



FEDERATION OF CANADIAN CANADIAN ARTISTS PULY/AUGUST 1999



AULIS FIGURE EXHIBITION

Alan Wylie, SFCA Award MELISSA Anne-Marie Harvey watercolour

REFLECTIONS ON A GRANDMOTHER Rina Pita mixed media

Award of Excellence JULIE Jack Smith, AFCA oil



LA TOILETTE Sheila Symington, AFCA watermedia

QUIET MOMENT Manya Milkovich graphite



WINTER FEEDING II Gaye Adams pastel



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BOARD MEETING HIGHLIGHTS

(May 18, 1999)

After the meeting was called to order, Tom Abbott presented a short but educational seminar entitled How to Run a Really Good Meeting.' The first item of business was to appoint Donna Baspaly to the Board in the position of Member-at-Large.

Sue McIvor gave a verbal report stating that we have received 16 separate prize awards so far. We have also received \$1200 from AGF mutual funds to publish the June FCA News in colour.

Gallery Manager, Nancy Clayton, highlighted some changes to the Gallery Rental contract. It was decided that a copy of the contract will be sent to all participants in group shows immediately after they have been chosen and the dates have been set. Nancy attended a seminar on finding and motivating volunteers, which she reported to be valuable.

Communications chair, Carol Short's report was presented by Susan Foster. The board authorized Carol to look into the cost of designing and producing banners to improve the visibility of the gallery, and to communicate with other businesses at our end of the island about the potential for common signage. There will be an ad in Preview Magazine for the summer

Second Vice President, Bob McMurray will be attending the Comox Chapter meeting on June 2nd and Nanaimo on June 12th.

Arts Quake will be held on June 3rd at Performance Works. We will send a contingent to attend this event.

Registration in the Foundation Program is down from last year at this time. We will do some advertising to promote the program and Carol will send a package of our brochures to all the lower mainland art associations.

The AFCA designation has now been registered. Susan attended an excellent Grant Writing seminar and will attempt to obtain grant money for the Millennium Show from several different foundations. Susan presented a proposal to purchase a new computer plus costs for networking, wiring, and Y2K compliance - expenses were approved by the board.

AIM for Arts - in order to make planning and working more efficient it was decided that we need to have a separate meeting of the show committee, the Board of Directors and staff. This meeting will take place on May 26th. The AIM for Arts preliminary budget was presented and approved. There was some discussion on different scenarios for opening ceremonies and private showings. This will be firmed up when our exact dates of possession are known.

The next meeting will be June 15, 1999.

GALLERY MANAGER'S REPORT By Nancy Clayton

Two Blind men moved venetians up and down
And some were straightened out and turned around
With a just-tall-enough extension ladder
Others taken down with mal-lodious metal clatter
Carried away to clean off tour bus dust and foreign
matter

Brought back next to bang aloft and hang again.

Then one computer uppergrader Actually two, 'cause one came later,

Tied together (and tied them up) two computers – up and down

And brought a third with special extras including stereo sound

But puzzle long no end, the most important printer Will not work with up or down in spite of sprinter And in the same small space mixed together like oil and water

A fix-it man for the wily copier

With the staff (who've days of collating still to do And barely ample time to note what's ever new).

Meanwhile upstairs the telephone's twiddle boggles And downstairs the telephone's persistence jangles The fax machine beeps and repeats sheets and sheets The coffee machine is dry and the microwave emits unheard peeps

In the midst of a singular Slide Committee, Catalogues and carousels the Summer Gallery best-yet

entries

The Standards Committee ambles in, one to four and finally five,

To examine in Emily darkness slides by hundredsmore-than-five

Then why not two more men, these with safety ladder yellow,

To neatly block the 'Staff Lounge' door, add facts and stats to bellow

Inspect the fire extinguishers, sprinklers, and the smoke alarm

And with what's left we ply the Gallery visitors with charm.

All we've got to do now is vacuum.

FEDERATION GALLERY STATS June 8, 1999

Gallery Visitors:	May 1999	3195
	May 1998	3745
Paintings exhibited:		190
Members represented:		71
Paintings sold:		17
Volunteer Hours:		185+

COVER IMAGE by Anne-Marie Harvey

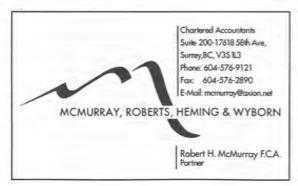
The watercolour Melissa is one of a series of paintings, which I have named Gentle Strength. Each of these paintings represents the idea of gentleness and light in the midst of darkness and structure. The idea of 'a little to a lot' and the challenge of maintaining the integrity of both areas intrigue me.

In Melissa I have played a little light to a lot of darkness. This painting, and indeed the entire series, has been an unexpected learning experience for me. At the onset I was mildly terrified of painting the 'dark' in watercolours. I would rush in, slap in the dark areas and get right out of there, holding my breath the entire time! Lately, I find myself actually looking forward to my adventures into 'darkness.' I consciously explore these areas and realize that, when painted well, the dark areas in a painting can be places of great richness and beauty.

The FCA needs more Kodak slide carousel trays for jury sessions and presentations. Would someone out there care to donate?

