

# **FAA Newsletter**

# **SEPTEMBER 2020**

**Upcoming meetings:** Don't forget to download the free app Zoom to your devices (phone, laptop, ipad etc.) and practice using prior to the meetings. There are "how to" instructions on the Zoom website as well as YouTube. The demo artists have their own Zoom accounts, and will be providing their own Zoom links, which will be sent out to FAA members a few days prior to our meetings.

#### Wed., October 7th features Demo artist Karen Israel



Karen Israel's pastel paintings are defined by their dynamic compositions and unique viewpoints. Karen enjoys teaching pastel as much as she enjoys painting, and she has had the honor of jurying local and national exhibits.

In June 2020, Karen was a featured artist on Artsy Shark https://www.artsyshark.com/2020/06/30/featured-artist-karenisrael/

Karen's work is featured in Practique Des Arts Volume #153 Sept 2020 and her 5 pastels were honored to be included in an exhibition at Pastels of the World in Bourbonnais, France in May 2021. In 2018, Karen's work was featured in Practique Des Arts Volume #47.

Karen's work has been included in a traveling exhibit at both the Lyman Allyn Museum, Ct and the New Haven Museum, Ct.

Her work has won numerous awards in national and international juried exhibits over the years dating back to 2011, including Best in Show at the Pastel Society of the West Coast's National exhibit and the Flora Giffuni Memorial Award with the American Artist's Professional League.

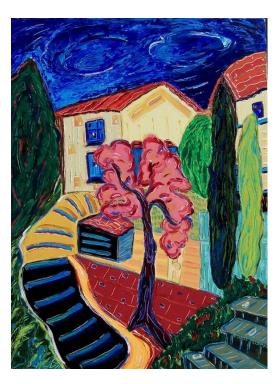


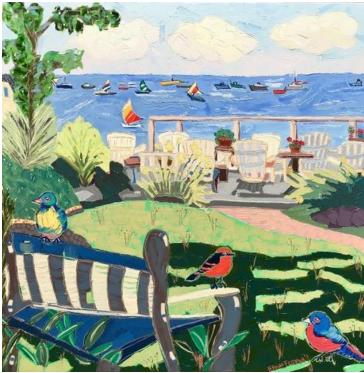


# Wed., November 4th features Demo artist Nan Hass Feldman

"Blessed by a love of life, an optimistic outlook, a very high energy level, a passion for painting, and a drive to keep my creative life in the forefront—all these traits have kept me going so far in a more-then-forty-year career as an artist. My interiors and landscapes explore a love of color, pattern, detail, and design, and—believing that "more is more"—I delight in making my work overflow with luscious, color-laden content to project a joyful and complex enthusiasm for life."









Nan Hass Feldman has been painting for more than 40 years. In that time she has had 49 solo exhibitions and has

been included in over 50 group shows, and 28 museum exhibitions. She has work in private collections in five countries; in corporate collections such as Fidelity Investments, Meditech, and Veryfine Products; and in hospital collections, including Boston Children's, Brigham and Womens, and the Mayo Clinic.

For many years she has taught in the Boston area, including at the Museum of Fine Arts, Worcester Art Museum, the DeCordova Museum, Danforth/Art, and Framingham State University, and, since 1999, she has also been leading painting retreats in France, Greece, Italy, and Mexico, and, recently, in the Mediterranean, Baltic, and Caribbean, for Oceania Cruises. At present, Nan is part of a community of artists who live and work at Boston's historic Fenway Studios.

Her awards include two Frances A. Kinnicutt traveling fellowships from the Worcester Art Museum to paint in Oaxaca, Mexico, and in the Dordogne Region in France; the Basil H. Alkazzi National Acquisition Award; the Liquitex Fine Art Achievement Award; and a Massachusetts Arts and Humanities Foundation Commission from the Museum Without Walls. As Nan briefly describes her work, she says: "For me, art is really about enhancing and interpreting reality to create a more positive and joyous world."

# **A Few Words from our President:**

Hello, my fellow artists and art lovers....

