dogs, rolls and condiments. Please bring a dish to share with the other attendees and a beverage of your choice. Also, please bring a folding chair(s).

FAA is purchasing a lady bug to support the Franklin Cultural Council's "Lady Bug Spots" fundraiser. We plan on bringing our lady bug to the party. The body will be painted with a lady bug orange-red acrylic paint and the head and legs will be defined in black. The remainder of the decorations will be up to those who wish to add their artistic ideas. We will have the primary acrylic paint colors, plus white and black paints. We will also have some small brushes to paint the spots, etc. You may wish to bring a small brush to paint details. The brushes clean up with just soap & water. It's also possible to glue on paper images / photos with an acrylic mat medium. When the masterpiece is finished, the Cultural Council will cover it with a sealer to protect it from the weather.

All of the 25 bugs will be displayed on the Franklin common in August. Note that the Cultural Council is still in need of artists to help design and paint the other lady bugs. See the form that was attached to our May newsletter. You can also contact Clair Griffin (508-520-8857) to let her know that you are willing to decorate a lady bug.

I'm looking forward to seeing everyone at the BBQ and I wish everyone a safe and fun-filled summer.

Take care. Frank

Meetings take place at the Franklin Senior Center, 10 Daniel McCahill St., Franklin, MA across from St. Mary's church, from 6:30 to ~9pm, the first Wednesday of every month, September through May. Refreshments and socialization are held from 6:30-6:45pm, followed by a short business meeting. A demonstration/lecture or workshop activity follows. Our meetings are open to the public and all are invited to attend.

Calendar of Events

June 8th The FAA Summer BBQ & Party will be held at Susan Plume's home from 12-4pm (or so). PLEASE bring a chair and a pot luck item to share! 11 Haverstock Rd, Franklin, MA. Susan's contact info 508-533-3408, susan_plume@yahoo.com. Also please note that we will be working on painting a ladybug for the Franklin Cultural Council so come prepared!



September 3rd The FAA will host demonstrator Charles Guay. Guay is currently teaching painting at the Danforth Museum of Art in Framingham, MA and at the Next Door Gallery in Mansfield, MA since 2008. (See image above)

Call for Entries

The Franklin Cultural Council is sponsoring a public arts project with the Rotary Club. They will have Lady Bug forms (approximately 2' x2') that companies and individuals will be buying. The Council is seeking artists who would be interested in painting the ladybugs. Attached is some information about the project and artists forms. If you have further questions please contact: Cat Colson 508-523-9546 See forms at the end of the newsletter.

The Norfolk Cultural Council is looking for artist's who would like to show their work at the Norfolk Library Gallery/Meeting room. There are still openings in 2014 for interested artists. To reserve an exhibit or receive additional information please contact Robin Wessman at: rwessman@verizon.net.

Gallery 263 has a number of upcoming opportunities: Artist in Residency Program June 1- July 12, 3-4 emerging artists or up to a 12 person collective, artist's have access and use of their space for 6 weeks, artists must plan on living in the Boston vicinity for the duration. Deadline May 4. "Folk" Juried Exhibition, online submissions, up to 6 works, show runs July 17 - Aug. 30 deadline for application June 1. Curatorial Proposal Series for Exhibitions in Sept./Oct. and Oct./Nov. DIY opportunity to curate your own show. Deadline June 13. For more information contact julia@gallery263.com.

The Post Road Art Center is asking artists to submit work for the juried "Summer Themed Art Show 2014" All media accepted in any style, not to exceed 72" L+W 3-D not to exceed L+W of 30" and total L+W+H of 72" Submissions will be accepted July 24 - 30th. Opening Reception: Thursday, August 7th, 5:30-8:00pm. View the show until Wednesday, August 27th.

Members' News

Sarah Alexander and Rebecca Skinner will be one of the eight artists in The Attleboro Museums Eight Visions exhibit in August 2014.

Judy Belben was accepted into the Worcester City Hall Gallery Exhibit, Abstractions with her nighttime photography titled *Benchware* (right).

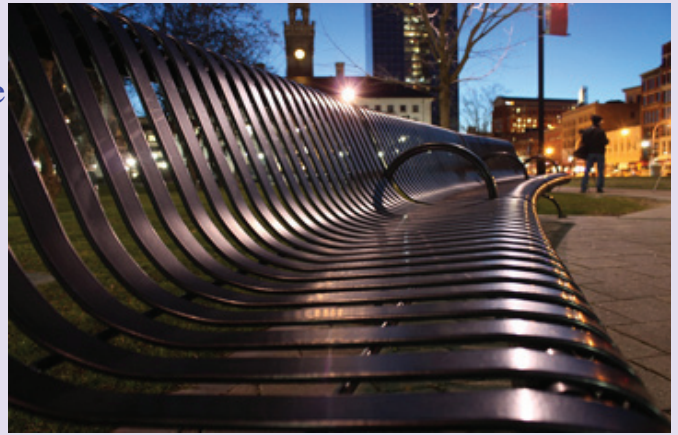
Shelly Eager has won second place in a show called "Shadows" "at the Next Door Gallery in Mansfield. She has also been accepted into the National Show "For Pastels Only" through the Cape Cod Pastel Painters Society. That show will run from June 21 – July 13. In the Creative Arts Center in Yarmouth. Shelly also has a new website with all her new work on it at shell-eager.com. She is running two workshops this summer. On July 11-13 she will be teaching "Get your Creative Juices Flowing" at the North Shore Art Ass. In Gloucester and on Aug. 2&3 she will be doing the same workshop for the Lexington Art and Craft Society.