PLEASE READ

Caro Woloshyn AFCA, recently suffered a tremendous loss when her home and studio burned down. Caro was lucky enough to escape but lost everything, including current work and extensive records, to the flames. We can help Caro in her efforts to recompile the records of her life's work. If you know of the whereabouts of any Woloshyn slides or original art that can be re-documented, please inform Nancy at the Federation Gallery.





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CANADIAN SCENE Chapter News and Events

ARROWSMITH CHAPTER By Disa Hale

Congratulations to Penny Antifave for her People's Choice award at a recent show held by our chapter in Qualicum. Her work Little Red Boat was a hit.

A grey, still morning greeted our members on Rathtrevor Beach, May 27th. This was our first 'paint-out' meeting. We all huddled around a picnic table and had lots of discussion getting the juices stirred, then the group settled into the serenity of the tide-pools and trees. The August meeting will be held at John Kinnaird's.

Pauline Pike is off to England. Her pictures of the local Glengarry Golf Links looks great in their clubhouse.

CALGARY CHAPTER By Dianne Middleton

Welcome to our new supporting members: Maruk Gentles, Eileen Hirota, and Marian Slayter. Also welcome to new active members – Lorraine Whellams, Sherryll Coyne-Galbraith, Shirley Montpetit, and Judy Perrin. Our numbers continue to grow.

At our last general meeting in May, Alice Saltiel-Marshall, SFCA and past president of our FCA Calgary Chapter, gave a wonderful presentation on the development of her artwork, which she has entitled Routes Without Limits: 25 Years of Painting in Alberta. Her slides include very early studies – which back then showed great promise – leading to absolutely spectacular recent works in oil and water colour. We all enjoyed her talk. Next month our guest speaker will be Colleen Anderson Millard, BEd, MA, Fine Arts Diploma - we are looking forward to an interesting critique for our membership.

We have planned another FCA Calgary Chapter

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Show for June '99. This will take place at the North Glenmore Auditorium, and we hope it will be as successful as last month's show at Bow Valley Square, in Calgary. The prizes for this show were awarded as follows: first place went to Marianne Hunt for In the Spotlight, second went to Doug Palmer for September Light, third went to Judy Perrin for Pink Vase, and the Door Prize piece was Phyllis Ljuden-Elderkin, SFCA's Mountain Sheep.

Our FCA chapter executive have now received back completed copies of our membership questionnaire. We've had 45 responses out of a possible 150+. See this chapter's June newsletter for published results. All in all, there were many interesting and positive remarks made about our chapter.

We are planning for a 'paint-out' in the Crowsnest Pass area, Oct. 1-3, 1999 - a beautiful time of the year here in Alberta!

CAMPBELL RIVER CHAPTER By Doris Ritchie

The Campbell River Chapter sponsored an exhibition, Mary Weiler – Lifetime Of Art, during the month of May 1999. Held in Tidemark Theatre, the opening was attended by Weiler, three of her four daughters, four grandchildren, and many residents from Cortes Island, where the Weilers lived for many years, as well as Campbell River people and visitors. Additional sponsorship was obtained from the CR & District Community Arts council and BC Arts Council.

The Sybil Andrews Morgan Cottage continues to be our 'home base.' Summer Art In Campbell 1999 will be held there, June 14 - 18, featuring Carol-Lynn Davidson, AFCA.

Outdoor sketching trips begin June 2, with an outing on Quadra Island. How nice to see colour in the June issue of FCA News!

CENTRAL OKANAGAN CHAPTER By Evelyne MacMillan

Our juried Spring Chapter Show at the Bronze Rooster Gallery in Kelowna, held April 29 to May 8, was a tremendous show of art. There was a fantastic turnout at the opening reception with a boisterous, hungry, thirsty crowd. 18 Juror's Choice awards and 17 Chapter's Choice awards were selected by jurors Janice Robertson, SFCA, Maggie White, AFCA and Wai-Hin Law, SFCA. A heartfelt thank-you to Rick McDiarmid, AFCA for the extensive time he spent jurying the hung show and selecting ribbon award winners. Congratulations to: Yvonne Morrish who received the 1st Place Ribbon, Linda Knowles, who received 2nd, Alice Anderson for 3rd and Connie Swaisland, Kenna Graf, and Evelyne MacMillan for earning Honourable Mention Ribbons.

Fifteen supporting members tried out for active status jurying during Rick McDiarmid's workshop and visit. The following members were successful in obtaining active status: Brian Barnes, Helene Bowen, Norma Elliot, Brian Elves, Grace Fleming, Helen Gabriel, Deborah Hartloff, Jean Montieth, Eunice Purdy, Teresa Strukoff, Freida Webb, and Isabel Wilson. Congratulations all!

Also, congratulations to Connie Swaisland for having a painting accepted into the Faces and Figures Show.

Our Chapter is presently working in conjunction with the Heritage Society to examine the possibility of realizing our own Chapter Gallery to showcase member art, hold juried shows, and host shows in the Okanagan. We will keep you apprised of developments. Anyone interested, with knowledge of or experience in gallery formation, may contact our Chapter (101 - 1865 Dilworth Drive, Suite 501, Kelowna, BC V1Y 9T1).

