



FCA NEWSLETTER



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Upcoming Exhibitions

Jury Submission Deadlines:

Absolutely Art
May 12, 2012

Jury Submission Deadline:
Friday, Apr. 25, 2012
11:59 PM PDT

Only online submissions through the FCA Vancouver website will be accepted for jury.

Please Note
Change to Exhibition Jurying Process

See Guidelines on page 2.

Presidents Message *by Kathy Hildebrandt*

This is it!! My last President's report. My 3 year term as President of the Chapter comes to an end this month with the Annual General Meeting. These three years have flown by.

A lot of changes in the chapter have happened in the past few years. We made the change to a digital jury process which was sometimes stressful for members. It was a large learning curve for some but the change was necessary to keep up with technological advances. Now we will make one more change in our jurying process to take advantage of the online jurying system for chapters that Vancouver has implemented. It will be an easier process for everyone in the long run though.

We had a fabulous 30th Anniversary celebration last September. It was great to see a some of our founding members attending the celebration as well as a few members who **can't always participate in our exhibitions. A lot of great artists have passed through the Calgary Chapter over the past 30 years and hopefully that will continue for the next 30 years.**

One of the biggest changes though was the casino. Thanks to Tami Hort the chapter was able to participate in the casino and as a result now has substantial funds at its disposal. New easels, computers, DVDs and other tangible equipment have been **purchased that will benefit our chapter for many years to come. We've been able to expand the advertising for our exhibitions and a lot of great workshops have been hosted with more to come.**

Over the past 3 years there have been many great people who have volunteered their time on the executive and committee chair roles. It has been a privilege to work with all **of them. I'd like to thank the current members; Rosemary Bennett, Garry Kaye, Cheryl Todd Shergold, Tracy Proctor, Tami Hort, Sheila Schaetzle, Terri Finnegan, Donna MacDonald and Kathleen Theriault.** But a special thanks goes to Janie Lockwood for sometimes keeping me sane, particularly with a glass of wine!! Thank you all very much, your willingness to devote your time to the executive has been very much appreciated.

Garry Kaye will be stepping in as President. I know he will do a great job for the next 3 years. I will still be around as Past President and jury coordinator. I encourage all members to continue volunteering for the chapter as I firmly believe you get out what you put in.

Exhibition Update

Change to Exhibition Jurying Process

The online jurying process for FCA Chapters is now ready!! The Calgary Chapter's **Absolutely Art exhibition in May** will be juried through this online process. Hopefully this process will open up our **exhibitions to chapter members who haven't** previously participated in our shows. I took part in the testing of the chapter process and it will be easier than our current digital jury system.

In order for members to submit work for the jury, you must have an account on the Vancouver site. If you have entered any of the Vancouver exhibitions in the past year, you will already have an account in place and be familiar with the submission process. You may also have created an account late last year in order to pay your Vancouver dues online. **If you haven't created an account yet I** would encourage you to do so now, before our first jury is upon us. Go to the Vancouver site at www.artists.ca and click on the Show Submission menu item on the left. It will walk you through the steps of creating your account.

I will review both the account set up and the submission process at the March and April

meetings, but here are a few of the main points

You must have an account on the Vancouver site

The jury coordinator will provide a link (by email) that you will use to submit your work for our chapter exhibitions. This link will be specifically for our show, you will not see our chapter shows listed on Vancouver's "Show Submission" listing.

You will still be able to submit up to 5 paintings for our exhibitions.

No need to follow a naming convention for your image jpg file name. As part of the submission process a screen will appear that will allow you to find the image on your computer and upload it to the FCA site.

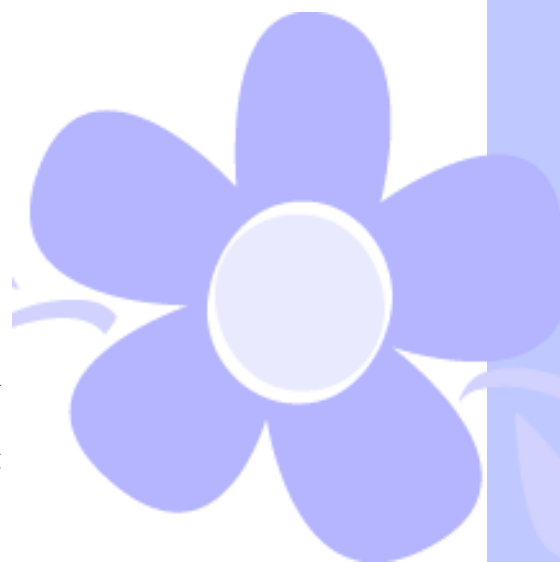
You will have to pay the \$5.00 per image jury fee online by credit card on their secure site.

You will receive emails informing you that your submission has been received.

Once the jurying has been completed,

you will receive an email with your jury results. These results will also be made available to the Jury Coordinator and Chapter President.

