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While driving west along a quiet road on the south bank of the Fraser River, I stopped and looked back and was so surprised to see Mount Baker still in view from this obscure viewpoint. By this time the late winter sun was setting fast and there was a chill in the air.

I was determined to record this scene before dark, so I made a quick sketch with plenty of colour notations, particularly the bare trees with just a touch of orange from the remaining leaves. The distant farm buildings were rearranged to suit the composition.

Back in my studio I developed a small colour composition. While I rarely paint a square format, I found this subject suited it very well. It was painted in acrylic and many glazes were used to bring the shadow areas down to the right tonal value.

George McLachlan



Only a Rose Rose Zivot, SFCA pastel, 20"x 17" \$1,050



False Creek, Burrard Bridge Andrew McDermott, AFCA pastel, 13"x 25" \$2,400

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ARROWSMITH CHAPTER by Helene McIntosh

Allan Dunfield had a successful show at the Bayside Gallery in Qualicum Bay. It was a wonderful social evening with many other artists in attendance. He is now painting in acrylics and his work is taking on a new direction.

Janice Bridgman was part of Summer Gallery Part II at Federation Gallery in Vancouver. Barb Botham held a show in her home studio August 28th with four other artists - a potter, a silk painter, a metal worker and a folk artist. Kristeen Verge and Linda Skalenda took part in the Originals Only shows in Comox and Nanaimo, August 7th and 8th and August 15th and 16th.

Vickie Turner is giving two workshops September 17th - 18th and September 24th - 25th at the Oceanside Community Arts Council on everything you need to know about acrylics. Judging by Vickie's work, this will be a very successful workshop.

We are all looking forward to a workshop by Don Farrell, SFCA following our September 2nd meeting. We welcome Mary Stewart from Nanaimo to our Chapter.

CALGARY CHAPTER by Marg Stevens



Each summer Calgary hosts one of the greatest outdoor shows in the world. In addition to the cowboys, bulls and chuck wagons the Calgary Stampede also features an Art Show, one of the largest exhibits of its kind in western Canada. This year, four of our members, Brenda Graham, Lorna Hannett, Manny Gonsalves, AFCA and Phyllis Ljuden-Elderkin, SFCA had their work juried into the prestigious Western Art Auction. Congratulations to all.

Our Chapter's next exhibition, Autumn Colours, opens on October 17th. After many

successful years at Lakeview, we are moving

our Chapter meetings to Crescent Heights Community Centre. The first meeting in our

new location will be Thursday, September

Grassy Lake, Brenda Graham acrylic, 16°x 20″



The Horseman, Lorna Hannett scratchboard, 11"x 14"

COMOX VALLEY CHAPTER by Bev Wolsey

16th.

Despite the recent summer heat wave, the Comox Valley artists have been exhibiting and winning prizes. Elsie Griffiths' intaglio etching Anemones was accepted into Federation Gallery's Original Print Show and it sold! Elsie also received an Honorable Mention in the Comox Valley Community Arts Council Juried Show for her monoprint Lily Pond. Magdalena Leaker received Honorable Mention for her acrylic painting, Aix en Provence Flower Market and Bob Sheridan, AFCA received an Award of Excellence for his oil painting, Workbench. He received a second Award of Excellence in the Campbell River Arts Council Show as well. Trish Montague received an Award of Excellence for her watercolor, Glimpses, as well as an Honorable Mention for The Ilo Ilo.



Whimsy, Kay Hilborn watercolour and pen & ink 13"x 10"

Neil Boyle, SFCA is featured in the August/September issue of International Artist. His oil painting, On the Strand is featured in the Master Painters of the World Canada Showcase. He and Marilyn Timms, SFCA participated in the Filberg Festival, July 30th - August 2nd. That same weekend, Elsie Griffiths, Kay Hilborn, Brenda Calhoun, Neil and Betty Boyle, and other members participated in the Nautical Days Show at the Comox Marina Park. Most of this group participated in The Originals Only Fine Art Show at the Marina Park on August 8th and again in Nanaimo on August 15th. There was a paint-out after the Nanaimo show.

Congratulations to all our artists. We look forward to the barbeque at Karl and Heather Reiche's that heralds the beginning of September when we all get together to paint.

CENTRAL OKANAGAN CHAPTER by Evelyne MacMillan

We sure are smokin' hot up here! Luckily, we can take a break from our paint brushes and keep cool by swimming in the lake, munching on fresh cherries and peaches, rehydrating with a cool bottle of local wine, listening to great music at area concerts, or hitting the *a*/c in the mall -just to name a few things. Some of our members diligently worked this summer, like Dennis Weber, AFCA who had a successful show in the Salon at the Calgary Stampede. Several members participated in various local art shows throughout the summer. Many of our members will be participating in the annual *Art Walk* event in Winfield on September 11th and 12th. For more information, visit www.artwalk.ca.

A preview of the artwork selected for our fall juried show will be on display as of October 1st in the Atrium of the Rotary Centre for the Arts. Ten works were selected for Juror's Choice awards.

