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Dear Members and Friends,

I think the title of this month's letter should be "Spring Cleaning" or "This too shall pass" or "It could have been worse." As you may have heard, my studio was basically ruined by the deluge of water which found its way into my basement last month. I am trying to view this heartbreaking event as a blessing in disguise, by taking the opportunity presented to redesign my workspace, and THROW OUT years of art magazines and other accumulated STUFF which will never be used or looked at again. And I have to admit, I feel less burdened by doing so.

For those of us who like to save stuff because we're going to look at it later, the "later" never seems to come. We get immersed in our daily lives, and forget about the stuff in the box in the corner that was so important it had to be saved and stored for later retrieval. I once worked with a man who used to read his mail on the way to the wastebasket, where he promptly deposited it. I admired this trait, and thought how wonderful it must be to be free of the need to save and store. Perhaps he carried things too far, I don't know.

In any event, spring is the time to take stock of the "STUFF" that may be cluttering our lives, and I can personally say there's nothing like a little flood in your basement to help get the job done!

I hope all you pastelists will be able to make the May meeting - since we have a fabulous demonstrator in Jeanne Smith. Her work can be viewed at jeannesmithart.com.

We also have the business of election of officers at the May meeting. As you know, the current officers have offered to stay on for another year, but if others are interested, they only need to make their wishes known by contacting any member of the Nominating Committee (Carol Nowlin, Adele Corrigan and Daydre Hamilton.)

And finally, Joan and John Callahan have graciously offered to have the June FAA party at their home on Saturday, June 5th, 4:30 to ?? There will be no meeting at the Senior Center in June. I hope you will all consider coming to the end of the year party, where you can share lots of good food and drink, music, good conversation, a bonfire, and maybe even some s'mores!!

Warm regards,

Sue Sheridan

President

Meetings take place at the Franklin Senior Center, 10 Daniel McCahill St., Franklin, MA across from St. Mary's church, from 6:30 to approximately 9pm, the first Wednesday of every month, September through May.

Refreshments and socialization are help from 6:30-6:45pm, followed by a short business meeting. A demonstration/lecture or workshop activity follows. Our meetings are open to the public and all are invited to attend.

Calender of Events

Premier Image Gallery Show for FAA members: The Premier Image Gallery is hosting a show for FAA members April 29th - June 19th. Drop off April 29-May 1, reception Thursday May 13th, pick up June 18-19th. Note: this is not a FAA hosted show, therefore works previously exhibited at FAA shows may be exhibited. See accompanying prospects for details.

May 5th Meeting

Jeanne Smith a revered pastel artist from Sudbury, specializing in portraiture and landscapes, will be the featured demonstrator at the May meeting. www.jeannesmithart.com

Summer Party - Sat. June 5th

Our End of Year Party will be held Saturday, June 5, open-house style, from 4:30 to 9 p.m., at the home of Joan and John Callahan and Pam Warren, 812 Pond St., Franklin. Several members have already signed up, indicating what they plan to contribute for the meal. The sign up list will be passed around at the May meeting for anyone else who plans to attend. The meal and desserts will be "pot luck." A grill will be available for those who would like bring meat or anything else to be cooked. Mixers will be available for drinks. All are invited to bring their preferred beverages. Water and some soft drinks will also be available. All are welcome to stay for s'mores around the fire pit. Since parking is not allowed on Pond Street or Beech Street, once the driveway is full, please park around the corner on Lasden Brothers Way. For those who need them, directions will be available at the meeting or by e-mail at joanwriter1@verizon.net, or call 508-528-9184. If you don't get a chance to sign up at the meeting, just contact Joan to let her know you're coming, or just show up. This is a chance for members and their guests to get together for some fun. Unless we have a downpour, this will be a garden party, so dress for the weather!

Welcome new FAA members:

Kirchmyer, Kathleen 1130 Pond St. Franklin, MA 02038 508-533-7061

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Michael Puttre' will make copies of the *FAA Fall into Art* video for interested members for \$10. If you would like a copy, please e-mail Michael at mdputtre@verizon.net. Michael donated his time and talent to do the video of the fall show for FAA. He did a great job and we appreciate his efforts. Follow the links to see the videos - <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=UUMVPszJBo0>, <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=MgTjrbRB0Lm8>

Member's News

Sarah Alexander was interviewed for the Wellesley Channel's Art Beat follow the link to see the video: <http://www.wellesleychannel.tv/art.html>

Stacey David had 3 pieces accepted into the 19th International Miniature Art Show at the Seaside Art Gallery in Nags Head, NC. The show will run from May 1 - June 5, 2010, and can also be viewed online at www.seasideart.com.

