



FAA Newsletter

December 2024

Musings from the President:

Dear members and friends,

The holiday season is fast approaching.. Hoping to see you at our next meeting for our "Show and Tell"! It's always fun to see what other members have been doing, and to share our creative ideas. Bring a holiday treat to help put us all in a festive mood!

Cleaning up your studio? Bring any unwanted items to our next meeting.. Someone will gladly take them off your hands!

The big news, in addition to our December show at the Norfolk Library, is the pop-up art sale at our old gallery location at 12 Main Street on December 7th. Hannah sent out the information with a link to sign up. This is your opportunity to sell some of your paintings and matted works and also craft items with no commission. The Board created a very fun wreath to be displayed in a business downtown as part of the "Wreath o' Franklin" event. All part of an effort to bring folks to stroll Franklin's downtown, and support local businesses and artists too!

In the spirit of Thanksgiving, I want to thank all of you for bringing your time, talent and treasure to support the Franklin Art Association. I especially want to thank the volunteers who serve on the Board and Gallery Committee - Madeline Saggiomo, Kim Dowe, Hannah Close, Chris Toubeau, Diana Maley, Peg Munson, and Judy Butler. A special thanks to Joe Mueller for helping Kim settle in as our new Treasurer, and to Susan Plume who works behind the scenes with Madeline to plan workshops and programs.

Warm regards,

Sue Sheridan

President

Art Show & Sale

Franklin Art Association

On Display: December 2nd - 28th



Opening Reception:
December 5th
6:30 - 8:30 pm

Location: Norfolk Library, 139 Main Street, Norfolk, MA

FAA upcoming events:

- **Saturday November 30th: Hanging for FAA Fall Show at Norfolk Library Exhibit** see show prospectus [here](#). This exhibit does not require pre-registration but all members participating are asked to volunteer in some way to make the show possible, [sign up here](#).

Please help us get the word out about the show by sharing the fliers! [Instagram](#), [Facebook](#) and [Print Flier](#).

- **Wednesday December 4th: Monthly Meeting Show & Tell Potluck!** Bring current/in-progress work for feedback from your peers and a food contribution to share! [Sign up here](#) to share your work with the group.

- **Thursday December 5th:** Opening for FAA Fall Show at Norfolk Library exhibit. [Prospectus](#).

- **Saturday December 7th:** [Collage workshop](#)

[with Lenny Moskowitz](#) 9:30-4pm \$60 for FAA members. See details below.

- **Saturday December 7th:** [Art Pop Up](#) at the former Escape into Fiction bookstore during the downtown Franklin Sip, Shop, Stroll & Roll event, 12-7pm.
- **Saturday December 28th:** Tear down for FAA Fall Show at Norfolk Library exhibit.
- **Wednesday January 8th: Monthly Meeting & Demo** [Shilpa Adduri](#) will do a "single stroke" demonstration.

All monthly meetings are held from 6:30-8:30pm at the Franklin Senior Center.

- **Wednesday March 5th: Monthly Meeting & Demo** [Christine West](#), mixed media artist and she will demo how she makes her materials and how she composes her collages.
- **Wednesday April 2nd: Monthly Meeting & Demo** [Kris Occhino](#) will do a watercolor demonstration.

We are currently in need of 2 volunteers to bring goodies to the January, February and March meetings you can [sign up here](#). The December meeting is a potluck!

Collage Workshop with Guest Lenny Moskowitz

Saturday, Dec. 7, 9:30am-4pm. \$60 for FAA Members location TBD. Please email Susan Plume susan_plume@yahoo.com or 508-846-2589 to reserve a spot.

Description: Through demonstrations and individual guidance students of all levels will be introduced to using collage as a



means of exploring landscape, still life, or abstraction. The workshop is designed to simplify the creation of subjects by transforming them into large shapes and simple areas of value and color. We will work with magazine pages collected for color.

Students will need scissors, sketchpad, pencils, charcoal, magazines, glue or glue stick, necessary painting materials, etc. Acrylic painters also will need a spray water bottle. An acrylic matte medium is recommended. If you don't have something, then do not worry! I will be bringing supplies also.

Artist statement: *"Without realizing it, my art has become what I always wanted it to be."* -Lenny Moskowitz
I give myself lots of room to explore the subjects that inspire me. There is a lot of experimentation and trial and error. I approach a painting without a preconceived idea of what the final work should look like. I am always looking for interesting things and events to occur with the paint as I am working. I thrive on surprise, and I rely more on process rather than technique to create my art.

Background: I received my B.F.A. from the Philadelphia College of Art and my M.F.A. from Michigan's Cranbrook Academy. I taught at Quinnipiac University for 15 years. I teach at various art centers in New England as well as exhibit regionally. I have been an artist in residence in several places, including Weir Farm in Wilton, Connecticut, the Anderson Center in Minnesota, and the Art Association of Nantucket.

[FAA Website](#) Member Artist Gallery

It is time to update our members only Artist Gallery on the Franklin Art Association website. Please complete [this Google Form](#) to provide the **FAA with 5 samples of your work as well as a bio statement that can be added to our site.** If you need help writing an artist's statement/bio see the links attached to the form. **ALL members are welcome and encouraged to participate!** Members who do complete the form in order to provide images and text for our Artist Gallery will get a **free ticket** for the painting raffle held during monthly meetings (raffle will be drawn at the end of the 2024-25 meeting year.)