This process will hopefully alleviate some of the issues we have had with our digital process and will be easier for everyone. If you have any questions or problems please contact Kathy Hildebrandt at khilde@shaw.ca



"All Things Spring" Event Pictures by Tami Hort





Member Activities & Workshops

FCA Calgary Chapter Monthly Meeting-Third Tuesday of Month

Calgary Chapter Annual General Meeting: April 17, 2012 - If you are interested in volunteering for a position or would like to nominate someone please give anyone on the executive a call to find out more or to indicate your interest. If you are nominating someone please make **sure they are willing to let their name stand for a position. We have lot's of opportunities for members and you'll enjoy meeting and making friends.**

Membership lists, Chapter By-laws and the Financial Report will be available at the AGM
April 17 Brent Laycock will be doing a floral watercolour demo

May 15th

Garage sale and live model sketch night.
Bring in any unwanted art items.

Please check our website for updates

<http://fcacalgary.ca>



Workshop Recap

Mike Svob Workshop

On March 19 to 21, approximately 20 FCA members took part in the Mike Svob workshop. Mike demoed in both oil and acrylic to the enjoyment of all. Here are some step by step shots of his acrylic demo as well as images of his final oil demos



Step 1



Step 2



Step 3



Step 4



Step 5



Step 6



Day 2 Oil Demo



Day 3 Oil Demo

Member News



The Ride to Conquer Cancer

As many of you know and the fourth year now I will be participating in the Ride to Conquer Cancer. It is a 200+ km ride through the foothills of the Rockies to raise money for research and treatment for the Alberta Cancer Foundation. Like many of you, I have been touched personally by cancer especially in the last couple of years when I have lost friends to this **disease and others have heard the words "you have cancer"**. **In the last three rides, my team has raised over \$120,000 for cancer research and we are committed to raising a minimum of \$12,000 this year. If you would like to support the 'The Ride' and myself, I would really appreciate it.** To make a donation to the Ride to Conquer Cancer you can go to: www.conquercancer.ca and click the

green Donate button and type in my name. Tax receipts will be emailed immediately.

I am also selling poster prints of my original painting titled "The Journey: Every Hill and Every Mile" for \$25 each, with proceeds benefitting the Alberta Cancer Foundation. Contact me at

dawn@heinemeyer.ca if you would like to purchase a poster.

Thanks for your support, Dawn Heinemeyer, AFCA, ASA

FCA Members Art Info Exchange & Get Together

Kathleen Theriault is hosting a monthly get together at her home studio on the fourth Wednesday of the month beginning May 23rd from 1:30pm-4:00pm. FCA members interested in joining are invited to email Kathleen at kt56023@yahoo.com

Please bring along something you would like to share and discuss such as your favorite art books, magazines DVDs and or artists work, etc. We may also schedule drawing and painting from life and the model as a group if there is enough interest.

BYO drinks and snacks, Coffee and Tea will be provided. Hope to see you there!



U CanT Teach an Old Dog New Trix
Pastel 18"x24"

Congratulations!

At the March meeting of the FCA's Board of
Governors meeting,
Kathy Hildebrandt was juried in as an
Associate signature member (AFCA).

Monthly Meeting Minutes

Annual General Meeting MINUTES 03/20/2012
Prepared By Janie Lockwood

Meeting Commenced at 7:04pm

*Kathy Hildebrandt made a motion that the Feb. 2012 minutes be accepted.
Rosemary Bennett approved. Gary Kaye seconded.*

Absolutely Art Show – Terri Finnegan/Kathy Hildebrandt

Scheduled for May 12/2012 at Haysboro Community Center, 10-4 pm

Door prize will be selected at the April 17th meeting – please bring a framed, ready to hang painting for voting. \$200.00 will be paid to the winner.

Invitations will be available at the next meeting. We'll stamp and attach the address labels.

Both rooms will be used for the show. The lounge (where we have meetings) will be for the juried paintings.

The main hall will be for the "Open Show." - this is separate from the juried FCA exhibition

The online jury will be through the FCA Vancouver website. ONLY! You will need to log into the Vancouver website and set up an account. Name, address, password.

Kathy will send out a link that will take you to a specific page where only Calgary members can log in for jurying.

It will ask you how many pieces you are entering for jury, (up to 5), do you want an image from your archive or select a new **image. If you select "a new image" it will allow you to find the image from your files. You will then be able to see your painting on the screen. (so you'll know if you have the correct piece.)**

It will then ask title, size, support and price.

You will then pay by credit card, \$5.00 per image.

You must make sure the image is correctly cropped, if not you will pay for jurying but it will not be considered.

Your results will be emailed to you.

The president and the jury coordinator will get all the results so they can decide how many previously juried pieces can be accommodated and title cards made up.

Kathy Hildebrandt made a motion that we use the main hall for an open show, 2 pieces "artists choice" per active or signature member. Leslie Scherger seconded, motion passed.