A very successful acrylic workshop by Rick McDiarmid, SFCA just finished and we're looking forward to our fall slate of workshops. If you are thinking of a painting holiday in the Okanagan, contact Marg Ross at 250-861-4787 or the above address for details.

COMOX CHAPTER By Robert Ross

Everyone having a good summer? The Comox Valley crew hopes you are, and, if you're up this way you'll have some great painting opportunities! Speaking of which, Kal Szucs, our Demo Coordinator set up our first painting field trip for June 23 at lovely Elk Falls (I hope the weather permitted!). We also plan to have informal outings during the summer.

A warm 'welcome back to the valley' goes to Marilyn Timms, SFCA. She is an artist who is always ready to encourage and assist others in their artistic hopes and dreams.

Congratulations to prolific (non-procrastinating)
Hans Larsen, who has mounted another colourful
show of his oil paintings at the Filberg Gallery. This
time the theme is his country of birth - Denmark.

Bob McMurray, AFCA, sat in with us at our June Meeting. Bob, in a quietly articulate and thoughtful way, discussed the FCA and answered member's questions. We were also treated to a viewing of the Success! exhibition slides that Bob had brought along, plus some of Bob's own very fine paintings. Thanks Bob, the Chapter appreciated the time and effort you made to come.

VICTORIA CHAPTER By Alan Mark Cross

Not much to report on our local scene this month. Of note was that Victoria hosted the BC Festival of the Arts this year. Members of our Victoria Chapter who were juried into the show are: Sherry Mitchell, who received a solo exhibit; Marney Ward; Alan Mark Cross; Robert Owen; Nella K. Rogers, AFCA; Victor Lotto; and Marcia Semenoff, AFCA. Out of 787 submissions, 143 works of art were choosen to be celebrated in artWORK '99. Congratulations to all our selected artists.

Although not really a Victoria event, I traveled to Campbell River for the 5th Annual Painters at Painter's Lodge Weekend. Anyone who is interested in attending next year should book now as reservations are at a premium, selling out well in advance of the event. It is truly an inspiring weekend and probably the only chance most people will ever have to see and enjoy so many gifted artists in one spot, at one time. The Federation of Canadian Artists was very well represented. Resident artists included: Robert Genn, SFCA; Brent Heighton, SFCA; Kiff Holland, SFCA; Alan Wylie, SFCA; and Victoria's very own Dorothy Oxborough, SFCA. Dorothy inspired the crowd with her pastel portrait demo, she is always one of the main attractions at Painter's, drawing a large crowd of appreciative art lovers. Well done Dorothy.

With summer coming, and busy times ahead, don't forget to set aside some time to create.

Not reporting this issue: FRASER VALLEY CHAPTER NANAIMO CHAPTER NORTH OKANAGAN CHAPTER

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FALL JURIED SHOW

All Members - All Media

September 28 to October 10, 1999 at the Federation Gallery, Vancouver

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35mm colour in a 2" x 2" mount. Glass slides are not admissible. Please, no tape or labels except non-protruding silver tapes on the film or white tape on the mount which is not permanently affixed. Label the slide with the Name of Artist. Title Impac Size



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ACCEPTED ARTWORK: Advice of the jury's decision will be sent by mail in your SASE. No phone calls please. If accepted, your original painting(s) is/are due in the Gallery Friday by September 24th, by 4:00 pm.

DECLINED ARTWORK: Should your work be declined, the slides will be returned in your SASE.

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Painters in Action MCNDAWS

Demonstrations at Federation Gallery 1241 Cartwright Street, Vancouver, 1:00 to 4:00 pm

Members; \$10.00 for Non-Members	
Artist/Subject	
Marjorie Turnbull, AFCA Mixing mono prints with other media	
Nerrisa Ng, AFCA Chinese Gongbe Flower and Bird painting: Academic style of the Southern Sung Dynasty (C. 1127-1279)	
Karon Mitton Pastels: Ways of having Fun	
Shirley Kolb Mixed watermedia	
Robert McMurray, AFCA Oil painting	

COMING IN JULY AND AUGUST TO THE FEDERATION GALLERY

RELATIVE ART

Member Group Show # 3 (detailed in last issue). To July 4, 1999

SUMMER GALLERY 1999

July 5 to August 29

This show features select FCA artists (as chosen by the standards committee), each hanging four paintings in July and four in August. The exhibit will include the work of:

Teressa Bernard AFCA Nancy Clayton Susan Flaig Martine Gourbault Anne-Marie Harvey Janet Lee Lindy Michie Rita Monaco AFCA Alice Ruskin Larry Tillyer Josanne van Hees AFCA Adrienne Moore AFCA Patricia Bidwell
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SIGNATURES SHOW

August 31 - September 26, 1999

MEMBERS IN THE NEWS

Congratulations go to Alan Wylie, SFCA, AWS, who recently won an award in the California Watercolor Association Annual Show. Alan received an \$850-dollar easel and \$500 dollars worth of Kolinsky sable brushes. Janice Robertson, SFCA who sent in the following photo, says she can't wait to see what a \$850-dollar easel looks like! Anne Zielinski, SFCA, AWS with Alan and Janice in New York at the AWS Show.



