



FAA Newsletter

September 2023

Musings from the President:

Dear members and friends,

I was recently given good advice by an artistic colleague of mine. I was feeling uninspired and in a bit of a rut, and even started avoiding my studio! The advice was to “find the joy” again by getting back to the basics, by experimenting, by working from direct observation rather than photographs, to do some plein air painting.... Basically to shake it up and get out of the rather narrow place I had squeezed myself into.



I write this from a cabin in the woods of Vermont where John and I go every year for two weeks with no TV, no Wi-Fi, with books, games and paints to occupy our time. Bought an eggplant, garlic and squashes and drew them. Bought a bunch of beets and painted them. Direct observation....I'm having fun again.

Hope to see you at the first meeting of the season on September 6th.. I will be presenting a slideshow of art work and discussing the pros and cons of various mediums.

Warm regards,

Sue Sheridan

President

[2023-24 Membership Renewal Form](#) < save time & postage, click here, print and deliver your renewal to our 1st meeting Sept 6th!

You must renew your membership in order to participate in any of our upcoming exhibits!

FAA upcoming events:

- **Wednesday September 6th: 1st Meeting of the new year** at the Franklin Senior Center 6:30pm, President Susan Sheridan will discuss the pros and cons of various 2D art media.
- **Saturday September 30th: Harvest Festival Art Exhibit @ Escape into Fiction.** NOTE: This is different from our 5th FAA Gallery exhibit, and is a 2 week to run in conjunction with the Franklin Downtown Partnership's popular [Harvest Festival](#) event. See [prospectus](#) for details. **No pre-registration required**, drop off 11am Friday Sept. 29th, pick up Saturday October 14th 10-11am. **Participants are kindly asked to help out with the show in some way, sign up here.** (Rain date for Harvest Festival: Saturday 8/30)
- **Saturday October 7th: Deadline** to enter the 5th FAA Gallery @ Escape into Fiction exhibition. Please complete [this form](#) to register. [Prospectus](#) here.
- **Saturday October 14th: Drop off** for 5th FAA Gallery @ Escape into Fiction exhibition, and pick up for 4th exhibition which began in May.
- **November 9th: Opening** for 5th FAA Gallery exhibition.

Member's News

Ali Rheume's piece *Duality* right had work juried into [Small Stones Gallery](#) & Diane Choquette also had a piece accepted into the same exhibit.

Kerry Houghton has an exhibit on display in the Meeting Room of the Franklin Public Library through the month of September.

Marjorie Sardella will be participating in the FDP annual Harvest Festival on September 30th as a Bronze Sponsor. Her *Beaux Regards* Photographic Art's 2024 calendar featuring her original photographic works is about to be published and will be available for sale at the festival or on her website, www.beaux-regards.com. See image lower left.



Donations for Scholarship Raffle Sought

The FAA seeks donations of artwork, etc. to be raffled off during the Harvest Festival Exhibit to raise money for the 2024 high school scholarship. Please contact Madeleine Saggiomo (saggiomo.m@gmail.com) if you have items to donate.

Call for Entries, Workshops, Classes, etc.

- The Hopkinton Center for the Arts fall class registration is now open. Classes include ceramics, dance, drawing, comic illustration, oil, acrylic and watercolor painting. [Registration here.](#)
- The Post Road Art Center is hosting numerous [classes](#) including an Open Studio class Wednesdays, Watercolor on Thursdays, Painting with Gouache on Thursdays, Drawing, Abstract Landscape, and Figure Drawing and an Abstraction class.
- The RI Watercolor Society is hosting a 1-day [Watercolor Journal](#) class Sept 9th, [Wet on Wet](#) class Fridays in Sept and Oct., [Watercolor Basics](#) in October and November, [Watercolor Nest painting](#) 4-weeks in October, [Plein Air Pastels](#) in 4-weeks in September, [Painting Mushrooms in Gouache](#) a 1 day workshop Sept. 23rd, as well as [Papermaking](#) in Sept. & October. I
- Arts Wayland is hosting [Mosaic Tapestry](#) workshop Sept. 9th., [Weave a Tablerunner](#) workshop Sept. 23rd, [Polymer Clay Tile](#) workshop Oct. 21st, [Mosaic Mirror](#) workshop Nov. 5th and [Mosaic Jewelry](#) Dec. 8th. The [Wayland Arts Expo](#) will be held Saturday from 1-7 on the Town Common. They are also looking for artists for their [Holiday Arts Marketplace](#).
- Trescott Gallery in Taunton is hosting a FREE [Online Marketing and Advertising class](#) Sept. 2nd & 9th. They are also hosting a [Photography Class: Thoughts about Understanding Light in Photography](#) Sept. 29th.
- [Workshop 13](#) is hosting the following classes: Wheel & Surface pottery, Painting in Oils, Beginner Wheel Throwing, Handbuilding with clay, Expanding the Wheel, and Intro to Acrylic Painting. They are also hosting [Beautiful Little Things](#) a juried exhibition of small works.

Local opportunities to show your work:

- Coldwell Banker Realty office at 220 Franklin Village Drive in Franklin. If you would like to hang your work there, especially large pieces which may exceed the size limitations of the gallery, contact Cindy Gleichauf at 508-541-6200 or Cindy.Gleichauf@CBRealty.com.
- The Franklin Public Library also has gallery hanging space in the Community Room. Follow the links at the library's website to find the application.
- PhysicianOne Urgent Care has opened next door to Starbucks in Franklin MA. They are interested in partnering with local artists' to exhibit photography and other Franklin specific artwork. Contact Lindsey Holland at lholland@p1uc.com, 978-886-5995.

As of August 25, 2023 the treasury consists of \$ 5,101.74. (General Fund = \$ 2,497.80; Scholarship Fund = \$ 2,603.94).

At the end of July a raffle to benefit the Scholarship Fund was conducted during a Farmer's Market. This raffle grossed \$ 50.00. After taxes and a new convenience fee was paid to the MA State Lottery Commission, the Scholarship Fund increased by \$ 47.44. The Storage and Gallery fees for August were paid from the General Fund, with the September fees still needing to be paid.

Member Volunteer & Contribution Opportunities!

WANTED! Anyone with web design experience! We would like to update the FAA's website and are looking for people who are interested in working on this. Please let any board member know of your interest and thank you! Please get in touch with Sue Sheridan at suesheridan@comcast.net, or call her at 508-654-9277.

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- *Important Member Announcements: exhibitions, workshops, events, etc.*
- *Local Art Happenings*
- *Local Call for Entries*

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