It's the responsibility of each artist to ensure that though these "artist choice" pieces are not juried by Vancouver that our standards are maintained. They cannot have been shown at the last Haysboro show, Nov, 2011

Please ensure that when you send the jury coordinator (Kathy) the information for your 2 "artist choice" pieces that you do it correctly. ie: artist name, title, size, medium, price.

There will be no hanging fee while we have casino money.

Depending on the amount of paintings accepted by Vancouver there may be a call for previously juried paintings. The Previously juried paintings cannot have been in the last Haysboro show (Nov. 2011) and should not be older than 2 years. Note: as previously juried paintings they can only be shown once.

The title cards for the 'Open Show' will not have The FCA logo on them as it is not considered part of a FCA show.

Try and setup an account with FCA Vancouver online. Gary found some difficulties. If this continues Kathy will check into it with Vancouver.

Treasurers Report – Tracy Proctor

A line could not be found at the Edgemont Centre that the new Visa machine could run on, so we couldn't use it. Tracy talked with Visa, they said that sometimes it works and sometimes it doesn't. (Not very helpful) Next meeting Tracy will bring the machine to see if we can use it at Haysboro for the May show. If not we'll go wireless. We'll decide next meeting, we have to have a system that works.

Prices: using a line \$30.00 ish per month.

Wireless is \$75.00 per month on a yearly contract or \$225.00 for a one month fee.

Monthly Meeting Minutes

The bank balances before reconciliations are as follows:

General Account: \$10,000

Casino Funds: \$20,000

GICs (4): \$16,000

Shows for the future

Members agreed to continue with Spring and Fall shows at Haysboro with an additional show at Edgemont in March. March seems a better time for a 3rd show than July.

Edgemont Show

375 guests, 13 paintings sold for a total of \$5,005.

Casino Spending Suggestions

Executive reviewed the following list of suggestions from Members Feb. 21, 2012 on how to spend Casino money. Tami will submit the list for AGLC approval. Tami noted our mandate must show that we are an education organization.

In order for us to give out Scholarships to U of C, U of A, and ACAD they want a 3 year commitment. It was agreed at the executive meeting to provide \$1,000.00 scholarships to the each of the three institutions for the next 3 years.

Rather than returning unused casino money it was suggested that we look into giving to some of the smaller Universities (Mount Royal) and colleges (Lethbridge)

June Casino

Terri Finnegan moved that the FCA make a donation to the U of C Dinos ringette team to show our support. Sharon Williams seconded it.

The membership approved. (Under \$5000 we don't have to get approval from AGLC)

Tami will email out the positions she has put our members in. If you don't like the job you got let Tami know.

Also please let Tami know if you have changed your mind about volunteering now rather than later.

Volunteer Positions – Kathy Hildebrandt

We need an executive secretary, meeting place to be determined by Gary.

Leslie Scherger and Lillian will assist Teri with exhibitions.

Sheila Mitchell volunteered to take over the DVD coordinator role from Cheryl Todd

May need to find a volunteer to take over the mailing list/door prize role as Cheryl Quist may be moving to Japan. Will decide at the April meeting.

All other positions have been filled and executive positions voted on at the Annual General Meeting in April

New Members

Leila Chan is now an Active member. Tami Hort introduced Laureen Musselman, a new Supporting member.

Jan moved to adjourn, Rosemary seconded.

FCA Calgary Chapter Mission

Meetings

The Calgary Chapter meets on the third Tuesday of every month from September to May (Excluding December)

7:00 PM - 9:00 PM at

Haysboro Community Hall
1204 - 89th Ave. SW. Calgary, Alberta

We're on the web

www.fcacalgary.ca

1. To unite artists and persons interested in art and all related subjects for fellowship and understanding in promoting common aims and to assert the creative importance of art in the national and community life of Canada.
2. To improve the welfare, recognition and professional standing of practicing Canadian artists in the community.
3. To promote activities which will tend to increase the appreciation, enjoyment and use of art and works of art by Canadians.
4. To stimulate public interest in the arts within Canada and in the growth of Canadian culture.
5. To establish, promote, support and/or encourage public art galleries, museums and other institutions and organizations engaged in activities connected with art and art appreciation.
6. To assist the co-ordination and encouragement of activities of groups and individuals tending to further the objectives of the Society by providing a clearing house of information and ideas.
7. To co-operate with the National body of the Federation of Canadian Artists and with other Federation of Canadian Artists Chapters located across Canada.
8. To co-operate with organizations in Canada having similar objectives to those of this society.
9. **To make donations from the Society's endeavours to charitable organizations working with the community.**
10. To do all such things as are incidental or conducive to the attainment of the above mentioned objectives.



Founding Members

From left to right;

1st-June Montgomery,

3rd-Irene Wahl,

4th Jeannette McClelland



See you at the
AGM on
April 17th