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#### Spilsbury Medal Show

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One of my favorite places is Blackie's Spit at Crescent Beach. When the tide is out you can walk for miles. All sorts of folks come to enjoy this special place. There is so much to see and feel and it takes us back to a simpler time. We transform, letting our true selves come out to play. Even ladies dressed up in their finest are out on the sand having a grand old time.

Pat Peacock SFCA A Walk at Low Tide





Andrew McDermott AFCA
View From Burrard
oil, 24" x 36" \$3,050
Award of Excellence

Law Wai-Hin SFCA
The Hat Shop
watercolour, 27" x 37" \$8,000
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Heidi Lambert AFCA
Orange Appeal
watercolour, 17" x 14" \$1,100
Award of Excellence



Ann Zielinski SFCA Fossil Quarry acrylic, 40" x 48" \$3,700

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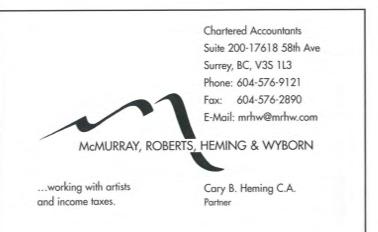
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#### David.

I was wondering if you could give me any suggestions of specific colours that I might glaze for flesh tones (Caucasian)...warm and cool. I am familiar with the glazing process, but am now just getting into portraits and I don't know where to start. Any suggestions?
Thanks, Camille Benoit

#### Hi Camille.

Good question. I will assume that you are painting in oils. Doing portraits in acrylics using glazing techniques would be... umm, tough. There are several ways to go about this. I will give you a few takes on it and you can come up with a combination that suits you. The basic colours for skin tones are:

- burnt umber and/or raw umber
- burnt sienna
- yellow ochre and/or transparent yellow ochre (oxide)
- vermillion (cadmium red light)
- alizarin crimson used to be the transparent red for figures, it has now been replaced with the more lightfast quinacridone reds.
- black
- white

You first have to decide how you want the underpainting to look. When studying the portrait painting techniques of the Old Masters from the Renaissance to the end of the 19th century, you will notice that the most common approach for the underpainting is to do a simple "grisaille" using black and white. Some of the earlier painters also liked to add cooler colours, green or blue perhaps, to the grisaille to counteract the inevitable yellowing of the oil paint with age. DaVinci fancied a purple



## Glazing with Portraits

David Langevin

hue for his grisaille as he figured that the yellowish skin tone would be best offset by its complimentary. Regardless of which method you use the essential factor is to keep this underpainting light because subsequent layers (glazes) will darken the image. A rule of thumb is to make the underpainting 1/2 as dark as you think you want the final painting to be. Once the underpainting is dry you can start adding the layers of colour.

You can go about this in several ways: You can choose to glaze the whole area with the burnt sienna and blend a mixture of white and ochre into that wet glaze. Or just reverse that order and glaze the yellow first, especially if you have a transparent yellow oxide instead of the opaque yellow ochre. Later, you can blend in the red (vermillion) accents.

Alternatively, you can mix a semi-opaque veil of flesh tone by adding a transparent medium to a yellow ochre, vermillion and white mixture. Paint this over the entire area and commence blending the vermillion and white accents into it.

Most painters would leave the shadows and highlights to the end. The shadows can be glazed over the dry skin tones or blended into them wet, as you prefer. The brown, black, blue, purple and green can all be used in various combinations to create glorious shadows and dark areas. Don't forget the important neutral gray tones that can be achieved by blending your dark colours with the light tones. These grays are usually painted into the transition areas between light and shadows.

Another approach would be to put down a brown glaze to start then mix the grays into it and then blend the flesh colours while the whole underpainting is still wet. Later you can return to this dry preparation to add more glazes and opaque accents. A favourite method of painters like Rembrandt was to start every sitting by putting a glaze (usually brown in Rembrandt's case) over the whole painting and then blend opaque colours into the wet glaze.

I could go on but I trust you get the idea. Perhaps the best method of learning is to watch a good portrait painter in action. David Goatley SFCA of Victoria does fabulous portrait work.

