



FAA Newsletter

May 2025

Musings from the President:

Dear members and friends,

This past month has been extremely difficult for me. It has been hard to think about painting, and shows, and all the rest as you can imagine. Life altering events can happen at a moment's notice, so hold your loved ones close and enjoy each minute of every day...

I would like to remind you that the Fakes and Forgeries entry deadline is May 23rd. So far we have 19 entrees. It would be nice to have a few more.

Election of officers takes place at our May meeting. I am happy to announce that the current board will be staying on which is great news. And secondly, we do have a candidate who has agreed to be nominated for President. If voted in, the new President will assume duties on September 1st. According to the by-laws, nominations can also be offered from the floor on the night of the meeting. Hope to see you then.

Warm regards,

Sue Sheridan, President

Call for Artists!!

1st Annual Fakes & Forgeries Exhibit

Seeking artists to create interpretations of masters' artworks.

Open to all, including students. No entry fee.

Exhibit to be held at the Franklin Historical Museum June 7th-22nd

Registration deadline: May 23rd

Request entry form and exhibit guidelines by emailing the Franklin Art Association Secretary at faasecretary@gmail.com

Enter Today!!

FRANKLIN ART ASSOCIATION

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Franklin Override Vote:

Franklin residents - please be aware that the town of Franklin will be holding a **Proposition 2 1/2 Override vote on Tuesday June 3, 2025** to address the town's structural deficit.

If the override passes the average household tax bill is estimated to increase \$538 annually.

Potential cuts without the override include: personnel cuts in fire, EMT, police, library, DPW, board of assessors, Franklin town staff and Franklin Public Schools as well as reduction of hours and services for the Franklin library among other cuts.

For more information on the Override vote please visit the [Franklin town website](#).

FAA upcoming events:

- **Wednesday May 7th: Monthly Meeting & Demo** [Shilpa Adduri](#) will do a “single stroke” demonstration. (Rescheduled from January) and board voting!
- **Saturday May 25th: Registration deadline for Fakes & Forgeries**, an exhibition of master copies by FAA artists and others, to be held at the Franklin Historical Society in conjunction with the 250th Birthday of Massachusetts. See [prospectus here to register](#). Participants are asked to contribute to set up, opening or tear down by volunteering! [Sign up here to volunteer](#).
- **Wednesday June 4th: Monthly Meeting & Summer Potluck/Paint out.** 3pm paint out, 6:30pm potluck at Susan Plume’s home.
- **Friday June 6th 10-11am: Drop off for Fake & Forgeries exhibit.**
- **Saturday June 7th 12-6pm: Opening Fake & Forgeries exhibit.** Opening will run in conjunction with [Franklin Porchfest](#). [Sign up here](#) to help with the reception.
- **Friday June 13 4-8 pm: Strawberry Stroll** FAA booth for Scholarship Raffle.
- **Saturday June 21 12-4pm: Pride Festival FAA Booth** with children’s 6x6” tempera paint station and member paint out on the Common. (Rain date Sunday June 22, 12-4pm)
- **Sunday June 22nd 4-pm: Pick up for Fake & Forgeries exhibit**

We are **currently in need of 1 more volunteer to bring snacks for our May meetings** you can [sign up here](#). Thank you to Judy B. for helping out in May.

Scholarship Raffle Items Needed!!

- Each year the Franklin Art Association gives a scholarship to a high school senior who will be pursuing the visual arts in college. In order to fundraise for this scholarship we are looking for donations of artwork (framed or unframed), fine art books in good condition, and/or gift certificates to local businesses for our raffle.
 - The raffle will be held at the Franklin Downtown Partnership Strawberry Stroll Friday June 13th 4-8pm.
 - Donations can be brought to the May meeting, the June party or dropped off with a board member (email FAAsecretary@gmail.com with questions.)
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Norfolk Spring Show Award Results