Gail Eckberg is exhibiting with the Wellesley Society of Artists until the end of May, opening reception on May 2nd, from 2-4 PM, at the Community Center, Route #16. She also had pieces juried into the Cultural Arts Alliance for their *Art In Bloom* exhibit in Hopkinton, Route #85, with opening reception, Friday, April 30th, 6:30-8:30 PM. Eckberg is also part of the R.I.W.S. Artist Member Exhibit in Pawtucket.

Ribbons were awarded as follows for Gail Eckberg's Art Class Exhibit, now on display at Norfolk Library until May 1st. 1st Prize: **Sue Lopes**, 2nd Prize: **Carol Nowlin**, 3rd Prize: **Tina Guarino**, 4th Prize: **Linda Massey**. Honorable Mentions: **Richard Guardabascio**, Marilyn Mercure, and **Bill Wallhauser**. Certificate Awards: Lisa Batchelor; Bonnie Beaver; Sue Broderick; Carol DeCamp; **Paul Guarino**; **Lynne Fitzpatrick**; **Deb Ryan**; **Joan Sweeney**; with 2 Certificate Awards to **Bernie McNichols**. Congratulations to all entries.

Shelly Eager was honored with a spot in the Attleboro Arts Museum *Eight Visions* show. The field was narrowed down from an original 145 people to 20 people and then 8 were awarded the spot. *Eight Visions* show opening reception Aug 20, at the Attleboro Arts Museum at 7-9. Shelly was also accepted into the juried national show *For Pastels Only* on the Cape. The *For Pastels Only* show opening reception is June 12 from 5-8pm at the Cultural Center of Cape Cod in South Yarmouth. (*Hotel Lenox*, above)

Claire Griffin would like to let you know that she has updated her website: <http://www.griffinink.com>

Rebecca Skinner will be exhibiting her photography work in the *Illuminations* exhibit at the Massachusetts General Hospital Cancer Center. Opening Reception: Tuesday, March 9th, 5:30pm-7pm, Location: Mass. General Hospital Cancer Center, 10th Floor of the Yawkey Center for Outpatient Care. Exhibit on display February 2010 thru May 2010.



Blackstone Valley Art Association

The Blackstone Valley Art Association www.BVAA.org will be holding their annual Spring Art Show and Sale at a new location in Hopedale, Massachusetts. Art Creations, Inc. 12 Rosenfeld Drive. Opening Reception on Friday, May 14th.



Show closes on Sunday, June 13th. Exhibit hours are Monday-Wednesday, 9am-5pm, Thursday-Friday 9am-7pm, Saturday 10am-4pm and Sunday noon-4pm. BVAA's 1st Annual "Art of Taste" showcase/competition. Winners will be judged by popular vote and presented with an award that they can display in their restaurant or place of business. If you're interested in entering, details can be found on the BVAA website.

Aivars Zandberg's show of oils, acrylics, and watercolors at Cafe Dolce has been extended.

Call for Entries

The Blackstone Valley Art Assoc. is issuing a call for artists for the BVAA's 2010 *Spring Art Show & Sale* which will be held from May 14th through June 13th. You must be a member to be in this show. (See our website www.BVAA.org for our membership application and show details.) The entries will be judged and cash prizes will be awarded to both the adult and student members. Deadline for registration is **May 3rd**.

The Post Road Art Center is also host *Budding Artist Show 2010*. **Drop-off is May 20-28**. www.postroadartcenter.com

The 4th annual Exhibition at Grafton, VT will be held from **Aug. 29th through Sept. 10, 2010**. Open to all artists. Juried show of oils, pastels, watercolors, acrylics, and mixed media of those elements. In addition to sculptures in the round. Prospectus will be available after May 15 by contacting Hunter Gallery 802-843-1440 walkwil@aol.com, or download from www.oldtavern.com or www.gns-grafton.com There is a \$25 entry fee, awards will be given.

