

# **Musings from the President:**

Dear members and friends,

I don't know about you but I'm getting pretty excited over plans for the FAA Gallery! The gallery space at Escape into Fiction in downtown Franklin will be ready soon. All of our supplies from Guardian Storage will be moved to a storage space at the gallery's location. This should make it so much easier to get our show supplies moved to the Rockland Bank Annex building right up the street from the gallery where we will be having our spring show. More and more ideas for events at the gallery pop into my head, for example artist talks, demos, painting classes, receptions.. Making these ideas a reality will require member involvement and support. Your participation will be key in the gallery's future success. Please let anyone on the board know if you would like to serve on a gallery committee, helping to hang shows, planning receptions, gallery sitting, and whatever else may come up. Remember, this is YOUR gallery and will require the volunteer efforts of all of us. Together, we can make it a big success and a fantastic addition to the Franklin Cultural District!

Our new pop-up tent has arrived and the panels that will be installed in the tent are on their way. This new tent for art displays was made possible by the grant we received from the Franklin Cultural District. All we need now is your donated art! You can bring your donated items to the next FAA meeting, or drop them off at my house. Thank you to those of you who have already donated, but we need more! These donated paintings and photographs will be raffled off at the Strawberry Stroll/spring show event on June 10th as a fundraiser for the FAA.

Shortly you will be receiving a prospectus and sign-up sheet for the spring show so get those paintings finished and framed! It will be here before we know it..

Hope to see you at the April meeting!

Sue Sheridan

# FAA upcoming events:



### Wednesday April 6th the FAA will host watercolorist Bill Lane.

Saturday April 23rd the FAA is very excited to have Bill Lane give a workshop. From 9am-4pm in downtown Franklin at the Rockland Bank Annex, \$100 fee for FAA members. This will be a watermedia workshop, with emphasis on watercolor. Schedule: 9-10:30 demo, 10:30-3:15 paint & lunch break, 3:15-4 critique. Please send your \$100 check to Treasurer, Franklin Art Association, 279 East Central Street, PMB 289, Franklin, MA 02038 to secure one of the limited spots today! More details here.

**Wednesday May 4th** representational oil painter <u>Lee Ball</u> will join the FAA for our final demo of the season.

ArtWALK - Strawberry Stroll Friday June 10th - 12th -The ArtWALK 2022 is looking for FAA members who are interested in placing some of their art in a business storefront in downtown Franklin during the Strawberry Stroll weekend. The Strawberry Stroll is Friday, June 10, and we are asking for the art to be in the business store front June 10,11,12 or longer if the artists and business would like. There is no theme for the art, and items that have been in any FAA past shows are eligible.

The Strawberry Stroll will also be the kickoff date for the Ladybug Trail that will also feature Flower Alley! These are both public art projects that have been done by FAA members. Please contact Peg Munson by email if you want to display some of your art. Mpegala1@aol.com







### Strawberry Stroll Exhibition, Friday June 10th

**4-8pm** Spring Show & Sale in conjunction with the Downtown Partnership Strawberry Festival. To be held at Rockland Trust Annex, all members are invited to participate. Drop off 11-11:30am Friday, June 10th. \$10 for 1 piece, \$20 for 2 artworks, \$25 for up to 3 pieces, \$30 for up to 4 pieces, check or cash payable to FAA at show drop off. Show will be judged and prizes awarded. All participating members are asked to visit volunteersignup.org/PKA8C in order to sign up to contribute their time to the success of the show. See prospectus HERE for details.

**Artwork Donations Sought:** The FAA Scholarship Committee is looking for donations of framed (or unframed) artwork for the Spring Show Raffle. The raffle is our primary source of fundraising for the Scholarship! Donations can be brought to an upcoming meeting or given to a FAA officer.

### Virtual FAA monthly meetings <u>Zoom link</u>:

If you haven't already done so, don't forget to download the free app Zoom to your devices (phone, laptop, ipad etc.) and practice using it prior to our "first Wednesday of the month" meetings. There are "how to" instructions on the Zoom website as well as YouTube. FAA now has its own Zoom account, with its own Zoom link: <u>https://us02web.zoom.us/j/7298884226</u>

We'll also send out the Zoom link to FAA members a few days prior to each meeting.