Our September meeting kicks off with a portrait demo given by Dennis Weber, AFCA. We look forward to David Langevin, who will conduct an Acrylics II workshop on September 18th and 19th. With successful rescheduling of our October meeting, we hope to be able to visit with FCA President Marjorie Turnbull, AFCA and view the Success! 2004 slides. Our Centennial show, Interpretations of Kelowna: Celebrating Our Past, Present and Future, will be held at the Hambleton Galleries May 5th -11th, 2005. It is open to both Supporting and Active members of the Chapter.

NANAIMO CHAPTER by Harold Allanson, AFCA

Our Chapter normally disappears off the map for the three months of summer, but this year however, there was some sign of activity. *Close To Home*, our juried show in July at the Malaspina College Gallery featured some fine works. I also understand there were a few out of town FCA members who took the time to drop by and check out the show as they were passing through Nanaimo.

Mickie Acierno, one of our newest members, won a well-deserved Juror's Choice Award in Close To Home for her painting, Garlics. She has had much success, receiving the Peggy & Harry Evans award for her painting Encore in Federation Gallery's Black & White Show and an Award of Excellence for Oh Fudge! in Pears 'R Us II (which sold!) Congratulations, Mickie from all of us in the Nanaimo Chapter!

Morag Orr-Stevens once again hosted her annual August weekend Art In The Garden with a number of invited Gabriola artists and artisans displaying their work for the public to view and purchase. Be sure to catch this event next year.

Nanaimo Art Gallery and the City of Nanaimo, in conjunction with local arts groups are trying to get *Painting In The Park* organized for this year. Our local FCA Chapter will be involved in this project, but at the time of writing the success of this venture is still unknown. Hopefully it will become an annual Nanaimo waterfront summer time activity for our local plein air painters.

FRASER VALLEY CHAPTER by Megan Arundel

Our final juried Chapter show for 2004, Gardens and Vineyards, opened at the Fort Langley Centennial Museum on August 5th. The show runs through September 13th and includes interactive participation with a Corner for Kids as well as regular demonstrations by Chapter members. Demonstrations in oil by Lora Armbruster, acrylic by Anita Klein, watercolour by Joyce Trygg and pastel by Susan Bertrand were given throughout the month of August.

Gardens & Vineyards

All three jurors, Janice Robertson, SFCA, Alan Wylie, SFCA, and Suzanne Northcott, SFCA were in attendance. Janice Robertson and Chapter President Loreena Lee, AFCA presented the Chapter Award to Patricia Jaster for her watercolour, *Textures in Green*. Awards of Excellence were presented to Susan Bertrand, Loredana May-Brind, Donna Haddock, Shirley Thomas and Janis Eaglesham. The Designer's

Janice Robertson and Loreen Lee at the Gardens and Vineyards Show

Framing Award went to Roberta Combs, AFCA. The award winners were presented with a copy of the book Leigh Mulhall Kilpin: Teacher, Painter, Printmaker by Susan Morhun from the Langley Centennial Museum.

The theme of the show and the high quality of the paintings reflect the passion of Fraser Valley artists for their rural environment and the growing prominence of Langley as a major wine-producing area in B.C. Lotusland Winery served their Gerwurztraminer and Merlot to the artists and guests. Appreciation is extended to Gwen Gregorig who has worked so hard to get support for the arts from the Abbotsford City Council. Although we are looking at a 5 year stretch, it appears a new Arts facility will be coming to the Abbotsford community. Thank you, Gwen!

NORTH OKANAGAN CHAPTER by Ev McDougall

We said goodbye to one of our long-standing members this summer. Barbara Wright, a.k.a. Bob Onion, has moved to Ontario to live near one of her sons. We wish her success!



Guest artist, Gerry Marchand, led an interesting discussion and handson exercise of the jurying process earlier this summer. Those who attended were amazed at how easy it is to reach consensus when specific guidelines are provided. The exercise not only gave members considerable insight into the jury process, but it also gave them some good ideas for

North Okanagan Chapter members

critiquing their own work before it goes to a jury.

We also had a presentation by Yuri Akuney about digitally photographing art pieces along with a discussion about the pros and cons of various photographic methods in order to get an accurate copy of the original artwork.

We are looking forward to more critiques and workshops in the fall, as well as a Chapter Exhibition at the Armstrong Gallery early in the new year.

Ev McDougall participated in the Calgary Stampede Western Auction and the Western Art Gallery again this July, and will be exhibiting at the Spruce Meadows Masters in Calgary early in September. Angelika Jaeger and Elizabeth Moore are exhibiting at Beyond Art Gallery from August 5th - September 11th. Many members will be showing at the valley-wide Art Walk which is held in early September in Winfield. Anne-Marie Crosby is listed in Magazin' Art Biennial Guide to Canadian Artists in Galleries for another year.