Hope that helps to get you started anyway. Have fun, David

Questions of any painterly nature can be asked via e-mail;davidlangevin@telus.net

David Langevin will give a slide show and talk on the History of Oil Painting Techniques at Federation Gallery March 16th. Phone 604-681-8534 to register.

### behind the ease

Robert Genn SFCA

#### Internal Art Director



Back in my days of freelance skirmishes on the periphery of the advertising business, I was often confronted with a person known as the "Art Director." Apart from making occasional good suggestions, this guy would change copy, fonts and illustrations and otherwise red-pencil my brilliance. Time and again I was sent back to the drawing board. One time I had devised a program for a meat packer that involved billboards with a huge wiener being carried off by cute, little cartooned picnicking ants. He removed the ants. "One does not want to draw attention to the negative side of picnics," he told me. It was about this time that I decided that the advertising game was not for me.

Valuable lessons were learned in those atmospheric offices. However wrong, a second opinion is always interesting. However stupid, anything can be discussed. However wonderful, my greatest ideasfor some reason or other--might never see the light of day. As I was already out and about showing my paintings, I had come to the conclusion that the trick for fine artists was to have their own art director built in. While my wildest fantasy might be followed with impunity, the internal director was a useful partner and a true friend that never got on my nerves or spoiled my fun. I rather came to like him. He was more sober than I, and he had a mature wisdom and taste that won my respect. He often suggested that I try harder and reach further. And while he shot down

a few of my \*impossible projects,\* I credit him with saving myself a lot of heartbreak.

Keeping the company of my internal art director also taught self-reliance and self-motivation. At any time of day or night I could enter his office. Being another part of me, he was always willing to make suggestions, give council or criticize current efforts. It was like looking without fear into a mirror. These two guys, well suited as partners, shone back at me. The Eastern mystic Rumi has said: "It is criticism that polishes your mirror." I began to see that many admirable artists have also lived with a mirror and a similar dual nature. With superb levels of self-criticism and self-governance, they strategically and tactfully raised themselves up. Brilliant creators are simply folks who are brilliantly self-critical.

Many artists fear criticism and tighten up when they think they are going to get it. Learning to live with criticism is part of creative maturity. Advertising agencies thrive on it. Proper agency people may even become dependent on others for creative decision-making. When agency folks retire and become self-anointed artists, and I know lots of them, they often have trouble rationalizing the transition to self. At the same time many have learned to have no fear of criticism, self or otherwise. This is a good thing. "If criticism had any power to harm, the skunk would be extinct by now." (Fred Allen)

### Chapter Two:

## THE FCA AND THE CANADA COUNCIL

by Ellen Poole, FCA Historian

Dateline, Dec 20, 1950:

"If the Federation had done nothing else, the action which it took in 1949, in connection with the hearings of the Royal Commission on National Development in the Arts, Letters and Sciences, was more than sufficient both to justify its existence, and to establish it as the most influential cultural body in Canada". 1

Hunter Lewis, National President



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With the war over, veterans returned to their families, sought new jobs or finished school and manufacturers turned from making bombs and military equipment to refrigerators and cars. After years of being head of household, women sought new roles that included some of the activities they were accustomed to performing in addition to housework and raising families. War-brides settled in Canada, along with immigrants who had fled war-torn countries for a better life. The new normalcy was under way.

During the first decade following the Federation of Canadian Artists' founding in 1941 the whole art and cultural life of Canada had been transformed. Activity surrounding the arts had increased enormously and geographically extended to all kinds of communities, in all parts of Canada.

As FCA President Hunter Lewis said, "It would be absurd to claim the credit for all these changes and all this growth for the FCA." It would be even more absurd, however, to ignore the very great influence the Federation had exerted in achieving them. The FCA was one of the very first national organizations in the field of the visual arts which continued to work for the general cultural objectives it adopted.

