



# 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:

Scholarship

**Joan Callahan and Shelly Eager**

Workshops

**open**

Fall Exhibition

**Richard Cook**

Archives

**Karen Pendleton**

Publicity

**Anne McNevin**

Refreshments

**Bernie McNichols**

Website

**Lynne Fitzpatrick**

## PRESIDENT'S CORNER

Dear Members of the Franklin Art Association,

I hope you all saw the November FAA show - it was spectacular. Good artworks in an elegant venue - the Haywood Manor, courtesy of

Christine and Paul Molla. Richard Cook did a fantastic job of getting this show together (and keeping it together!) - along with all of his committee members. In other news, the December Holiday Party will be on December 5 -

Wednesday - not on Saturday - kindly hosted by Anne Diamond McNevin.

Details elsewhere in this newsletter!

AND in the best news, we have positive confirmation that we will be meeting in the very spiffy new Franklin Senior

Center starting in January. Directions and details will be in the January newsletter, but we are very happy about this - it will be a much improved venue for meetings - a nice big room with a lot of chairs and tables - very nice indeed. The meetings will continue to be on the first Wednesday of the month at 6:30PM - just in a new place!

We are also starting to form plans for the spring exhibition (no rest for the artistic) at the Norfolk library. Anyone interested in steering this show, please get in touch with one of the officers. Now that we have a nice new home for meetings, we are also looking for suggestions and a volunteer to look into a Spring Workshop. I know that winter has barely arrived - but can spring be far behind? The plein aire season may be

slipping away but anyone interested in a regular weekly painting session, please contact one of the officers. As the snow begins to fly, we definitely will have to continue our observations of nature - and our efforts to paint and photograph with more and more skill! I was truly impressed by the thought and skill which went into the artwork on display in the show - now we need to keep up the good work!  
Take care of yourselves and have a lovely holiday season!

Jean

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.

## CALENDAR

### Wednesday, December 5

Holiday event will be held at Anne McNevin's in Milford.

### Wednesday, January 2

Show and tell night at the new Senior Center; this as well as all future meetings will be held at the new center.

### Wednesday, February 6

Live model sketching and painting with Bill Robinson (Bill will not be the model)

### Wednesday, March 5

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  
Month of May, reception May 3

### Wednesday, June 4

End of year gathering/picnic at Joan Callahan's

## NEW MEMBERS

We welcome the following new members:

Theresa A. Wall Duggan  
Jaesun J. W. Duggan  
Paul Guarino  
Carol D. Nowlin  
Sandy Smith

## FALL ART EXHIBITION

Our fall exhibition was held at the Hayward Manor on November 10 and 11.

Dick Cook, exhibition chair, gives thanks to all those members and non-members who helped make our 2007 Fall Exhibition and Sale a success. Believe it or not, about 50 individuals played key roles and took on major responsibilities -- and every one of them came through 100 percent.

Paul and Christine Molla, who allowed us usage of Hayward Manor, and covered insurance costs for this venue, expressed their appreciation of how professional we all came across. The chairs you sat in came from the Franklin Rod & Gun Club.

There were quite a few bin sales; a couple of competitive paintings were sold; well over half the silent auction pieces were bid on; we did quite well on the scholarship raffle; and there were a number of donations.

Stacy David's "Tall Ship on the High Seas" acrylic took the People's Choice ribbon. Forty-six members entered 132 works in the competition, making judge Carol Rafferty's choices for 33 awards challenging to say the least. Harpist Diana Patenaude entertained us during Saturday's reception time.

Competitive Awards

Oil and acrylic  
1st Paul Peterson "Thayer's Barn"

2nd Dick Fotland "Far Soud Harbor"  
3rd Stephanie Miksis "Musing (Portrait of J.K.)"  
HM Dorothy Downing "A Walk in the Woods"  
HM Bill Robinson "The Gondolier, Venice"  
HM Paul Peterson "Chicken Brook"

#### Watercolor

Best of Show: Susan Pratt Sheridan  
"Afternoon in Piensa"  
1st Frank Robertson "An Uncommon Common"  
2nd Lisa Bailey "Apple Cider"  
3rd Linda Massey "Orange Poppy"  
HM Dorothy Downing "Canadian Rockies Stream"  
HM Lynne Fitzpatrick "A Mother's Love"  
HM Tina Guarino "Benice"  
HM Brenda Hutchinson "Winter Sunrise-Boston Light"

#### Pastels

1st Shelley Eager "Turquoise Coast"  
2nd Shelley Eager "Still Life with Decanter"  
3rd Jean White "Fancy Aire"  
HM Bernie McNichols "Where is My Boat II"  
HM Jean White "Shallow Lake"

#### Collage & Mixed Media

1st Anne D. McNevin "The Journeyman's Journey"  
2nd Anne D. McNevin "Summer"  
3rd Sarah Alexander "Famine Cottage Reclaimed"  
HM Hannah Liverant Close "Ech-a-Necka"  
HM Gail Ekberg "Organics on the Way"

#### Ink & Calligraphy & Pencil

1st Claire Griffin "Who Are We?"  
2nd Karen Pendleton "Kiva-Aztec Ruins, NM"  
3rd Claire Griffin "One Impulse"

#### Photography

1st Lori Viet "Jerome, AZ"  
2nd Anne D. McNevin "Through Rose-Colored Glasses"  
3rd Richard P. Cook "Just a Pile of Sticks"  
HM Michael Guarino "Oregon Mist"  
HM Beth Hoffer "Serenity" and "Study in Blue"

The exhibition was a financial success; \$580 was raised for the scholarship fund and about \$420 for the general fund.

