# FAA Newsletter

October 2026

## Musings from the President:

Howdy from Texas,
I am currently travelling for work and was saddened to hear that the Harvest Festival was cancelled this weekend due to the weather. I hope everyone stays safe in the impending storm, and maybe even has some time to make some art while you're stuck inside. Next, we can look forward to our next demonstrations and upcoming Fall show. At the next meeting, I hope you will share your works in progress with one another. I would be excited to see what you have all been up to!
Best,
Nicole

## FAA 2026-27 Membership Renewal

Franklin Art Association Membership allows participation in all exhibitions and provides full communications; email reminders and monthly newsletters as well as an invitation to share an artist biography and sample work on our website. The Franklin Art Association website features Artist Galleries for members. If you would like to have your bio and artwork featured on our website complete this Google Form.
**Please complete this membership form** and mail to our post mail box or submit in person at our meeting.
**Note: membership is required to participate in the Fall Show November 14-December 19.**



# FAA upcoming events:

- **Wednesday October 7th:** The FAA will host Lenny Moskowitz. Lenny will be exploring a painterly, abstract approach to landscape with a focus on atmosphere, light, and spatial depth. This demonstration covers color mixing, composition, complementary color underpainting, value relationships, and transparent layering to build depth.
- **Wednesday November 4th:** The FAA will host a Show & Tell of member art.
- **Saturday Nov. 14th 10:15-11am:** Drop off for Fall Exhibition at Norfolk Library, see details in prospectus. Please share the show flier far and wide! Member help will be needed to hang and tear down the show please sign up here.
- **Wednesday December 2nd:** The FAA will host Alona Popova. Alona specializes in the Ukrainian art of wax-resist egg decorating.
- **Saturday Dec. 5th:** Reception for Fall Exhibition at Norfolk Library 2:00-4:00pm. Sign up to bring reception snacks here.
- **Saturday Dec. 19th 10-11am:** Tear down for Fall Exhibition at Norfolk Library.

Thank you in advance to Emily L for bringing snacks to our October 7th meeting! We are currently **in need of 1 more volunteers** to bring goodies to the October meeting and volunteers to bring snacks to December, January, February, March, April and May meetings. You can sign up here.



# Artist Trading Cards

Our Artist Trading Cards have been installed in the Micro Gallery at the Franklin Sculpture Park! YOU are encouraged to continue adding your artist trading cards to the micro gallery and exchange them with others as a collaborative town art initiative. Remember that Artist Trading Cards are 2.5" by 3.5" - same size as a baseball card/ pokemon card etc. Happy Trading!

The Micro Gallery is located in the Franklin Sculpture park by the Goat/Ram Sculptures and Horseshoe bench. Check out all the other incredible sculptures while you are there!

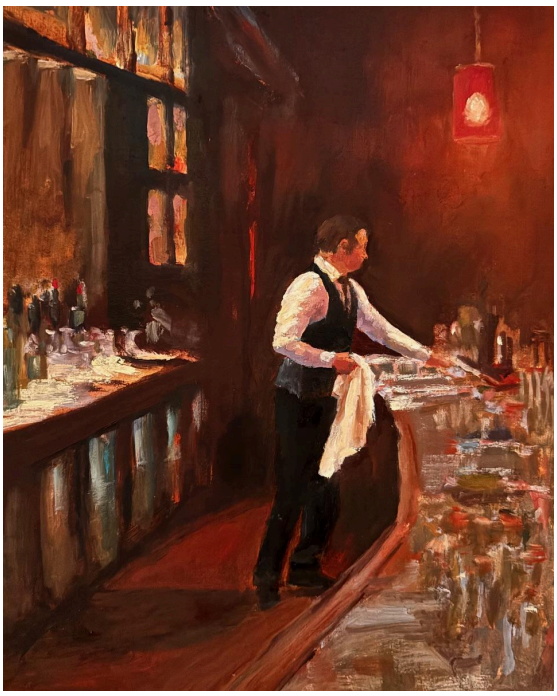
In collaboration with the Franklin Department of Arts, Culture and the Creative Economy, Franklin Art Association members will have the opportunity to display and share Artist Trading Cards at the Franklin Sculpture Park as an installation in the Micro Gallery this coming summer.

