



# *Creative Strokes* January 2012

Farmington Art Foundation Newsletter

## **President's Message:**

The holidays are over and I hope everybody had an enjoyable and restful time. It is now 2012 and it is time to really gear up for the Spring Show. We want it to be a great show so if you haven't signed up for a committee, check with Shirley Senko to see where she needs help.

I am continuing to work with the Arts Council to assure that the *Festival of the Arts* will be a success. We are trying to assure that either the 4<sup>th</sup> graders in the Farmington School district come to the show on Thursday or Friday or that we have a family day on Saturday. We would like to do both but it may not be possible. One thing I know for sure is that we will need volunteers from our organization to support either option. I will keep you informed as more information becomes available.

See you at the meeting on the 11<sup>th</sup>.

*Janet Hall, President, 248-615-1565 or [janhall46@sbglobal.net](mailto:janhall46@sbglobal.net)*

**January 11th meeting: 6:45- 8:45 PM, Farmington Hills Library**

***Business meeting and short social break***

**Program: Vianna Szabo**

Our guest speaker is Vianna Szabo, a nationally recognized artist, who is a professional portrait artist. Vianna is also an avid plein air painter. Her mediums are oil, pastel, charcoal, and watercolor. She will give a talk and demo on composition that should be interesting and will apply to all mediums. She teaches private lessons and group workshops, and is an instructor at the Birmingham Bloomfield Art Center.

*Linda Shewbridge, Program Chair - 586-306-1045 or [lwshewbridge@twm1.rr.com](mailto:lwshewbridge@twm1.rr.com)*

## **Announcement:**

Glenna Livingston will become the new editor of this newsletter in September. FAF will look forward to a fresh perspective and a refreshed person. Thank you Glenna for volunteering! I have enjoyed my term but look forward to new pursuits. Thanks to all the members who have sent articles and feedback to me about the newsletter. Support Glenna as well.

*Donna Thibodeau, Editor - 248-348-8483 or [artbydonna.thibodeau@yahoo.com](mailto:artbydonna.thibodeau@yahoo.com)*

## **Farmington Art Foundation - General Meeting – November 9, 2011**

The meeting was called to order by Janet Hall at 6:55 p.m., and accepted by Darl Papple and Jim Patterson. There were no additions, or corrections, to the previous month's minutes. There were 51 members and 3 guests in attendance.

Our 50/50 Raffle Drawing brought in \$21.00 to one lucky person: Marlene Zazoulinsky.

There was an announcement made that Nancy Coumoundouros will be speaking with Jim Patterson and Janet Hall on Channel 8 regarding the Farmington Artist Foundation and Costick Center activities.

Alice Nichols has been accepted with Lifetime Membership status into the FAF. Congratulations go out to her!

Shirley Senko: beginning balance for October was: \$3,236.25 and a T. ROWE PRICE balance of \$18,072.93.

There are a number of Farmington Artist Foundation positions to be filled by May, 2012:

Patti Langner for Membership;  
Donna Thibodeau for The Newsletter;  
Ann Carlson needs help with Membership.

Shirley Senko, Art Show Chairperson, is looking for:

Co-chairperson for the Spring Art Show in April; as well as a  
Co-chairperson for Hanging;  
Co-chairperson for Programs; and a  
Co-chairperson for Awards.

The Spring Art Show will be held from April 19th - 21st, 2012, at the Costick Center. Jury Night is March 12th and all entries will need to be turned in a couple of weeks ahead of time. The Farmington Arts Council is working to bring 4th graders in on Thursday and Friday of the show, or alternatively, establish a Big Kids Day on Saturday.

Jim Patterson announced that he will send out a letter for 10 lucky artists chosen to display their works of art next month (December) at the Costick Center.

Darl Papple, of the Seniors Team, announced that everything is going well, but, could still use more volunteers to help.

A motion was made to adjourn the meeting by Jim Patterson, and seconded by Fran Seikaly. The meeting closed at 7:18 pm.

*Respectfully submitted,  
Lisa Barette, Recording Secretary*

## **Costick Gallery Exhibit:**

We are starting our 9<sup>th</sup> year of the FAF Gallery at the William Costick Activities Center, and have exhibited over 700 paintings by our members during those years. The people that stroll through the corridor each day enjoy looking at our artists work and look forward to each new exhibit. This first exhibit features 5 members whom are exhibiting for the first time so let's get over and see the paintings.

