

MAY 2013 GRAPEVINE

Note: Our chapter now has **an email address** for anyone wanting information about us that is not on the website: info@victoriafca.com We also have a **Facebook page**, so if you are on Facebook “like” us and connect! Just type in FCA Victoria Chapter in the Search line to find us.

UPCOMING MEETINGS: All meetings held at the Windsor Park Pavilion in Oak Bay, 7-9pm on Thursday evenings, unless otherwise specified, usually the third Thursday of the month.

September 19th will be our first meeting of the year.

EXHIBITIONS: Please note that the FCA Board of Directors has decided that digital art will no longer be accepted in FCA shows. So starting in 2014, the Victoria Chapter shows will no longer consider digital art for our exhibitions.

After many meetings and much discussion, the FCA Board of Directors and the Standards Committee have decided that beginning January 1, 2014, the FCA juried shows will no longer accept submissions of works originating as digital media.

This was not an easy decision to make for the Board of Directors as we value our digital artists. Although digitally generated paintings are just as valuable and artistic as traditional paintings and handmade prints, our current acceptance guidelines and criteria do not properly address the properties inherent to digital painting. There is a significant effort involved to properly interpret those properties which are appropriate for the medium. The Board will continue to investigate how this topic could be addressed in the future.

SPRING EXHIBITION:

We had a great Spring Show at Coast Collective Art Centre, juried by Harold Allanson SFCA, Marney Ward SFCA and Kristina Boardman AFCA, but unfortunately didn't sell any paintings. We did sell a number of cards and prints. Thanks to some **good publicity we had a huge turnout to see the show.** Besides posters and invitations, we had **an interview with Sharlene and Marney**

on Shaw tv and a feature on Ed Araquel by Robert Amos in the Times Colonist, March 16, **where Robert spoke positively about the FCA** and encouraged people to see the show Unfortunately, these are just hard times for selling paintings. If you sold prints or cards you will be receiving a cheque from Coast Collective within a month, minus the 30% which they retain as a commission.

If anyone missed the shaw item and wants to see it, here is the link: <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Wn4USH6Php8&list=UUBqQrRgC1QLqBRRBhvoZPdw&index=1> Video of Coast Collective show with Karen Elgersma host and Sharlene Lee and Marney Ward talking about the Spring 2013 FCA show. Just hold down the control button and click on the blue link. It's a bit disjointed as Karen hosted the half-hour program from Coast Collective and kept switching to other items and then back to the show.

SUMMER EXHIBITION

We are having a summer exhibition at Goward House, 2495 Arbutus Rd, August 1-28.

- **Drop-off of paintings:** Thursday August 1, 10am-12:30pm
- **Pick-up of declined paintings:** Friday August 2, 11:30am-12:30pm.
- **Artist's Reception:** Sunday August 11, 1:30-3:30pm.
- **Pick-up of paintings at end of show:** Thursday Aug. 29, 10am-noon.
- **Regular viewing times, 9am-4pm weekdays.**
- **Jurors: David Goatley SFCA, Anne Hudec SFCA and Sandhu Singh AFCA**

FALL EXHIBITION

Thanks (again) to Jim McFarland, we have secured Dales Gallery, 537 Fisgard St, for our Fall Exhibition, November 1-28, 2013. Gallery Hours are 10am-5pm Monday-Friday and 11am-4pm on Saturdays. These are the details you need to know now:

- **Drop-off of paintings:** Wednesday October 30, at the Gallery, 10am-12:30pm
- **Opening Reception:** Saturday Nov. 2, 1-3pm
- **More details in the August and September Grapevines**

FEDERATION GALLERY UPCOMING SHOWS (Please confirm dates online as they are subject to change)

- **Canvas Unbound, May 7-19, Jury deadline April 5**

- **POTE (Painting on the Edge)** Aug. 13-Sept. 1. Jury deadline June 21
- **AIRS (Annual International Representational Show)** Oct. 8-27, jury deadline Aug. 23

FCA WHISTLER WORKSHOP, September 16-22, check it out at www.artists.ca

ART AVENUE DEADLINES

- Send info about your own shows and major events, including an image if appropriate, to artavenue@artists.ca at least a month before the issue comes out.
- Marney (marneyward@shaw.ca) is the liaison for chapter news for Art Avenue

WEBSITE AND GRAPEVINE

- Send info for website to **Michael Beseau**, m-beseau@shaw.ca
- Send info for the Grapevine to Marney, marneyward@shaw.ca

MEMBER SHOWS and OTHER NEWS

- **Kristi Bridgeman is having a solo show of mandala and landscape paintings at the Dr. Sun Yat-Sen Memorial Gardens in Vancouver, 578 Carrall St, for the month of May. For more information see www.kristibridgeman.com; www.vancouverchinesegarden.com or call 604-662-3207.**
- **Sharlene Stushnov Lee and Chris Stusek** have had paintings accepted into the **Canvas Unbound** show at Federation Gallery, May 7-19.
- **Phillipa Hudson AFCA has a solo show at Eclectic Gallery 2170 Oak Bay Ave, May 6-June 15. Artist's reception May 9, 7-9pm.** Phillipa has also been commissioned to paint 3 large canvases to hang behind the check-in desk at the **Lake Louise Fairmont Hotel....way to go Phillipa!** You can follow the progress of these paintings on her facebook site, Phillipa Hudson AFCA, if you "like" the page.
- **Chris Stusek has been accepted into the TOSH 10 group of artists at The Old School House in Qualicum, May 1, 2013--April 20, 2014.** She will be at the gallery May 17, 18, and 31, June 27- 29 and July 21-24.
- **June Haynes banners are up in downtown Victoria and look great!**

- **Congratulations to Margot Clayton AFCA** for receiving an **Outstanding Service award from Vancouver** for her many years of service to our Victoria Chapter.
- **Artishow 2013: Desiree Bond, Ingrid Fawcett, Mike Leavy, Keith Levang, Jim McFarland AFCA, Sharon Stone, Sandy Terry and Marney Ward SFCA will all be participating in the Artishow program this summer, as guest artists in various hotels.**
 - **June: Sandy** will be at **Sidney Pier Hotel** in Sidney
 - **July: Keith** will be at **Sidney Pier**, **Mike** will be at **Coast Victoria Harbourside**, and **Ingrid** will be at **Laurel Point**
 - **August: Sharon** will be at **Laurel Point**
 - **September: Desiree and Jim** will both be at **Laurel Point** and **Marney** will be at **Oak Bay Beach Hotel**
 - All will be in attendance on **Wednesdays, Thursdays and Fridays**, mostly from 10am - 5pm, **Marney** will be at the OBBH from 2pm-8pm. Come by and say Hi and Watch us Paint!
- **Kathy Cameron won second prize in the Look Show** and has had two paintings accepted to the **TNS Chapter Open FCA Show**, April 19-28, Kamloops.
- **Art Gallery Moss Street Paint-In, Saturday July 20.** So far I am aware of the following chapter members invited, we will post the map on our chapter website when it becomes available. **Kristi Bridgeman, Barbara Callow AFCA, Kathy Cameron, June Haynes, Sharlene Stushnov Lee, Jim McFarland AFCA, Lisa Riehl AFCA, Sandy Terry, Marney Ward SFCA.**

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