Best in Show: "High Surf" by Dick Fotland

Water Media

- first: "Self-Portrait" by Marcia Litchfield
- second: "Five Pink Lilies" by Diane Bell
- third: "Nude!!" by Walter Spencer
- honorable mention: "Little Things Can Make a Big Impact" by Ali Rheume

Photography



- first: "Magic in a Crystal Ball" by Peg Munson
- second: "Curious Cows" by Gail Eckberg
- third: "Through the Heart of the Rock" by Margarie S. Sardella
- honorable mention: "Somewhere in Vermont" by Marc Cohen

Mixed Media

- first: "Our Universe" by Judy Butler
- second: "Erupting" by M. Beth McGaw
- third: "Rail Trail" by Susan Plume
- honorable mention: "Winter Wonder" by Peg Munson

Oil/Acrylic

- first: "Bubbles + Swirls" by Peg Munson
- second: "Two Suns II" by Larry Rockoff
- third: "Garden Path" by Patti Milton
- honorable mention: "Doctor Who" by Diana Maley



Call for Entries, Workshops, Classes...

- **The town of Franklin** is hosting a call for exhibitions in a micro gallery to be exhibited in a repurposed neighborhood library box. Deadline May 1. [Details here.](#)
- The town of Franklin is also inviting artists to apply to paint an electrical box on the town common. More information on the [Artsy Box here.](#)
- The town of Franklin is also seeking applications for a micro gallery to be installed in a "little free library" box at the Franklin Sculpture Park. More information on the [Micro Gallery here.](#)
- The town of Franklin is also seeking applications for designs/artwork to be printed onto Cornhole boards to be used at town events. [See details for the cornhole boards here.](#)
- **The Norfolk Cultural Council** is hosting a Juried Annual Exhibit May 3-31. [See call to entry flier here.](#)
- **The RI Watercolor Society** is hosting numerous classes and workshops including and Lorraine Watry: Hummingbird in Motion 3-day workshop May 30- June 1, Drypoint Etching Wednesdays starting May 2, Portraits in Watercolor Sept 4-5th 10-4, and Painting Impressions with Keiko Tanabe Nov 14-16th 9:30-4. In addition to a National Watermedia show, deadline May 2nd, and [In the City](#) and online show deadline to enter May 16th.
- **Arts Wayland** is hosting a [Mosaic Jewelry Workshop](#) May 4th and a [Magic Colors and Flowers Silk Painting Workshop](#) May 31st.
- **The Arlington Center for the Arts** is hosting numerous classes in a variety of media including ceramics, drawing, painting, textiles, printmaking, and mixed media for adults and youth. See their [full course catalog here.](#)

- [The Plymouth Center for the Arts](#) is hosting numerous classes and workshops.
- [The Post Road Art Center](#) is hosting numerous classes including Abstract Landscape, Abstract Painting, Acrylic and Mixed Media Relief Painting, Painting the Fall Colors, Mindful Mark Making, Open Figure Studio, Creative Mark Making and more.
- [The Hopkinton Center for the Arts](#) is hosting a Ceramic Teacup Workshop May 7 & 14, Layering Meaning in Collage Workshop May 10, as well as numerous other classes in media including painting, drawing, ceramics, weaving, and photography.
- [The Danforth Art Museum](#) in Framingham is hosting numerous classes and workshops in a variety of media including Landscape Photography, Drawing with Stitches, Collage, and Museum Inspiration workshops and more.
- [The Trescott Gallery](#) in Taunton is hosting several classes and workshops.
- [Workshop 13](#) is hosting the 7th Annual Northeast Fine Art Exhibition. Deadline to enter July 15, cash prizes will be awarded. They are also hosting Live Model Mondays starting May 5, Silk Scarf Dying May 10, Quilling for beginners May 14, Intro to Life Drawing May 18, Oil Painting Wednesdays starting may 21, Fibers and Mending May 25 and Nature Journaling May 31 in addition to numerous clay classes.
- [The Yankee Artist Guild](#) is hosting a 2-day workshop Mary Annunizato June 27 & 28. Deadline to sign up May 31st. See details [here](#).