# FAA Virtual Galleries!

**Member Spotlight Opportunity -** Are you interested in having you and your artwork featured on the FAA website. Please email <u>FAAseceretary@gmail.com</u> to put your name on the Spotlight waitlist!

If you need to add your member gallery in order to be spotlight see below for details:

### As a member of FAA you can add images of your artwork for FAA Virtual Galleries on Social Media"

We currently have *four Virtual Galleries* featuring work by FAA members on the FAA Facebook page, All About Franklin, and Instagram. The Facebook posts alone have *reached over 4000 people and had over 1800 views*. Dennis reports that we now have over 400 people following us!! *He also says "<u>We need new material!!!</u>" Any FAA member can have Dennis post on our Facebook page!!* Here's the link where you can see them: facebook.com/FranklinArtAssoc

You can also access them by going to Facebook, searching on Franklin Art Association, then clicking on "videos". Please take some time to check them out, to "Like" them, and if you haven't done so yet, to "Like" the FAA Facebook Page. If you are not on Facebook, you can still view them on that link.

Dennis Sardella, our Virtual Gallery guru says "If you have three pieces I can include, just send me the files (jpg, ca. 700-1000 kb), along with title, medium, size, and price (if for sale). They do not have to be recent works." Send your images to **Dennis Sardella at <u>sardelld@verizon.net</u>** if you would like to participate.

# FAA Scholarship:

The FAA offers a \$1000 Scholarship to a Franklin senior who is continuing his or her education in art. A child or grandchild of an FAA member is eligible to apply for this scholarship provided that they have been a member for two years. The applicant does not have to live in Franklin.

### 2021 Workshops, Demos, Art Shows, Art Abroad and more:

**Framingham Cultural District** is hosting the "Many Cultures, One Heart" public art project! If you are interested in applying to be part of this Framingham Center Common Cultural District project, please submit the attached application by **Feb. 28**. They have 27 statues in need of artists, so help spread the word! There is a \$500 grant per piece. More information can be found at <a href="https://www.framinghamcentrecommon.org/many-cultures-one-heart/">https://www.framinghamcentrecommon.org/many-cultures-one-heart/</a> or you can email Stacey David at <a href="https://www.framinghamcentrecommon.org/many-cultures-one-heart/">framcentrecommon.org/many-cultures-one-heart/</a> or you can email Stacey David at

#### <u>Arts Wayland and The W Gallery</u> are hosting the following programs:

- Acrylic Painting Fundamentals: 5 weeks beginning April 5th, 3:30-5:30 This class is geared towards beginner and intermediate students looking to learn the foundations of acrylic painting skills. The instructor uses a one-on-one teaching approach as well as group critiques. We will be studying values, composition aesthetics, and grounding techniques among other tricks to make our paintings look more understandable and visually attractive. At the end of the class you will leave with a beautiful painting of your own creation!
- Beginner Photography Thur. April 7th 7-8:30pm. Are you looking to learn the basics of your camera? Have you ever wondered what the difference between portrait mode and sports mode is? If so, then this Beginner Photography Class is for you. In this class we will go over aperture, shutter speed, and each creative automatic mode (Portrait Mode, Night Mode, Sports Mode, etc).
- Intermediate Photography Wednesdays April 13 and 27, 7-9pm Are you looking to take beautiful photographs of your kids? Do you love to photograph your travels? Have you always wanted to learn how to use your camera in manual mode? If you answered yes to any of these questions then the Intermediate Photography Class is for you.
- Watercolor Edges, Glazes and Gradation workshop Tuesday April 26, 10-1, This workshop will supply handouts, demos and hands-on activities to explore watercolor and design techniques. Students will learn about a variety of glazes, how to create hard and soft edges, and how to use gradation to improve your watercolor compositions.
- Drop-In Art Open Studio. Every other Monday, 6 8:30 pm; please register by the prior Friday morning. Join artist Gloria Goguen for an open studio at The W Gallery. You can work on your own projects and at your own pace. It's a great chance to create, get feedback--and socialize with other local artists! Fee: \$10
- Data Sculpture, May 7th 2-4pm.
- Glass Fusing Sushi Set Workshop May 1, 10-1. In this 3 hour workshop you will learn the basics of glass fusing while having fun playing with glass shapes, colors and textures. First, you will learn how to use glass powders, frits, confetti, stringers, and copper sheets. Then, you'll design and create your own sushi set.
- Wire Wrapped Ring Workshop Wed May 25, 6-9pm In this workshop you will learn the wire wrapping technique to make up to three beautiful rings using sterling silver and your choice of beads.

