



Creative Strokes

Newsletter - March 2014

Farmington Art Foundation

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Next Meeting

Wednesday, March 12
6:45 - 8:45 PM
in the Farmington Hills
Library Conference Room

From the President - Janet Hall

The Spring Show is coming on May 1st through the 3rd. Preliminary planning has begun but we still need several chairs and co-chairs. Please contact Cathy Szumlinski at (248) 669-9294 or at cathyski@mac.com if you can help. Remember we need everybody's help to make the Spring Show a success. Also, remember to sign-up at the meeting to work either in unframed or in the gallery.

For 2014-2015, I will not be your President. I have served for three years and I feel it is in the best interest of the organization to have a new leadership team. Please work with your fellow members to develop a slate of officers for next year. We need not only a candidate for President but also vice-president, secretary and treasurer. Don't think you can't do it because you haven't been a member for many years as I had only been a member for four years when I took over as President. I will be willing as I know the other officers are to work with the new team to assure a smooth transition.

See you at the meeting on the 12th.

Next Meeting **March 12, 2014**

DIA Speaker: *Jerrie Sasson*

"The Essentials"

Jerrie Sasson who is a speaker for the DIA "*Behind the Scenes*" program will give a presentation on the twenty-four most important works at the DIA.

Minutes from February 12, 2014

The meeting was called to order at 6:55p.m. by Kathleen Rodak and Jim Patterson.

There were no corrections of the minutes from the November meeting.

Janet Hall had put in a request for us to get a new gallery; unfortunately however, we had been turned down. Ideas are welcome from anyone who might know how we can obtain a new gallery to display our artwork.

Janet also mentioned we need a new replacement for each office: President, Vice-President, Secretary and Treasurer, for next year.

Ann Wheeler Carlson announced we have 44 members in attendance tonight with 1 new member; Penelope Trikes, and 1 returning member; Paul Janus.

Daryl Papple said everything is under control as far as the Costick Center Gallery is concerned.

Joanne Leavy of Sunshine mentioned there is no news on her end.

Annetta Lind asked if anyone has any news clippings or anything noteworthy pertaining to the history of the FAF, she would be glad to publish it.

Fran Seikaly mentioned everything is going great for the Seniors.

Spring Show Chairperson Cathy Szumlinski announced that we have a need for several chair people to help out and

to please see her to volunteer.

Also there is a sign-up sheet for those interested in purchasing art aprons.

Kathleen Rodak, Exhibit Co-ordinator, said she has extra entry forms at the table and asked that we do NOT cut the forms up, instead, send in the whole sheet.

The deadline for all entry forms is March 15th.

Mary Kehoe mentioned she has entry forms for the unframed.

Carl Mayer, Hanging Chair, needs a Co-Chair and briefly described the responsibilities. He also mentioned that the juror is Jeffrey Merrill who has juried our show in the past. This juror is a non-representative abstract artist.

All paintings are to be brought to Shannon Hall at the Costick Center on Monday, March 24th from 6:15 to 7:00p.m. to be juried, then picked up from 9 - 9:30p.m.. Wednesday, April 30th, between 4:30 and 5:30p.m. is the time-frame for all accepted art and open entries to be brought to Shannon Hall at the Costick Center. We need people to help set up panels for the show at 2p.m. that day.

Saturday, May 3rd, is check out and take down day; the time-frame being between 4:15 - 4:45p.m.

There was a vote taken to determine whether 2, or 3, attended meetings were in order to qualify for the Spring Art Show due to last month's meeting having been canceled. The majority had voted for 2 meetings this year.

The 50/50 raffle turned up 1 lucky winner who received \$20.50 (total: \$41.00).

Dean Rogers shared his illustration on the cover of "CP Treasures" magazine with the audience.

A motion to adjourn the meeting by Janet Hall and seconded by Kathleen Rodak took us to 7:17p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Lisa Barette

SPRING SHOW Chairperson Cathy Szumlinski - *Volunteers still needed!*

Member News - Upcoming Classes, Events, Shows & Opportunities

ROSA PAULUS

had 2 pieces in the *Northville Art House Members' Exhibit* from Feb 7-March 1, 2014.

ARLENE EVANS will be displaying her watercolor and acrylic paintings at the *Sellers Buick GMC* from Friday, March 7th - Thursday, April 3rd. Located at 38000 Grand River, Farmington Hills, MI 48335.

KATHLEEN RODAK

will have art work at *Picasso's Cafe* during the month of March.

KATHLEEN MONTGOMERY was accepted into the *Great Lakes Pastel Society National Show*. It will be on display at the *Dennos Museum Center* in Traverse City, Michigan from April 13th through May 25th, 2014. Opening reception is Friday, May 16th from 7-9pm, awards at 8pm.

EDEE JPPOICH

Painting "Lumen de Lumines" was accepted in the International Experimental Art Exhibition which opened in August 2013 at Big Arts Center in Sanabel, Florida. It is currently at the National Watercolor Society Gallery in San Pedro, California, moving to Europe this summer to the museum in Wales for an opening in August.