WEST KOOTENAY by Pauline Dupas

On Saturday, June 19th we had the pleasure of a visit from FCA President Marjorie Turnbull, AFCA. There was a large turnout of members - many of us had traveled a considerable distance - for this special meeting held in Trail at the VISAC Gallery. We brought appetizers and desserts to accompany Marjorie's wonderful presentation of the *Success!* 2004 slides. The quality seen in these Signature slides made us reflect on the quality of our own work. Marjorie also juried in new Active members. Sandy Kunze is from Creston which is at least a 100 km commute. Nell Cavasin, our new secretary, works at the VISAC Gallery so we are particularly happy that she is now a member. Congratulations! After the meeting at least 10 of us went to dinner at the Heritage Inn in Nelson with the Turnbulls. The wine flowed and the conversation was spirited. Everyone had a great time.

The slides were juried in Vancouver for our Chapter juried show, Kootenay Images, at the Kootenay Gallery in Castlegar. We all enjoyed a pleasant evening with our fellow artists at the opening on August 6th.

VICTORIA CHAPTER by Marney Ward, AFCA

Victoria artists have pulled off their two big events of the summer, the Moss Street Paint-In, hosting almost 30,000 visitors, and the Fine Arts 2004 Exhibition, the largest juried show on the island, held every August in Sooke. Congratulations to Clement Kwan and Louise Monfette, who received Juror's Choice awards, and to Josephine Bohemier, Karel Doruyter, AFCA, Caroline Hunter, Keith Levang and Kit McDonald, whose works were bought prior to the start of the show as Select Choice Purchases. Other FCA participants included Kristi Bridgeman, Gene Duncan, June Haynes, Lynn Kingham, Jack Livesey, AFCA, Sophia Morrison and Marney Ward, AFCA.

Still ahead is the Second Annual Sidney Fine Arts Show in September, and our Victoria Chapter Show in October, held in an exciting new location at the Lighthouse Gallery in Bastion Square, in the heart of the downtown harbour area. Our Chapter meetings commence October 7th in a new location too, the Nellie McClung Library at McKenzie and Cedar Hill. Our first guest is Myron Arndt, President of Island Art Publishers and Distributors, who will talk about making cards, prints and giclees, and the pros and cons of transparencies, scans and digital photography. It's time to start painting all those images that imprinted on our imaginations this summer, because the drop-off for our fall show is mid-October.

THOMPSON, NICOLA, SHUSWAP CHAPTER by Sharyn Olfert

Many members from our Chapter were involved in the annual Shuswap Lake Festival of the Arts held in Sorrento for ten days in July. Juror's choice awards were given to Trish Armstrong, Gaye Adams, SFCA, Werner Braun, Nancy Alison, Glenna Hayes, Cathie Peters, Debbie Milner, Bonnie Bacigalupo and Sharyn Olfert. People's Choice awards went to Joyce Popein, Sylvia Garay and Werner Braun. Congratulations and my apologies to anyone that I may have missed.

FCA President Marjorie Turnbull, AFCA will join us on October 5th at the Kamloops Yacht Club. In addition to showing us the Success! 2004 slides she will also conduct a What Do Jurors Look For workshop and jury Active status applications.

Due to the growth of our Chapter we have had to pick a new venue for our September meeting. This potluck meeting will be held at 10:00 am on September 11th at the home of Allen Klein. There will be a demonstration on matting and framing as well as getting images ready for juried shows. Our November 13th meeting will be at Chase Hall with demonstrations by Gaye Adams, SFCA and David Langevin.

If you would like more information on the Thompson, Nicola, Shuswap Chapter, please contact Trish Armstrong at (250) 523-6485 or Debbie Milner at (250) 573-3779

Chapter not reporting: Chapter not reporting: South Okanagan/Similkameen. Next submission deadline is October 1, 2004 artavenues@artists.ca



Hello Mr. Langevin,

I have a technical question regarding oil paint. I'm having a family reunion banner made on a cotton canvas. Each family member will place a thumb print on the canvas and sign their name with a black marker. We want the art piece to last. What type of paint can I use? Is it safe for children? Does it wipe off easily?

Thank you,

Phyllis Woodard

Hi Phyllis,

Don't use oil paints. Over time, it will chew through the cotton and it will be more difficult to clean safely from your hands. Use acrylic paint. It will stick permanently to the cotton and last, and it cleans easily with soap and water. No paint (permanent paint, that is) is safe if the children eat it so just make sure they wash it off right away. Have fun. David

Dear David,

I have a First Nations acrylic on canvas that was purchased on Manitoulin Island several years ago. The painting has developed mildew (gray-black areas) on the back. The painting is still on the stretchers. The room where the painting was hanging inadvertently was closed off with no heat during a vacation. Any suggestions would be appreciated.

Sharon Modrowski Toledo, OH, U.S.A.

Hi Sharon,

Exposure to strong sunlight (or an ultraviolet light if you have one) and fresh air should destroy and stop the growth of mold on canvas. Expose only the back of the canvas to the light however, as it will cause the colours to fade. You can also try bleaching the fabric with a mild solution of bleach. Use as little as possible and don't soak the fabric with it, just use a clean cotton moistened with the solution and then another moistened with water to rinse the bleach. If that doesn't do it, it should be looked at by a conservationist, especially if it is a valuable

piece. They have the proper techniques and chemicals to do it effectively. Good luck and let me know how it turns out. David

Questions of any painterly nature can be asked via e-mail:davidlangevin@canada.com Phone: 250-828-8634 or by snail mail at 818 Hector Drive Kamloops BC V15 1B7



BEHIND THE EASEL

with Robert Genn, SFCA

How Fraudulent Are You?