Farmington Art Foundation Gallery: *Landscapes, Cityscapes and Seascapes*, January – March, 2012.

Exhibiting Artists are: **Marjorie Chellstorp, Rusty Frentner, Paula Imirzian, Darl Papple, Linda Pelowski, Albert Riehl, Kathleen Rodak, Ben Sanders, Rosemarie Simonton, and Barbara Sump.**

Pick-up date for the paintings in this exhibit will be Thursday, April 5, 2012 between 9 – 10:30 am.

*The Farmington Artists Club Gallery, William Costick Activities Center, 28600 W. 11 Mile Road, Farmington Hills*

*Jim Patterson - 248-661-1088 or [jpattary@hotmail.com](mailto:jpattary@hotmail.com)*

## **Farmington Art Foundation – Senior Painting:**

The Senior Painters Group held their annual "Cookie Party" Wednesday, December 14 at the Costick Center. It was well attended by the seniors and FAF members - Paula Imirzian, Nancy Slutsky, Darl Papple and Fran Seikaly helping to sample all the home made goodies. Work is progressing on the display of the senior's paintings outside of the Wexford A room.

*Darl Papple, 734-968-2247 or Fran Seikaly, 248-681-9755 or [franseikaly@gmail.com](mailto:franseikaly@gmail.com)*

## **Call for entries:**

**Michigan Fine Arts Competition:** Deadline 2/1. Exhibit: 3/30 – 5/4. On-line entry only. \$25/2. 45% commission. Reception: 3/30, 6-8 pm. Juror talk: 3/31, time TBA. \$10,000 cash prizes. Birmingham Bloomfield Art Center, 1516 South Cranbrook Road, Birmingham, Michigan 48009. 248-644-0866 • [BBArtCenter.org](http://BBArtCenter.org)

**Lawrence Street Gallery:** *Body Eclectic*. Enter in January for February show. Check out website for forms in January or visit gallery. 22620 Woodward Ave., Suite A, Ferndale, MI 48220. 248-544-0394 or [www.lawrencestreetgallery.com](http://www.lawrencestreetgallery.com)

**1st Annual Acrylic Artists Competition:** Presented by *Acrylic Artists Magazine*. Deadline 2/1. \$20/image – no limit. Must be 50% acrylic if mixed. Published and cash prizes. Email or CD. Mail entries to: Acrylic Artist Competition, 4700 East Galbraith Road, Cincinnati, OH 45236. Prospectus: [www.artistsnetwork.com](http://www.artistsnetwork.com)

**Covenant's Fine Art Gallery** - Call for Artists. Theme: *Winter Art Show*. Entry deadline: F, 1/27. Entry Fee: \$12.00/3. Show: 1/30-3/22, 2012. Covenant Baptist Church - 5800 West Maple Rd., West Bloomfield, MI 48322. For more Information: Phone: 248-681-6083 or [glwriter@sbcglobal.net](mailto:glwriter@sbcglobal.net) - Glenna Livingston, Gallery Chairperson for prospectus. [ArtGallery@covenantbaptistchurch.org](mailto:ArtGallery@covenantbaptistchurch.org). [www.covenantbaptistchurch.org](http://www.covenantbaptistchurch.org)

**The 6th Annual Member Exhibition Northville Art House:** Show runs 2/3-18. Deadline 1/13. Members free – 2 piece maximum. \$25 to join and enter. 35% commission. Reception 2/3, 6-9 pm. 215 W. Cady Street, Northville, MI 48167. 248 344-0497. [www.northvillearts.org](http://www.northvillearts.org)

**Grosse Pointe ART Center:** *Urban Edge*. Submissions accepted: 1/11-1/14. Show runs 1/20-2/25. Reception: 1/20, 6:30-9 pm. Members - \$30/ \$35. 35% commission. 16900 Kercheval, Grosse Pointe, MI 48230. (313) 821-1848. [gpaa@grossepointeartcenter.org](mailto:gpaa@grossepointeartcenter.org) or <http://www.grossepointeartcenter.org>

**Art at the Brighton District Library:** Deadline is 6/12. Six week exhibit. \$30/\$20 non-member jury fee. 3-5 images on CD or photo. 2D/3D. 20%/30% commission. Brighton District Library, 100 Library Drive, Brighton. Contact Pamela Stoddard, 810-225-1665 or [stoddard.pamela@gmail.com](mailto:stoddard.pamela@gmail.com) with the subject line: AAL Jury.