Members are invited to an open house and sale at Edee's studio March 21, 22 & 23 from 1 - 5 p.m. A big collection of paintings, framed and unframed will be on display. Edee will informally answer questions regarding her innovative techniques and materials used in the new series "Surface." Get inspired! Get ideas! Bring friends and family.
www.edeejoppich.com

FRAN SEIKALY

Fran is teaching the following classes Spring:

West Bloomfield

Color Pencil Thursday, March 6 - April 10 1-3 6 weeks

Pastels Monday, April 14 - May 19 1-3:30 6 weeks

Farmington Hills

Oil and Acrylic Painting

Tuesday April 22 - June 10 2-4:30 8 weeks

Pastel

Thursday April 17 - May 22 1-3:30 6 weeks

Color Pencil

Monday March 3 - April 7 1-3 6 weeks

VAAL (Visual Art Association of Livonia)

2 day Pastel Workshop

March 1 & 2 (Saturday and Sunday) 9:30 - 3:30

Dean Rogers Art News

UPCOMING SHOWS and PROJECTS

● **THE FULL SPECTRUM OF COLORED PENCIL**

March 19 and 26 (Wednesdays) 12 - 3pm
Du All Drafting and Art Supply 248 583 9158
31431 John R Rd, Madison Heights, MI 48071
All skill levels are welcome, as are return students!!

● **MISSION, ART & MUSIC** (Flight Plans)

March 16 - May 9 (reception March 16 10am - 5:30pm)
Brighton Presbyterian Church
300 E Grand River, Brighton, MI 48116

● **FARMINGTON CULTURAL ARTS DIVISION COLORED PENCIL WORKSHOP**

March 23, 1 - 5pm
Heritage Parks Studio 248-473-1800
<http://fhgov.com/Services/CulturalArts/CulturalClassesAndWorkshops.asp>

● **MIDLAND CENTER FOR THE ARTS EXTENDED COLORED PENCIL WORKSHOP**

Midland Center for the Arts
1801 Saint Andrews Street Midland, MI 48640
Call 989 631 8250 to register
May 2, 3, and 4 (11 hours)
Friday 6:00 - 8:00 Meet the Artist in our Saints and Sinners Lounge
Saturday 10:30 - 5:00pm Studio 3
Sunday 12:30 - 4:00pm Studio 3
ABDM Members \$130 non-members \$155

● **SCHOOLCRAFT COLLEGE COLORED PENCIL CLASSES**

Start May 20 - Tuesdays 6 - 9pm
18600 Haggerty Road • Livonia, MI 48152
734-462-4400
www.schoolcraft.edu/

And thanks as always for everyone's support!

<http://cheetahspirit.deviantart.com/>

CALL FOR ARTISTS

Announcing 2014 Michigan Fine Arts Competition

Open to artists 18 & older, living & working in Michigan, Ohio, Indiana, Illinois & Wisconsin. Original works in all media (except video & giclée) created &/or finished after Jan. 1, 2013.

**Exhibit: May 16-July 11 - Cash prizes:
\$5,000 - Application deadline: April 11**

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The Chelsea International Fine Art Competition

The 29th Chelsea International Fine Art Competition will be opening on February 11th, and we'd love your help in spreading the word about this fantastic opportunity for artists from all over the world. Sponsored by Agora Gallery and Everything For Artists, and partnered with the Children's Heart Foundation, this annual competition offers awards specifically designed to help artists build their careers, boost their public profile, and gain exposure for their artwork. Find out more at <http://www.agora-gallery.com/competition/>

The West Shore Art Fair

July 5-6, at City Park in the beautiful Lake Michigan resort community of Ludington, Michigan. This 46th annual open-air, juried fine art and fine crafts show is managed for the second year by the Ludington Area Center for the Arts (LACA), a trusted and respected leader in arts and culture in West Michigan who has elevated the stature of this show. Planners are seeking the highest-quality fine artists in their mediums to apply for this intimate yet first-class show that will feature approximately 100 artists in a variety of categories including fiber, jewelry, clay, glass, photography, and other two-dimensional and three-dimensional art. Under the new direction of the LACA, the goal is for the West Shore Art Fair to become one of the "must-attend" juried fine art shows in Michigan for both artists and art collectors. Visit www.ludingtonartscenter.org or [facebook.com/WestShoreArtFair](https://www.facebook.com/WestShoreArtFair) for more information.

Sounds & Sights Festival Art Market Fri & Sat, July 25 & 26, 2014 / Chelsea, MI **The 38th Annual "Sounds & Sights Festival" held in historic downtown Chelsea, Michigan is seeking regional artists and crafts people of outstanding quality for its juried Art Market.**

Sounds & Sights Festival Art Market is an indie arts and crafts fair coinciding with a variety of festivities and attractions associated with the Chelsea Sounds & Sights Festival <http://chelseafestivals.com/> which begins the evening of Thursday July 24th with Art Market running Friday and Saturday, July 25th and 26th, 12pm - 8pm. The two day, three night festival draws over 15,000 visitors annually and features national and regional live music acts, local food and brew, a sculpture walk <http://www.chelsearivergallery.com/sculpture-walk/> and activities for the entire family.

The Art Market is a juried event limited to 30 local and regional arts and crafts people of exceptional quality. Artists willing to demonstrate their processes are also highly sought. Booth fee is \$100 for the weekend. Demonstrating artists participate for the reduced rate of \$50. For more information call River Gallery + Exhibits (project coordinators) at 734.433.0826, or email: artmarket@chelseafestivals.com. Application Deadline April 25, 2014

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