See a sample here ---->

Dick Fotland

Dick Fotland received science degrees from Case Western Reserve University. During his professional career, he conceived and developed a number of technologies for forming images on paper. He started watercolor painting in 1997, switching to oil in 2000. He reasons that conceptual engineering and art share many attributes; both require vision to foresee possibilities, striving for simplicity and focus, and the ability to discard what doesn't work.



Call for Entries, Workshops, Classes, etc.

- The Franklin Cultural District is inviting individuals and groups to create

Learn more about Dick and view samples of his art at [Illuminare Gallery](#).

wreaths to be hosted at local businesses downtown during the “Sip, Shop, Stroll & Roll” event Dec. 7th 12-7pm. The Fairmount Fruit Farm is hosting a wreath making workshop on November 14th. More details and sign up links [here](#).

- The RI Watercolor Society is hosting [The Winter Palette](#) in Watercolors Saturdays starting January 25th, [Animalia](#) in Pencil & Paint Thursday starting January 8, [Paint a Winter Fairytale on Silk](#) Saturday February 8, [Still Lives](#) Thursdays starting February 13, Acrylic or Watercolor Feb. 6 - March 6th, and [Paint a Winter Fairtale](#) workshop on Silk Feb. 8th.
- Arts Wayland is hosting a [Indian Folk Art](#) workshop Dec. 2nd, and [Paint a Winter Fairytale on Silk](#) Saturday December 15th.
- [The Arlington Center for the Arts](#) is hosts numerous classes in a variety of media including ceramics, drawing, painting, textiles, printmaking, and mixed media for adults and youth. See their [full course catalog here](#).
- [The Plymouth Center for the Arts](#) is hosting numerous classes in a variety of media including watercolor, acrylic, oil, ceramics, and photography.
- [The Post Road Art Center](#) is hosting numerous classes including Abstract Landscape, Abstract Painting, Acrylic and Mixed Media Relief Painting, Painting the Fall Colors, Mindful Mark Making, Open Figure Studio, Creative Mark Making and more.
- The [Hopkinton Center for the Arts](#) is hosting numerous classes in media including painting, drawing, ceramics, weaving, photography, [Winged Feet](#) an exhibit deadline to enter December 30.
- [The Danforth Art Museum](#) in Framingham is hosting numerous classes and workshops in a variety of media including a 3-day Monotype class in January, Introduction to Landscape on Wednesdays, Intermediate Portrait Painting, Language and Art Explored and more.
- [The Trescott Gallery](#) in Taunton is hosting [Echoes of Winter](#) celebrating local history. Drop off January 2-4.
- [Workshop 13](#) is hosting the following workshops; Live Models Mondays, Watercolor Landscapes Tuesdays, Acrylic Still Life Tuesdays, Painting with Oils Wednesdays, in addition to numerous ceramics classes.

Local opportunities:

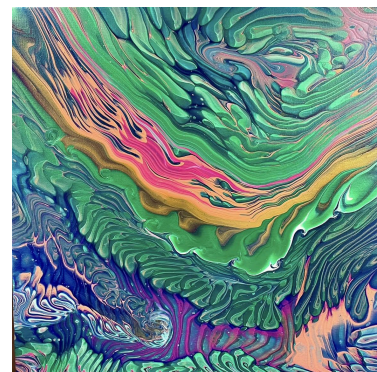
- Hunakai Studio of Fine Arts in Foxboro is offering a new opportunity: **Open Studio for Area Artists!** The new administration and the Board of Directors of Hunakai Studio of Fine Arts, Inc. in accordance with our mission to support fine arts education and artists in the community, is announcing a 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.

- 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's News

- Peg Munson's 20 by 20" acrylic painting SWOOSH has been accepted into the upcoming show at the Morini Gallery, 888 South Main Street, Mansfield MA. The show runs Dec. 4 - Jan 26.
- Marjorie Sardella's 10th Beaux Regards Wall Calendar, 2025, is now available for purchase. The calendar contains twelve original photographs by Marjorie Sardella, each carefully selected to evoke a feeling, a memory, or a sense of place, inviting the viewer to enter and imagine themselves right there. Each photo is printed on 8.5 x 11 high quality paper. They make great gifts for family, friends and coworkers, which they can enjoy all year long! The price is still \$20.00 (plus postage when needed). To see a video preview and to purchase one or more, go to www.beaux-regards.com or contact me directly at Marjorie@Beaux-Regards.com.



Treasurer's Report

As of November 24, 2024 the Treasury consists of \$5,572.56. (General Fund = \$2,346.57; Scholarship Fund = \$3,225.99).

General Fund

Starting Balance: \$2260.57

Income: see below

Expenses: \$164.00 - Storage \$149.00, Annual Report Fee \$15.00, see below

Ending Balance \$ 2096.57

Not included above:

Membership Fees: + \$175.00 (deposited not cleared)

Workshop Fees: + \$60.00 (deposited not cleared)

Workshop Fees: +65.00 (check post dated to 12/7/2024)

Cash on Hand: + \$200.00

September Artist Demo Fee: -\$250.00 (check not cashed yet)

Ending Balance after including Fees, Cash on Hand and Check not cashed: \$2346.57

Scholarship Fund

Starting Balance: \$3221.99

Income: Membership Raffle – see below

Expenses: None

Ending Balance: \$3221.99



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FAA board members wreath for the A-Wreath of Franklin event.

Newsletter Contributions:

The corresponding secretary seeks:

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

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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