## **Workshops:**

**Edee Joppich:** *Flying Objects:* (7 wks), M, 1/9-2/20, 10 am – 2 pm OR (7 wks), M, 1/9-2/20, 7-10 pm OR (7 wks), Tu, 1/10-2/21, 10 am – 2 pm. *Watercolor – Non-Finito:* (3 d), 2/17-19, F, Sa, & Su. 2/17-18: 9:30am - 3 pm & 2/19: 12-3 pm. *Crinkled Paper:* (3 d) 1/27-29, F, Sa, & Su. 1/27-28: 9:30am - 3 pm & 1/29: 12-3 pm. VAAL, Livonia. [www.vaalart.org](http://www.vaalart.org)



**Workshops:** (continued)

**Marjorie Chellstorp:** *Creative Painting – All Media:* (7 wks), W, 1/11-2/22, 1-4 pm. *Painting Abstract Watercolor:* (2 d), F, Sa, 2/10-11, 10 am – 2 pm. Visual Art Association of Livonia (VAAL), 37653 Five Mile, Livonia. Contact Diana Jamrog for a brochure, 734-838-1204 or [valart@yahoo.com](mailto:valart@yahoo.com).

*Watercolor for Beginners:* (2 wks) starts 1/17 then *Intermediate/Advanced:* (6 wks) starts 1/31. Total: (8 wks), Tu, 1/17-3/6, 10 am – 1 pm. Stables Studio, Heritage Park, Farmington, 48336.

**Dean Rodgers:** Colored Pencil Workshop: Su, 1/22, 1-5 pm. Register on-line or in person at Costick Center. Class location: Stables Studio, Heritage Park, Farmington, 48336. Registration questions/problems: 248-473-1800 / 1845

**Janis Madias:** *What is Your Paradise?* 1/5-2/9, (6 wks), Th, 9:30 am -12:30 pm. Watercolor or Multi Media. Questions? Call 248-561-9637 or [janiyola@aol.com](mailto:janiyola@aol.com). VAAL workshop. [valart@yahoo.com](mailto:valart@yahoo.com)

**Shows:**

**Sue Bauman:** One-person show at the *Birmingham Unitarian Church* for the month of January, starting 1/5 – 2/3. Reception: F, 1/6, 6-8 p.m. Woodward Ave, 2nd bldg., N of Lone Pine Rd. Enter off Woodward or Lone Pine.

**Fran Seikaly and Daria Fileta:** Juried into the *109th Anniversary Exhibit of the Detroit Society of Women Painters and Sculptors* to be held at the BBAC, January 6 - February 3. Opening reception will be Friday, January 6 from 6-8pm. February 4, 1 pm: Speaker Ken Gross will review his selections for the show at the BSWP general meeting which starts at 11:00 am with a noon luncheon. Birmingham Bloomfield Art Center, 1516 South Cranbrook Road, Birmingham, Michigan 48009. 248-644-0866 • [BBArtCenter.org](http://BBArtCenter.org)

**Sue Mallick:** Exhibiting thru January 26. Covenant Baptist Church, 5800 West Maple Rd., West Bloomfield, 48322.

**Rosa Paulus:** Solo show at *Starring Gallery:* 2/3-2/29. Reception 2/3, 6-9 pm. 118 W. Main St., Northville, MI. 48167. 248-347-1642. [www.starringthegallery.com](http://www.starringthegallery.com)

**Janis Madias:** Artists Choice Award at the fall 1<sup>st</sup> Annual Donna A. Vogelheim Healing Power of Art Juried Art show. Congratulations!

**Lisa Richter:** 1<sup>st</sup> place/ Best of Show at the fall 1<sup>st</sup> Annual Donna A. Vogelheim Healing Power of Art Juried Art show. Congratulations!

