

December 2009 to March 2010

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Federation of Canadian Artists . Victoria Chapter

President's Message

..... from Agnes



Full Circle

Christmas, in January, is so passé,
Pack up that stuff and put it away!
Can't wait for Spring bulbs to poke up their heads,
And inside we put pots of croci instead!

Followed by tulips and lilacs and such,
Oh, I LOVE Spring time so very much!

Summer arrives with daytrips and guests,
It's long, sunny days out here in the West.
Blue oceans, the flowers, it will just never end,
Until one day you wonder where it all went!

Autumn slips in, and I do so much love
Bright colours on trees, a good storm, a silent fog

Then slowly it turns to wintry days,
And in stores Christmas wares go out on display.
Early, yes, to get us in the mood
For making those lists and such, which is good.

Tree up, decorations, a poinsettia, deep red,
Makes us forget the cold and the wet
Family visits, atmosphere, memories remain
Ooh, isn't it WONDERFUL!
It's Christmas again

*Wishing you all a wonderful Christmas, and a
Happy, Healthy, New Year.
Agnes*

Seasons Greetings

COME TO THE PARTY!!!

Christmas Party December 10, 6 pm

At Windsor Park Pavilion

Potluck Dinner and Small Painting Exchange

Slide Show

Please send up to 6 images to Kerry for the Show

Our Victoria Chapter Spring 2010 Juried Show
will be at

The Community Arts Council Gallery

April 4—14, 2010

Watch our website for Details

and Registration Form.

Pre Registration by March 22, 2010



Fall Show Award Winner: "HEAT" Sharlene Stushnov-Lee

Winter Workshop:

Catherine Moffat will be conducting two workshops, since demand has been so great: February 27 and 28, and March 6 and 7, 2010. Catherine is an award winning and recently published artist, (International Artist Magazine), and is a Signature Member of the FCA. She is a master at chiaroscuro, high value contrast that gives an ethereal sense of drama and realism. She is one of Canada's most excellent portrait painters. She is also well known for her finely rendered still life in both watercolours and oils. Catherine's painting goes beyond the skillful representation of interesting objects; it rests on a strong foundation of design and colour sensitivity. Both rich and disciplined, her work is carefully constructed and refined to achieve a satisfying sense of resolution for both the eye and the spirit.



"Satin Ribbons" Oil on Canvas, by Catherine Moffat

"My painting stems from my longing to make something beautiful, and my confidence that this is, for me, a worthy goal."

Each Workshop: Members: \$160, Non-members: \$180.

Location: Oakland Community Centre

Both of these sessions are close to Sold Out, so please contact Kerry right away if you are interested in one or both!

Kerry Fleetwood: 250-655-3684

Or email kerryfleetwood@shaw.ca

Cheques should be payable to **FCA Victoria Chapter**,
and mailed to :

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News From The FCA...

Annual membership fees to the national Federation of Canadian Artists in Vancouver are due, and there is now the option of renewing online. Memberships renewed before midnight, December 15, 2009, will be entered to win an original pastel painting by Andrew McDermott, SFCA. Draw will be made January 29, 2010, and the winner will be notified by phone. If renewing by mail, please ensure you give enough time for Canada Post to deliver it, given the volumes of mail at this time of year.

There are a number of upcoming shows at the Federation Gallery, including Landscapes, Success, Blossoms, Canvas Unbound, and two Chapter Members Shows.

Full information available on the FCA site at www.artists.ca

Visit this website often. There is so much information about the art and artists, the history and the present of this organization... it's fun to review regularly.

There are many Classes and Workshops offered through the Vancouver FCA; these also, are all listed on the website.

Happy New Year!

Chapter Meeting Schedule for 2010

Windsor Park Pavilion, Oak Bay, from 7 - 9 p.m.

Winter Meeting Dates are:

January 21: Dorset Norwich Young Demo
Dorset studied at the Emily Carr Institute of Art and Design, graduating with honours, in 1975. While there, she flirted with printmaking, photography, and ceramics, but painting was always her greatest love.

Dorset's paintings, whatever the subject, are renowned for their energy, vitality, and vibrant colours.

Internationally collected, award winning professional for 25 years, Dorset has painted for many years in oils and watercolours, and has recently developed a passion for acrylics, capturing the deep-hued colours of the West Coast sea and landscapes.



"Bonsai Sunset"

Dorset
Norwich-Young

February 18: Kerry Fleetwood 'Photoshop'

March 18: TBA

April 15: AGM

Please Note: No meeting in May; Next meeting will be in September

If there is something you would like to have as a demo or a presentation, please let anyone on the executive know.

Refreshments are served at all our Meetings.



Membership Information

Annual Membership is \$20 - due in September

Cheque payable to: FCA Victoria Chapter

Mail cheque to:

FCA Membership c/o Margot Clayton,
735 Cromarty Road, North Saanich BC, V8L 5G6.

All Chapter Members must be members of the **Federation of Canadian Artists**, which requires a cheque for \$70 sent to Vancouver. This membership renews annually in January.

Only fully paid up Active Members are able to submit paintings for jurying into FCA Shows.

Step Right Up.....

Please give your name to anyone on the Executive, to volunteer to be on the Executive. We need your help!!!!.

Several of our current Executive have worked hard on our behalf for many years, and now wish to pass the torch... we need someone for them to pass it to! Don't be shy!

FCA Active Status:

Achieving Active Status enables you to submit work to FCA Juried Shows, both our local Chapter, and through the Federation Gallery in Vancouver.

Our Victoria Chapter juries for Active status once a year (in September), however, at any time during the year you can be juried through the Vancouver FCA - send ten images as digitals or slides, no originals needed. The Vancouver cost for digital entry is \$11 dollars, \$10 for slides. Info and forms downloaded at FCA website www.artists.ca

MEMBER NEWS AND CONGRATULATIONS!

The Art Gallery of Greater Victoria is featuring two FCA members in their advertising for their Christmas Small Works Show: *Claire Christinel* and *Lisa Riehl* have photos of their small works and name credits on the advertising appearing in publications around town.

Iola Scott and *Adam Noonan* have an upcoming exhibition at the Winchester on 796 Humbolt Street, Opening on Thursday, November 26, 5–8 pm. The Show continues until Saturday, December 19th.

Sharon Waring's painting "Coming Home" was in the top 10 people's choice awards at the Sidney Fine Art Show.

Pauline Martland had a monotype "The Jester" accepted into the Small Painting Show at the Federation Gallery, Vancouver, November 16 to December 6.

Watch your local retailers book shelves for *The Sky Tree*, a beautiful Trilogy of Children's Fables written by P.K. Page with full colour illustrations by *Kristi Bridgeman*. Published by Oolichan Books, copied can be ordered in advance for \$19.95, in December 2009. Email: oolichanbooks@telus.net, www.oolichan.com.

Marney Ward has two paintings accepted into the Canadian Spirit show in Vancouver, which will be on display during the Olympics. This is a major show sponsored by the FCA, with about 300 paintings in locations not yet determined.

Dorset Norwich-Young also has a painting accepted to Capture the Canadian Spirit, as well as another accepted to the Spilsbury Medal Show at the Federation Gallery.

COMMUNICATIONS... CHAIR: April Lund

the Website: www.victoriafca.com

Send all your info to April, as soon as you receive it, and she will get it posted to our website.

There is no deadline for website information.

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The Grapevine will be issued in March, June, September, and December, posted to our website, and mailed to the few who do not have computers.

So, keep sending all your news to April!

