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Dear Members and Friends,

Well, here we are friends... Another year comes to a close and a new one begins... I see the new year stretching out before me, as if staring at a blank canvas. What will fill up my days, what wonderful joys, what sorrows, what successes, what failures, what false starts, what glorious finishes, what memories will be made? I like to think of this new year as a blank canvas in front of me. I look upon the canvas with a mixture of excitement, trepidation, and hope. I will pick up the brush, and choose my colors and my story and I will put one brush stroke down after another, and make something that is uniquely my own.

I wish you all a year full of surprises, and new directions, of old standbys, and comfortable settings, of favorite colors and new ones too. As Mary Oliver says in her poem The Summer Day, "Tell me, what is it you plan to do with your one wild and precious life?"

Looking forward to another great year for the FAA!

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

January 6th: Liz Hayward Sullivan will be our guest artist. She will do a pastel painting.

February 3rd: Elizabeth Ricketson will be our guest artist. She will do a colorful abstract painting to brighten us up in February.

March 2nd: Chris Coyne will be our guest artist doing a watercolor painting.

May 14th: "Bold and expressive" figurative pastel painting workshop with Michele Mozzone, 9-3pm at the United Methodist Church in Franklin, MA. Details to come!

To all members of the FAA: Important announcement & meeting notice:

When: Jan. 20 (Wednesday) at 6: 30pm-8:30 pm

Where- Franklin Senior Center:10 Daniel McCahill St, Franklin, MA 02038

The FAA Nominating Committee along with all current board members invites you to a special and important meeting on Jan. 20th. Paul Guarino and Peg Munson currently comprise the Nominating Committee.

All members who are interested in knowing more about positions on committees and the board are invited to attend. Four (4) board positions will be open, and will be voted on at our May, 2016 meeting. We want to plan ahead and we really want to take the time and effort to share information about the positions that will be available and to give you a brief overview of the duties and responsibilities. Board members will be there to discuss how they became more involved and to tell you what it is they do in their board positions. This is an informal gathering and we want to be as transparent as possible to give all members the time to think about this opportunity. We strongly encourage members that have been thinking about doing more in the Franklin Art Association to come to this meeting. There are many benefits to taking a role on the board for a great non-profit organization like the F.A.A. If you are interested in learning more or just want to volunteer for a committee, please come to this meeting! The Nominating Committee will not be making any decisions on January 20th, but we do want to share information with members, answer any questions you may have, and encourage more involvement.

Nominating Committee

Paul Guarino

Peg Munson

Classes/Workshops/Opportunities...

The Hopkinton Cultural Council new class session start after New Years! Visit www.hopartscenter.org to see their listings.

The Post Road Art Center has new art classes starting in January, visit their website for listings including Graphite Drawing and Acrylic Painting. www.postroadartcenter.com

Call for Entries

Gallery Seven in Maynard, MA is hosting **Feast: Images of the Edible**. Entry deadline Oct. 24th. Show runs Feb. 23 - April 2nd. Visit <http://www.gallerysevenmaynard.com/gallery/juried-exhibitions/> for details.

The Norfolk Cultural Council is looking for artist's who would like to exhibit their work at the Norfolk Library Gallery in 2016. To reserve time for an exhibit or receive additional information please contact Robin Wessman at: rwessman@verizon.net.

Medway Mill Antiques, 135 Main Street (Rte. 109), Medway. Have two galleries, the larger of which could hold 50-60 pieces. Cards and prints can also be sold there. Gallery space is rented by the week, and they take 5% of gross sales. They handle the publicity, and you could have a reception if you wanted. Please call Bill Healey at 508-533-7757 if you are interested, this is an on-going opportunity.

The Post Road Art Center is hosting an Abstract Show drop of is January 7th. In February they will host "It's in the Bag" Show, bags are still available. www.postroadartcenter.com

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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

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