Accolades go out to Albert Brookes and Jean Pederson, AFCA, who were semi-finalists in the Winsor & Newton Millenium Competition. Jean had one of her watercolours choosen as an international finalist. Her work will be sent on to London, England for the world-wide competition.

Jeanette E. McClelland-Brookes, AFCA has recently been nominated to a Fellowship in the Royal Society of Arts (FRSA) in London, England. Congratulations!

In late August, David White of Mission, an active member of the Fraser Valley Chapter, will be presenting *Time Line*, an exploration of the past, present, and future, with monoprints and mixed media. The show will be held at the Kariton House Gallery, 2387 Ware Street, in Abbotsford, from Saturday, August 21 to Thursday, September 2. For more information call the gallery at 852-9358 or David at 820-4623.

Edmonton member, Thomas Love, was successful in having his watercolour Blues juried into the California Watercolor Association's 31st Annual Open National Exhibition. The show, open to artists in the United States and Canada, was on display at the Academy Art Gallery in San Francisco.

Wesley Wiseman, Supporting Member, has had his oil painting Harmony accepted to hang in the permanent collection of the Permanent Mission of Canada to the United Nations. Recently Wes received a phone call from the fourteenth floor of #1 Dag Hammarskjold Plaza and learned that Harmony had already been hung and favourably commented on by passing dignitaries. Where next, Wes?!

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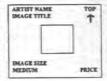
MEDAL SHOW

All AFCA Members - All Media (SFCA Members do not have to be juried.)

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Late Spring, 2000

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Watch for more - next issue!

"I work on three to five paintings at a time. This is because a painting is always best at the beginning. As I work on it, it gets worse so I start a new one to cheer me up. By the time I get to the fifth the first one doesn't look so bad anymore."

Robert Bateman, On The Dini Petty Show (VTV), May 17, 1999



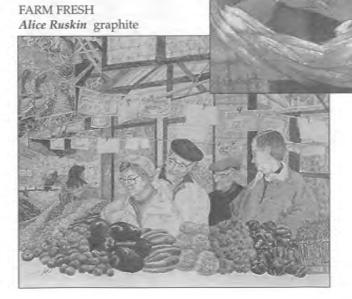
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THE CRITIQUE Bob Sheridan watercolour



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Frank Pochyly oil

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PORTRAIT OF TEACHER Chi-Keung Leung watercolour

SECOND THOUGHTS
Thomas Love watercolour



PUMPKIN BOY Heidi Lambert watercolour

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UP NEXT Diana Philpot pastel



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COLLEEN Wan-Hee Gowen

watercolour

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AN ARTIST STATEMENT IS NOT A MARKETING TOOL

By Ariane Goodwin, Ed.D.

That's funny, you might be thinking, isn't everything in the '90s a marketing tool? Our competition-driven culture tries to sell us the Scarcity Story, and in this myth Marketing is the Head of State. There are too many artists, we are told, and too few places for art. Scarcity is the dark handmaiden who drives up prices, all for the good of our impending fame and fortune. What more could we possibly want? In this impoverished world view, the artist statement is pumped up as a marketing tool: your secret weapon. But this perspective puts the cart before the horse and does a dis-service to the spirit of your work. Like art that is made strictly for the marketplace, an artist statement which focuses on the shallow "point of purchase" technique looses its authenticity, its authorship and its unique reflection of an artist's work.

It may be that your artist statement ends up being used as an effective marketing tool - one of several possible applications - but that is not what it is. This is an important distinction. Separating out what an artist statement is from how you will use it is crucial. Writing is hard enough; the last thing an artist needs is to try and satisfy the illusive and enigmatic "market." Better to start with something familiar, closer to home: the uniqueness of your work. Herein lies the power of an artist statement.

An artist statement is not a personal critique of your work. Neither is it a resume, a list of accomplishments, nor a historical summary of what you've done. An artist statement is your reflection about your work, a distilled essence of what you do. It is a celebration of your art, a personal revelation, a psychological bridge between you and your audience.

Practical uses for your artist statement:

- Brochures
- Biographical notes Grant applications
- Art festivals
- Press releases
 Exhibition & Performance notices
- Galleries
- Media articles

Most importantly, an artist statement enriches an artist's connection to their work. It becomes a point of validation and affirmation, a place to allow connections to emerge between unconscious symbolism and conscious living, much like dreamwork. Understanding and naming what we do through language is not to have the beauty or mystery dismantled; though, as artists, we often fear this. Language gives us the sense of irrevocably fixing something in time and space. Actually, it is no different than fixing, say, a painting in time and space. An artist makes choices: this lemon, not that vase. This red, not that vellow. This curve, not that angle. When we use words, we are doing the exact same selection, with the same freedom of choice.

Like your work is bound in the material world by its physical manifestation, your artist statement is also bound - by your choice - and can be unbound, or actually, re-bound again and again, by your continued choices. Keep in mind your power to undo or redo what you choose in one moment, or another. From this perspective, the fear that an artist statement will fix us, like cement, in some permanent state becomes groundless.

