

Creative Strokes

Farmington Art Foundation

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EXCITING OPPORTUNITY: BECOME A WEBSITE WIZARD!



Fred Keebler, our trusty Website Manager, is looking for a volunteer to join him in mastering the art of website operation. No worries-Fred isn't going anywhere!

He simply believes that his sharing knowledge ensures smooth sailing for our online presence. It would be a good way to sharpen your tech skills.

Contact Richard Adams or Fred Keebler, if you have questions.

Interested? Call Fred at 734-846-9727

KICKSTART GALLERY



The latest display went up at Kickstart on May 6th. The display will be there for the months of May and June. The opening reception will be Thursday, May 15th from 5 to 8PM. Please plan on attending to support your fellow artists.

PRESIDENT'S LETTER

I am excited to share with you a few thoughts on the impact of displaying your art across the venues FAF offers members.

Art is not merely a personal expression; it is a communication between the artist and the community that views it. Every brushstroke and every piece installed is a vital piece in the success of an exhibit.

Your work has the power to transform spaces and ignite connections with the viewer. The Farmington Art Foundation offers you several diverse venues for displaying your work. Please consider this an invitation to share your art with the community.

- **Kickstart Art Gallery:** Is a space to begin your artistic journey and gain exposure in the Farmington community.
23616 Farmington Rd., Farmington MI.
- **Costick Hallway Exhibit:** Art turns everyday corridors into inspiring stages for art.
28600 Eleven Mile Rd., Farmington Hills MI.
- **Farmington Library Venue:** Complement the academic world with your creativity by engaging visitors to seek art and knowledge in one space. *23500 Liberty St., Farmington MI.*
- **Upcoming Livonia City Hall Exhibit:** Please join us as we prepare for our first exhibition this summer in Livonia

City Hall. This new venue demonstrates our commitment to bring art to public spaces. *33000 Civic Center Dr., Livonia MI*

Each venue provides unique opportunities to reach new audiences, enhance your recognition and enrich our community. Every exhibition, whether in a gallery, a hallway, a library or other public spaces in this area, contributes to a richer art community experience.

I encourage you to explore these and new future venues from Farmington Art Foundation.

Every piece contributes to a larger artistic expression and every artist is being celebrated. Imagine your art sparking conversation among visitors to these venues.

Please let your art be seen. I look forward to witnessing what happens when the artists of Farmington Art Foundation blend their talents to produce exhibitions of amazing creativity.

Stay tuned for details on submission deadlines and exhibition dates!

Richard Adams
President of
Farmington
Art Foundation



The Farmington Art Foundation meets September-May at the 12 Mile Farmington Community Library, 32737 W 12 Mile Rd, Farmington Hills, MI 4833, on the 2nd Wednesday* of the month at 6:45pm

2025 Speakers & Programs

May 14: Valerie Allen

Visual Artist, Golden Paints Representative

****Tuesday, June 10****

**February's meeting rescheduled!
Program: TBD**

Liberty Street Farmington Library Exhibit

Displays at the Liberty Street Library will be work of

Linda Pelowski for May, June is Sharon Daitch and July

is Kevin Grow. Future exhibitors please let me know which

month you would like. We need August through December filled so please call or email me with your preference. There is no commission on sales.

– Kathy Katmb@att.net | 248-471-5563



FAF Member Biography: Katherine Dallas Hammond

Katherine Dallas Hammond was the April artist at the FAF Liberty Street Library Exhibit. Her assemblage collection at the library was entitled "Twelve by 12 x 12," and utilized found objects, repurposed everyday discarded items, combined with various acrylic mediums. The collection explored themes of recontextualization, and the beauty of the mundane through abstract expression.

Katherine has a bachelor's degree in Humanities and Fine Arts from Marygrove College and a Master's degree in Information Management and Communications from Walsh College. She has been married to John M. Hammond, a documentary

film maker, for 37 years, and together they have two sons and two grandsons. Katherine retired from a global information technology company in 2023 where she worked as a Senior Content Strategist focused on content migration and design. She and John moved to Farmington Hills in August of 2024.

Katherine loves to create art in various forms including mixed media collage, assemblage, and acrylic painting through an abstract expressionism lens. She loves to cook and bake and published a food blog for ten years at Kitoula.com. Her art can be discovered online at: KatherineDallasHammond.com | Food blog: <http://kitoula.com/>



LIVONIA CITY HALL

The next major display for our members is the Livonia City Hall exhibit during the month of July. Attached to the newsletter is the entry form. A maximum of three paintings/entry will be allowed to assure that there is room for all entries. The cost is \$35. The second page of the form is to be used as labels for the back of paintings.