Apart from forming its own branches, the FCA had provided the stimulus and the model for the formation of many local and provincial organizations. It was largely influential in the creating of the "Canadian Arts Council" of which it was a member (not to be confused with the "Canada Council For the Arts" established by the Federal Government in 1957). It sponsored the only national art magazine of the day, Canadian Art. The Federation was linked with other art organizations in other countries through its membership in the Canadian Council for Reconstruction, UNESCO and other international organizations. It assembled and sponsored local, regional and national exhibitions. It integrated painting and the other arts in Canada...and it kept art constantly in the news and thus in the minds of the public.

In February of 1949, the Federal Government announced its intention to enact new longawaited legislation with respect to cultural development in Canada. In April, the Privy Council appointment a Royal Commission on National Development of Arts, Letters, and Sciences (chaired by the Honorable Vincent Massey) - potentially the most important single event that had ever occurred in the cultural life of Canada. The FCA held its National Conference in Montréal that same month

The FCA resolved to revise and amplify their 1944 "Artists Brief" to this end. It's National Brief Committee (many of them university professors and most from BC - included Hunter Lewis [chair], Charles Scott, BC Binning, Gordon Couling, Donald Flather, Doris Hunt and Nancy Bakewell) took ideas from their earlier work about the setting aside of \$10 million from which any community in Canada could be entitled to for assistance in the building of an art centre, with the communities and province contributing on an established pro rata basis. <sup>3</sup> They also emphasized the need for a nation-wide extension to Canada's National Gallery.

The Massey Commission (as it popularly became known) held hearings across the country. FCA regions and their branches were urged to explore, discuss and submit points they particularly wished to present for consideration in their national brief. They were also encouraged to write to Ottawa in support of this action. The submission of this brief became the Federation's prime project and was publicized as such.

A sense of excitement aroused a nation of artists to participate. During the course of the Massey Commission's two-year inquiry, it received 462 briefs, hundreds of letters from Canadian citizens, and held 114 public hearings throughout Canada at which some twelve hundred witnesses appeared.<sup>4</sup>

The Federation's national brief (presented by Messrs. Lewis, Scott and Binning) became widely supported and had important educational effects upon the people and the Government of Canada. The Royal Commissioners were themselves gracious enough to admit the FCA was instrumental in producing the large number of submissions that made those hearing the most significant event that had yet occurred in Canada's cultural life.

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## new

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#### **British Columbia**

#### **Lower Mainland**

Charisse Baker, Vancouver Peter Baxter, Vancouver Bob Craig, Vancouver Genevieve Delaunay, Vancouver Fran Donis, Delta Wendy Elliott, Delta Maria Entis, Vancouver Brenda Lowery, Vancouver Jean Molson, Vancouver Dennis Olsen, Vancouver Adrienne Peacock, Belcarra Cristina Peori, Vancouver Ion Pop, Vancouver Deborah Porter, Delta Susan Stitt, Surrey Nora Tribe, Vancouver Norman Vipond, North Vancouver Mary Beth Whyte, West Vancouver

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#### Ontario

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#### Quebec

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#### Nova Scotia

Louise T. Webber, Chester Basin

#### **United States**

Nancy Barch, Clifton Hts, PA

#### Asia

Laurie Ljubojevic, Beijing

### spilsbury medal show winners



Marjorie Turnbull and Susan Foster with the Spilsbury Medal Awards Plaque



Gold Medal Winner Pat Peacock with Marjorie Turnbull



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Bronze Medal Winner Bob Sheridan with Mariorie Turnbull

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## members in the news

Signature members Alessandra Bitelli, Carol-Lynn Davidson, Margaret Elliot, Heidi Lambert, Jack Livesey, Myrtle-Anne Rempel, Ruth Sawatzky, Gerry Thompson and Maggie White will have work in *Waterworks*, the first show in B.C. from B.C. members of the Canadian Society of Painters in Watercolour (C.S.P.W.C.). The show opens on March 30th at the Port Moody Art Centre and runs for four weeks.

Valerie Kent has an article, Freeze Your Way to Beautiful Watercolours, in the Jan/Feb issue of the Watercolour Gazette. Her new oil paintings were chosen for a show at the Art of the Matter Gallery in Aurora, ON.



