



Creative Strokes

Farmington Art Foundation

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Introducing **The Bench** – Our Volunteer Support Team

We are excited to announce the creation of **“The Bench”** — a dedicated group of volunteers who have stepped forward to support chairmen, officers, and club committees whenever extra help is needed. Think of The Bench as our “ready team,” available to lend a hand with projects, events, and activities that keep our Foundation thriving.

This initiative ensures that no one carries the weight of a project alone. By drawing on the talents and generosity of our bench members, we can strengthen our programs, expand our reach and continue fostering creativity in our community.

Meet the Bench

We proudly recognize the following individuals who signed up to be part of the volunteer team:

- Michelle Thompson: 248-675-7112
- Linda Shewbridge: 248-308-6778
- Mark Shewbridge: 586-306-1045
- Elizabeth Hull: 248-987-1122
- Chuck Schroeder: 734-546-7238
- Betty Eliassen: 248-425-0121
- Elaine Silk: 248-790-9322
- Sally Gyokeres: 248-408-9653
- Penelope Trikes: 248-474-4366

NO MEETING IN DECEMBER

January's meeting (1/14) will be at a special time from 2:30pm–4:30pm

How to Use the Bench

Simply reach out to any of the members listed above. They are ready to provide support by lending their energy to a creative project.

We extend our heartfelt thanks to everyone who joined The Bench. Thank you for your willingness to step in when needed. Together we can expand our club in Farmington.

Richard Adams

President, Farmington Art Foundation

PRESIDENT'S LETTER

As we close out another year of creativity and community, December offers us a moment to reflect on the joy we share through art. Let us come together in person to celebrate in the joy of the season.

This gathering will be a wonderful opportunity to relax, enjoy good company and celebrate creativity and friendship. Expect festive cheer, delicious refreshments, as we toast the year behind us and welcome the excitement of upcoming 2026.

We look forward to seeing you there—let's make this an exciting and vibrant time. Please come and bring a quest.

Richard Adams

President, Farmington Art Foundation

The Farmington Art Foundation warmly invites all members and friends to our Holiday Party on Friday, December 12, 2025, at the Farmington Hills Elks Lodge, from 4:30 to 8:00.

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.

Looking Ahead: 2025-26

No Meeting in Dec.	February 11
See Holiday Party details in President's Letter!	March 11
	April 8
	May 13
January 14	
SPECIAL DAYTIME!	
2:30-4:30PM!	

Many of programs are currently TBD.

Updated information will provided when available.

Liberty Street Library Exhibit

January artist at the Liberty Street Library is **Yevgenia Gazman**. There is no commission on sales. Most of 2026 is open, so give me a call or email if you wish to display your work. 248-471-5563 | Katmb@att.net

– Kathy Boettcher



IN CASE OF INCLEMENT WEATHER AND THE FARMINGTON SCHOOLS ARE CLOSED, THE FAF MEETING THAT EVENING WILL BE CANCELED.

KICKSTART GALLERY



The new Kickstart display was setup on Dec. 3rd and the Opening Reception will be on Thursday December 18th from 5 to 8PM.



Costick Center Happenings

The Costick Center Display is on Monday, January 12th at 9:30 to 11:30. Please pick up previous shows artwork on this date also. Thank you for setting up the last show when I could not make it. It turned out very impressive. We even had 1 painting sold. Way to go Betty Eilassen! I need additional artists for the January show. Will send email out to remind people of the January 12th show and pickup date. Since we will not have a meeting in December, I will ask for artists to contact me. Please email me at: dec1105@aol.com | Call me at: 248-470-4793 Thank you. – Mary Clappison

MEMBER ART & ANNOUNCEMENTS



Pears on a Plate | Pastel – Sharon Daitch

Yearly FAF Membership Dues

It is that time again to pay your annual membership dues to the Farmington Art Foundation. **They are due the first of January.** Attached to this newsletter is a membership form. Questions regarding membership should be directed to the Treasurer, Jan Hall at janhall6@sbcglobal.net



Sunshine cards are always available to be sent to our members.

Please notify Sunshine Chair Sharon Daitch at KramerDaitch@aol.com

Be sure to put “sunshine” in the subject line.



The Lion | Pastel – Ann Cleary



Poppies | Pastel – Ann Cleary

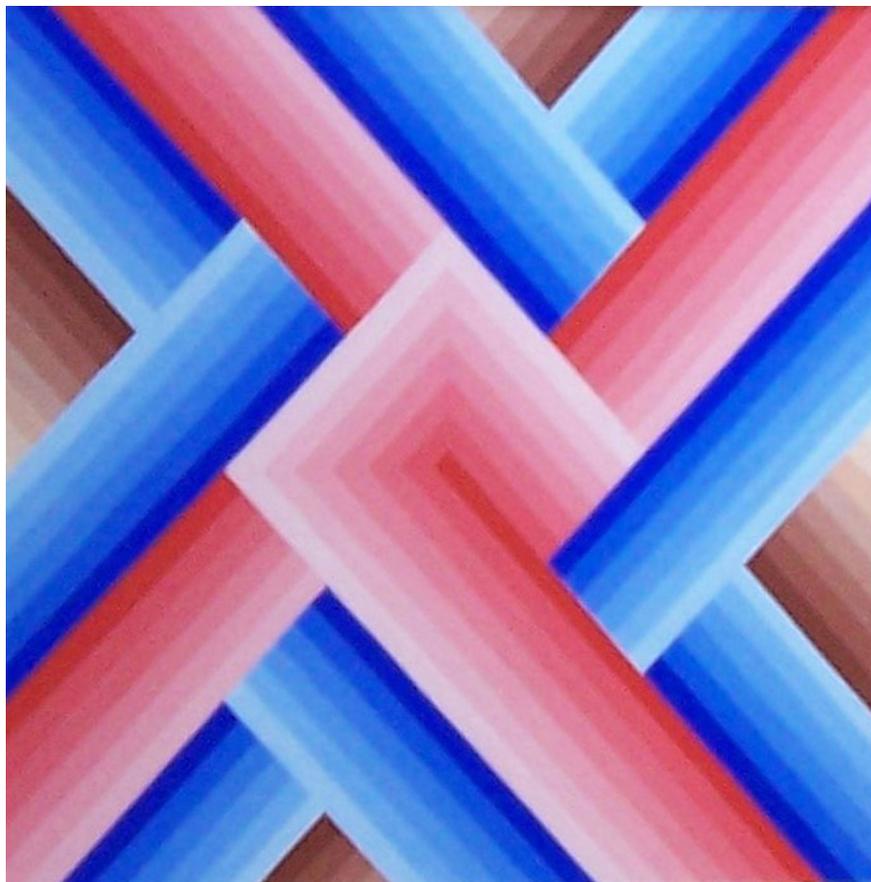
MEMBER ART...CONTINUED



Chuck Schroeder won 2nd Place for *Manitou* at Art In The Loft in Alpena in their "Yellow" themed show



Judah – Yevgeniya Gazman



One of my arts (*Rays of Hope*) has been accepted by the Grosse Point Art Center in their "Shape, Color, Space" art show. – **Sunanda (Sue) Mallick**



Whimsical holiday card collection | Waterbrush & Ink
– **Karen Reasoner**

MEMBER ART...CONTINUED



Chuck Schroeder won 2nd Place for End of the Road at the Livonia Fine Arts Show.



Bouquet of Flowers | Watercolor
– **Margaret Platte RSM**



Now, Cease Fire – **Yevgeniya Gazman**



– **Mary Kehoe**