The next hurdle is the writing. For artists immersed in a visual idiom, words often feel like shackles. There is a deep mistrust of language that shows up as "My art says it all," or "I have nothing to say." Which really translates into "I have nothing of importance to say," as if we cannot face the authority of words that might end up belittling us.

It is good exercise to challenge this assumption. Try on the opposite response. Imagine that you have a lot to say about your art, which is neither self-important nor trivial, but relevant, revealing, and wonderful. Because, the good news is: you can recover your own words. In spite of the self-conscious fears about writing that we were given in school, in spite of the judgmental authority of justified art "criticism," there is an unself-conscious language, which you use all the time when thinking or talking about your work. The trick is to learn how to catch yourself doing it and then deliberately write it down.

Gather up as much material - good, bad, and indifferent - for your artist statement as you can. Above all, in the beginning, don't censor yourself. Every single thought is grist for the mill. Here are a few suggestions.

 Take a small, spiral notebook with you everywhere. Write down any phrase that comes to you about your work in:

A conversation,

A daydream or night dream, In the car, in the studio, in the shower, Anywhere inspiration strikes.

- If you keep a technical notebook, add commentary. What were you thinking as you mixed that midnight blue, centered that large vase, or whittled that piece of mahogany?
- · If any articles have been written about you, look at your quotes. Without realizing it, you might have just said the perfect thing.

Think of an artist statement as an act of self-definition, bound only in the moment that you, the artist, chooses. When you give the world your art, people become connected to you. An artist statement is another kind of connection, which adds dimensionality to the art you so willingly give to the world. If done authentically and skillfully, this increases people's engagement with what you do and the

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GALLERY POLL A Short Survey FYI

The following short survey of art galleries has been put together in an attempt to assist FCA artists in their quests for representation. Although the poll surveyed only galleries in BC and Calgary and is by no means comprehensive, it does offer a few insights into the relationship between artists and the galleries that represent them.

All the galleries that participated responded to the same seven questions. The questions deal with the professional side of art, yet many gallery owners and managers also revealed that personality, or the liability of the artist, can be an important factor in the representation of an artist. Other words of wisdom offered in the course of conducting the survey include:

- Always physically check out the gallery space and its contents before seeking representation – not only will it make for a smoother initial interview but will allow you to ensure that your work meets the gallery's mandate and standards, and that your subject matter isn't already sufficiently represented in the gallery. Try and figure out how your work could both 'stand out' and 'fit in' with the space and work already hanging - if you cannot do this there probably isn't a match.
- Phone ahead and make an appointment. Never cold-call – everyone mentioned this.
- Know the name of the person who runs the gallery and makes the decisions, ask for them by name when you make your appointment.
- Make sure you present your work in a professional format; include a detailed price list, copies of publicity and your c.v.
- Only include originals in your initial presentation if specifically asked or if the work can be presented in an extremely convenient format (i.e. small and portable)



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SURVEY DETAILS:

Ouestions:

- 1. On what do you base your decision to represent a new artist? What are some of the key factors in this decision?
- 2. What should an artist seeking representation bring to your gallery by way of submission?
- 3. What do you expect of the artists you represent?
- 4. What is your gallery's commission? (this question was presented as optional)
- 5. What is your framing policy?
- 6. What does your gallery do for the artists it represents?
- 7. Is the gallery current accepting new artists?

Responses:

ALEX FRASER GALLERIES

- 2034 West 41st Avenue, Vancouver, 604-266-6010 Linda Lando, Owner
- 1. personality and education of the artist/ quality of work
- 2. slides/photos, sm originals, professional presentation
- 3. honesty, quality supply, prof. demeanor
- 4. 40% 5. Varies
- 6. advertising, est. mailing list, respectability
- 7. yes, phone 1st.

ART SHOW GALLERY

- 513 8th Avenue SW, Calgary, 403-242-5704 Kirsten Jensen, Pt Owner
- 1. Quality, emotional response
- 2. Portfolio of photos & bio
- 3. Consistent high quality, steady supply
- 4. 40% 5. Artist frames
- 6. Space, advertising, special shows/events
- 7. Will review new submissions.

ART WORKS GALLERY

- 225 Smithe Street, Vancouver, 604-688-3301
- Deborah Boren, Gallery Administrator
- 1. Quality, fit w/ client base, style, variety, technique.
- Slides/photos, bio, previous publicity, c.v.
 Input on bios, prices, supporting material.
- 4. 40% 5. Varies.
- Exposure, support, exhibition opportunities, large client hase.
- 7. Always, phone 1st.

ATELIER GALLERY

- 2421 Granville Street, Vancouver, 604-732-3021
- 1. quality, uniqueness, contemporariness
- 2. slides w/SASA
- 3. commitment
- 4. 50% 5. Artist frames
- 6. promotion & sales
- 7. always looking

BAU-XI

- 3045 Granville Street, Vancouver, 604-733-7011 Buriko Nakasone
- Fit with mandate to show quality, contemporary, Canadian art.

12-24 slides/photos of recent work.