Psychologists at Georgia State University have identified something called the "imposter syndrome." Thirty percent of the population has it. Though they may be high achievers,

recognized in their fields, even famous, they constantly live under the cloud that they're scamming others. They persist in feeling that they are generally getting away with something that they don't deserve. Women get it worse than men. It's darned hard to shake.

Artists have had these thoughts for centuries. They're as old as fleaseven Michelangelo had them. I first noticed these thoughts as a teenager when I spent two hours on a painting that I later sold at an art fair for \$15. A lot better than mowing lawns at 50 cents an hour. That first art deal made me feel guilty. Almost like stealing. Then I started wondering if I could ever pull off such a scam again.

Eventually my scamming activities became so commonplace that 1 stopped worrying about it. In case you might think you have the syndrome, here's how to clear the deck: Scam once a year and it's dangerous. Scam once a week and the world is unfolding as it should. Think of Picasso--he scammed fifty times in the morning before his third Pernod. How about someone paying \$104 million for Picasso's Boy with a Pipe? It gives us an idea just how far impostering can go.

"I don't think I can pull one off like that again," is a frequent remark heard from artists. Beginners particularly are inclined to attribute early success to luck. This is typical of the imposter syndrome. It's an attitude; a defense system that can interfere with an artist's growth. Seeing yourself as an imposter limits chance-taking and undermines the egocentricity that is vital to ongoing creation. If not a forewarning of failure, it's muddy shoes on the path to glory.

Artists need a sense of entitlement and the understanding that we may all take our place in the sun. This is the natural outcome of imagination coupled with work. To imposters the work may seem too easy, the reward too great. In beating back your feelings of fraudulence, there's something to be said for these three words: "Accept the gift." Matisse didn't get it. "I was very embarrassed when my canvases began to fetch high prices. I saw myself condemned to a future of nothing but masterpieces," he said.

Educating yourself about the syndrome is one of the ways of defeating it. Being more open with others and building the ability to separate feelings from facts are other useful techniques. Look at your accomplishments objectively. And when a trusted friend lays a compliment on you - believe it - and take it to heart

Best regards, Robert

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MEMBERS IN THE NEWS

Andrew McDermott, AFCA won the Bronze Award (\$250 US) for his pastel, *The Blue Umbrella*, in the International Association of Pastel Societies' Seventh Juried Exhibition. The show was held at the Banana Factory in Bethlehem, Pennsylvania June 1st - July 25th.

Cindy Downey, 'Colleen Dyson, Jeannine Cradduck, Marilyn Harris, Pat Higgins, Gloria Pada, Connie Swaisland and Liz Woodside are among the members of The Painters' Studio presenting their latest works at an art exhibition and sale October 1st and 2nd at the Unitarian Hall, 1310 Bertram Street in Kelowna. Opening reception is October 1st, 5:30pm - 8:30pm. A second, smaller showing will be held October 4th - November 16th in the Galleria at the Rotary Centre for the Arts. For more information, please phone Cindy Downey at (250) 766-5116.

Dennis J. Weber, AFCA exhibited his new work in the Sales Salon at the Calgary Exhibition and Stampede's Western Art Showcase, July 8th - 18th.



Active member **Krystyna (Jankowska) Laycraft** had a solo show of paintings and photographs, *Between Sky and Earth*, July 2nd - 4th at Art and Soul Studio/Gallery at High River. Her new studio is now open in the foothills at the base of the Rocky Mountains. To visit her please call (403) 646 2576.

Mike Radford, AFCA has a solo exhibition, CUBA!, October 2nd - 22nd at the Havana Restaurant and Gallery, 1212 Commercial Drive. Opening reception is on October 2nd from 4:00 pm to 7:00 pm.

Topola 4 Krystyna Laycraft

Krystyna Laycraft Moira Carlson had a solo exhibition at the Granville Island Waterfront Theatre Gallery Lounge, July 26th - August 16th.

Page Samis-Hill will have a solo exhibit at the Red Rooster Winery in Naramata, B.C. for the month of September. Her new pastels on gold leaf of the Lavender Fields will be shown along with prints, custom designed ice wine bottles and new acrylics. She is also designing a wine label for a new red wine.

Her recently finished pastel painting for Canuck Place Children's Hospice 2004 Cards from the Heart is available in October at all Purdy's Chocolate Stores.