Gallery9 in downtown Norwood is seeking artists to display in the gallery. All types of work are welcome for submission: acrylic, oil, pastel, watercolor, ink, collage, sculpture, photography, etc. Members of Franklin Art Association currently represented by Gallery9

include Rebecca Skinner, photography and Susan Pratt Sheridan, watercolor. For more information on our easy process, please see the submissions section of our website at gallery9online.com.

The Woodshed Gallery is now accepting exhibition proposals from artists and groups. Both free and fee-based shows are available. For more info visit www.woodshedgallery.com/24.html.

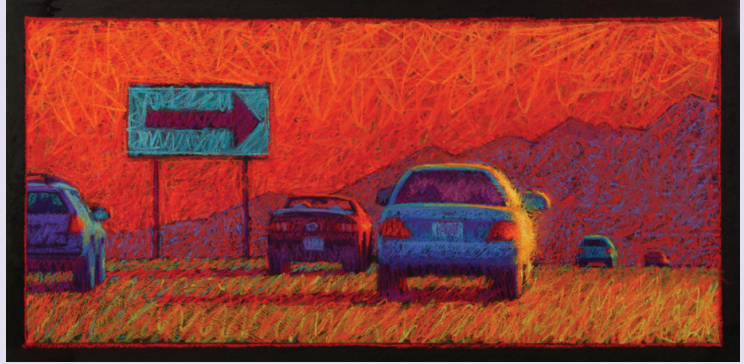
Hawthorn Suites. Deadline: Open. The FAA has an exclusive partnership with the Hawthorn Suites to hang artwork in their first floor lobby and eating area. Each artist that signs up would need about 12 paintings to be placed on fixed hooks. The art is changed every three months. Slots are now being filled for the 2010 calendar year. Artists can choose to share the space. Please contact Lisa G. Bailey at 508-553-9119 or lgb@lisagbailey.com.



When ordering supplies for those spring paintings—Dick Blick will donate a portion of the proceeds from each order to the Franklin Art Association as long as orders are made by clicking through” to the Dick Blick website from the Franklin Art Association homepage. www.franklinart.org

Workshops/Classes/Events/Opportunities

Critique Group in Norwood: Would you like encouraging feedback about your paintings? Demonstrator, artist, and teacher Kim Morin Weineck will host a critique group in Norwood on the last Saturday of every month, 8:30-10am to discuss your paintings in a supportive way. Critique is an invaluable part of the creative process. You never know how you'll be inspired or what inspiration you might give your fellow artists. The cost is only \$5 for up to two paintings. The location is Gallery9 at Custom Art Framing, 45 Central St., Norwood (downtown). Grab your paintings, morning coffee, meet other artists and take advantage of this valuable opportunity. For more info, see www.gallery9online.com or www.customartframing.com or call 781 762-3300.



Gigi Horr Liverant demonstrator at the FAA's January meeting and mother of FAA Corresponding Secretary Hannah Close currently has an exhibit at the Kehler Liddel Gallery in New Haven, CT. Show runs through May 15th. Read a review at <http://www.nhregister.com/articles/2010/04/25/entertainment/doc4bd37ba0db6c6184856410.txt> (above *Humphrey's Peak, AZ*).

The Norfolk Cultural Council's judged exhibit sponsored by will be Saturday, May 8th, 1p.m. - 4p.m. A jazz ensemble, awards and food will highlight the festivities. The public is invited.

Saturday Arts Market: Gallery9 at Custom Art Framing is offering free space for art vendors during their Saturday Arts Market held Saturdays during July and August from 11am-3:30pm. More information can be found on their website under "Saturday Arts Market" including description of the event and an application you can submit. Space and show dates are available on a first-come/first-served basis.



Rachel Shuman local artist and art educator is exhibiting *Paintings, Prints, & Mixed-Media Works* Explorations of color, texture, pattern, and character at Gallery 370, Holliston High School, 370 Hollis Street, Holliston, MA. The show opens Wed. April 28th. (left)

The Village Artisans Collaborative is seeking to expand its retail and general artist memberships. The collaborative, located in downtown N. Attleboro, features monthly artist receptions, events and classes combined with a retail outlet. We are looking for all types of artists and craftsmen. They also have artist work spaces available in the building sharing its retail store in downtown N. Attleboro. Located in its upper level, the Village Artisans will offer artists renting space to take part in collaborative events, ie art shows, open

studios, etc. at the store. Four spaces are available and the pricing goes as follows: (#1) 13ft x 14.5 ft x 7ft = \$160.00 per month, (#2) 14.5ft x 17.5 ft = \$325.00, (#3) 14.5ft x 10.75 ft = \$195.00, (#4) 23ft x 11.5 ft = \$335.00. #3 and #4 may be combined for \$450.00. Prices include heat and electric and may be split to share. Required is a six-month contract. To set up an appointment for viewing, please contact Cindy O'Brien at naarts@comcast.net or stop by our store at 21 N. Washington Street.