Gail Eckberg had two works accepted Post Road Arts Center's 'Art In Bloom' show, as well as RIWS' juried 'Reflections' exhibit. She was also "Franklin's artist of the month" for this past month. Her "Ladybug" prototype (Franklin's Art Project), was accepted by Rep. Jeff Roy's office, whom she has met with him and his staff for input. Eckberg has 2 pieces accepted into "The Bridge", June exhibit, on Deer Isle, Maine.

Daydre Hamilton won first place in the Rhode Island Watercolor Society show "Reflections" for her piece Reflections III. (lower left)



Aivars Zandbergs will be traveling to Latvia for 5 weeks, to participate in plein-air there. The first will be held in the Madonna region, @ Reku Hill, during the Summer solstic festival. Then he will travel to Bernati, stopping at his ancestral home to make arrangements for a new gravestone for his brother. Then on the road to Lithuania and paint near the Baltic Sea, returning to Cesis for the citywide Art Festival, and for the opening of the new Diaspore Art Museum, which will have art from Latvian-American artists.



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Classes/Workshops/Opportunities...

The **Milford Daily News** is looking to do a human interest story on women who have taken up art after retirement. They would like to interview anyone interested in participating. The contact info is Liz Banks at 508-634-7567 or EBANKS @WICKEDLOCAL.COM.

BD Matboard is offering new customer discounts: Save 10% and call our office at 877-605-1001 or buy on line at www.bdmatboard.com for first time orders get 10% off your material purchase by using a promotion code of save5fb and you will receive a 10% discount.

The Hopkinton Cultural Council is hosting Plein Air Oil Monotypes Workshops July 26-27 or August 9-10. This two-day workshop with Carolyn Letvin will cover taking a basic printmaking process into the field. Using your current oil painting supplies, Galkyd Slow Dry Medium and some simple tools you can create beautiful and unique prints. Choose to attend one of two weekends, or both!

FAA website has a fresh face!

Check it out: <http://www.franklinart.org>

Dale Hoopingardner worked very hard to move the entire site to a new platform that is easier to manage and update. To update the member gallery please send the following:

- A short (one paragraph) artist statement/bio for the main gallery page and a longer (2-3 paragraph) full bio for the direct artist gallery page
- A minimum of three images is recommended, a maximum of 20
- Images should be in JPEG format
- Images should be 72 dpi
- Recommended size is minimum 500 pixels on the shortest dimension to a max of 800 on the longest dimension
- File names should be in the format: Lastname-Firstname-Name-of-the-Artwork.jpg
- Include the title of the work and any short description of the work, such as the media or how you were inspired. You may also wish to specify SOLD or NFS as appropriate.
- Identify which image you would like for the thumbnail on the gallery list page

Send the submissions to Webmaster@franklinart.org.



When ordering supplies for those spring paintings—Dick Blick will donate a portion of the proceeds from each order to the FAA as long as orders are made by clicking through” to the Dick Blick website from the FAA homepage.

Editor’s Note: As always, we depend on you, our members, to provide information for your newsletter. So I thank you in advance for providing information concerning coming events, exhibitions, shows, etc. ~Hannah Close

The Franklin Art Association is funded in part by the Franklin Cultural Council, which is supported by the Massachusetts Cultural Council, a state agency.



Spring Show Review

"If you build it, they will come". The FAA Spring '14 Exhibit at Dean College (the best host), was built by new, standing, even newer FAA members, and many spouses, at an easy-to-get-to centrally known, town venue - familiar to a larger area. Great P.R. helped others discover this talented group. Having one, large gala, exhibit in super space once a year, the public plans and looks forward to such an event. We congratulate all who participated, took ribbons, sold work; the judge related having a long, difficult time because of outstanding talent of our group. Keep pushing forward, rediscovering your inner artist. For those who didn't volunteer, please consider jumping in next exhibit, just doing any small task. Nothing is complicated. It is a way to get to know other members and feel more a part of this truly unique art group.



