



# *Creative Strokes* March 2012

Farmington Art Foundation Newsletter

## **President's Message:**

The Spring Art Show is moving at full speed. March 12<sup>th</sup> is jury night and the show opens on the 19<sup>th</sup> of April. It will be a full *Festival of the Arts* this year with a family day on Saturday. Our organization is a big part of the Festival and we must remember to support it along with our show. That means signing up to volunteer with the children visits on Thursday and Friday and also helping on Saturday. The theme this year is "Vote for the Arts". Don't forget to take the packets of postcards at the meeting for mailing the first week of April. Also, we will have posters that can be placed at churches, businesses or any other location that will help with publicity for the show. Remember to sign-up to work in either the gallery or the unframed sales areas at the meeting. 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.

Remember that our web site is up and running. It is at [www.FarmingtonArtFoundation.org](http://www.FarmingtonArtFoundation.org). The newsletter is available there along with other information about the club. The password for the newsletter's Member's Area is *forusfaf* – make a note. Find it under the Membership tab. Several members have been trained to update the site and we may schedule another class, so let me know if you are interested.

See you at the meeting and I hope to have more details on the Festival.

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

**March 14 meeting: 6:45- 8:45 PM, Farmington Hills Library**

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

**Program: Carole Kabrin**

Carole Kabrin is an Emmy Award winning courtroom artist, with over 30 years' experience in drawing for both local and national television news. Some of her most famous trials include the Oklahoma bombing trials of Timothy McVeigh and Terry Nichols, Whitewater, Paula Jones, Noriega, Mike Tyson's rape trial and Bush v. Gore. She will also be telling us about the Underwear Bomber trial of Umar Farouk Abdulmatallab. Carole is an adjunct professor at the College for Creative Studies where she teaches figure drawing. Also, she will be talking about her large homage to the "Star Trek" television show. Ms. Kabrin holds a Bachelor and Master's degree in Fine Art from Wayne State University.

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



*Meeting of all Spring Art Show Chairpersons before March meeting @ 6:15PM*



## **Farmington Art Foundation - General Meeting – February 8, 2012**

The Meeting was called to order by President **Janet Hall** at 6:52 p.m.

There were no additions, or corrections, to the previous month's minutes.

There were 38 members and 0 guests in attendance.

Our 50/50 Raffle Drawing brought in \$15.00 to one lucky person.

**Shirley Senko** reported our beginning balance for November was: \$2,298.05 and an end balance of \$2,100.50. Our T. Rowe account is: \$18,073.16.

**Jan Corrigan** has stepped up to help with being a co-chair, and **Linda Shewbridge** has volunteered to be Chairman for the 2013 Spring Arts event. **June Fox** has generously volunteered to assist **Ann Carlson** with Membership.

The Spring Art Show will be held from April 19 - 21 at the Costick Center. The theme for the Spring Arts Festival is: *Vote For The Arts*. Friday's *Art After Dark* event starts at 7p.m. Saturday will be *Family day* with dancers and singers for entertainment.

Jury Night is March 12th and all entries will need to be turned in by March 5th. The Unframed will allow each artist to bring in a total of 20 paintings with a .50 cent charge for each piece. Please see Beverly Schroll for any questions.

*MenToBe Cafe*, in downtown Farmington, has allowed us to display our artwork every other month; the even months being available to us. They will make up the fliers for your work and take 30% commission for each piece you sell.

A motion was made to adjourn the meeting by **Linda Shewbridge**, 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, 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 [jpatters@hotmail.com](mailto:jpatters@hotmail.com)*

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

The seniors now have a permanent display at the Costick Center located outside of Wexford Hall. Come out and see what great things are being done!

*Darl Papple, 734-968-2247 or [daripa@earthlink.net](mailto:daripa@earthlink.net)*

## **Art at the Downtown Farmington Library:**

March: **Fran Seikaly**, April: **Sue Mallick**, May: **Janet Hall**, June: **Mary Schmidt**, July: **Arlene Evans**  
*Kathleen Spellman, Chairman - 248-473-8864 or [spell831@aol.com](mailto:spell831@aol.com)*

## **Spring Art Show:**

Juror for the exhibit is Nora Venturelli from Ann Arbor. [Venturellistudio.net](http://Venturellistudio.net)

I was born in Rosario, Argentina and in 1968 I immigrated with my family to California, where I graduated from high school and started my studies in art. I have lived alternatively in both countries since then. In 1995 I graduated from the University of Michigan with a Bachelor's degree in Fine Art, and I received my Masters in Fine Arts degree from Eastern Michigan University in April 1997. I have been active showing my work, and teaching drawing and painting as adjunct professor at the University of Michigan and Eastern Michigan University since 1997.