#### The **Post Road Art Center** is hosting the following classes:

- Art Journalingwith Sandra St. Amour, Mondays 6-8pm, in person or online.
- Abstract Sculpture with Bob Collins, in person, Tuesdays 10-1.
- Watercolor with Sandra St. Amour, Wednesdays 2-4pm and Thursdays 5:30-7:30.
- Landscape Painting with Bob Collins, in person, Tuesdays 1:30-4:30.
- 1-day pastel workshop with Janet Schwartz 5/21, 10-4pm. and many more, visit **Post Road Art Center** for details.

**Charles Guy** is hosting classes Wednesdays 11-1pm, Attleboro. \$40. In person, independent student driven art class in oils, acrylics, and drawing media. Focus on value, color, form, and composition. Limited space available. Interested please contact Charlie at <u>ceguayart@yahoo.com</u>. Guy specializes in oil, acrylic, and drawing media. Classes meet at Kris Occhino's Tree Top Studio 484 Pike Ave., Attleboro, MA

Trescott Gallery is hosting sign ups for spring classes www.trescottstreetgallery.org.

**The Taunton Art Collective** is hosting Downtown Art Jam. They are seeking artists of all media and craft vendors for the May 21st event. Visit <u>https://www.facebook.com/DowntownArtJam/</u> to register.

**Workshop 13** is hosting Wheelthrowing, Watercolor, Live Model and other classes visit <u>https://www.workshop13.org/</u> for details.

**The Hopkinton Center for the Arts** is calling curators to apply for our annual Curator-In-Residence program. Through a competitive proposal process, one individual or team will be chosen each year to curate a group art show centered on diversity, equity, and inclusion. The curator will be required to deliver a public presentation or workshop with an educational component. A \$1,000 stipend will be awarded to the curator to realize their proposed exhibition. Those interested in applying for this program must demonstrate an awareness of the opportunities and challenges of curating a gallery exhibition for the general public. The curator will work closely with HCA's Exhibition Director in realizing this exhibition. Visit their <u>website</u> for details.

**Tracy Spadafora** is offering small group in-person encaustic workshops at her studio 76 Summer Street Ext. Westborough, MA. 3 students minimum, 4 students maximum for each workshop. 4/23, 5/7, 5/21, 6/11, 7/23, 8/6, 8/20 Cost \$195 includes materials. Please contact Tracy for Private Workshop rates or to schedule a private workshop: spad4@charter.net

**NETA,** the new cannabis dispensary at 162 Grove Street in Franklin is looking for artists who would like to hang their paintings or photography in their new facility. If you are interested in hanging and selling your work there, please contact Melissa Nowitz at mnowitz@netacare.org. NETA is looking to do community outreach and help local small businesses and non-profits.

Darla Bostick's 16th and 17th Ghost Ranch Workshop/Retreats, NM (June and September 2022) Relax, enjoy, create! Floor to ceiling studio windows. Ghost Ranch lodging/meals included. See why Georgia O'Keeffe and artists today love Ghost Ranch. Each workshop/retreat is different. The June 2022 Multi-Medias workshop offers something new every day---textiles, printmaking, pouring, or jewelry! September 2022 UN-traditional Watercolor workshop—collect reference photographs and push watercolor boundaries! Each has daily demos, slide presentations, door prizes, optional happy hour. Darla's been teaching at Ghost Ranch since 2008. Also, check out Darla's Annual Art Adventure Abroad this October to France (and Italy in 2023)! For the Italy art trip there is a zoom of my presentation: <u>https://youtu.be/beDIiK72fCI</u> Darla Bostick, 940.320.5660 Email: darlabostick@gmail.com

# **Treasurer's Report:**

As of March 26, 2022 the treasury consists of \$ 3,408.37. (General Fund = \$ 2,059.72; Scholarship Fund = \$ 1,348.65). During the month of March a \$ 1,000.00 scholarship was awarded to last year's recipient, having met all of the FAA requirements. The \$ 1,125.00 grant awarded by the Massachusetts Cultural Council / Franklin Cultural District was received. All expenses covered by the grant (Pop Up Canopy Tent, Mesh Panels with Sta-Bars, Hook-Clips for art displays, plus Folding Table) have been paid for. In March there were 7 new / renewal memberships. As a reminder, the Franklin Cultural Council / MA Cultural Council has awarded a \$ 1,600.00 grant for paying our monthly demonstrators during calendar year 2022. This grant money will not be received until the end of this calendar year, once a total of \$ 1,600.00 has been paid for demonstrations.