## **DECEMBER SMALL WORKS EXHIBITION AND SALE**

The Holiday Small Works Exhibition and Sale is being held at the Norfolk Library during the month of December. The reception is on Saturday, December 1 from 1pm to 4pm. Over 140 works of art are on exhibit and all are for sale. Exhibitors are encouraged to bring bins for the reception only. Exhibitors are also encouraged to bring hors d'oeuvre. Many thanks to Vail Pagliarani, his wife, and the Norfolk Cultural Council for creating this event which features works by both Franklin Art and Foxboro Art Association members.

## **DECEMBER HOLIDAY PARTY**

Members and their significant others are invited to attend the Franklin Art Association's annual holiday social, which will be held in place of the regular monthly meeting, on Wednesday, Dec. 5, from 6:30-9:30 p.m. at the home of Anne Diamond McNevin, 12 Violet Circle, Milford. Attendees are asked to bring their own beverages and a treat to be shared. The McNevins have Golden Retrievers - they will be outside but normally live in the house so anyone who is seriously allergic should take that into account.

#### Directions to McNevin's:

495 North to Exit 20 toward Milford.  
Left onto Rt. 85/Cedar Street.  
At first light, turn right onto Dilla Street.  
Follow to the end of the road and turn right onto Purchase Street.  
Follow for a little more than a mile, then turn left onto Camp Street.  
Stay on Camp for about one mile.  
At the first stop sign turn left onto Reservoir  
Take the third left onto Violet Circle.  
Number 12 is the second house on the right.

## MEMBERS NEWS

Gail Eckberg and Sarah Alexander, members of the Needham Art Association, will be part of a Needham Community TV program highlighting art and artists in Needham. They were recently interviewed and video recorded for an upcoming TV presentation, describing their art background, style and media of their work, inspiration, travels, awards, and exhibitions.

Needham Art Association will include Sarah Alexander and Gail Eckberg among their upcoming, Winter Art Exhibit at the Art Emporium, 32 Chestnut Street, Needham. FMI 781 449 6722. This exhibit begins December 8th, with an opening reception, 1-4 PM. Art will be hung until January 02, 2008 and most art for sale. All welcome.

On December 07, 2007, the 10th Annual All That Glitters Gala event will be celebrating years of free, high quality, art education provided inner-city kids, with another silent/live auction and "over-the-top party" at American Locomotive Works, 555 Valley St., Providence. Art by Sarah Alexander and Gail Eckberg will be part of this educational mission, along with other artists and the corporate community, who support this important work. FMI: call 401-831-7323 X 19 and/or for ticket to this event. [providencacityarts.cmarket.com](http://providencacityarts.cmarket.com)

Gail Eckberg and Shelly Eager helped out the PBS in Providence again this year by donating paintings to their auction. Brenda Hutchinson, Gail Eckberg and Shelly Eager also helped out the Attleboro Museum with their yearly auction by donating paintings. Shelly Eager will be offering pastel painting classes again at the Franklin Mill Store in January. She plans on having two night classes, one on Tues. and one on Thurs. nights starting on Jan. 8<sup>th</sup>. There will be 4 consecutive evening classes in the series. Check with the Franklin Mill store for further details or call Shelly at 528-3616.

Bill Noble will be at the Hawthorne Suites Hotel from Jan 1, 2008 to March 31, 2008.

Victor Pisini will be exhibiting a selection of his paintings at the Hawthorne Suites during October, November and December.

Shelly Eager is teaching a Pastel painting course through the Franklin Mill Store. It's a real nice venue in the small house in front of the store. If anyone is interested just contact Shelly or the store. Shelly's number is 508 528 3616.

Michael Evans is in a group show, through December, at the Next Door Gallery in Mansfield and is also exhibiting in the Community Gallery at the Attleboro City Hall through the end of December, the Attleboro Arts Museum member show and is also being represented at the Middleborough Art Gallery in Middleborough.

Karen Pendleton is having an exhibition at the Audubon Society's Broadmore Reservation in South Natick during the month of December. A reception will be held on Sunday, December 2 from 2pm until 5pm.

## FAA WEB SITE

The Franklin Art Association web site went active last December. You can view the site at [www.franklinart.org](http://www.franklinart.org). Please contact Dick Fotland if you wish 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 25<sup>th</sup> of each month.

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