Jarnail Singh presents his painting to the Youth Arts Council of Surrey

Jarnail Singh donated his oil painting, Foggy Day in Bear Creek Park, to the Arts Council of Surrey to be sold to help fund projects initiated by the Youth Arts Council of Surrey. The original painting is on view at the gift shop in the Surrey Arts Centre.



Patricia Neil Lawton, Little Girls and Horses

Patricia Neil Lawton has been selected as the feature artist in the January/February issue of British Columbia Cattlemen's Association magazine, *Beef in B.C.* with a two-page spread depicting ranch life in the North Okanagan.



Isobel MacLaurin, Bears in the City

Isobel MacLaurin was chosen to paint one of the Spirit Bears in the City, another BC Lions Society Project similar to Orcas in the City.

Sandrine Pelissier's exhibition of work called *Outdoors Childhood,* will be in the Main Hall Gallery at the Place des Arts in Coquitlam May 30th - June 24th. Opening reception is June 1st, 7:30pm - 9:30pm.

Jane Appleby is the featured artist at the Burnaby Artist Guild Show at the Shadbolt Center for the Arts in Burnaby. March 31st -

April 2nd. The theme of the show is Come in from the Rain

and Experience the Shower of Art.

Brittani Faulkes SFCA will have a solo exhibit of oils at Kurbatoff Gallery in

Vancouver. The show opens with a reception on April 13th, 7:00pm - 9:00pm and runs through April 27th.

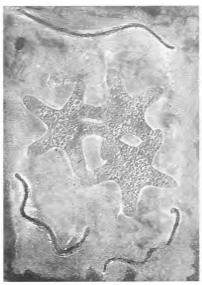
In February, **Dennis Brown** had an exhibition of his work at the Dorothy Francis Gallery in the Old School House Arts Centre in Qualicum Beach.

Sandra Donohue and Shirley Miller will exhibit their work at the Castlegar & District Public Library during April, May and June.

Active member Susan Laley is the featured artist at the Coast Bastion Hotel in Nanaimo. Her work, a collection of collagraphs titled Variations on Sea Themes, is on display in the Offshore Lounge and Cutters Restaurant indefinitely.



Brittani Faulkes, Tete a Tete



Susan Laley, Super Stars

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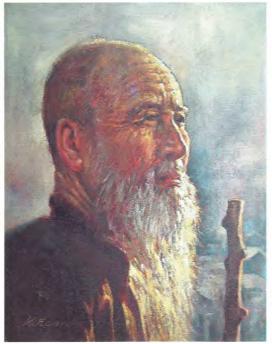
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Josanne Van Hees AFCA Layers I acrylic, 8" x 10" SOLD Daniel Izzard SFCA Award



Shoko Judd Summer Shadows watercolour 12" x 12" SOLD Barrie Chadwick AFCA Award



### Small, Smaller, Smallest

November 15 - December 4, 2005

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Therese Johnston
Tapestry
mixed media, 12" x 12" \$275
Award of Excellence



Tessa Wilson Always a Silver Lining watercolour, 10" x 14" \$500

Stephen Cheng The Wisdom oil, 14" x 11" \$428 FCA Silver Emblem Award

Sheila Symington AFCA La Belle Lettre acrylic, 29" x 19" \$900



Amanda Jones AFCA Towards the Rocks, Pacific Rim acrylic, 18" x 36" \$1,725



Catherine Moffatt SFCA Caitlin's Hair oil, 18" x 18" \$1,800

### **Spilsbury Medal Show** (Continued from page 2)



Gaye Adams SFCA Around the River Bend acrylic, 36" x 24" SOLD



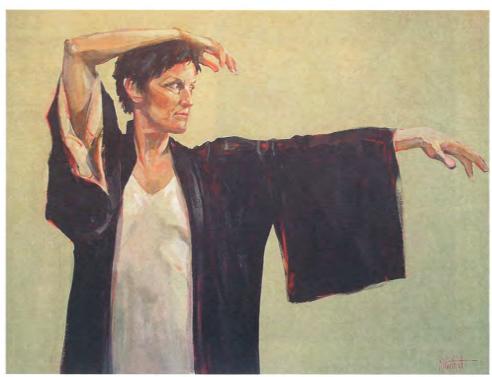
Larry Tillyer AFCA The Red Dress acrylic, 20" x 16" SOLD