3. Geographic exclusivity, bios, statements

4. Varies 5. Artist frames

6. Est. since 1965/clientel, advertising, openings

7. Will review all submissions, phone 1st.

BIRTHPLACE OF B.C GALLERY

9054 Glover Road, Fort Langley, BC 604-882-1191

Brenda Alberts, Director

Traditional art of exceptional quality.

Slides/photos w/ cover letter & SASE.

3. Supporting material, commitment, involvement.

4. Varies 5. Varies.

6. Annual shows, customer-oriented events, marketing and promotion.

7. Call 1st, will review all submissions.

BUSCHLEN MOWATT GALLERY

111 - 1445 W. Georgia Street, Vancouver 604-682-1234

Sherri Kajiwara, Managing Director

1. A history of consistently strong work.

2. Photos, c.v. & SASE

3. Geographic exclusivity, organization.

5. Artist frame or gallery will at cost.

6. Full marketing & publicity.

Will review submission but rarely take on new artists. Note: Bucschlen's management also runs the Keith Alexander Gallery, 647 Howe St., Vancouver 604-682-7777

CHARISMA GALLERY

3339 S Fraser Way, Abbotsford, BC 604-852-3999 Rod Bishop, Owner

Professional and prolific artist w/good work.

Originals if practical (6), bio,

3. Realistic expectations on both sides, participation.

5. Varies 4. Varies

6. Promotions, dir. Mailings, openings, ongoing exposure.

CROWN GALLERY

1515 W 6th Avenue, Vancouver, 604-730-961 Dianne Ostoich & Rob Wilson, Co-owners

1. Personality of the artist/fit of the work with currently gallery content.

Slides/photos, detailed price list, SASE

3. Local exclusivity, quality work on a steady basis

4. 50% 5. Varies

Exposure, consistent wall space

7. Call 1st/will always look

DEBORAH WORSFOLD GALLERY

1537 W. 6th Avenue, Vancouver, 604-709-4500

Deborah Worsfold, Owner

1. Amount of work available, professionalism of the artist

2. Initially, slides/photos

3. Steady production, fine art

4. 50% 5. Varies

6. Shows, sales, portfolios kept on site

7. Yes

EWART GALLERY

175 Saltspring Way, Saltspring Island, BC 250-537-2313 Sherri Kajwara, Director

Standing in reputable societies(eg AFCA)

2. Cross section of originals

3. Consistency & commitment

4. 40% 5. Artist frames

6. Shows, promotions, clientel

7. Not at this time

HAMBLETON GALLERIES

781 Bernard Avenue, Kelowna, BC 250-860-2498

Doug Lee, Owner

1. Quality and fit w/ gallery's current work

2. Originals only

3. Ongoing supply, consistent quality

4. 40% 5. Gallery frames

6. Promotions, events, lg client base

7. Will always look

HARRISON GALLERIES, 2932 Granville Street, Vanc.

1471 Marine Drive, West Vancouver

109 - 1013 17th Avenue SW, Calgary

Chris Harrison, Director

1. Work that's different and can speak over and over again

3. Non-competition, commitment & partnership

4. Varies 5. Gallery frames

6. 40 yrs experience, est. clientel, extensive marketing.

7. Constantly looking.

JACK GIBSON GALLERY

8940-A River Drive Richmond, BC 604-276-9432 Jack Gibson, Owner

Composition, price, fit w/ clients.

2. Slides/photos & c.v.

Loyalty, local non-competition, honesty.

5. Varies, prefer artist frames. 4. Negotiable.

5. Selling & promo, openings, exposure, atmosphere.

6. Always, call 1st.

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Market niche, client fit, gallery fit cont. on next page



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2. C.V., price list, photos

3. Geographical non-compet., steady work

4. 50% 5. Gallery frames

- Wall space, promotions, events, news letters, mailing list, loc & nat'l advertising
- Will review portfolios.

LLOYD GALLERY

598 Main Street, Penticton, BC, 250-492-4484

Nell Witteman, Owner

- 1. Professionally finished product, diversity, fit w/ gallery.
- Photos/slides in a portfolio.

Steady supply

4. 40%. 5. Gallery frames

- 6. Est. business, enthusiasm, professional career support.
- 7. Will review all submissions.

PETLEY JONES GALLERY

2231 Granville Street, Vancouver, 604-732-5353 Deirdre Hofer

1. Will the work appeal to existing clientele.

2. C.V. and slides

3. Bios., statements, quality work

5. Artist frames

- Advertising, openings, ongoing exhibition space, & promotion.
- Limited current focus on historical work.

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752 Douglas Street, Victoria, BC 250-384-3912 David Lowe, Owner

1. Fit w/ clientele & gallery, high standards.

2. Slides/photos & c.v.

 Local exclusivity, bios & supporting materials, rotation of work/supply.

4. Varies 5. Artist frames.

Display on a rotational basis, career support.
 Will review submission for future consideration.

MILLENNIUM ART GALLERY

902 Commercial Drive, Vancouver, 604-255-2722

Rick Johnson, Director

The emotions the work inspires.

2 5-10 photos w/cover letter.

3. To do their best to translate the inspirations they receive.

4. 50% 5. Artist frames.

