



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

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Spring Exhibition

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PRESIDENT'S CORNER

Hi all art lovers,

Jean has just returned, much fatigued, from a glorious London vacation and has asked me, your editor, to fill in for her.

This has been a great year for your association. Several exhibitions, increased membership, great demonstrators and workshops and much fun was had by all.

The terms of the present officers have been extended through the 2007-2008 season. It has been the custom for officers to serve two years – so think about becoming an officer after next year – new blood would be good.

Don't forget our season closing party at Shelley's this Wednesday.

Our spring show at the new Norfolk library was a great success – 109 items saturated the large meeting hall. And our works were viewed by large numbers of people using the room over the past month.

Our by-laws and constitution are somewhat antiquated and it now seems appropriate to amend these to reflect current practice. So your officers will be making proposed amendments in the fall to be voted on at a special meeting to be held in May, 2008. You will have copies of all documents and proposed amendments next fall.

Have a great painterly summer,
Dick Fotland

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, June 6

End of year gathering/picnic will be held at Shelly and Scott's condo at Spruce Pond Village off King Street starting about 6pm. At the light by Joe's Bar and Grill turn toward the Boston Sports club and take a left into Spruce Pond Village Condos (Right opposite the opening to the parking lot to Joes.) Go down the hill and bear to the right with the road. Take your first left and cross over the pond. At the end of the street turn right onto Highbank Rd. Shelly's condo is 1/2 way down the street at Number 86. This is a potluck event. Shelly will have a grill available. Shelly's phones are 508-528-3616 and 08-528-3616.

FALL ART EXHIBITION

We are hoping that, with the opening of the new Franklin Senior Center, we will be able to hold our fall show there the weekend of Nov. 17-18 (tentative). Our president Jean Blake White is working on this situation.

VP Dick Cook has volunteered to chair the show, and has backup plans in place. He notes that there will be bins for this event, along with a scholarship raffle.

Three raffle pieces have already been donated by past demonstrators. The number of original art pieces (2 or 3) to be accepted from members will be announced in the September newsletter, along with categories.

An exhibition committee is currently being formulated. Suggestions are welcome from all members (email to: riparco26@aol.com), but should take into account the interests of all level of artists, with all mediums represented – perhaps even sculpture.

The list of demonstrators for the 2007-2008 meeting year will be announced in the September newsletter.

FINANCE

Our scholarship account now has \$2,425 and our general fund is \$3,091. And our membership has grown to 89.

NEW MEMBERS

We welcome new members:

Adele Corrigan
Ellen Goetz
Richard Guarabascio
Dale Hoopingarner
Kathleen Hutchinson
Jeanne Lightbody
Carol Marshall
Sherry Rhyno
Catherine Rogozyn

SPRING ART EXHIBITION

Fifty six FAA members were represented by 109 works at our recent spring members' show. The three categories were rather evenly divided: 35 oil/acrylic, 38 watercolor, and 36 other. The opening on Saturday, May 12 was well attended. Exhibition photos may be seen at the end of this newsletter. Live music was furnished by a harpist.

The exhibition was on view the entire month of May.

Ribbon winners were:

Best in Show -

Vail Pagliarani, oil, Stillwater Farm (see exhibition photos)

Oils –

First Place Bill Robinson
2nd Place Paul Peterson
3rd Place Tony Donavin
HM Eleanor Holmes

Watercolor –

First Place Susan Sheridan
2nd Place Rick Cardoza
3rd Place Aivars Zandbergs
HM Carlie DeGaetano
HM Karen Baldassari
HM Wayne Peltier

Other –

First Place Janyce Conklin
2nd Place Richard P Cook
3rd Place Chuck Kelcourse
HM Lori Veit
HM Kathleen Hutchinson
HM Rick Cardoza
HM Shelly Eager
HM Richard P Cook
HM Jeanne Lightbody

MEMBERS NEWS

Sarah Alexander is exhibiting at the Natick Center for the Arts in July with the Holliston Mill artists. She also is in the Community of Artists show at the Danforth Museum June 2-July 29 with and opening reception Thursday June 14, 6-8 pm. Her exhibit at Broadmoor in Natick will be running until June 29th.