Represented by WSG Gallery in Ann Arbor MI

### **Spring Exhibit timetable:**

Jury night in Shannon Hall on Monday, March 12th, 5:30-6:30 pm - Pick up paintings between 9 – 9:30 pm

Wednesday, April 18th after 5 pm - help setting up displays - dropping off paintings between 6-7 pm

Thursday, April 19<sup>th</sup>, 10 am – 9 pm

Friday, April 20<sup>th</sup>, 10 am – 9 pm

Saturday, April 21st, 10 am – 4 pm (Pick up painting from 3:45-4 pm)

*Shirley Senko, Chairman - 248.851.1765 or [senjeep@hotmail.com](mailto:senjeep@hotmail.com)*

## **Membership:**

New Email:

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**June Fox**, 248-647-4182, [j.c.fox@comcast.net](mailto:j.c.fox@comcast.net)

## Call for entries:



**Covenant's Fine Art Gallery:** Is looking for artists to have their own show or a small group or class to display for the month of May. For more information please contact Glenna Livingston at 248-681-6083 or email at [glwriter@sbcglobal.net](mailto:glwriter@sbcglobal.net). Covenant Baptist Church, 5800 West Maple Rd. West Bloomfield, MI 48322. 248-855-9191. [www.covenantbaptistchurch.org](http://www.covenantbaptistchurch.org)

**Art at the Brighton District Library:** Deadline is June 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.

**West of Center: 3<sup>rd</sup> Annual All Media Show:** Deadline: March 23. Exhibit: June 1 – June 24. Opening reception: June 1, 6-9 pm. \$15/members, \$25 others for 3. CD. 35% commission. The Northville Art House, 215 W. Cady St., Northville, 48167. [www.northvillearts.org](http://www.northvillearts.org)

**St. Joseph Mercy Oakland New Patient Tower - Call for Artists:** Paintings and sculpture desired for purchase and commission. Artwork should follow the guiding principles of healing art and evoke messages of peace and healing for the viewers. Proposals accepted. Please send all questions directly to Leah Goodwin - [goodwin@aesthetics.net](mailto:goodwin@aesthetics.net) or Pam Nickell - [nickell@aesthetics.net](mailto:nickell@aesthetics.net). Please contact Pam Nickell for project drawings and for assistance with any questions you may have about the CFA.

**Artist's Magazine 29<sup>th</sup> Annual Art Competition:** Five categories. Enter on-line or CD: \$25/image. Deadline April 7. *The Artist Magazine's* Annual Art Competition, 8469 Blue Ash Road, Suite 100, Cincinnati, OH 45236 or [www.artistsnetwork.com](http://www.artistsnetwork.com)

**Strokes of Genius 5, The Best of Drawing:** Drawing category only. Deadline: April 16. \$30/1<sup>st</sup> then \$25 ea. Enter on-line or CD. Prospectus: [www.artistsnetwork.com](http://www.artistsnetwork.com)

**The Print:** Deadline March 28. 2/\$20 members/\$35 others. CD only. 50% commission. Please contact Niki Hogan, Exhibition Manager, [nhogan-lefler@annarborartcenter.org](mailto:nhogan-lefler@annarborartcenter.org) or 734.994.8004 x116. Ann Arbor Art Center, 117 West Liberty Street, Ann Arbor, MI 48104.

**PAN – Poetry Night:** Accompany 2D/3D work with a poem. Deadline March 31. \$25 members/\$35 others – 3 pieces. Exhibit April 21 – May 6. *Milford Public Library*. Celebration: April 25, 6:30 pm, \$10 admission. On-line only: [Panentries@milfordvfaa.org](mailto:Panentries@milfordvfaa.org). The Village Fine Arts Association, 238 N. Main St., Milford, 48381.