Eveline Gallant-Fournier AFCA A Beautiful Soul oil, 30" x 10" \$450



Phyllis Ljuden-Elderkin SFCA Afternoon Delight watercolour, 14" x 20" \$1,115



**Suzanne Northcott SFCA**Self Portrait in Second Hand Silks acrylic, 36" x 48" \$3,500



Johnson Wu AFCA View from Corfu I oil, 24" x 20" SOLD



Dorothy Oxborough SFCA My Big Fat Beautiful Bass pastel, 19" x 25" \$8,000

Ralph Roper Tourist Album collage, 12" x 9" \$450

Cindy Revell Pear with Hazelnut Leaves oil, 8" x 10" \$415





Kathryn Johnston acrylic, 8" x 6" SOLD



Rene Thibault In Aegean Waters watercolour, 9" x 6" \$435 Award of Excellence

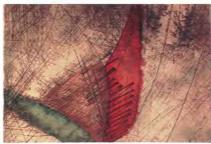
Helen Keyes Some September People #2 watermedia, 14" x 11" \$550



Sandrine Pelissier I Do Ballet! watercolour, 11" x 6" SOLD



Susan Laley Roses Make it Better collagraph, 5" x 7" \$135



Trina Ganson Flying Jewel etching, 5" x 7" \$125



Marjorie Turnbull AFCA Poppies & Pears oil, 8" x 10" SOLD

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Six years later, Parliament, through the Minister of Canadian Heritage, passed The Canada Council Act which resulted in a national arm's-length agency fostering the development of the arts in Canada through grants, services and awards for professional artists. It would also take over the Canadian Commission for UNESCO work. Initial funding for programs came from an endowment fund of \$50 million. In 1957, the revenue related to arts activities equaled \$2.7 million. (In 2002, the Government increased Council funding to \$75 million).

After its magnificent presentation to the Massey Commission, and communicating about art across the country became easier, the Federation of Canadian Artists began to phase itself out as a national body.

By the 1960s, the FCA barely existed on a national level but still carried on under that name. It was structured a bit differently in a few areas of Canada - including British Columbia where it was reported the association had about 600 members. We shall explore these changes in the next Chapter.

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### central okanagan

## Challe by Evelyne MacMillan

he Central Okanagan Chapter celebrated its 8th anniversary in 2005 and has weathered various experiences with waxing and waning numbers in membership and energy levels over the years. Currently, we are experiencing steady growth and renewed energy and commitment to projects. This year we have 55 members of which 43 are Active and 2 have AFCA status.

In June, the Society of Canadian Visual Artists (SOCVA), a registered arm of our Chapter, donated a \$500 Bursary to Meghan Elder for her pursuit of a post secondary school arts education. Our Chapter chose the recipient from District #23 applicants. This annual donation is one way that our organization can give back to the community as well as foster cultural education and growth.

One of our biggest projects last year was our centennial show, Interpretations of Kelowna: Celebrating our Past, Present and Future, which was held at the prestigious Hambleton Galleries in conjunction with the City of Kelowna's centennial celebrations in May 2005. The initial planning and the submission of grant proposals began in 2004. We were honoured with a \$1200 grant from the City of Kelowna. Our Chapter was one of twelve selected from over 65 various not-for-profit organizations and we were the only visual arts group to receive a financial grant. Particular commendation should go to Norma Thomas and Jeannine Cradduck for their unwavering dedication on the committee along with key members Dennis Weber AFCA, Heather Hill, Colleen Dyson and myself.

We gained momentum once we were able to obtain support from sponsors and the community. Classic Gallery Framing, Ritchcraft Custom Framing, Emile's Custom Framing, Athena Custom Framing and Boot Hill Gallery and Framing donated the juried prize awards. In addition, Our Chapter sponsored the \$250 First Place cash award.