Artist Trading Cards (ATCs) are small, 2.5" x 3.5" pieces of original art that are created for, and traded among artists rather than sold. The artist trading cards will be displayed in the Micro Gallery and visitors will be encouraged to share and swap cards.

# Featured Artist: Susan Sheridan



Over the past 25 years I have been making art, first in watercolor then in pastel, oil, acrylic, and charcoal. Moving from one medium to another makes the journey very interesting! I've been on painting trips and workshops in Italy, France, Portugal, Monhegan Island, and various other New England locations. I've also been involved in the local cultural scene, serving on the Franklin Cultural Council, the Franklin Cultural District Steering Committee, and of course our very own Franklin Art Association as Treasurer, Secretary, Vice President and finally President. I'm now serving as Secretary making sure we have good publicity to increase awareness of all the wonderful programs we offer. I am currently represented by two galleries, the Painted Fox Art Gallery in Foxborough, and the Next Door Gallery in Mansfield. I love painting landscapes, cityscapes and cafe scenes. I hope you get as much enjoyment from making your art as I have!





# Call for Entries, Workshops, Classes…

- **The RI Watercolor Society** is hosting *Simply Watercolor* exhibition deadline to enter October 16th, and *Seasons* deadline to enter exhibition October 10th, as well as numerous classes and workshops including Landscape Painting Saturdays in October, Watercolor for Beginners Wednesday in October, Land, Sea and Sky in Watercolor Nov. 13-15th.
- **The Arlington Center for the Arts** is hosting 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 and workshops including Intuitive, Photography: Seeing with the Camera, Abstract Expressionism,

Acrylic Pour Painting, Mixed Media Flowers, The Business of Art, Felt Beading, Poinsettia & Patchwork Origami Wreath, Color Influence and much more.

- **The Post Road Art Center** is hosting numerous classes.
- The **Hopkinton Center for the Arts** is hosting a "day full of creative possibilities" with workshops including Artful Seeing: Ansel Adams, Holiday Trees, Creature Feature, Intuitive Markmaking, Art/History of Tarot, Modified Majolica: Underglazing Technique, Color in Design & Architecture, The Art of Sugi Ban, Mixed Media in Cape Cod Art, Preparing Your Portfolio, and Beginning iPhone Photography ← all on one day!! PLUS numerous other classes including Intro to Japanese Indigo Shibori, Beginning Still Life Drawing, Expressive Watercolor and more.
- **The Danforth Art Museum** in Framingham is hosting numerous classes and workshops in a variety of media. As well as Creativity Club FREE for those 50+ years of age! They are also looking for art teachers for their summer youth programs!
- **The Trescott Gallery** in Taunton is hosting several classes and workshops.
- **Workshop 13** is hosting *Americana* a photograph exhibition, deadline to enter Oct. 11th, as well as numerous classes including Intermediate Watercolor on Tuesdays in Sept., Intermediate Acrylics on Tuesdays in Sept., Live Model Mondays, and more.
- **Arts Wayland** is hosting an online exhibition called *Freedom in Flux: Artistic Reflections on Democracy* deadline is rolling. They are also offering Glass Painting Workshop Oct. 25th, and more.