**Rose Marie Starke, Sharon Wasserman, Lisa Richter, Billie Thompson (Honorable Mention), and Betty Sylvester (1st Prize):** Exhibited with the *Brush and Palette Club* at the Woods Gallery in Huntington Woods November - December. Congratulations!

**Barbara Gage Rex:** Work accepted into the Lawrence Street Gallery: *Small Works* show during December.

**Arlene Evans and Rosa Paulus:** Exhibiting their artwork at the *Covenant Fine Art Gallery* through January 26, 2012 with the theme of *Artist's Choice*. Covenant Baptist Church is located at 5800 W. Maple Rd. in W. Bloomfield and exhibit hours are Monday-Thursday's 10 a.m. - 1 p.m. and Wednesday's 6 - 8 p.m.



*Shows: (continued)*

**Dean Rogers:** Solo exhibition at the *Menagerie Room*. 1/16 – 2/28. Menagerie Room Gallery is in the Co Reutter Salon, 116 N Lafayette, South Lyon 48178. 248-446-0411.

Interview by a UK pop artist on-line: [www.khuantru.com](http://www.khuantru.com) – *Interview with Dean Rogers*.

Piece of art featured in the book *Amazing Pencil Portraits 3*. Platte Productions Publishing – *Amazing Books*.

**Kathleen Boettcher:** *The Best of the Best*. January 11 – 27. Opening Reception: Friday, January 6, from 6 - 9pm Lawrence Street Gallery, 22620 Woodward Ave. Suite A, Ferndale, MI 48220. 248-544-0394.

**Things to see and do for Artists:**

**Kathleen Montgomery:** *Strokes of Genius 3, The Best of Drawing* is in the bookstores now. Colored pencil drawing on page 61.

**American Frame:** Attention - Rebates 5% of member purchases every quarter to member – new policy 2012. Use code: ALLIANCE12\_5%. Make a note of this code if you are a customer here. (800) 893-3553 or on the web at [www.AmericanFrame.com](http://www.AmericanFrame.com)

**MI Arts: Opportunities and Exhibitions - Gallery Listing, Art Clubs and Call for Artists** web page: created by Candy Brancik, a local artist. Opportunities updated daily: [www.semarts.info](http://www.semarts.info)

**NEXT ART CHICAGO (NXT ART CHI):** Merger of two successful and long-running art fairs, Art Chicago and NEXT, The Invitational Exhibition of Emerging Art. As the largest, most important visual arts event in the Midwest, it provides collectors, curators, and art enthusiasts with the opportunity to experience the most compelling art of our day. Chicago's longest running art fair. With a combined history of 35 years the fair will take a considered, cohesive, and tightly-curated approach where the most exciting emerging artists will be shown alongside more established figures, affording a lively dialogue between generations as well as a survey of the newest developments in contemporary art. April 27 - April 29, 2012.

**Nancy Hurd:** Long time FAF former member – book of paintings compiled by her daughter. \$60 includes tax and S&H.

Order from: Shannon Hurd, 81 Bullitt Park Place, Bexley, OH 43209

**Exhibit Opportunity?** *Two Muses* is a brand new theatre company operating out of the Barnes & Noble Booksellers store on Orchard Lake south of Maple, in West Bloomfield. "We had an exhibit in our theatre and our patrons enjoyed this aspect of our theatre very much, and we would like to continue to offer this to them. Is this something you would be interested in pursuing with us? Our next production runs 2/3-19, 2012. Please contact me via email or telephone. Barbie Amann Weisserman - 248-701-2643."

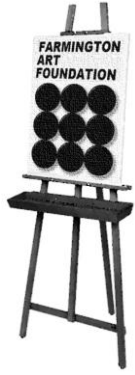
**Pastel and Watercolor Workshops in Ann Arbor:** Nationally known artists. Contact for list. Debra Zamperla at: [idezamperla@gmail.com](mailto:idezamperla@gmail.com) or 734-662-8734.

**Lily Dudgeon:** a talented artist and teacher specializing in monotype. She was former President of FAF. With a broken hip she is rehabilitation:

Lutheran Home of Livonia, 28910 Plymouth Road, Livonia, 48150.

Home: 27 Hickory Ct., Dearborn Hgts. 48127. She would love to hear from her friends.





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