Award Winners:

Watermedia 1. Jerry Aissis 2. Kris Occhino
3. Daydre Hamilton HM Lisa Bailey Sarah
Alexander Daydre Hamilton

Oil 1. Dick Fotland 2. Sue Sheridan 3. Adele Corrigan
HM Helene Mohn Donna Merrill Helene Mohn

Acrylic 1. Steph Miksis 2. Elizabeth Havens 3. Aivers
Zandsberg HM Frank Roberson Don Iacovelli Lisa Bailey

Mixed Media 1. Sarah Alexander 2. Carol Frieswick 3. Gail
Eckberg HM Mireille Eastman Sarah Alexander Karen
Pendleton

Photography 1. Rebecca Skinner 2. Dick Cook 3. Karen
Pendleton HM Hans Nagi Rebecca Skinner Dale Hoopin-
garner

Pastel/Charcoal 1. Joanne
Willoughby 2. Gail Eckberg 3.
Stacey David HM Robert
Kalinowski Bernie McNichols
Joanne Willoughby

Best In Show Robin Wessman
People Choice Robert Kalinoski.



Ladybug Spots

A Public Art Project

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Got Artists?

*The Franklin Cultural Council
still needs local artists interested in taking part in the
Ladybug Spots Project.*

The 25 ladybug sculptures will be arriving mid-May.
Sponsors have been signing up and enthusiasm is growing.
We have heard from several interested artists and artisans already.
The design ideas have been amazing, but we need more.

We welcome designs to add to a file for sponsors to choose from, though artists can also enlist to create custom designs, collaborating with sponsors. We expect that once sponsors receive their ladybugs, they will have approximately four weeks to decorate. The FCC will have all ladybugs seal-coated to protect designs from the outside elements. Because we understand that artists will be volunteering their efforts, we will reimburse artists for supplies up to \$40. Our goal is to bring creativity, community and commerce together.

Proceeds raised from the Ladybug Spots Public Art Project will fund a permanent sculpture installation honoring the late Palma Johnson, lifelong Franklin resident, mother of five and Kennedy School teacher. Her 1974 2nd grade class petitioned the state law naming the Massachusetts State Bug, then followed the legislative process and were present, most in costume, when the law was signed.

Attached is an Artist Design Submission form. Note, it is not necessary to have a sponsor to submit a design. For more information, please contact the FCC at franklinculture@hotmail.com or call Claire Griffin at 508-520-8857.

Thank you, The Franklin Cultural Council

Ladybug Spots

Artist's Design Submission Form

Thank you for taking part in the Ladybug Spots Project. The FCC encourages collaboration with sponsors and artists in the decoration of sculptures. Sponsor fee is \$500. Artists are encouraged to donate time with an allowance to be determined by the FCC. All proceeds from this project will go toward funding a permanent public art piece honoring the late Palma Johnson and her 1974 2nd Grade class

Please fill out the form below using the blank ladybug as a canvas for your design. Specify what medium will be used in the decoration of your Ladybug. Designs will be reviewed The FCC and will be accepted through the end of May, to be kept on file for potential sponsors. Once a design is accepted the artist will be informed. Note...if you have a professional rendering, please attach it to this form for review.

Artist _____ Contact Email _____ Medium _____

Sponsor _____ Contact email _____

Address _____

Note... Please note, finished Ladybugs Sculptures will be clear coated to protect from outside elements.

Please write a few sentences about your Design Theme

Mail to... **Ladybug Spots,**
279 East Central Street,
Box 284, Franklin, MA 02038.
Submissions may also be
emailed to the FCC...
franklinculture@hotmail.com

Sponsor Signature _____ Artist Signature _____ Date _____



Ladybug Size... 2' wide x 2' tall x 28' long

ART BY THE
BAKER'S DOZEN

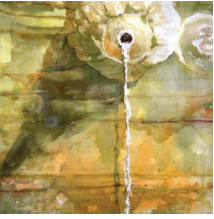
**OPENING
RECEPTION
JUNE 7
6 - 9 PM**

Visit historic Bristol, RI and enjoy seeing some unforgettable artwork by these award-winning artists. The exhibit will consist of a broad range of subject matter, created according to each artist's vision and style in various mediums including oil, acrylic, watercolor and pottery.

Show runs from June 7 - 28, 2014

Hope Gallery
435/437 Hope Street
Bristol, RI 02809

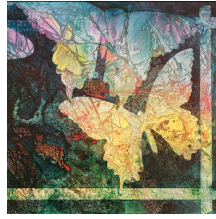
Gallery Hours
Thurs-Sunday
12:30 - 5:00 pm



JERRY AISSIS



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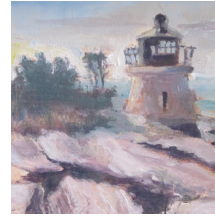
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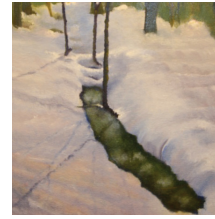
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