**Local opportunities:**

- **New! The Medway Cultural Council** is looking for area artists interested in teaching 1-2 hour introductory ADULT art classes (watercolors, clay, ink, calligraphy, collage etc.) at the Medway Library. The Council would provide a grant to the artist to cover teaching and supplies. Our goal is to introduce art and spark interest in creativity for adult learners. Artists interested should contact Karyl Wong at karyl.wong16@gmail.com.
- **The ICA** (Institute of Contemporary Art in Boston) now offers a free Artist's Pass sign up here.
- **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 Tuesday 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

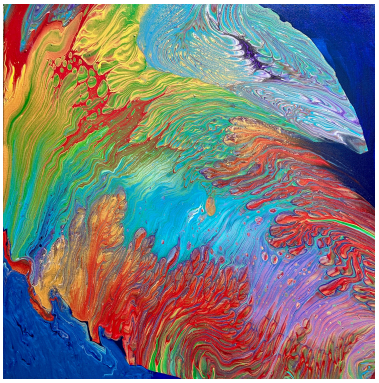
space may be provided in the future. 508-543-5665 or e-mail kat@hunakaistudio.org to get more information or to register.

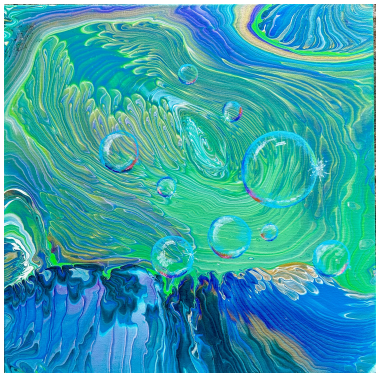
- **The Franklin Public Library** also has **gallery hanging space** in the Community Room. Follow the links at the library's website to find the application.
- **PhysicianOne Urgent Care** has opened next door to Starbucks in Franklin MA. They are interested in partnering with local artists' to exhibit photography and other Franklin specific artwork. Contact Lindsey Holland at lholland@p1uc.com, 978-886-5995.
- **Creative Corner Art Studio:** Franklin, MA is looking for local artists to sell/hang/display their artwork at the studio. Now through the end of 2025 100% of the profits will go to the artist, no commissions or fees. They are open to a great diversity of work and currently showcase paintings, jewelry, floral arrangements, candles, and more. For more information please email marycreativecornerartstudio@gmail.com

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# Member News

**Peg Munson** has two abstract paintings in the upcoming exhibit at the Morini Gallery in Mansfield. *Abstract Scapes,* a Juried Exhibition is from 9/17 to 11/15. The reception brunch is 9/20 from 11am-1pm. See *Bubbling Up* and *Out of the Blue* right.





**Yolanda Mazzoni**'s painting, titled "Between the Posts" was selected as part of Zullo's yearly juried exhibition. The opening reception has been rescheduled to October 24th, 6:30-9:00pm. The show runs through November 1.
In July 2026, Yolanda Pena Mazzoni of Foxborough and Shana Sood formally from Medfield had a dual art show in New Delhi titled **"Mirrors: Distance Between Worlds."** This exhibition explores the subtle cultural interplay between two artists, Shana Sood and Yolanda Peña Mazzoni, who grew up in completely different parts of the world yet connect through a series of realist paintings that reflect the distances and resonances between their worlds. Positioned between continents, generations, and personal histories, this show delves into the experiences of migration, memory, identity, and womanhood through the distinct lenses of the Indian and Cuban diasporas.

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# Treasurer's Report

As of September 26, 2026, the Treasury consists of $6,831.01 (General Fund = $4434.06 + Scholarship Fund = $2,196.95 + Cash on Hand = $200.00).

**General Fund**
Starting Balance: $ 3702.59 (General Account)
Income: + $990.00
Memberships + $930.00
Workshop Income + $60.00

Expenses: - $258.53
Paypal Fee - $8.53
Artist Demo - 250.00
Ending Balance $4434.06

**Scholarship Fund**
Starting Balance: $2,196.95 (Scholarship Account)
Income: $0.00
Expenses: $0
Ending Balance $2,196.95

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# FAA Website: Member Pages

The Franklin Art Association website features Artist Galleries for members. If you would like to have your bio and artwork featured on our website complete this Google Form.

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## 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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