Warmest greetings and Welcome to Fall! It has been a long time since we have seen each other (or anyone for that matter) and with the current situation, it may be a long time before we can gather again at the Senior Center like we used to do. The Corona Virus ended our meetings rather abruptly in March – I have missed the camaraderie of our group, the Spring and Summer shows, the June Picnic... The board has finally been able to move forward through the magic of Technology to find a way to have us all get together "virtually". We will be holding our First meetings of the 2020-2021 year via Zoom! VP Marjorie has organized with our demonstration artists to have them bring their art to you right in your own homes while still remaining "Socially Distant". If you don't have Zoom yet, it is a simple download on your home computer or smartphone.

I hope that you are all keeping well and have been able to create over the long, hot Summer. Dennis Sardella has offered to put together a series of "virtual galleries" on our Website / Facebook page / Instagram / You Tube that would allow us to display and SELL our artwork via Social Media. You can send a few pieces to him with the details of the piece (Name, Medium, Size, Price, your Contact information) and he will add it to a video montage with other artists to showcase.

We have also decided that, since we cannot meet physically or provide all the usual things the Group does, we will be cutting the membership fee in Half – only \$15 per person. The Renewal form has been sent out. I hope you will all return it soon. In addition, we have had a very generous anonymous donor offer to help us build the Scholarship fund in the absence of our Raffle and other fundraisers. This donor will match all member donations up to \$500 – any amount you can give will go twice as far, so please consider adding that when you send in your dues. If you would have bought raffle tickets anyway, why not make your money go farther?

I truly hope the time will come soon when we can all get together in person again, but in the meantime, I look forward to seeing you all on our first Zoom meeting on Wednesday, October 7<sup>th</sup>.

Be Healthy, Be Safe, Be Creative!

Pam Warren, President

# **Important Announcement from Dennis Sardella:**

Since the pandemic has made in-person FAA gatherings impossible for the foreseeable future (likely well into 2021) we are moving to virtual programming – Zoom meetings for the monthly demonstrations – along with periodic video "Virtual Gallery Exhibits" to publicize the FAA to as wide a range of folks as possible, both to try and build up membership and to give members a chance to exhibit their work (and possibly make some sales). Our first Virtual Gallery, featuring work by five FAA members, went up on the FAA Facebook page, All About Franklin, and Instagram on September 11, and the Facebook post alone has reached over 3000 people and had over 900 views. Here's the link to it:

https://www.facebook.com/FranklinArtAssoc/videos/319831605942696/.

I'm now in the process of putting together the second gallery to go up in another week or so and I'd like to include some of your work in it. If you have three pieces I could include, just send me the files (ca. 700-1000 kb), along with title, medium, size, and price. Contact Dennis Sardella at <a href="mailto:sardelld@verizon.net">sardelld@verizon.net</a> if you would like to participate.

## **Our FAA Members in Shows:**

*Marjorie Sandella:* Artist/Photographer: Marjorie S. Sardella has one of her works in the juried exhibit entitled "IN THE ZONE", at the MORINI Gallery which can be viewed online at: <a href="https://mmas.org/online-exhibit-2/">https://mmas.org/online-exhibit-2/</a> Marjorie also had three of her works accepted into the March 2020 Morini Gallery exhibit entitled, "Untold Stories" Here is a sample of her work:

#### ACCEPTED WORKS-"UNTOLD" MORINI GALLERY



Candles For Comfort, Candles For Hope Notre Dame, Cathedral, Paris France



Je Me Souviens (Bernard Rememers) Fourth World, Movement-Mery-sur-Oise, France



Homage To Henry ~ Thoreau's Grave Sleepy Hollow, Cemetary Concord, MA

# **Art Happenings:**

# Virtual Northeast Fine Arts Exhibition at ArtWorks Gallery:

Workshop13 & ArtWorks Gallery invite you to our second annual exhibit of traditional realism



#### **OPENING RECEPTION**

Saturday, September 26, 2020 Reception, 1 to 4 pm Awards Ceremony, 3 pm SHOW HOURS

September 26th – October 11th Fridays, 4 to 7 pm Saturdays & Sundays 1 to 4 pm

Due to COVID-19, this reception and awards ceremony will be held outdoors. Small groups will be escorted into the Grand Hall to view the exhibition. Masks required.

