

Monthly Newsletter

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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:

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PRESIDENT'S CORNER

Hello Association!

Welcome back - we have exciting news. The New Senior Center in Franklin is nearing completion - we will begin meeting there in January and plan to hold the fall exhibition at the new building in November. It will be a larger area and we will be able to have a Saturday - Sunday show, rather than a single day. Be sure to contact Richard Cook if you would like to help out with the November show.

We will continue to hold meetings at the Old Town Hall aka Old Senior Center for September, October and November.

Also regarding seniors, we have been invited to participate in Massachusetts Senator Karen Spilka's Senior Art Show at the State House in downtown Boston. The show will be held September 10th through September 21st, 2007 9:00 AM to 5:00 PM Doric Hall. The art will be on display to the general public daily from 9:00 AM to 5:00 PM and there will be a reception for friends and family of the artists.

The youngest age to qualify for this show is 60 - if you are interested please contact me since I don't know how many of us are seniors and would be interested. There's no fee to enter this show and it would be great for the Association to participate!

We will be providing more hands-on meeting content this year - for a varied and simulating roster, including a critique, figure drawing, and a clown! The first meeting will feature a demonstrator who is also a member - the award-winning Rick Cardoza will show techniques for pastels and the sort of color-handling and drawing skills which can applied to any medium.

Dues are due in September - still \$20.00, a real bargain - and we'd really appreciate your filling out the membership form so we can update the information we have about the members.

I look forward to seeing you all!

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.

IMPORTANT NOTICE!!!

The new membership year starts. In order to keep our membership roster files up to date will all members, new and old, please fill out the application form provided with this newsletter and mail or bring to September meeting with your check. Thank you all in advance.

CALENDAR

<u>Wednesday, September 5</u> Rich Cardoza will demonstrate the art of pastel painting

Wednesday, October 3 Janis Anamis of Latvia will demonstrate watercolor and mono prints with translator Tex Zandbergs.

Wednesday, November 7 Claire Griffin: calligraphy and silhouettes

<u>Saturday, November 17</u> Fall Exhibition at the new Franklin senior Center

Wednesday, December 5 Holiday event to be announced

Wednesday, January 2 Critique night at the new Senior Center; this as well as all future meetings will be held at the new center.

<u>Wednesday, February 6</u> Live model sketching and painting with Bill Robinson (Bill will not be the model)

<u>Wednesday, March 5</u> Elaine Keyes "Clarity the Clown" art as entertainment, variety of art skills, including making balloon shapes, face painting and lots more.

Wednesday, April 2 Caroly Letvin: oil stick and mono type (animals)

Wednesday, May 7 Ellen Rolli: acrylics

May Art Exhibition Norfolk Library

Wednesday, June 4 End of year gathering/picnic at Joan Callahan's

SCHOLARSHIPS

FAA vice president Dick Cook presents 2007 art scholarship of \$1,000 to Franklin High senior Angela Lightner during Awards Day ceremonies.



MEMBERS NEWS

Over the Summer Michael Evans was juried into the Pastel Painter's Society of Cape Cod's "For Pastels Only." It was his first national show. He also won an award sponsored by the New Hampshire Pastel Society.

Paul Peterson and Jean Blake White are exhibiting their paintings in the lobby of the Hawthorne Suites in Franklin through September. Victor Pisini will have a show in that space in October, November and December.

Susan Sheridan's painting "Winter Study #3" was juried into the 14th Annual National Water media Competition. The opening reception will be held Sunday, September 16 from 1pm until 4pm at the Rhode Island Watercolor Society. Antonia Marshall recently won First Prize for her watercolor painting "Green Chapeau" at the Rhode Island Watercolor Society's Open Juried Show "Passion for Color". She also had a painting accepted into the RIWS National Juried Open Show, Sept. 16 through October 12, and another painting accepted into the North East Watercolor Society's Annual International Open Juried Exhibition.