6. Promotion, encouragement & a creative environment.

PAUL KUHN GALLERY

722 - 11th Avenue SW, Calgary, 403-262-9426 Paul Kuhn, Owner

1. The work & the artist.

2 25 slides, SASE

 Good communication, a solid and professional relationship.

4. 50% 5. Varies

6. Openings, artist files, insurance, sales

7. Always look but call 1st.

The ARTery

402 - 22 Commercial St, Nanaimo, BC 250-755-8790 Richard Hoedl, 'The Art Guy'

 Saleability, contemporary design, fit w/ gallery, bright colours.

10 - 15 slides/photos/laser copies, c.c., artist statement.
 Professionalsm, support in both materials and events.

4. 40%. 5. Artist usually frames

 Hanging space on a rotational basis, feature shows, openings, advertising & promotions.

Always.

YALE GALLERY

102 - 1230 Hamilton Street, Vancouver, 604-687-6999 Sylvia Negroni, Director

Taste & fit w/ gallery.

2. Originals

3. Steady supply & commitment.

4. 25 - 30% 5. Gallery frames

6. Support & professional knowledge.

7. Yes, always.

Please note that the people listed above are merely the contacts for this poll and not necessarily the person who makes gallery decisions regarding representation. Of 30 galleries contacted, 23 responded. Of those thirty galleries only one establishment was not aware of the FCA as an organization. I hope this project can help FCA artists in some small way.

NEW MEMBERS May 12 to June 11, 1999

Georgette Backs

Lynda Bloomfield

Olivia Creighton Iill Ehlert

Agnieszka Gebczyk

Elizabeth Hanson

Eileen Hirota

Ghita Khadraoui

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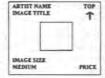
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BRUSH STUDIES IN WATERCOLOUR AND GOUACHE

Painters In Action By Pat Lowes

Nancy Clayton is an artist who loves to paint patterns of colours and shapes with her brushes. Nancy started her demonstration by unveiling a fabric brush case filled with a neatly arranged collection of flat and round brushes (including a wedge, a liner, a rigger, a slanted brush, and even a very large Chinese flower painting brush). As she held one of her favourite brushes, Clayton compared the necessity of practicing brush strokes to the practice of playing scales on a piano; both are necessary for an artist's development.

To these ends, Nancy started a three-step example of an exercise on a small sheet of watercolour paper. By tilting, pressing, lifting, and manipulating a large brush she created a multiple patterns of brush strokes. Secondly, the patterns were examined by Clayton and then painted over with more shapes in and around the original ones. This overall design was examined again, and a very small brush was used to paint the final details of calligraphy and interest to the study.

Nancy's investigative brush studies suggest that:

- Slanted brushes are good for blending colours,
- Cat's tongue brushes are good for painting round shapes,
- Liner/riggers are excellent for long narrow shapes and lines,
- Wedge brushes are excellent for lines/angles and turning shapes,
- Large brushes are conducive to large shapes/quick applications,
- And small brushed are great for small details in small spaces.

We could clearly see that Nancy's study was a prelude to the larger painting for this demonstration. Nancy smiled before selecting a large, flat, two-inch brush and said, "painting with a large brush is like jumping into the deep end of a pool – you have to



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Tel: (604) 535-9335 Fax: (604) 535-6712 1-800-663-4664 RBC Dominion Securities Inc. 15107 - 16th Avenue White Rock, B.C. V4A 6G3 consider how to get out." As Clayton deftly applied large flat washes to her painting of tulips, she offered us the following pointers:

· Use a flat colour for underpainting the design

 Apply colour across the paper for unity (colour on top of colour will look different each time depending what is under it)

 Use thick opaque watercolours instead of just gouache in large areas (gouache can sometimes

appear chalky)

 Use gouache to paint in small light negative shapes instead of using masking fluid to save the light shapes

 Add a small hint of another colour for sparkle when layering colour on top of colour.



When this initial wash was dry, Clayton, using her favourite wedge brush, commenced to paint in negative shapes while continuing to verbalize her techniques:

Correct poor shapes by changing and controlling

the edges

 Use a smaller brush to paint in smaller background shapes

 Avoid overworking the painting by leaving a small space around the original underpainting (this line will also unify)

 Paint a smaller pattern/shape into a larger pattern/ shape for interest (similar to practice exercise).

It was a great demonstration of 'puzzle' pattern painting because lovely tulips began to emerge from the initial random patterns of colours and shapes.

Nancy was educated at the Sheridan College of Applied Arts and Technology where she majored in Textile Arts and Design. She also attended School of Design in Ontario and the University of Alaska, Fairbanks, graduating with a BA in Journalism and a minor in Fine Arts.

Thank-you Nancy, for another informative session.

LETTERS

Dear Michele, I had 2 water-colour paintings hanging in a local Italian restaurant for a possible sale. The owner went bankrupt and sold out, including my two paintings. I had nothing in writing with a signature to prove that they were mine, even if the price tags were on.

I had to go through various events and stages to secure them back. The president of one of the larger clubs came to my assistance.