**Plymouth Community Arts Council - About Face:** 2/D featuring the human face. Exhibit April 4 – April 26. \$15/2. Reception: April 14, 3-5 pm. All entries must be submitted Monday, April 2 from 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. at the Plymouth Community Arts Council, 774 N. Sheldon Road, Plymouth 48167. Contact: (734) 416-4278 or email: [pat@plymoutharts.com](mailto:pat@plymoutharts.com)

**University of Michigan - Gifts of Art:** Proposals accepted for August 2012 – August 2013. Exhibit 8 weeks. 12 images/CD or 24 images/Group Show. 2D/3D. Images to reflect proposed exhibit. 35% commission. 9 galleries/50 exhibits a year. Entry on-line or mail. Mail: Gifts of Art, Call for Entries, NI-5E06, NIB, 300 North Ingalls, Ann Arbor, MI 48109-5470. Info or On-line entry: [www.med.umich.edu/goa](http://www.med.umich.edu/goa).

## Workshops:



**Edee Joppich:** *Watercolor – A New Challenge:* Day - (7 wks), Mondays, 3/12-4/23 or Tuesdays, 3/13-4/24, 10am – 2 pm. Evening - Tuesdays, 3/12-4/23, 7-10 pm. *Flowers That Bloom In The Spring, Wet On Wet:* (3 d), 4/13-15, Friday, Saturday, & Sunday. 4/13-14: 9:30am - 3 pm & 4/15: 12-3 pm. *Tissue Pull Paintings and More:* (3 d), 3/30-4/1, Friday, Saturday, & Sunday. 4/30-31: 9:30am - 3 pm & 4/1: 12-3 pm. VAAL, Livonia. 734-838-1204. [www.vaalart.org](http://www.vaalart.org)

**Marjorie Chellstorp:** *Creative Painting – All media:* (7 wks), Wednesdays, 3/7-4/18 or 5/2-5/30, 1-4 pm. *Painting Abstract Watercolor:* (2 d), Friday - Saturday, 5/18-19, 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 Studio class:* (6 wks), Tuesdays, March 20 - April 24, 10 am to 1 pm. for intermediate and advanced students at the Heritage Park Stables Studio in Farmington Hills, (248) 473-1859. <https://recreg.fhgov.com>

**Kathleen Spellman:** *Watercolor - March Workshop: Painting Mackinaw Island – landscape.* April Workshop: It's spring and let's *Paint Poppies!* Time: 9:30 am - 2:30 pm. Place: Salem United Church of Christ in 33424 Oakland Blvd., Farmington 48335. 248-474-6880.

**Fran Seikaly:** *Oil Painting:* (6 weeks) Monday, April 23 – June 4, 1-3:30 pm. *Drawing:* (9 weeks), Friday, April 13 – June 8, 10 am – noon. *Pastels:* (6 weeks), Saturday, July 14 – August 18. Stables Studio, Heritage Park, Farmington, 48336. (248) 473-1859. <https://recreg.fhgov.com>,

Private lessons and group workshops – Info: (248)681-9755.

West Bloomfield Parks & Rec: *Oil Painting*, Thursday, 10-12:30, 6 weeks, May 3 - June 7 and *Pastels*, Friday, 10-12:30, 6 weeks, May 11-June 15. (248)451-1900.

**Janis Madias:** *The Year of the Dragon and Other Fantasies:* (6 weeks) April 19 – May 24, 9am - 12pm. Using watercolor wash techniques and textures, splatters and stamping, we will create a fairy-tale setting for the habitants of our tale. We will create a visual narrative of our character(s) be they fairy, elf or creature. Legends and myths, or your own story is welcome. Tree-top or ocean, rabbit holes or floorboards, explore your past and your favorite bed-time stories and bring them to the canvas. Mixed media and collage are welcome. Come with your own supplies and paper. VAAL, 37658 5 Mile Road, Livonia, 48154. Call 734-838-1204. [janiyola@aol.com](mailto:janiyola@aol.com)

## Shows:

**Kathleen Boettcher, Nancy Slutsky, Nina Ashraf Asmi, and Paula Imirzian:** Exhibited at the *Body Eclectic* exhibit at the Lawrence Street Gallery in February.

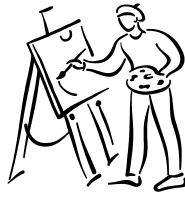
**Fu-mei Tsai, Sue Mallick, and Fran Seikaly:** Juried into the BBAC Annual Student Show ending March 16. 1516 S. Cranbrook, Birmingham, MI 48009.

