

Franklin Art Association

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While there is much beauty in this wintry landscape surrounding us, I think we may all be ready to turn the page from winter to spring! So, I'll start by talking about the Spring Art Show to be held at an exciting new venue this year - the Black Box Theater, 15 W. Central St., in downtown Franklin. The prospectus is attached to this newsletter. Tina Guarino and Joan Sweeney are co-chairing this event, and have all the committees chairs filled, and all details covered. All that is left is for YOU to create some beautiful art and sign up to serve on one of the many committees! The show dates are April 18-19, and we will have a gala reception from 4-8 on Saturday night with the Awards Ceremony at 7 pm. We're also having something a little new this year - a "clothesline sale"! So start painting those 8 x 10's - no mat or frame needed.

Another FAA initiative in the works is our participation in the Franklin Cultural Festival this summer from July 29 - August 2. Daydre Hamilton is taking the lead on FAA's participation in this event, and there will be many opportunities for you to get involved. This is the first ever cultural festival in Franklin, and I hope that all of you will be part of it, whether it be showing your work at various downtown locations, plein air painting, or volunteering to help in other ways. Stay tuned!

Joan Sweeney will be standing in for me for the next two FAA meetings. Please give her all your support!

Warm regards,

Sue Sheridan President

FAA Monthly Meeting/Demos

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.

Calender of Events

March 4th the FAA will host plein air land and seascape painter Ted Charron. (see image right)

April 1st Carolyn Letvin will treat us to an oil stick demonstration.

April 11th the FAA will host Bill Lane for a workshop. Contact Adele Corrigan for details. **April 17-19th** the FAA Spring Show will be held at the Blackbox Theater NEW! to down-



town Franklin. Note: Members are asked to park in the Rockland Bank parking lot during the Spring Show. This request will make parking at the Black Box easier for guests.

FAA Multimedia Workshop with William Lane

Saturday, April 11th Franklin Art Association will be holding a workshop with multimedia, Copley Society Painter, William Lane. This workshop is being designed with all media painters in mind. "What makes a good painting." Many of you are fairly new painters and this class will be very helpful to you, as well as the seasoned painters. Bill will demo in watercolor but will work with other media painters to help you make the most of your work. We are going to hold this workshop in Walpole. The usual Hopedale place, we always hold our workshops is in transition. We are going to charge \$50 for the day 8:30 to 3:30. Coffee & a light snack for breakfast. Bring your own lunch. We will have a cut off date of Tuesday, March 31st.

We will open it up to outside painters after that. Please call Adele Corrigan at 508 695 0739 or contact her at at4624@verizon.net to hold a space and for further details. We will close the workshop at 15 people.

Scholarship for Children or Grandchildren of FAA Members

The Franklin Art Association is pleased to offer a \$1,000 scholarship for a graduating high school senior who lives in Franklin, or attends high school in Franklin, or is a member of the Franklin Art Association, or the CHILD or GRANDCHILD of a current member, and intends to continue his or her education in the field of art. Members may email Tinaguarinoart@gmail.com for an application. Submissions will be due on April 2, 2015. All details and requirements are specified in the application.

Members' News

Judith Belben had two images selected for Worcester City Hall Gallery, Transportation. Worcester Preservation will have its Architectural Images Opening March 11, 2015 from 5:30 -7:30 at the Birch Tree Bread Company, Worcester. Two of Judy's images were selected for the show and for post card reproduction. (See *Pirate Ship in Salem*, below left)

Gail Eckberg's Georges Seurat French Pointillism style work, at Post Road Arts Center special "Inspiration Exhibit" in March.

Gail's art will be a feature in Maine Gallery Guide, Downeast Summer issue 2015. Register



now for Eckberg's 5 week "NEW soft Pastel" class and "Watercolor, Plus" class. www.FranklinLifelongLearning.com or 505 613 1480. Franklin's delegation State Rep. Jeffrey Roy, Sen. Richard Ross, Sen. Karen Spilka who sponsored Gail's Ladybug, hosted ceremony to present it to Franklin, where its home will be in Main Lobby of the Franklin's Town Hall municipal building. (see image upper right)

Michael O'Neil has been selected as the displaying art-

ist for Public Art Works/Home and Hospice Care of RI, Winter 2015- 2016. The 10 piece exhibit at Home and Hospice Care of RI, 1085 North Main Street, Providence, RI begins December 2015 and runs through March 2016.

Rebecca Skinner is participating in a photography exhibit at the Zullo Gallery in Mansfield. The exhibition runs February 5th thru March 22nd 2014. Opening Reception: Saturday, February 21st from 7-9pm. (see *Unnamed*, right)



Spring Show "Clothesline Art Cash & Carry" Fundraiser

Contributions wanted: Small art donations on paper!