Paintings do not have to be for sale. Entries are due by June 23 rd to allow time for the creation of labels for the paintings, similar to the Livonia Library last year. The dates for art delivery, opening reception and take down have not yet been established.

For further information, contact Jan Hall at (248) 921-3939 or janhall46@sbcglobal.net

Do you know a member who needs a little Sunshine from FAF?

**Please email info to:
Sharon Daitch, Sunshine Chair:
kramerdaitch@aol.com**

Be sure to put FAF sunshine in the subject line.

FARMINGTON HILLS
PUBLIC ART PROGRAM

LITERARY ART



Submit your entry at:

<https://tinyurl.com/FHPublicArtWORD>

June 16 - July 25, 2025

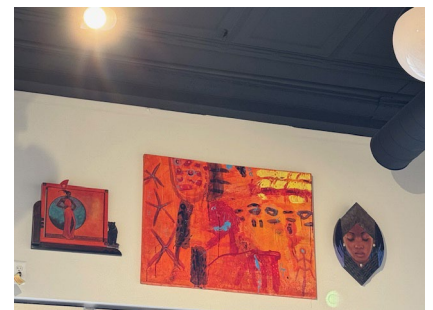
Literary Arts Challenge

Writing in Response to Public Art Program
Exploring Visual and Written Expression

Readings and Opening Reception:

Wednesday, June 25, 6-8 p.m.

KICKSTART EXHIBIT: NOTES FROM A BLACKBIRD ART AS COMMON GROUND



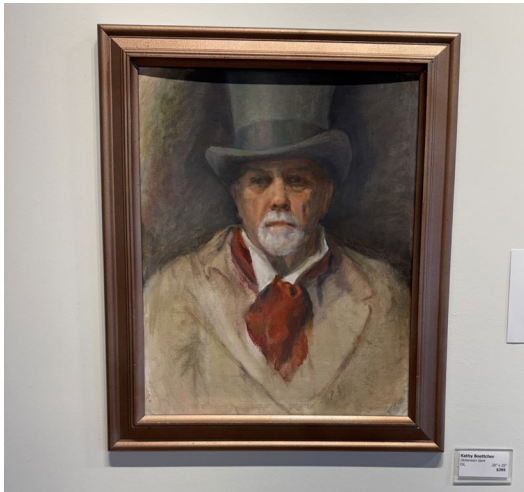
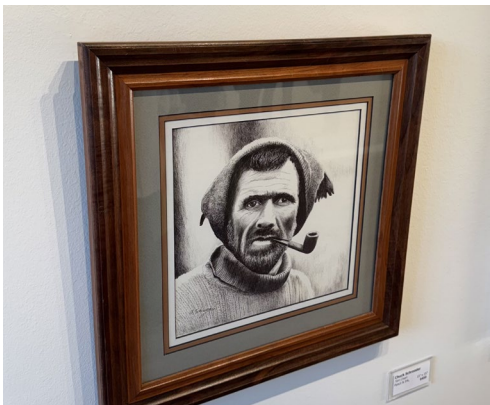
Costick Center Exhibit



Mary Kehoe's Note Card Sale Photo Highlights



KICKSTART ARTIST RECEPTION FOR THE PEOPLE TO PEOPLE SHOW



MEMBER ART & ANNOUNCEMENTS



"A Collection of Paintings" by **Sally Gyokeres** will be displayed at the Sweetwater Cafe on Grand River in Novi from May 15th thru July 20th.

50 percent of all sales go to the support of the *Living and Learning Center of Northville*. An organization that supports training workshop for young adults with special needs.



Fran Seikaly has a pastel juried into the Great Lakes Pastel Society annual members show "Small Works" in Frankfort, Michigan this summer.

Fran is also teaching an Adult Day Camp for West Bloomfield on August 19, 20, 21 and 22 at Drake Sports Park community building from 10am to 2pm.



Proverbs | 30"x40" – **Anna Carbonell**



Mallard Ducks | Watercolor – **Margaret Platte RSM**

MORE MEMBER ART & ANNOUNCEMENTS



Yevgeniya Gazman recently enjoyed painting a panel of her parents' home. She is accepting commissions.



Custom hamsa commissioned for a birthday gift
– **Yevgeniya Gazman**



SUNNY SIDE UP | Pastel on velour board
– **Sharon Daitch**



CREAM PITCHER | Pastel on velour board
– **Sharon Daitch**