**Fran Seikaly:** *Students of Fran Seikaly Art Show* - Show Dates: March 27 – April 30. Gallery: Monday - Thursday, 10 am – 4 pm. Covenant Baptist Church, 5800 West Maple Rd. West Bloomfield, MI 48322. 248-855-9191.

### Shows: (continued)

**Dean Rogers:** Solo exhibition at the *Menagerie Room* extended thru March 6. Menagerie Room Gallery is in the Co Reutter Salon, 116 N Lafayette, South Lyon 48178. 248-446-0411.

I have been accepted into CP Treasures! "A new collection chronicling the amazing colored pencil work being created at this moment across the world. Showcases over 70 stunning pieces from artists in 11 countries with a wide array of styles, surfaces and techniques." The book is available through:  
[http://www.annkullberg.com/cptreasures\\_2.php](http://www.annkullberg.com/cptreasures_2.php)



### Things to see and do for Artists:

**Mentobe Café Update:** Darl Papple will be displaying his art during the month of April. Watch for an announcement of his opening reception. **Kathleen Rodak**, 248-474-8407

**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)

**Art Supplies Needed for School:** A reminder: if you have any unused or extra art supplies my daughter, an art teacher for a Detroit charter school, will gladly accept them. See **Fran Seikaly**.

**Virtual Art Book Club:** De Kooning: An American Master through Xanadu Gallery. First on-line meeting April 10. Register: [WWW.XANADUGALLERY.COM](http://WWW.XANADUGALLERY.COM)

**Michigan Watercolor Society:** Membership meeting and review of entries - March 3, 2:00 pm. Bloomfield Twp. Public Library, Lone Pine Rd at Telegraph

**The Grosse Pointe ART Center Lecture Series:** *Mary Fortuna* – Artist. Currently employed as the Exhibition Director at Paint Creek Center for the Arts in Rochester - 3/10, 1 pm. *Bill Murcko* – Artist. Paints summers in his studio on Mackinac Island and winters in his studio in the historic Scarab Club in Detroit, Michigan. 4/28, 1 pm. *Gregory Lashbrook & Kathy Johnson* – Film and Artists who have owned and operated a fine arts based business for over 25 years. 8/4, 1 pm.

**Ann Arbor Workshops:** Watercolor and Pastel Workshops – Nationally known artist instructors. Dawn Emerson and Jean Grastorf workshops. Contact Debra Zamperla – [idezamperla@gmail.com](mailto:idezamperla@gmail.com)

## **Things to see and do for Artists: (continued)**

**The 100 Journal Project:** Project where various artists do a page or two of an 8X10 journal where it is passed on and the journal ends up in an exhibit at the Janice Charach Gallery. Exhibited Sunday, November 4, 3-6 pm where journals will be sold and profits go to non-profit gallery in the Jewish Center. Questions and to get a journal: [gallery@jccdet.org](mailto:gallery@jccdet.org), 6600 West Maple Road, W.Bloomfield Twp, 48322

**Art Chicago at The Merchandise Mart:** Has pulled the plug on the latest incarnation of Art Chicago, ending the three decade run of what was once considered one of the world's most important art exhibitions. Founded at Navy Pier in 1980 as the Chicago International Art Exposition and passing through other incarnations before being redubbed Next Art Chicago last year to mark its official merger with the younger Next exhibition, the fair had been facing increased competition from other national and international fairs while struggling to maintain a lineup of high-end dealers. It was scheduled to run April 27-29. 2012.

**Consignment Shop seeks Arts and Crafts:** *Exclusively Walter*, P.O. Box 854, Highland, MI 48357. [www.exclusivelywalter.com](http://www.exclusivelywalter.com)

**Downtown Farmington Development Authority:** Needs seven painters for *al fresco* plein aire painting the evening of June 8. 248-473-7276 and ask for Annette Knowles.

**The Butterfly Jar: Art Studio/School Art Gallery and Gifts:** Jennifer Prew an art enthusiast and entrepreneur from our area is working on opening a new art studio in the Briarwood Plaza on 6608 Cooley Lake Road in Waterford. She is currently looking for a PT pottery instructor for her studio, this position has the possibility to become full time in the future. In addition she is looking for qualified artists to teach other mediums at her location. She will also have studio space for rent soon. Call Jennifer directly at cell 248-830-1745 or 248-830-1745.

**Shaqe Kalaj:** Our February FAF speaker, is one of the artists exhibiting her foot art at the Northville Art House through March 24.





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