Local opportunities:

- **Hunakai Studio of Fine Arts** in Foxboro is offering a new opportunity: **Open Studio for Area Artists!** The new administration and the Board of Directors of Hunakai Studio of Fine Arts, Inc. in accordance with our mission to support fine arts education and artists in the community, is announcing a new program designed to support area artists as well as any aspiring artists. Many artists' are without studio space find it inconvenient to set up in their home living areas while working on their own. Hunakai Studio is offering monthly Open Studio workspace for artists to work weekly alongside other artists while providing group support in a social setting. The open studio will be scheduled on Thursday mornings 11am -2pm. Bring your supplies, lunch, as well as your friends. Preregistration by the month is required to assure there is space. Potential exhibition space may be provided in the future. 508-543-5665 or e-mail kat@hunakaistudio.org to get more information or to register.
- **The Franklin Public Library** also has **gallery hanging space** in the Community Room. Follow the links at the library's website to find the application.
- **PhysicianOne Urgent Care** has opened next door to Starbucks in Franklin MA. They are interested in partnering with local artists' to exhibit photography and other Franklin specific artwork. Contact Lindsey Holland at lholland@p1uc.com, 978-886-5995.



Member's News

Marjorie Sardella had two of her works in the FAA Spring Show, one of which, *Through The Heart of the Rock* right, was awarded Second Place in the Photography category. Going forward, two of her photographic works have been accepted into the upcoming Norfolk Cultural Council Juried show this May. Finally Marjorie will be participating in the First Annual Fakes & Forgeries Exhibit.



Peg Munson has a pastel painting and a photograph in the upcoming juried show sponsored by the Norfolk Cultural Council. The show is at the Norfolk Library, May 3-31. See *Winter Wonder II* left.

Also Pete's Nerd Emporium on Main Street in Franklin currently has 4 paintings of Peg Munson's on display in the store. In June those will come down and another FAA artist can have some of their artwork on display for 3 months. Space is limited, so a maximum of 4 pieces, approximately 15 by 18"

would fit. If interested please contact Pete Rochat, petesnerdemporium@gmail.com. See *Trillium* right.



Treasurer's Report

As of April 24, 2025 the Treasury consists of **\$2617.58**. (General Fund = \$1365.59; Scholarship Fund = \$1,251.99).

General Fund

Starting Balance March 25, 2025: \$1528.19 (General Account plus Cash on Hand)

Income: \$640.00

- Show income: +354.00

- Membership Fees: +35.00

- Donations: +70.00

Donation of \$20.00 from a member

Grant of \$50.00 from Fidelity Charitable ® donor to be used where it's needed most

Workshop Income (Gouache): +\$95.00

Membership Raffle: +21.00

Note: To be transferred to the Scholarship Fund

Expenses: -\$737.60

- Storage -\$149.00

- April Artist Demo Fee: -\$250.00

- Gift Card for flyer artist: -\$50.00

- Pride Art Supplies: -\$72.60

- Show Artist Fee: -\$16.00

- Show Judge Fee: \$200.00

Ending Balance \$ 1365.59

Scholarship Fund

Starting Balance: \$2251.99 (Scholarship Account)

Ending Balance: \$1251.99

Note: will transfer \$21.00 from the General Account received from the Members Only Raffle

FAA Board Members

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- Corresponding Secretary: Hannah Close FAAsecretary@gmail.com

Newsletter Contributions:

The corresponding secretary seeks:

- *Important Member Announcements: exhibitions, workshops, events, etc.*
- *Local Art Happenings*
- *Local Call for Entries*

Please share your news with the FAA members by sending images & information to faasecretary@gmail.com, so they can be included in the next newsletter!

Unless otherwise noted the FAA Newsletter deadline is 5 days before the start of the new month.

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