This incredible show features 100 pieces of art in 7 categories

WORKSHOP13, 13 CHURCH ST, WARE, MA
FOR MORE INFO OR TO VIEW THIS SHOW VIRTUALLY VISIT WORKSHOP13.ORG

# **Music Happenings:**

## Virtual LiveARTS Season and Sunday Concert:

Announcement from Phil Hall

I am delighted to announce our 2020-21 season, which will be presented via Zoom this year. Concerts are free but require registration. For more information, please consult: <a href="https://www.liveartsma.org">www.liveartsma.org</a>. Our first concert, featuring classical guitarist William Riley, will take place this Sunday.

2020-21 Season

All Concerts take place Sunday, 3 PM

October 18: Victor Rosenbaum, Piano (all Schubert)

**February 28:** Amy Porter, Flute

April 18: Ann Sears, Piano, Nicholas Kitchen, Violin, Yeesun Kim, Cello (all Beethoven)

COVID can't stop the music.

## **Call for Art:**

#### Hopkinton Center for the Arts:

# Arts in Bloom 2020 Live+Online

November 13 - December 19, 2020

We are excited to announce our fifteenth annual Arts in Bloom show to be juried by Marie Craig, director of Fountain Street Gallery, awarded *Best of Boston* in 2019. Arts in Bloom is a competitive juried annual show open to all artists. Marie will choose the artwork to be exhibited, and will also select six outstanding works for awards. These artworks will be honored with fresh flower arrangements designed by Hopkinton Garden Club members. The six winning artists will also receive *cash prizes totaling over \$1,000*.

#### The Theme:

Renewal. Birth. Rebirth. New growth.

New terrain. Openness. Seeing with fresh eyes. Old things new again.

First times. Dawn. Life.

(Art work does not have to include flowers.)

#### **Specifications:**

Up to three artworks that have not been shown at HCA may be submitted. All 2D media may be entered, including photos, fiber art, and digital art. The work must be wired for hanging. Maximum height and width for framed wall hung work is 40 inches.

3D work may be entered if it is free standing (does not require a pedestal) or can be hung on the wall and does not protrude more than 10 inches.

No sawtooth hangers or sandwich frames, giclee prints, copies, derivative, or electronic reproductions will be accepted.

#### **Important Dates:**

10/19: Online Call Deadline FIND OUT MORE AND ENTER YOUR WORK HERE

10/23: Announcement of selected artworks

10/30-31: Art accepted into the show to received by mail or drop off

11/13: Exhibition Opens

TBA: Opening Reception (online)

12/17: Exhibit Ends 12/18-19: Art Pick Up



Dear FAA Members,

Do you have any contributions for our next FAA Newsletter?

- Important Member Announcements
- Our FAA Members in Shows
- Art Happenings
- Call for Art

Please send any items or suggestions for our November newsletter by October 25<sup>th</sup> to <u>faasecretary@gmail.com</u>.

## Reminder re FAA dues for 2020-2021:

Annual dues for 2020-2021 will be \$15 to cover the demo artists fees plus pay for an FAA Zoom account. As a duespaying FAA member you will also have the opportunity to virtually display and sell your art work via the FAA Facebook page, as well as the All About Franklin Facebook page, Instagram and if possible, on the FAA web-site. (Also, per prior email, don't forget to send any news re local art exhibits, etc. that you are participating in for the FAA Newsletter!)

We would also ask that you consider making a \$10 donation to the FAA Scholarship fund. We are excited to announce that we have an anonymous donor who is going to match member donations up to \$500 to the FAA Scholarship fund!!

Please print this email and fill in the membership form below, and mail, along with your check for \$15. Also, if possible, enclose a separate \$10 check for a donation to the FAA Scholarship fund!

=> Note: A few members have asked if they can utilize their online banking to send checks sent directly to the FAA. Please feel free to do that, just be sure to enter "FAA Dues" or "FAA Scholarship donation" in the Note field. And then print, fill in and mail separately the form below noting that you had check(s) sent separately by your bank.

And mail to: Treasurer, Franklin Art Association, 279 East Central St., PMB #289, Franklin, MA 02038

Franklin Art Association 2020-2021 Membership Registration Form		
This is a membership	renewal ar	nd my contact information has remained the same: YES NO
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Address:		
City:	State:	ZIP:
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