New Members June 11, 2004 - August 12, '04

Debra Ames, Janine Anselmo, Don Bennett, Penny Bogner, Robin Boys, Ken Campbell, Sharron Campbell, Daryl Clayton, Stacey Collins, Brigitte Desbois, Julie Elliot, Sherry Ewacha, Terry Farrell, Silvie Forsyth, Marcia Frid, Maria Galloway, Sylvia Garay, Jane Gardner, Mahsan Ghazianzad, Gwen Graham, Beverly Grice, Sharleen Hartfiel, Beve Hietala, Patricia Holborn, Anne Hudec, Brian Hurstfield, Denise Idle, Anita Jung, Ron Keister, Shirley Kristensen, Sandra Kunze, Barbara Laursen, Marie-Jeanne, Leccisi Newbery, Eva Yin Wah Lee, Lumgair, Alan Marsden, Karen Martin, Kathy McArthur, Fay McNaught, Nicole Milkovich, Russ Monsen, Sara Morison, Lisa Morrow, Sue Muirhead, June Nagy, Mary Nixon, Francisco Nunez Rodriquez, Martina Owens, Ida Patrick, Cathie Peters, Audrey Pfannmuller, Heather Price, Mark Prosser, Sophia Quan, Jo-Anne Quinn, Sohrab Rabie, Danielle Richard, Mary Savage, Lorraine Scott, Trish Shwart, Myrna Smeeth, Rodwyn Sykes, Joanne Thomson, Lida Van Bers, Glenn Wallace, Sue Williams, Kate Wilson, Najat Zakhour Page Samis-Hill recently achieved Signature Status with the Pastel Society of America in New York. Congratulations, Page!

Shirley Erskine will be one of the past Mississauga Visual Artists of the Year award recipients (1997) to be represented at a special exhibition at the Art Gallery of Mississauga, *Celebrating 10 Years of Excellence*, 1994-2003, September 16th to October 31st.

Valerie Kent has a solo exhibition, *Summer Harvest*, at the Skylight Gallery at the Aurora, Ontario Town Hall for the month of September. This work captures the fragile beauty of the Oak Ridges Moraine area. Opening Reception is September 21st from 6pm - 9 pm. All are welcome. She will also take part in the Richmond Hill, Ontario Studio Tour and Art Sale October 16th and 17th. For maps and brochures, please call 905-787-1441 ext. 222 or email mzikovitz@richmondhill.ca

Carmen Mongeau will have a solo exhibition, Destinations, November 1st - December 7th at the new Brentwood Bay Lodge & Spa International Hotel Gallery, 849 Verdier Avenue, Brentwood

Bay, Victoria. Opening reception is Sunday, November 7th, 12:00pm -4:00pm.

Don Farell, SFCA will have an exhibit of his work, *Let's Talk Art* at the Qualicum Bay Seaside Gallery, 6161 West Island Hwy. in Qualicum Bay September 16th - 30th. Opening reception is Thursday, September 16th, 7:00pm - 9:00pm.



Twenty Eight, Don Farrell, SFCA

WHAT'S ON AT FEDERATION GALLERY IN SEPTEMBER/OCTOBER 2004

Painting on the Edge 2004 August 24 - September 12 The FCA's 2nd Annual Open, International Juried Exhibition Opening reception and Awards presentation: Thursday, August 26th from 6 - 8 pm in the Gallery.

Just a moment... September 14 - September 26, 2004

An FCA group show featuring new works by Brooke Anderson, Ryan Lawrie, Kit Shing, AFCA and Johnson Wu, AFCA Opening reception is Thursday, September 16th from 6 - 8 pm at Federation Gallery

Spilsbury Medal Show September 28 - October 17, 2004

Annual Signature member's competition Medal presentation Thursday, September 30th, 6 - 8 pm in the Gallery

> Artist's Choice II - Juried Show October 19 - October 31, 2004



Morning Sunshine T.K. Daniel Chuang, AFCA acrylic 8"x 10" \$420

Rain Forest Brooke Anderson

acrylic 16"x 20" \$650





Summer Gallery Part I, 2004

June 29th to July 25th, 2004

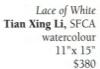
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Charming Orchid Ming Yeung watercolour & ink 27"x 13.5" \$560









Stanley Park Stroll Tatjana Mirkov-Popovicki acrylic 18"x 14" \$460







Tribute to Monet Alice Ruskin, AFCA watercolour & ink 9"x 13" \$375 SOLD

Aquatic City - Venice Johnson Wu, AFCA oil 8"x 10" \$380 SOLD

Altered States, 2004 June 1st to 13th, 2004

Our Lady of Peace - Belfast Lynn Colpitts watercolour 16"x 10" \$495





Dapple, Linda Kalman, watercolour, 20"x 20" \$400

Happiness Ursula Salemink-Roos mixed media, 16"x 48" \$1,250 Award of Excellence



Tile Abstraction #1 Robyn Oliver mixed media 36"x 24" \$325 Peggy and Harry Evans Award





A-Maze-Ing, Ralph Roper, mixed, 15"x 20" \$350



Canadian Brass Baroque, Marilyn Riopel, pastel, 17"x 23" \$1,200 Award of Excellence



Zenith Bill Wilkinson mixed media, 48"x 36" \$2,600 Michael den Hertog Award

> Serendipity Louis Monfette mixed media, 24"x 36" \$900 Award of Excellence

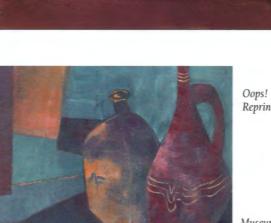




Past Treasures Anne Jarvis oil, 24"x 24" \$980



Geisha Phyllis Albone collage, 9"x 7" \$300



Reprint from Still Life Show

Museum Treasures Miriam Friedberg acrylic, 10"x 14" \$325 Peggy and Harry Evans Award

