



FAA Newsletter

January 2024

Musings from the President:

Dear Members and Friends,

Happy New Year! I hope this year brings you health, happiness and much creativity!

The Art Association is poised to provide educational programs and opportunities to exhibit your work in our two shows and in the FAA Gallery this coming year. To start off the new year, we will have a paint-in on January 3rd at our regular meeting. Bring your paints or sketching material and resource material and enjoy an evening of painting, and socializing (no oils please). Tables will be provided along with a still life set-up, and some table easels will also be available. You can also bring your own table easel if you have one. Or you can just walk around and see what everyone is doing!

In collaboration with the Franklin High School Art Department, the FAA will host its 1st FHS student show at the FAA Gallery February 17 - March 16. You are all invited to a reception at the Gallery on February 29th, 6 - 8 pm. Hope to see you there in support of Franklin's young artists!

Hope to see you then!

Sue Sheridan

President

FAA upcoming events:

- **Wednesday January 3rd: Monthly Meeting & paint in.** A still life will be provided, members are invited to bring their own materials for a paint in (please no oil paint), tables will be provided.
- **Wednesday February 7th: Monthly Meeting & demo.** [Phil Pariseau](#), a sculpture artist, will join us for a demo.
- **Saturday February 24th: [Color workshop](#)** with our own FAA secretary Chris Lamb Toubeau, see details later in the newsletter.

- **Thursday February 29th: Franklin High School Exhibit Opening at the FAA Gallery** at Escape into Fiction, 6-8pm. (Opening snow date Thursday March 7th.) Exhibition runs Saturday February 17th through Saturday March 16th.
- **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

- **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. New dates January 27th - February 4th, awards January 27th at 2:30pm, at the Brigham Hill Community Barn, 37 Wheeler Rd. North Grafton, MA 01536

In Memoriam

FAA member [Ray Andreotti](#) passed away on December 25th. He was a fine artist and lovely man, always helpful and supportive. An active member of the Rhode Island Watercolor Society and Franklin Art Association. We are sorry to share this sad news.

Color Mix Workshop

We are also pleased to announce that our own Chris Lamb Toubeau will be holding a [color workshop](#) Saturday February 24th! Please see the attached flier for details. This workshop is capped at 8 students so sign up quickly to reserve your spot! Fee for the workshop is \$60 per student for the 5 hour skills teaching. Students can register by emailing Hannah Close at faasecretary@gmail.com.

Call for Entries, Workshops, Classes, etc.

- The [Hopkinton Center for the Arts](#) is hosting numerous classes including Pastel Painting on Thursdays, Beginner Watercolor on Wednesdays, Beginner Oils on Mondays, Comic Drawing on Mondays, Intermediate Watercolor on Wednesdays, Oil & Acrylic on Mondays or Thursdays, and Traditional Indian Painting on Wednesdays.
- 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 [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, [Creating Your Own Watercolor Journal](#) April 6th, [Let's Paint Dramatic Light with Paul Jackson](#) a 3-day workshop May 31 - June 2, and [Vibrant Paintings with Soon Y. Warren](#) a 3-day workshop Nov. 8-10th, 2024.
- Arts Wayland is hosting
- [Workshop 13](#) is hosting Painting in Oils on Wednesdays, and Pencil, Paper, Draw on Thursdays. They are also hosting [All Things Animal](#) an exhibit, deadline to enter February 8th, as well as [Ware It's At](#) an exhibition celebrating the town of Ware, deadline to enter August 22nd.
- [The Trescott Gallery](#) in Taunton is hosting [Soul of the Matter](#) drop off Jan. 26 & 27.
- [The Arlington Center for the Arts](#) is hosting the following classes; Basics of Acrylics on Wednesdays, Drawing Ideas on Wednesdays, Pieces and Parts; Combining Hand-Built and Thrown Pottery on Wednesdays, Queer Pottery on Thursdays, and Wet Felted Mittens on Thursdays. See their [full course catalog here](#).
- [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!
- The town of Lexington is hosting a call for Monument design, deadline to submit for round 1 is January 25, 2024, \$1000 stipend to be awarded. [See pdf call to entry here](#).
- The town of Milford is hosting a call for a Mural design, deadline to submit applications is January 12th. \$5,000 of grant money is available. [See pdf call to entry here](#).

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 December 26, 2023 the treasury consists of \$ 6,344.46. (General Fund = \$ 3,101.52; Scholarship Fund = \$ 3,242.94).

During the month of December there was 1 new membership. Because the December meeting was a Holiday Potluck and Show and Tell, a monthly demo artist payment was not needed. A \$ 75.00 membership in the MetroWest Visitors Bureau at the Bronze level (new this year) was paid. The Storage and Gallery fees for January still need to be paid. The Scholarship Fund remained the same as an advance raffle ticket sale was not held in December.

It should be noted that all the necessary paperwork for obtaining our awarded \$ 1,200.00 grant for guest demo artists during the 2023 calendar year has been submitted to the Franklin Cultural Council / Massachusetts Cultural Council. The FAA is awaiting payment.

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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Please share your news with the FAA members by sending images & information to faasecretary@gmail.com, so they can be included in the next newsletter!

Unless otherwise noted the FAA Newsletter deadline is 5 days before the start of the new month.

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



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