In the course of this the RCMP informed me that it was a civil matter, and out of their hands, and that every artists should have a signature from every venue owner in case of similar problems.

I am not aware of any local artists (outside of galleries) that are carrying out this practice [of securing a formal agreement] but they should for their own good.

I am happy to say all turned out okay and I have two new paintings hanging in the same local restaurant with their signature and price tags on and everyone is smiling.

Sincerely, Nastunia Nel Andersson, Active FCA Member, Port Moody, BC

Dear Nastunia, Thank you very much for sharing your experience with us. We can all take a lesson from it. Your letter makes me wonder if an article on the various business forms an artist should be familiar with might be a good idea. We could include generic samples of these forms.

What do you think?

Michele Becker, FCA News Editor



Our latest raffle winner is Margaret Boyes of Vancouver who was lucky enough to have her name drawn at the Pieces of Eight reception on May 25.

Margaret is now the proud owner of Joseph Wong, AFCA's etching entitled BC Packers, Steveston.

Congratulations Margaret!

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brass winds blowing
snowing
down below
the gold sun shining
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in the air
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SIXTH ANNUAL ARTS ALIVE IN LANGLEY is a celebration of the arts in Langley City's downtown core. The outdoor festival is 11am to 4pm, saturday, August 21st, on Fraser Highway between 204th and 206th Street. Artists wanting to participate call the Downtown Langley Merchants Association at (604) 530-4263 or come to 5497 Salt Lane, Langley B.C. for information and an application form. The entry fee is \$20.00 Entry deadline is July 31st. Arts Alive will include artists, crafters, children's activities and entertainment throughout the day.

An Artist Statement continued from page 15 perceived value of your work. It may seem mighty cold at first, before you get your feet wet; but in the end, an artist statement is a simple thing, telling what, how, and why you do what you do.

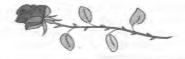
An artist statement is not just a marketing tool. It is a life-long process, evolving alongside your work. If you become friends with it, your artist statement will grow and change, becoming a significant contribution to the totality of your artist story. The work ahead is to create an equal trust in the gift of your words so they flow out to embrace the unique authenticity of your art. Do this, and the marketing strategy will effortlessly follow.

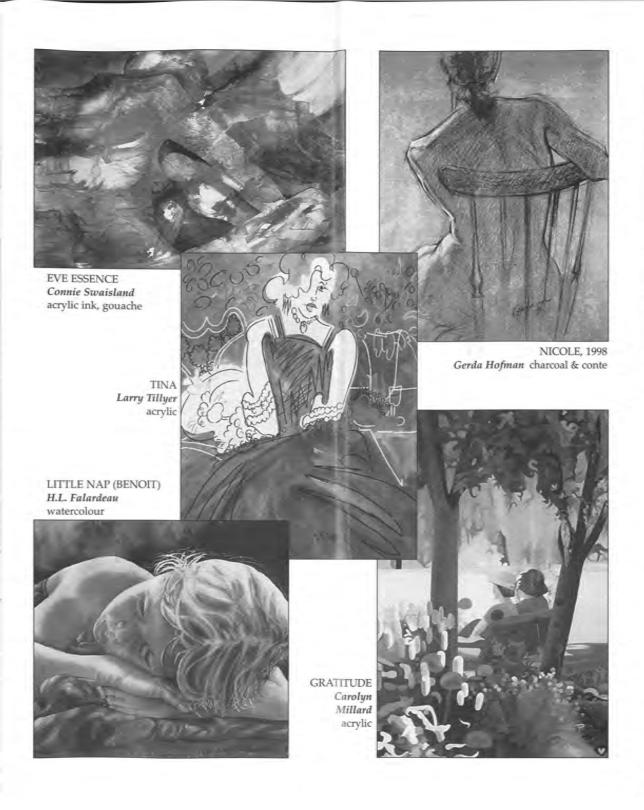
Ariane Goodwin, Ed.D., consults world-wide with individual artists, developing and writing artist statements, as well as catalogue and brochure copy. She also holds workshops on 'Writing Your Artist Statement: Revealing the True Spirit of Your Work.' You may contact her at: goodwin@javanet.com or Phone: 413/659-3307.

OBITUARIES

Charter Member of the Campbell River Chapter, Mary Peake, died suddenly on May 23, 1999. Friends and family will greatly miss Mary, who was known for her love of art, her cheerfulness, and ready wit. A participator in all our local exhibitions, meetings and sketch trips, she will always be remembered.

Myrtle Wright, an Active FCA member for 23 years, recently passed away on May 14th. Myrtle made her home in South Surrey where she was heavily involved in her community and the arts. Myrtle leaves behind her husband Ray, family and many friends, who will miss her greatly.





Award of Excellence THE MAN FROM CASTILLE Patricia R. Logie, AFCA oil



Peter W. Phillips, RBC Dominion Securities Inc. Award THE SAND CASTLE Diane Ponting watercolour



Award of Excellence PORTRAIT OF A YOUNG GIRL Neil Boyle oil



Award of Excellence HANDBALL Erin C. McSavaney oil and oil pastel



Peggy & Harry Evans Award MERCY Jean Pederson, AFCA watercolour