Composition in Red Jean Grant Horner pastel, 19"x 25" \$850



Harmonic Resolutions Anne Jarvis oil, 36"x 36" \$1,300



Summer Gallery Part II, 2004 July 27th to August 22nd 2004

Summer Beauty VII Kit Shing, AFCA oil, 20"x 16" \$1,000

Mendenhall, Alaska Janice Bridgman oil, 16"x 20" \$700 SOLD





Evening Field VI Suzanne Northcott, SFCA oil, 36"x 24" \$2,400



One Step at a Time Pam Weber acrylic, 10"x 8" \$470



Margaret Jones Lloyd collage, 13"x 19" \$600



Banff - Study Andrew McDermott, AFCA pastel, 11"x 8" \$750 SOLD



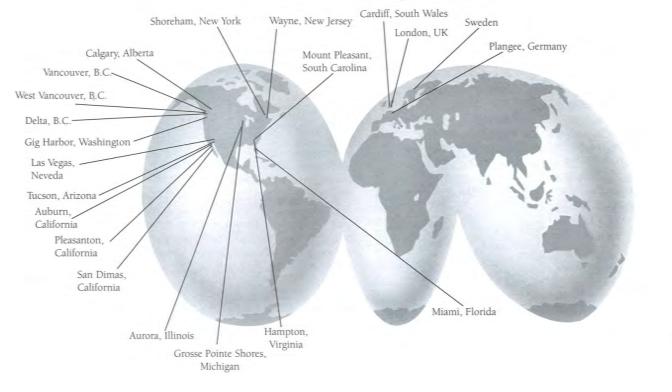
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PAINTERS AT PAINTER'S 2004

BY KELLI KADOKAWA



Painter's Lodge

and enthusiasts in an atmosphere unequalled." For many, it is a reunion. For others, it's their first time. For all, it is a weekend that celebrates a stunning variety of artistic talent. You could feel the buzz. Everyone was excited. The Oak Bay Marine Group properties, Painter's Lodge and April Point Resort, are booked solid far in advance for this event. Attendees hailed from all across BC, including a group of students from St. Thomas Aquinas School in North Vancouver.

The 10th Annual Painters at Painter's celebration of the arts took place May 29th and 30th at Painters Lodge in Campbell River, BC.

According to one artist, "Painters at Painter's is good for the soul: It inspires, excites and encourages. It is an annual reunion of artists



St. Thomas Aquinas students

The Artists in Residence roster

grows each year as one new artist is

invited annually by their peers to

become part of this select group. This

year they welcomed W. Allan

Hancock and sadly said good bye to

Toni Onley. Fittingly, it was gray and

cloudy - but those Toni Onley skies

paved the way to a magnificent



W. Allan Hancock

Many FCA members are Artists in Residence at Painters, including Robert Genn, SFCA, David Goatley, SFCA, Brent Heighton, SFCA, Kiff Holland, SFCA, Catherine Moffat, SFCA, Dorothy Oxborough, SFCA Janice Robertson, SFCA, Mike Svob, SFCA and Alan Wylie, SFCA. There is a special sense of camaraderie amongst all the artists, easily detected in their chides and banter during demonstrations and panel discussions.

weekend.



Alan and Marjorie Turnbull, AFCA, Kiff Holland, SFCA and David Goatley, SFCA

The weekend began with a delectable brunch buffet. But for many, it was hard to sit and enjoy the spread when there were places to go, demos to see. On Saturday there was a 9:00am slide presentation by Pat Service and a 9:30am demonstration on Oil Glazing over Acrylic by Alan Wylie. The day ended with a wine and



KiffHolland, SFCA Janice Robertson, SFCA Bette Laughy and Laura Pedersson

cheese reception for the artists. Both days were filled with back to back, standing-room only presentations. People spilled out of rooms and tents, often into a light drizzle, hoping to catch a glimpse of their favourite artist at work. It was often difficult to decide what to attend. Fortunately, most demos overlapped, so although I didn't see many presentations in their entirety, I did see much of most of them. Though I was convinced I would miss the highlight of one while en route to another, in actuality, everything I saw was quite interesting. Those in the front sat quietly, watching intently, as those in the back, although struggling for a better look, would not budge, despite the rain.

Kiff Holland gave an impromptu egg tempura demonstration on Saturday afternoon and arrived in the appropriate sushi chef uniform. All kidding aside, it was a great demo. Egg tempera pre-dates oil and lasts forever. It doesn't yellow and you don't have to frame it under glass. The Sushi chef, Kiff Holland basic recipe is watercolour



paint and egg yolk, instead of water. As Kiff put it, "an egg yolk a day keeps the tempera at bay."