# FAA dues for 2021-2022:

Please see attached FAA Membership Renewal Form

As a dues-paying FAA member you will also have the opportunity to virtually display and sell your artwork via the FAA Facebook page, as well as the All About Franklin Facebook page, Instagram and if possible, on the FAA web-site.

Also, don't forget to send any news re local art exhibits, etc. that you are participating in for the FAA Newsletter!



The purpose of the Franklin Art Association is the advancement of the arts of painting, drawing, graphics, textiles and all creative art media in the greater Franklin area. To preserve the finest artistic traditions by means of exhibiting work, conducting classes, demonstrations, lectures, and sponsoring other activities favorable to artistic expression and for the development of friendly exchanges among artists and those interested in the arts.

#### Organization

The general management and policymaking powers of the organization are vested in the officers: President, Vice President, Secretary, Corresponding Secretary and Treasurer. Their tenure extends from September to August. Elections are held each May.

# Franklin Art Association

279 East Central Street, PMB #289, Franklin, MA 02038 www.franklinart.org

#### Activities

The Franklin Art Association meets on the first Wednesday of the month (except July & August). Meetings are held at the Franklin Senior Center, 10 Daniel McCahill St., Franklin, MA, with a business meeting starting at 6:45pm, refreshments and socialization starts at 6:30pm, the monthly demonstration/workshop starts at ~7pm and runs until ~9pm. In addition to the monthly meetings, which include a demonstration by a noted regional artist or life drawing session, workshops and field trips are sponsored throughout the year. Art exhibitions are held each fall and spring. The Association also sponsors a scholarship competition for graduating high school seniors who plan to continue their education in an art related field.

#### **Further Information**

Additional information about the Franklin Art Association is available on our website www.franklinart.org, or by contacting the Corresponding Secretary at FAAsecretary@gmail.com. To join or renew your membership, simply detach and complete the form below and mail (with accompanying check) to:

> Franklin Art Association 279 East Central Street PMB #289 Franklin, MA 02038

#### Website

As a member of the FAA you are entitled to a bio and photos of your artwork on our website. Please send a 3 paragraph bio and up to 6 high-res photos of your work to our web guru Dale Hoopingarner at webmaster@franklinart.org.

Franklin Art Association – Membership Registration

Dues cover the period from September through the following August and are due on or before the first monthly meeting in September. Make check payable to Franklin Art Association and send it along with this form to: Treasurer, Franklin Art Association, 279 East Central Street, PMB #289, Franklin, MA 02038

	Member - \$35 (age	18+,	may vote, exhibit, hold office)
	Junior Member -	\$10	(students may exhibit but are not voting members)
Na	ame:		

This is a membership renewal and my contact information has remained the same: **Yes No** 

Address:		
City:	State:	Zip:
Phone:		
Email:		
Website:		

Do you teach art?	Yes	No	
If yes, what ages, n	nedia:		

#### **Committee Interest:**

	of interest, the FAA is a volun-	
teer organization and we need willing volunteers to succeed!		
Archives	Scholarship	
Demos/Workshops	Special Exhibit Venues	
Annual Exhibitions	Newsletter	
Field trips	Website Content	
Publicity	Other:	
Refreshments		

If you would prefer that we withhold your contact information from the shared membership list, provided to members for professional publicity and social contact uses please check here: Info to be withheld:

### FAA Board Members

- President: Sue Sheridan <u>suesheridan@comcast.net</u>
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- Corresponding Secretary: Hannah Close <u>FAAsecretary@gmail.com</u>



#### **Our FAA Members in Shows?**

Do you have artwork displayed in galleries? Please share your good news with the FAA members by sending images & information to <u>faasecretary@gmail.com</u>, so they can be included in the next newsletter!

### **Our FAA Newsletter:**

Dear FAA Members,

Do you have <u>any contributions or ideas</u> for our next FAA Newsletter? Remember- this is your newsletter!!

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

Please send any items or suggestions for our next newsletter to: FAAsecretary@gmail.com.