Kim Morin Weineck of Gallery 9 is teaching a workshop *Plein Air Painting Norwood*, Date: Saturday, June 12th from 9am-3pm Rain date: Saturday, June 19th from 9am-3pm. Gallery9 at custom art framing 45 Central Street, Norwood, MA 02062. \$90 includes hand-outs, painting demo, surprise supplies, and individual instruction in a group setting.

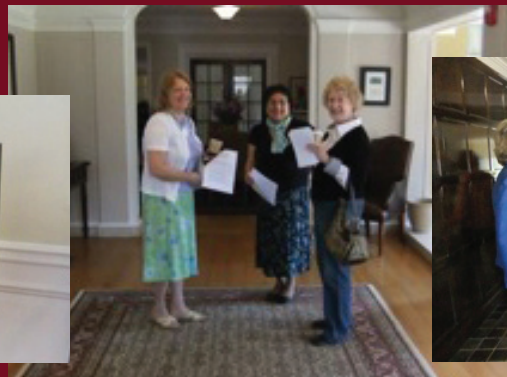
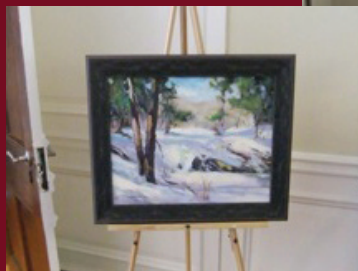


April meeting with demonstrator

Robert Noreika



Images from
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Editor's Note: As always, we depend on you, our members, to provide information for your newsletter. So I thank you in advance for providing information concerning coming events, exhibitions, shows, etc. ~Hannah Close

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Nancy howell summer workshops - 2010



Scituate, MA

June 21-23 (Mon. – Wed. 9:30-3:30)

Paint the beautiful coastline of this historic old fishing village on the south shore of Boston. The harbor, the beaches and the marshes all offer potential for magnificent paintings.

We will meet each morning at my studio to enjoy some coffee and snacks before we head off to spend the day painting. In case of rain, we will meet in my studio.

~~Aug. 9-11 (Mon.-Wed. 9:30-3:30)~~

~~Same as June workshop but with different painting locations.~~

Workshop fee: \$180. (each workshop)

A deposit of \$75. will hold your space. No refunds after June 1, 2010

Kennebunkport, ME

~~July 12-14 (Mon.-Wed. 9:00-3:30)~~

Our headquarters is at Atlantic Hall in Cape Porpoise where we start every morning with muffins and coffee. At 9 am we head off to one of the magnificent beaches, inlets, coves or streets in the charming town of Kennebunkport to paint until 3:30, with a break for lunch. On Tuesday, we will host an early supper and critique at the home of my friend Mary ~~Mary~~ Rauscher.

Workshop fee: \$200.

A deposit of \$75. will hold your space. No refunds after June 15, 2010

Falmouth, MA

Sponsored by the Falmouth Artists Guild

~~August 16-18 (Mon.-Wed. 9:00-3:00)~~

Paint for 3 days in the lovely Cape Cod town of Falmouth and enjoy the beautiful beaches and tidal ponds in the surrounding area. We will meet at 9:30am at each location and will paint until 3:30pm, ending each day with a critique. Bring your lunch.

In case of rain we will paint at the Guild.

Cost: \$220 (members), \$245. (non-members)

To enroll or for further information, please contact Jill at (508) 540-3304.

Workshop response sheet

Please sign me up for:

Scituate, MA

June 21-23 _____

August 9-11 _____

Kennebunkport, ME

July 12-14 _____

Falmouth, MA

August 16-18, please contact the Falmouth Artists Guild at (508) 540-3304

Name: _____

Address: _____

Telephone: _____

Email address: _____

All media welcome. Demonstrations will be in watercolor. Details for each workshop will be sent 1 month before start of workshop.

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