Sunday held another full lineup. In Dorothy Oxborough's pastel demonstration, you could have heard a pin drop. The crowd was insanely quiet and patient, genuinely interested in watching Dorothy paint. She is acclaimed for her depictions of the First Nation's People of Canada. Dorothy dipped into her box of pastels, offering sporadic commentary as her fans hung on every word.



Dorothy Oxborough, SFCA demonstration

Alan Wylie, Peter Shostak, Mike Svob and Brent Heighton participated in a discussion on Artist and Gallery Dealer Relationships: Secrets to Being a Successful Artist. Mike's ideal situation is, "I ship them a painting, they ship me a cheque." Alan, who at one time owned a gallery, said the toughest thing is dealing with a gallery long-distance. It's much easier doing business with a gallery close by. According to Peter, who also prefers to deal with nearby galleries, there is an unwritten code of ethics. If both parties

adhere to it, you have a good relationship. Brent suggested that there are alternatives to galleries such as art fairs and events like the Calgary Stampede's Western Art Salon. He also noted that Painters at Painter's offered a great opportunity for artists to share their knowledge.

When not giving formal presentations or participating in group discussions, the artists could be seen painting informally on the dock or in hotel corridors, welcoming questions and comments from the gathering crowds. The conference also featured exhibition of their an paintings.



Mike Svob, SFCA painting outdoors





Sketchboard in the morning

Sketchboard by the afternoon



Carol Short and Bob McMurray, AFCA

Event coordinator Maryam Parendeh gets top marks for smooth organization. She made sure everyone was comfortable in their accommodations, that there was adequate seating at the presentations, and that the artists were well taken care of. She even had the power to cue the sunshine. The venue was beautiful, the staff was very helpful and the weekend, as always, was a huge hit. After Maryam Parendeh and David Goatley, SFCA sitting for a while as the model



for David Goatley's portrait demonstration, Maryam said, "Now I understand why so many models are lying down in portraits." "But" David quipped, "they're usually naked ... "

PRESENTATION - WHY IT MATTERS IN AN ART GALLERY

By Rosalind Rorke

A common topic of conversation here at Federation Gallery is why some paintings sell and others do not. Almost everyday someone will call and ask what they can do to increase their chances of making a sale. In addition to creating an original composition and using skilful technique, artists hoping to make a sale in a gallery environment must take care to present their work in a professional fashion.

When visitors come to Federation Gallery, some of the more seasoned viewers really focus on the images and look at everything. Others respond to things that they immediately like and disregard anything that doesn't appeal to their personal taste. One thing all the viewers have in common is the ability to detect poor presentation almost instantly. Whether it's an inappropriate frame, a dirty or poorly cut mat or scratched Plexiglass they notice it right away and they don't like it.

The following example illustrates how important presentation can be when you are hoping to make a sale. Over the last six or seven years, the FCA has produced an annual postcard. These glossy and colourful cards are 4 x 6 inch reproductions of lovely paintings by some of our Signature members and were largely un-saleable in the disorganized piles in which they were lying on the front desk. Last year we bought a small revolving display rack and put these very same postcards into groups in plastic bags, creating a set of six views of B.C. and voila! sales increased fivefold. The exact same product that was dead inventory is now a small but steady source of income. If a plastic bag can turn a postcard into something people want, imagine what gallery-appropriate framing will do for your paintings.

Here are some constructive suggestions on what the proper galleryappropriate presentation is for a painting.

- 1) Always use a frame that is appropriate to the size and medium of your painting. A properly sized frame will help prevent any shifts, gaps or bulges which can create the impression that the frame is broken. Frames meant for matted works on paper should not be used to house unmatted works on board.
- 2) Simple frames have a wider appeal than ornate ones. It is a matter of taste and no one can guess what the customer is going to want.
- 3) It is a false economy to use cheap, non-archival mat board. It is FCA policy that everyone displaying work in Federation Gallery use acid-free matting.
- 4) Neutral mats have a broader appeal than strongly coloured ones. No one, not even your favourite framer, can guess the taste of the person who may buy a work so it's better to go under the radar with a neutral shade than put someone off with your favourite colour.
- 5) If you have more than one work on display, get the same frames for all of your paintings. It will unify your body of work and will be less distracting for the viewer than a panorama of frame styles and colours.
- If you paint on unframed stretched canvases finish your edges 6) with as much care as the painting itself. Poorly finished edges look sloppy and give the impression that you have not mastered your craft.

REPRINTED FROM THE ROCKY MOUNTAIN OUTLOOK, APRIL 29, 2004: SALTIEL EXUDES PASSION FOR PROVENCE

BY CAROL PICARD

Bow Valley artist Alice Saltiel isn't at all reticent in talking about her month of communing with ghosts in the south of France.

It wasn't what she expected when she set off last October for Provence, but it was, ultimately, what she found - the ghosts of Renoir and Cézanne, of Monet and Van Gogh, leading her down canopied walkways and around ancient stone castles, beckoning her to see as they had seen.