Preparation for this exhibition came with a huge learning curve and demanded a great deal of work. It also helped bond members as they worked together using their diverse range of talents and skills. For this show, a three-Signature member panel in Vancouver juried fifty-one digital submissions. In total there were 28 paintings exhibited representing 18 Chapter members. Awards were presented to Jo Scott-B AFCA, Gloria Pada, Colleen Dyson, Kathryn Newell, Lynn Tribe and me.

A professional PowerPoint presentation was arranged at the Gallery for continuous public viewing that included information about the FCA and our Chapter, and featured slides of previous juried show entries. Dennis Weber and Jo-Scott B demonstrated their techniques and the Celebration Singers performed during the weekend opening that boasted a huge turnout. There was also community painting in the outdoor festival tent. Opus Framing & Arts Supplies donated a large canvas and acrylic paint supplies for this project. The completed painting will be donated to the City for permanent display.

Calona Vineyards, Red Carpet Coffee Company, Tim Hortons and McDonald's donated food and refreshments. The Dogs Ear T-shirt and Embroidery Company donated aprons



Hambleton Galleries owner Stewart Turcotte works on the public community painting



Gladys Wilson looks on as Dennis Weber paints

monogrammed with the Chapter logo for the public to wear when they painted on the "community" canvas. Ethel Crosthwaite, Colleen Dyson, Eileen Sawracki, Jo Scott-B, Norma Thomas, Marie Tolman, Dennis Weber and I donated artwork for the door prizes while Re/Max donated the grand prize of a hot air balloon ride.

Colleen Dyson and Kathryn Newell coordinated non-juried shows like *Artwalk* in Winfield in September and the Galleria at the Rotary Centre for the Arts in Kelowna in November. There were also some impromptu show opportunities in conjunction with other arts organizations such as the Kelowna Clay Festival.

Our general meetings, held the first Monday of the month in the Rehearsal Room at the Rotary Centre for the Arts, welcome interesting guest speakers including Karen Hersey, Chris Goncalves, Bob McMurray AFCA, Mike Breakey and our resident favourite, Dennis Weber. Members have the opportunity to present their recent works and obtain feedback in member critiques.

Tina Siddiqui gave two successful workshops on mixed media/ collage and watercolour/soft pastels. Bob McMurray will give a workshop on acrylics and oils in April, and in October, Sharyn Olfert will give a watercolour workshop. As a special incentive, members who have paid their dues in time are entitled to attend a workshop by Dennis Weber at no charge.

Our bi-monthly newsletter, *The NetWork*, is paid in part by our \$10 membership dues as well as through advertising and subscriptions. In addition to our newsletter, our website, www.homestead.com/CentralOkanaganFCA/home.html is another way to get information out to as well as showcase member work.

Thanks to the outgoing 2005 Executive and Committee Chairs and their helpers for a job well done! Welcome to the 2006 Executive: Dennis Weber, President, Heather Hill, Ken Cochrane, Jean James and Norma Thomas.

# fraser valley Chapter by Bey Rushworth



Benefits of Participating in a Chapter

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he Fraser Valley Chapter was formed in 1992 by a few artists who arranged with the Abbotsford Arts Council to hold meetings and shows at the historic Kariton House on Mill Lake. We are fortunate to count an SFCA and several AFCA's who actively contribute to our meetings and events.

The Fraser Valley Chapter includes members from many communities in Vancouver's lower mainland including Chilliwack, Abbotsford, Aldergrove, Mission, Maple Ridge, Pitt Meadows, Langley, Surrey, Delta and White Rock. Our membership grows every year with both established and emerging artists.

While we are at most a 2-hour drive from Federation Gallery and the office on Granville Island, participating in the Fraser Valley Chapter has proven to be a productive and rewarding experience.

Belonging to a Chapter has numerous benefits. There are many opportunities to exhibit work in local community galleries and in additional juried shows. This year we have 3 juried shows scheduled with potential for a fourth. The exposure and recognition allows members to develop and expand their art career.

As part of a network, we share experiences and give each other support. Members are informed by email of news and events such as solo shows and artistic development workshops. We have a link on the FCA website with information on our current executive, dates of our monthly meetings and the details of upcoming shows.

