



FCA NEWSLETTER



March, 2012

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Presidents Message *by Kathy Hildebrandt*

Spring is upon us and so is our All Things Spring exhibition. It's been several years since we held an exhibition at the Edgemont Community Centre. I'd like to encourage all members, whether you are participating or not to put the word out encouraging people to attend this show. Terri Finnegan has been very busy over the last little while getting everything in place for this exhibition. Terri is taking over the Exhibition Coordinator role from Sheila Schaezle.

Over the past couple of weeks I have been helping out with some testing of Vancouver's online jury submission process for chapters. It is very near ready for all the chapters to use and should be in place for the jury of our Absolutely Art exhibition. This process will make the whole jurying process much easier for our members as you will be able to pay immediately, no jury form to complete and best of all, no naming convention for your images will be required!! Members will need to create an account on the Vancouver website if you don't already have one.

Our Annual General Meeting will take place at our April general meeting. We can always use volunteers for different committees and executive positions so if there is a way you can help out, please let anyone on the current executive know and we would be happy to provide any information you may need.

Upcoming Exhibitions

Jury Submission Deadlines:

Absolutely Art

May 12, 2012

Jury Submission deadline:
Friday, Apr. 20, 2012
6:00PM SHARP



As the casino draws near just a reminder to get your suggestions for the our club before the next board meeting, (March 13th) where we will be taking a look at the ideas and hopefully be adding them to the Federations List of Proceeds Application. Thank you to the members who signed up last night and to all the members who have volunteered to help at the casino event which takes place on June 19th and 20th. I welcome any other members to sign up and encourage everyone to volunteer and to come out, it is worth \$100 credit towards our branch membership or workshop dues. in case of a shortfall we have a method in place but we need to know we can sustain our own club with this valuable monetary opportunity in the future. I have set the deadline for March first but will be accepting volunteers ongoing. Although the casino does not require everyone to fill out the form I would appreciate you to fill one out if you are volunteering, it is for my benefit and an easy way for me to keep track. See attached form. Thank You Tami



Member Activities & Workshops

FCA Calgary Chapter Monthly Meeting	Our workshop in the fall is with Brent Laycock
March 20, 2012 (Third Tuesday of Month)	Zhoaming Wu is scheduled for Spring of 2013.
AGM April 17, 2012	
SPRING WORKSHOPS	Please check our website for updates
Mike Svob MARCH 19,20&21 Full with wait list	http://fcacalgary.ca

Exhibition Update

Award Paintings



Donna MacDonald
"Prep Work"
Oil 8x10 \$375.00 First Place



Kathleen Theriault "It Must Be Spring"
Oil 14x18 \$400.00 Second Place

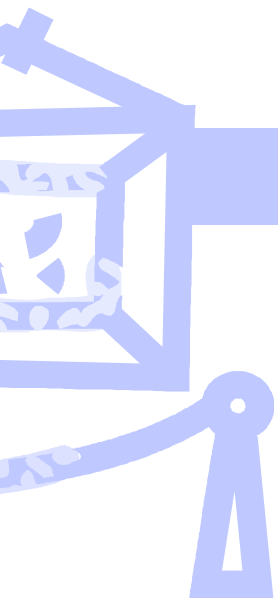


Sharon Lynn Williams "Marsh Light No"
Oil 9x12 \$495.00 Third Place



“All Things Spring”

March 10, 2012



Tracy Proctor “Canola Series II”
Encaustic 48x24 \$1,585.00 Honourable Mention



Linda Wilder “Field of Daisies”
Acrylic 16x20 \$795.00 Honourable Mention



Kathy Hildebrandt “All Keyed Up”
Pastel 18x18 \$1,075.00
Honourable Mention

Name	Title	Medium	Size	Price	Award
Donna MacDonald	Prep Work	Oil	8x10	\$375.00	First Place
Kathleen Theriault	It Must Be Spring	Oil	14x18	\$400.00	Second Place
Sharon Lynn Williams	Marsh Light No 1	Oil	9x12	\$495.00	Third Place
Kathy Hildebrandt	All Keyed Up	Pastel	18x18	\$1,075.00	Honourable Mention
Tracy Proctor	Canola Series II	Encaustic	48x24	\$1,585.00	Honourable Mention
Linda Wilder	Field of Daisies	Acrylic	16x20	\$795.00	Honourable Mention

Monthly Meeting Minutes

Annual General Meeting MINUTES 02/21/2012
Prepared By Cheryl Todd Shergold

Meeting Commenced at 7:10pm

Kathy Hildebrandt made a motion that the Nov 2011 minutes be accepted. Terri Finnegan Approved. Kathleen Theriault seconded.

All Things Spring Show – Terri Finnegan/Kathy Hildebrandt

Scheduled for March 10/2012 at Edgemont Community Center, 10-4pm

Artists were asked to submit at least one spring themed work.

Jury choices will be back by Feb 29/2012 and a list of accepted paintings will be forwarded for members.

Artists are asked to be at the hall by 8:30 to drop of accepted pieces for set up.

Once artists come back to work the show we ask them to please not move any of the paintings around. They are put in place without favoritism and are expected to remain in the placement as is.

Easel pickup will be Friday at 4:30 at Ken Thomas's house. We are in need of volunteers to help load the easels at Ken's house as well as unload at Edgemont. Ray Klaasen volunteered

Members are asked to bring a potluck sweet or savory dish for the show.

There will be no wine served as it is becoming more and more difficult to get a liquor licence. Tea, coffee and water will be served.

Door prize will be selected tonight – please vote on your favorite.