And as she walked in the footsteps of the dead masters, painting the same views they had immortalized on their own canvases, she found herself more and more immersed and enraptured with the light and the architecture and the hues, such that the works she brought home from her sojourn are as far removed from the pale botanicals and rugged Rocky landscapes for which she's known as Provence itself is from Canmore. Her latest body of work, 32 large and small canvases, made up her latest exhibit, entitled A Month in Provence, at the Avens Gallery in Canmore. On opening day April 24, 13 of Painting at St. Paul de Mausole the works were sold at prices ranging from \$550 to \$3,900.

It's the second show for Saltiel from her love affair with France. Her first 17 works, the result of her first trip, were exhibited in a show last year entitled Under the Influence, along with photographs by her husband Bill Marshall.

This year Bill spent the month on a true holiday, reading and "babysitting" Alice as she struck out into more solitary territory, spending hours at her easel in isolated fields Painting near Les Baux and vineyards.



Alice Saltiel-Marshall







Photo by Bill Marshall

first through the gate, layered in woollen sweaters against the grey, gloomy day and packing a lunch of baguette, pate and cheeses. In just eight hours, she managed to complete two canvases.

From there, they headed south to St. Remy and the Cloister at St. Paul de Mausole, the asylum to which Van Gogh had himself committed "after that little ear incident".

There, the sharp, cool light of October and the reds and oranges of the vineyards enraptured her. Soon she found herself walking in Van Gogh's footsteps, along the trail through the cypress trees leading to the asylum.

"I wasn't even much of a Van Gogh fan before... I mean, his paintings are nice but the guy was nuts, really, but it was just a matter of minutes before I was hooked into the legend. There wasn't anything I could do but follow in his footsteps. I became a pilgrim," Saltiel laughed.

From there it was off to Mont Sainte Victoire, in Aix-en- Provence, where Paul Cézanne was born and lived most of his life. There, she toured his workshop, virtually untouched for decades, right down to the open paintbox mirroring her own.

"It sounds a little strange, but in a good way - the ghost of the man is still there, just like Vincent is still hanging out at the asylum."

She found time to tour Renoir's estate, as well, among the old chateaux and estate wineries such as the Chateau Neuf du Pape.

With her assorted Muses hovering nearby,

She started the odyssey in Giverny, northwest of Paris, on Oct. 6, 2003. Monet's home is closed to the public every Monday, with only 12 artists allowed in to paint in the famous garden from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saltiel had scouted out her vantage point the



year before, and was Under Les Baux, oil, 12"x 16" \$1,000 SOLD



Monet's Water Lilies, acrylic, 14"x 18" \$1,400 SOLD

Saltiel produced work after work of luscious ochres and yellows and peaches and rusts, capturing the late afternoon autumn sun on pink walkways and orange stone walls with windows and doors outlined in blues and lavenders and yellows.

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PROFESSIONAL PRESENTATION: PHOTOGRAPHING YOUR OWN WORK Be as committed to the quality of your entry as you are to the painting itself

by Rosalind Rorke

Have you ever read the FCA guidelines for taking your own slides or digital images and wondered what all the fuss was about? Do they seem too picky and confusing? The following examples show how important it is to take care when you photograph your paintings. We chose a fantastic painting, *Piazza Harmony*, by Rick McDiarmid, SFCA and ruined it by taking bad photographs. Yes, it's possible to completely transform a beautiful, vibrant painting into a dull and boring one solely through making a poor reproduction. (At this time I would like to thank Rick profusely for indulging us in this educational venture, I assure everyone, the painting was not harmed in any way....) Jurors, for exhibitions as well as Active and Signature status applications, are forced to decline worthy paintings because of poor slide or digital image quality. The presentation of the image, in either format should be as professional as possible. There is no good time to submit a bad slide! If artists do not pay appropriate attention to the photographic reproduction of their paintings they risk being quickly declined as they fail to meet the standard of presentation which others have maintained. Simply put, it is difficult enough to get into an FCA juried show without sabotaging your own chances by submitting a poor image.



When everything goes wrong: Underexposure, flash, reflection, etc. Where is your painting?



Flash: Try to avoid taking photographs of your painting through glass, especially when you're using a flash. Hot spots, glare and reflection are unsightly and distracting.



Shadows and Glare: Make sure there is enough of the proper light. Paintings covered with glass tend to cast and reflect a lot of shadows as well as catch glare from the light source.



Exposure and Colour Accuracy: Be sure that your reproduction is true to the original colour. Underexposure will make your painting look too dark. Overexposure, as in this case, will make your painting look too washed out.



Extraneous Background: Crop out all background details i.e. frame, matting, hands, backdrops, etc. Anything but the actual painting is distracting and unprofessional.



Mysterious Background: Sometimes the background is hard to discern from the actual painting. Eliminating everything but the image will ensure that your painting looks its best. Also, be aware of what you prop your painting up on or with - it may create unwanted shadows.



Skewed or distorted images: A crooked composition is most distracting. It does not accurately represent your painting in all its glory. Sometimes we use your slide or digital image for publication (i.e. the magazine or a catalog). To get a square image from a skewed entry, much of your painting is lost to cropping.



Almost but not quite: Get rid of the frame and mat.



A perfectly photographed painting: Image is free from any extraneous background. Colour and exposure are accurate, shadows, reflection and glare are eliminated and the image is square.