This past summer Vice President Moira Carlson arranged with Van Dusen Gardens in Vancouver to include our Chapter in the Artful Friday program, where we set up our easels to paint in the garden, talk to visitors and exhibit our work. Show Chair Lalita Hamill arranges group visits to different art galleries.

Many of our members are active with their local Art Councils and are instrumental in getting support from local governments to develop a stronger vision and provide more funding for the arts. The affiliation with these groups often leads to opportunities to showcase artwork and promote the artists.

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Chapter membership gives us the chance to meet people with the same interests who can understand the space we are in. It is admirable that there is such good will and genuine interest in sharing talents and

information, including valuable tips that often took a lot of time and effort to refine.

Often just when you feel like giving up there is a mentor who will share inspiring stories about the struggles they've had. It is the journey, with failures and rewards, mistakes and happy accidents, that leads us to develop and create our own style.

Our monthly meetings are held from February through July and September through December. We began introducing demos at our meetings to encourage attendance and inspire enthusiasm for new techniques. We had Dianna Ponting SFCA finishing a beautiful pastel still life in an hour, and the following month Robert Rennie AFCA completed a wonderful seascape in the same time. We've had presentations on how to photograph paintings for shows and publications, framing and supports, and print promotions for worldwide exposure. The end of each meeting concludes with a free draw of an art supply item. We have another great lineup planned for this year and members are invited to drop in anytime.



Dianna Ponting demonstrates at the Kariton House



Shirley Thomas accepts an award from Chapter President Elaine Chatwin

### **ARTWAVES**

Shuswap Summer School of the Arts July 15 to 28 '06

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in March and April 2006

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Incomplete entries (those missing entry forms, fees, return envelopes and/or postage) for juried shows will not be processed or viewed by the jury, for more information please contact Rosalind at 604-681-8534 or fcagallery@artists.ca

The Semi-Abstract / Abstract Show

Slide/Digital deadline: March 23rd, 2006

#### \* NEW JURIED SHOW \* Canvas Unbound

Slide/Digital deadline: April 6th, 2006 All works must be painted on stretched canvas, no frames allowed Sides must be painted and staples have to be on the back. Any subject or medium

BIMPE IV - (Biennial mini print exhibition) All entries go directly to New Leaf Editions Please see www.bimpe.com for details

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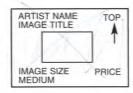
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ENTRY FEE: Members may submit up to three images per show for a non-refundable entry fee of \$10 each. Mail your entry form with a self-addressed stamped envelope (SASE) for receipts and returns.

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Artwork must be matted in predominantly neutral colours, framed and wired ready for hanging. The wire must be taut and not less than 4.5" below the certire-top of the frame. Glass with clips is not acceptable.

Entries must not be copies, derivatives, or based in any way on other copyrighted or published paintings or photographs.

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A 35% commission will be deducted from the selling price. Please advise the Gallery if you

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It is the obligation of the artist to be sure their work is available and for sale. Failure to do so wastes the opportunity for another artist to display work, or to be eligible to apply for Sianature status in the FCA.

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January 17 - 31, 2006



Tessa Johnston Flotsam & Jetsam acrylic, 11" x 14" \$325



Jed Dorsey A Day in June oil, 11" x 14" \$550



Jack Dorsey Hidden Treasure oil, 12" x 16" \$950

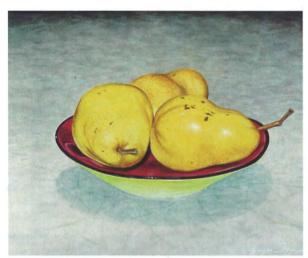


Diane Yard Inuksuks acrylic, 36" x 24" NFS



Amie Roman Logging On acrylic, 12" x 24" \$500

### Student Show (continued from page 19)



Bryan Sleeman Trio of Pears acrylic, 16" x 20" \$600



Veronica Roth Radiance oil, 18" x 24" \$500



**Sharon Wilson** acrylic, 30" x 40" \$1,800