



FAA Newsletter

December 2023

Musings from the President:

Dear Members and Friends,

The holiday season is upon us! Filled with lists upon lists, shopping excursions, card writing, cooking, planning holiday get togethers, and socializing etc. etc. ... along with all our other daily obligations. With all this frenetic activity, try to find pockets of serenity and peace. Perhaps that is escaping to a place where you pick up the brushes and paints and carve out some moments for yourself. I hope so!

Hope to see you all on December 6th for our Holiday Potluck and Show and Tell!

Warm regards,

Sue Sheridan

President



FAA upcoming events:

- **Wednesday December 6th: Monthly Meeting Show & Tell Potluck!** Bring current/in-progress work for feedback from your peers and a **food contribution to share!** From 6:30-8:30pm at the Franklin Senior Center.
- **Wednesday January 3rd: Monthly Meeting & demo.** TBD
- **Wednesday February 7th: Monthly Meeting & demo.** [Phil Pariseau](#) a sculpture artist will join us.
- **Wednesday March 6th: Monthly Meeting & demo.** [Kim Gorassi](#) a portrait artist will join us for a demonstration.

Members willing to bring **refreshments** to upcoming FAA monthly meetings can [sign up here](#). We are currently in need of 1 more volunteer to help Marjorie Sardella to bring

goodies to the Wednesday, January 3rd meeting!

Members News

- **Dick Fotland** has an exhibit of recent paintings at the Franklin Public Library December 4th through December 31st. (image right)
- **Peg Munson** has had two pastel paintings accepted into the *Unexpected Treasures* small works juried exhibition at the Morini Gallery in Mansfield. The show is from December 3rd to 28th. Brunch Reception is December 23rd from 11-1pm. (See Fall at the Farm upper right)
- **Walter Spencer, Ali Rheume** and several other FAA members who have pieces in the upcoming [Small Stones Festival of the Arts](#) in Grafton which has been postponed until 2024 due to water damage at Grafton Public Library show venue.



Call for Entries, Workshops, Classes, etc.

- The [Hopkinton Center for the Arts](#) is hosting numerous classes.
- The Post Road Art Center is hosting numerous [classes](#) including Watercolor, Inspired by the Masters, Drawing Fundamentals, Beginning Acrylic Painting, 1-day Pastel workshop with Janet Schwartz, Open Studio class Wednesdays, Beginning Acrylic Painting Mondays, Watercolor on Thursdays, and Figure Drawing.
- The RI Watercolor Society is hosting [Painting Complex Flowers](#) a 2-day workshop Dec. 1 & 2, they are also hosting [Painting the Blues](#), deadline Dec. 8th. In addition to [Flowers and Gardens in Pastel](#) Thursdays starting January 15th. As well as [Learn Procreate Online](#) Saturdays starting Feb. 17th. [Wet on Wet Techniques](#) Fridays starting March 8th. AND! [Creating Your Own Watercolor Journal](#) April 6th.
- Arts Wayland is hosting [Mosaic Jewelry](#) Dec. 8th.
- [Workshop 13](#) is hosting Sculpting the Human Head Saturdays in December, Stained Glass Suncatchers Basics Dec 3rd or Dec 10, Holiday String Art Dec 10, Paper Window Stars Dec 13.
- [The Plymouth Center for the Arts](#) is hosting numerous fall classes including Portrait in Color, Watercolor Painting for Pleasure, Watercolor Painting for Beginners, Painting & Drawing, Photography at Dusk, Wheel Throwing and Hand Built Pottery.

- [The Danforth Art Museum](#) in Framingham is hosting numerous classes and workshops this winter including watercolor and portraiture studies, Indian Folk painting, Stoneware workshops and more!

Local opportunities:

- Hunakai Studio of Fine Arts in Foxboro is offering a new opportunity: **Open Studio for Area Artists!** The new administration and the Board of Directors of Hunakai Studio of Fine Arts, Inc. in accordance with our mission to support fine arts education and artists in the community, is announcing a new program designed to support area artists as well as any aspiring artists. Many artists' are without studio space find it inconvenient to set up in their home living areas while working on their own. Hunakai Studio is offering monthly Open Studio workspace for artists to work weekly alongside other artists while providing group support in a social setting. The open studio will be scheduled on Thursday mornings 11am -2pm. Bring your supplies, lunch, as well as your friends. Preregistration by the month is required to assure there is space. Potential exhibition space may be provided in the future. 508-543-5665 or e-mail kat@hunakaistudio.org to get more information or to register.
- 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.

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.

The FAA is in search of **artwork donations** to be raffled off to fundraise for our scholarship. Works can be brought to our monthly meeting or arrangements can be made by emailing FAAsecretary@gmail.com.

Treasurer's Report

As of November 25, 2023 the treasury consists of \$ 6,384.46. (General Fund = \$ 3,141.52; Scholarship Fund = \$ 3,242.94).

During the month of November there was 1 membership renewal, plus 2 show/gallery fees from checks needing to be reissued. The November artist was paid, as well as the December Storage and Gallery fees. The Gallery fee had been reduced by \$ 13.75 due to 2 sales. The secretary was reimbursed for postage stamps. The Scholarship Fund was increased due to advance members only raffle ticket sales.

We are sad to announce that our amazing treasurer Joe Mueller is stepping down at the end of this year. This is a critical job that the FAA can not survive without. Please - if you have a few hours a month to give to our organization, please reach out to a board member if you are willing to volunteer.

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Newsletter Contributions:

The corresponding secretary seeks:

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

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And while you are there stop by and visit the Franklin Art Association's Gallery!



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