



Franklin Art Association

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We are an all-volunteer association. As such, we depend on the efforts of our members for operation of the association. Our operations are organized around several committees that plan, organize, and carry out activities necessary for our success. Our committee chairs are as follow:

Scholarship

Joan Callahan and Shelly Eager

Workshops

Rick Cardoza

Fall Exhibition

Gail Eckerg Ferguson

Archives

Karen Pendleton

Publicity

Rick Cardoza

Refreshments

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PRESIDENT'S CORNER

Dear Fellow Art Associators,

Your president, in view of the New Year, has just finished making what she probably wrongly believes to be all the name tags for all the new members and for people who probably lost their tags. If you find you don't have a name tag, or if your name is spelled wrong, tell her gently and hope for the best.

Thank you to all the people who entered the guest show at the Rhode Island Watercolor Society gallery - and especially to those who came up with extra paintings when asked. We have a nice varied and interesting show of which we can be very proud. This is the first guest show the FAA has done at the very attractive RIWS Gallery. The opening is January 7, 1pm to 4pm - bring some snacks, invite your friends, and take a look at the impressive paintings on display - not all of them watercolors! If you have lost the directions, you can find them on the Rhode Island Watercolor Society's web site:

<http://www.riws.org/about.htm>

And - do not forget to bring your paper/pencils/paints and so on to the next meeting - a still life session. A good way to start the New Year - artistically! Even if you are only a beginner, you'll have a good time trying!

I find that I have mentioned you all losing and forgetting thing - tags,

directions, paper & pencils, etc - which does not indicate a lack of confidence in your abilities - only my own experience over this holiday!

Happy New Year!

Jean

Meetings take place at the **Old Town Hall/COA-Senior Center**, 80 West Central Street, Franklin, MA, next to the Franklin Methodist Church, from **6:30pm** to approximately 9pm, the **first Wednesday** of each month, September through June.

Refreshments and socializing from 6:30 pm until 7:00 pm is followed by a short business meeting.

Demonstration/lectures or workshop activity follows. Our meetings are open to the public. **Parking is free** around the building and across the street.

CALENDAR

Wednesday, Jan. 3

Gail Ekberg-Ferguson, an association member and art instructor, will provide a series of still life set-ups for members to draw or paint from. A former Maine resident, she works basically in watercolor, and has a studio in Norfolk. She has been featured in a number of venues and chaired exhibits. Please bring you art materials so you can participate in this annual event.

Sunday, Jan. 7

Opening reception of the FAA show hosted by the Rhode Island Watercolor Society is held from 1 to 4 pm at the RIWS gallery.

Wednesday, Feb. 7

Dorothy Brenner Appel will conduct a session on live model painting, provide handouts and critique the sketches of

members and guests. She has worked in various media and had numerous one-person exhibits. She teaches in Sharon. Please bring sketching or painting materials.

Wednesday, Mar. 7

Nan Daley, whose talents include collage, will present an assortment of techniques for experimental work in watercolor and acrylic. Members and guests are urged to bring their artist tools and make notes as she show ways of creating textures, and in using non-traditional supports.

Wednesday, Apr. 4

Rosalie Nadeau will join us from her Cape Cod studio and will concentrate on her more recent work in pastels. She is involved with the Granary Gallery in West Tisbury on Martha's Vineyard. Don't miss what promises to be an exciting presentation.

Wednesday, May 2

Ken Partello of Boston Caricatures will provide an evening of fun as he depicts various members of the audience on paper and encourages those in attendance to do their own sketches of the characters or relatives in their lives.

May

Our spring show will be held during the month of May at the meeting room in the new Norfolk library. Details will be provided in the next newsletter

Wednesday, June 6

End of year gathering/picnic

DECEMBER MEETING

Our holiday gathering took place at Susan Sheridan's home on the evening of December 6. Photos of this event follow. We note that Vail Pagliarani, shown here with Treasurer Paul

Peterson, has finally paid this year's dues.



EDITOR'S COMMENT

After several years of editing your newsletter, I feel the time has come to hand the reins over to a newer face. If any member would care to take over this pleasant chore, please contact me and I will help you get started.

As always, we depend on you, our members, to provide information for your newsletter. So please provide information concerning coming events, information regarding your exhibitions, news of new shows, and so forth. Deadline for submission is the 25th of each month.

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FAA WEB SITE

The Franklin Art Association web site went active in December. You can view the site at www.franklinart.org. The gallery page is a work in progress but we hope to provide a full page for each FAA painter who wishes to have gallery space. Lynne Fitzpatrick has agreed to take over as web master in December. Details regarding the process for setting up your gallery site will be provided in the next newsletter.