Pastel artist and FAA member Karole Nicholson of Cumberland will be exhibiting her paintings at the Boyden Library Gallery, 15 Bird Street in Foxboro during the month of September.

Shelly Engstrum received the Dorothy Collins Memorial Award for excellence in Pastels at the North Shore Art Exhibit in Gloucester this summer. She will also be teaching a four week course in pastels at the Franklin Art Studio in October.

Carol Frieswick has been accepted into two juried shows at the Wickford Art Association; the Interiors Show and The Arts of the Ocean State and also into three shows at the Rhode Island Watercolor Society; Coastal New England, Passion for Color and Paint Rhode Island.

ART ACTIVITIES

Dick Cook, chair for the Nov. 17 fall exhibit at the new Senior Center, notes that approximately 20 members have signed up for various tasks. The only remaining tasks needing volunteers are: assistant to FAA treasurer on money table, greeter-raffle-peoples' choice voting tables, and food table. Call 508-528-3497 to volunteer your services. Exhibit applications will be available at the September and October meetings. **ARTBEAT,** the creativity store, offers gifts and fun art materials for enthusiasts of all ages. Their walk-in studio offers a daily menu of activities along with free instruction.

The first ARTBEAT center was opened in Arlington, MA in 1996. A second creativity store was opened in Franklin this past June. Located in Franklin's newest downtown office retail center at 9 Summer Street, the store is open seven days a week including Thursday and Friday evenings. While devoted to enhancing youngsters' natural creativity, the store also carries a small well thought out collection of fine art materials such as canvas, brushes, and art books, as well as artful gifts. Please check out the ARTBEAT website at www.artbeatonline.com <http://www.artbeatonline.com/>. And

stop in and say hello to Jan Whitted or her son Andrai.

Jan would like to introduce ARTBEAT and has invited us to a reception for FAA members, and partners, on Sunday evening, October 14th from 6 to 7:30 pm. Food and drink will be available.

Please contact Jan if you would like to participate in exposing young people to the joys of painting, either through teaching or through a possible "Introduction to the Artist" series of workshops. She can be reached via email at contact@artbeatonline.com, or by phone at 508-528-5001

The Life Drawing classes at the RI Watercolor Society will be starting up again on September 25 from 6:30 to 9 pm. The cost for members is \$60.00 and non-members \$70.00. The class will run for 6 weeks starting on Sept. 25. There will be an instructor for the first 2 weeks. David Locarno will provide instruction.

Ray Andreotti will be subbing for Al Albrektson's **Intermediate - Advanced Watercolor Class**, Saturdays, 10:30am -1:00pm for six weeks starting on September 22 - October 20 and one final Critique class on November 10. at the Rhode Island Watercolor Society, Slater Park in Pawtucket. Members \$80; nonmembers \$95. Call the Gallery at (401)726-1876 to sign up.

The Annual Wrentham Arts Festival will be held on September 29 and 30 from 10 am until 5 pm.

FAA WEB SITE

The Franklin Art Association web site went active in December. You can view the site at <u>www.franklinart.org</u>. Please contact Dick Fotland if you wish the Lynne Fitzpatrick, our webmaster, to add your painting images and bio to the web site.

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.

Dick Fotland, Editor

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Dues cover the period from September through the followin Make check payable to Franklin Art Association and se	g August and are due on or before the first monthly meeting in September. nd it along with this form to:
Treasurer, Franklin Art Associatio	n, 279 East Central Street, PMB #289, Franklin, MA 02038
🔲 Member - \$20 (Age 18 or older; may vote, exhibit	, hold office)
Junior Member - \$10 (High School students may	exhibit, but not vote)
Do you have a preferred medium? Do you teach art? Yes No (If yes, what ages and media?)	Address: City: State: Zip:
Committee Interest: Exhibits/Shows Programs Refreshments Fieldtrips	Phone: Email: Are you willing to receive your newsletter via email rather than regular mail? Yes No