Michael Evans has a show starting June 1 and going through June 30 at Jaec's Cafe on Union St. in Attleboro. Jaec's is across from the Attleboro Train Station. The show will consist of landscapes in oil and pastel.

Gail Eckberg held an all media workshop with many attending, on Norfolk's Town Hill, Sat., May 26th. It was a successful and fun plein air painting day, with beautiful warm weather, cool breezes making for perfect temperatures, and 'no May bugs'. !!!

FAA members Brenda Hutchinson and Gail Eckberg have art work with Bellingham Cultural Council's 2007 Art Exhibit, held at the Gallery Room, Bellingham Town Library. Blackstone Street, beginning with opening exhibit reception, Saturday, June 9th, Noon - 4:00 P.M. - public welcome - and extending to July 9th, closing.

"DEER ISLE AND STONINGTON, ME.", soft book of over 100 poems and original paintings by ECKBERG, is available from the artist, \$30. To purchase, call 508 528 1280

FAA WEB SITE

The Franklin Art Association web site went active in December. You can view the site at www.franklinart.org. The web site includes a membership application form and all the newsletters of the current season.

The gallery page continues to expand; there are presently seven FAA artists who have images on the site. Anyone wishing to place images and a biography (or comments regarding their approach to painting) can email me, rfotland@comcast.net, the text and images and I will edit and send them on to Lynne for placement on the web site. I will take digital photographs of your artwork if you bring paintings to my studio in the event you do not have digital images of your paintings.

ART ACTIVITIES

The Premier Image Gallery is holding its annual open art Competition and exhibit June 7th through August 11. Delivery dates are Thursday, June 7th and Friday, June 8th. Following this show, their annual Photography Exhibit and Competition will be held August 9th through September 21st. For more information contact Don Gordon at 508-881-4730 or stop in at 290 Elliot Street, Ledgemere Plaza, Ashland, MA.

Member artists are encouraged to paint or photograph interesting sights in and around Franklin (past and present) for a future show or to be hung at one of our local exhibit venues. It might be nice to have such pieces rotated at the new senior center.

CALL FOR ARTISTS

The Rhode Island Watercolor Society is seeking artists for its upcoming open, juried exhibition, entitled "*Paint RI! 2007*". Works selected for the show will on display and for sale from August 26 - September 14, 2007 at the Society's Gallery, located at the J. C. Potter Casino (Boat House) in Slater Memorial Park, Armistice Boulevard, Pawtucket, RI.

The exhibition will explore all things Rhode Island, including its magnificent scenic views, vibrant community life, architecture, and rich history. Cash and ribbons will be awarded. Open to all artists 18 and older. Work must be original, watermedia based, not previously exhibited in RIWS competition, and have been completed within the last three years. Entry submissions are to

be hand delivered to the Society's Gallery from August 12 – 19. Gallery hours are Tuesday through Saturday from 10 AM to 4 PM and Sunday from 1 to 5 PM.

For more information, please visit the Society's web site at www.riws.org or contact Mary Lou Moore, Gallery Director, at (401) 726-1876 and marylou.moore@cox.net.

Publicity Contact: Rick Cardoza (508) 883-8250 or rcardoza01504@yahoo.com

The Rhode Island Watercolor Society is offering a life drawing class on Tuesday evenings at 6:30 to 9:00 pm at the Watercolor Gallery. The cost is \$50.00 for members and \$60.00 for non-members for six weeks. Drop-ins are \$10.00 a night. There will be some instruction if requested. Male and female models alternate each week. Contact the RI Watercolor Society at 401-726-1876 for more information. Come and enjoy the company of others and learn to draw and paint the human form.

EDITOR'S COMMENT

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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