It is essential for members to email and promote the show to all of their contacts. We are in a new location so the more people we can reach, the better the outcome of the show will be.

Treasurers Report – Tracy Proctor provided the balances.

The bank balances before reconciliations are as follows: General Account: \$6500 Casino Funds: \$27000 GICs (4): \$16000
We have spent \$30000 of the casino money. \$6000 of that was on workshops, promo and advertising.

We will have a POS machine in place for the upcoming show. We will be able to take Visa, MasterCard and Debit. We will also be able to utilize the machine at the meetings for people to pay for workshops etc.

At the last show there were some transactions put in as preauthorized and after 30 days without closing those out they were cancelled. We were at risk for losing all of the money for those paintings sold. Tracy called each and every one and all but one so far have honored the payments.

This show will run much smoother with the new POS we have acquired.

Good News- King Edward School is a go ahead but is still 3-4 years away until it will be in operation.

Website – Kathy Hildebrandt

Members in attendance were asked who would use a PayPal service to pay for membership fees or workshops if it were offered on the website. A good ten plus people raised their hands.

Linda Wilder volunteered to monitor the pay pal account.

Kathy Hildebrandt will follow up with Jim on getting the website PayPal enabled although she did state it would be preferable for members to pay at the meetings.

Year End Financial – Kathy Hildebrandt

An accountant is required for a year-end review of the books before the annual AGM in April. Cheryl Quist volunteered to do this.

Kathy Hildebrandt made a motion to engage Cheryl Quist to review the financials for year end. Terri Finnegan accepted. Sharon Williams seconded.

Monthly Meeting Minutes cont. ...

Volunteer Positions – Kathy Hildebrandt

Kathy is hoping that everyone has a chance to review the volunteer positions. There will be a few vacant positions opening up for the April AGM. Please think about it and consider volunteering for these positions. We will go over the list once again in March to have everyone in place by April.

Workshops– Tami Hort

Mike Svob is booked for March 19, 20 and 21. It is now full pending that everyone on the list provides payment. If not those spots will be opened up for those on the waiting list. The cost is \$90 for members and \$180 for non-members.

Brent Laycock is scheduled for fall 2012

Zhoaming Wu is scheduled for Spring of 2013.

We are open for suggestions in what people want to see in the upcoming demos and workshops. Tami provided slips of papers for people to provide suggestions.

New Members – Kathy Hildebrandt

Welcome to Pat Neden, Ron Czemers, Rick Janzen, Caran Magaw and Chris Bartels. All of the new members were in attendance at the meeting.

8:15 Sharon Williams made a motion for the meeting to be adjourned. Cheryl Quist 2nd.

Other Items – Casino/ Tami Hort

The next casino is booked for June 19, 20th on a Tues/Wed at the Elbow Valley Casino.

Tami asked members to provide ideas for what they would like to see the money being spent on.

Tami outlined the items that the last casino funds were used for such as rent of the community hall, workshops, updating the library, administration costs etc. Basically the casino funds have been used for almost everything except for food.

A \$100 voucher will be provided to anyone who volunteers for a shift.

We have a few options as to how we can run the casino.

8:35 Cheryl Quist made a motion for the meeting to be re-opened. Sharon Williams 2nd.

Option 1 – Casino positions fully staffed by FCA Calgary Members

Option 2 – Sharing the casino 50/50 with another group. Profits split equally.

Option 3 – Providing a chance for a smaller group to work the casino for us in return for a monetary donation

Consensus from the members in attendance at the meeting was to give a chance to the membership base to fill all of the casino positions by emailing all members a request for volunteers notice.

Kathy Hildebrandt said she would send an email out requesting 55 volunteers by March 1/2012

The probability of us getting a full time gallery is not good but the possibility of us finding a gallery for a 2 week showing is doable.

We ARE able to ask for an extension on the deadline to spend the funds.

Only one \$100 voucher per person no matter how many shifts they work for the casino. If you bring in a spouse or other person to work than they may receive the voucher and you, as a member, may use it towards workshops or Calgary branch membership fees.

Kathy Hildebrandt made a motion that if we do not have sufficient resources by membership base to cover ALL shifts we will offer another group to come in and assist us for a small donation. Linda Wilder 2nd. Passed by majority

9:10 Linda Wilder made a motion for the meeting to be closed (final). Terri Finnegan 2nd.

Member News

WARNING TO ARTISTS: Beware of people emailing to ask to purchase paintings!! I do sell my art online, so I have to follow up every request I am sent. First they ask if the painting is available and the price. When you reply, give them the price and ask where they found your painting - give NO information such as addresses, phone, etc. They will then email back right away, saying something like:

"Thanks for the message, I am very happy to know that the Artwork is still available for sale. i must tell you i am very much interested in the immediate purchase and i am willing to pay the asking price .I will like to let you know that your payment will be in a Certified Cashiers cheque, this will not take time at all because the payment will be sent out immediately i read back from you. You don't have to worry about shipment, my shipper will handle it.

This is because i am currently out of the country on a business proposal. So get back to me with the information needed to send you the payment I:E :Full Name Standard Mailing Address Phone numbers asking price reconfirmation so that i can proceed with the payment arrangement, consider it sold get back to me with the details. Will await your message.

Note...

Got to know your work through a friend."

Here is the tip off -certified cheque! I called the Canadian Anti-Fraud Centre and they said there is nothing they can do!!! Apparently these fraudsters have people working for them in Canada who will send you a photocopied cheque from almost any major city in the country. The gov't cannot touch them as they are based outside of the country. How crappy is that???

Please send this to all artists you know!!!!

Thanks

Sharon