Please adhere to the following criteria: Paper edge maximum 8x10" horizontal or vertical (the composition may be smaller). Media: Watercolor, oil, acrylic, photography, gouache, pen & ink, graphite, colored pencil, collage. Please NO pastel, charcoal, wet surfaces, diptychs, triptychs, framed or matted work, art boards, or canvases. You may donate more than 1 if desired. Please label work on the back with: Name, Title, Medium. Buyers can "pick & pay" to cashier and can frame art in standard frame of their own choice. **Drop off: March or April FAA monthly meeting or to Gail Eckberg** Questions? Please contact Gail Eckberg 508-528-1280 or gerkberg12@gmail.com

February Demo with Jonathan McPhillips





Call for Entries

Norwood Artist's gallery and studio is open to new artists. Joanne Willoughby has been the anchor artist since September '14. See flier at the end of the newsletter (see image right)

Friends of the Agawam Public Library (FAPL) 1st Open Juried 3D Art Object Show will be June, 2015. The complete prospectus/entry form can be downloaded from http://www.agawamlibrary.org/about/friends.htm There are Five Categories and Media:



Sculpture – Traditional/Single Media - object created using a single material, such as, but not limited to, stone, bronze, cast, wood, ceramics, plastic Sculpture – Contemporary/Mixed Media - object combines more than one material including recyclables and found objects Artisan/Craft – Jewelry/Metals/Glass, Artisan/Craft – Furniture/Wood/Fabrics, Artisan/Craft – Ceramics/Gourds. Early bird registration May 20th.

The Post Road Art Center's Abstraction show will run for the month of April. Submissions accepted March 16 - 26th, prizes will be awarded. Visit www.postroadartcenter.com for details. See flier at the end of the newsletter for details.



When ordering supplies for those fall 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 Lawn Signs
The lawn signs advertising the Spring Show will be available for pick up at the April meeting. Please place signs on your lawns by April 4, and return them to Tina Guarino at the close of the show at the Black Box.

Franklin Cultural District Committee Meeting!

The Franklin Cultural District is planning its first Cultural Festival this summer from July 29th to August 2nd with the Franklin Art Association playing a big role in this event. The programming will include fine arts, musicians, performers, actors, dancers, poets, culinary artists and photographers.

The Franklin Art Association has a wonderful opportunity to create awareness amongst the community by participating in this event which will be promoted via social networking, newspapers, a website and Facebook. The hope is that this will become an annual festival and grow with each year like the Harvest and Strawberry festivals have grown.

The FAA Fine Arts Festival Committee is organizing a few fun events that include, engaging children in creating art, plein air painters and art exhibits spread throughout the downtown and town common.

This should be an exciting event for the town of Franklin as well as the FAA. We will need many volunteers to participate and help out from Wednesday to Sunday.

The Goal is to have a FAA Fine Arts Festival Committee MEETING on **March** 11th at 6:30 P.M. to discuss our role and we would like to invite those that want to volunteer to participate. The meeting will be held at the Franklin All Access TV station, 23 Hutchinson St., in Franklin.

Parking is limited, so please carpool if you can!

Directions: Route 140, turn right onto Union St. (at the cemetery). Drive for 1/2 mile then turn left onto Hutchinson St. #23 is on your left.

Please let me know by email or phone no later than March 3rd if you plan on attending the meeting on March 11th and if you are interested in volunteering to be a part of the festival. You can also let me know at the March 4th FAA meeting at the Senior Center.

Looking forward to working with you to make this a great first annual cultural festival!

Daydre Hamilton

Fine Arts Festival Committee Leader

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CALL TO ARTISTS!



Join us for our March Show Exhibit 4 Paintings for \$25 + 10% Commission

Each Artist will be requested to gallery sit one Saturday or Sunday during March. Special is available till we run out of wall space

*** ONLY 10% COMMISSION! ***

If interested in exhibiting your paintings,

Contact Ellen Little at beslittle@aol.com for more information.

NORWOOD FINE ARTISTS

Winsmith Mill Market, 61 Endicott Street, Norwood, MA Norwood Fine Artists Gallery & Studio is run by Norwood Art Association



A Call to Artists

The Post Road Art Center is asking artists to submit work for the juried show

Abstraction 2015



"Memories II" by Caroline Keifer

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 March 19th - 26th

The judge for this show is: TBA
Prizes Will Be Awarded:

1st Place \$75.00

2nd Place \$50.00

3rd Place \$25.00

People's Choice \$50.00

Facebook fan page \$25.00

Opening Reception: Thursday, April 2nd, 5:30-8:00pm

Show will be up for viewing until April 29th

More Info and the Registration Form are available in the "events" section of our website www.postroadartcenter.com

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