



Meeting: Fallbrook School of the Arts, 310 East Alvarado  
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**FAA deadline—Sept. 15 for the November issue. Send your items to [phee21@mac.com](mailto:phee21@mac.com).**

### Fall Show Info

**Take-in:** Aug. 31, 10:00-3:00 at the Brandon.  
**Show dates:** Sept. 4-30  
**Reception:** Friday, Sept. 4, 6-8:00 *Note change*  
**Size limit:** 24 x 30 including frame.

**New this year:** Fill out entry forms in advance. Attach a copy to the back of each entry. Keep one for your reference. Entry forms and prospectus are on the web and they have been sent to you via blasts. Also, forms are available onsite.

**Important:** In the past, there has been someone to help with framing problems. Not this year. All frames and glass must be clean and in good repair. There will be a table with a few tools for minor last minute adjustments but no hangers, wire or other materials will be available. Any work/cleaning required on frames and glass must be done by the artist. You may not start the entry process until your piece meets all eligibility and condition requirements.

### Dear Fellow Artists...

Welcome-back from summer and now we walk immediately into the fall judged show. I hope you had a good summer. Did you do lots of painting? I took four trips and have to admit I've been slacking off in the area of art production.



Our Fall Show will be at the Brandon Gallery. The information is in the prospectus you've received in e-blasts. The reason for not holding the show at the Art Center is we were only given ten days due to their heavy scheduling. At the Brandon, we will have most of September. We'll have the back hall known as Studio 105 and half the big gallery. Size is limited to no larger than 24 x 30 including frame. See you on receiving day, August 31, 10:00 am to 3:00.

And now I make what has become a regular plea. FAA must have your help in filling several key board positions: newsletter editor, publicity chairman, membership chairman, greeter and art show co-chair. By stepping forward to fill one of these posts, you are taking on responsibility but it comes with rewarding new friendships and a general "feel-good" sense of being at the hub of a very fine organization. FAA is known as one of the friendliest groups of its type. Friendly people who work together become good friends indeed.

*Happy Painting, Carol*

## FAA Calendar

All meetings (except board meetings) and functions are held at the Fallbrook School of the Arts, 310 East Alvarado in Fallbrook.

**Aug 31, Monday**—Entry, Fall Show at the Brandon.

**Sept. 4, Friday**—Fall Show opens.

**Sept 4, Friday** 6-8:00, Reception/Awards. *Note change*

**Sept. 10, Thursday** 5:30—General meeting and demo. Guest artist, Susan De'Armond.

**October 8, 5:30**—Critique followed by meeting and demo. Guest artist, Sally Strand, pastel and oil.

**Nov 12, 12-3:00**—Critique followed by meeting and demo. Guest artist, Janice Cipriani-Willis, watercolor.

**Nov 15, 12-3:00**—Workshop if filled



FAA website:

[www.fallbrookartassn.org](http://www.fallbrookartassn.org)

***Life is a great big canvas and you should throw all the paint you can on it. Danny Kaye***

This gives us an idea of the spirit of Vista's Alley Art Festival September 5, 11:00-9:00 pm. Among many other activities is the Big A\$\$ Art show featuring paintings more than 15 square feet. There's also painting of kiosk art panels and something called the Art Box at the Alley. Sounds fun.

And...on the web, go to [Celebrate Grand Escondido](#) for entry forms and info for their art show Oct. 6-30 that is part of a larger Escondido event.

## FAA General Meeting Sept. 10, 5:30 at Fallbrook School of the Arts, 310 East Alvarado. Bring two paintings for critique

Susan De'Armond, winner of many awards—best of show, first, second and third prizes in juried shows—will demonstrate her watercolor technique at the FAA general meeting Thursday, September 10.

While pursuing her bachelor of fine arts degree in interior design, an art history class introduced her to the Impressionists. The spontaneity of their work sparked her imagination. After a career in interior design and raising a family, Susan turned to her own art. In 2007 she met the Plein Air Artists of Riverside. Their shared passion for capturing



Southern California ambience got her hooked. Seeing a striking scene, she always asks, "How would I paint that?" Working in watercolor and oil, De'Armond has sought instruction from Frank Eber, Fealing Lin, Mel Stabin, Tom Fong and Thomas Schaller. She continues to

explore various techniques as she hones her style.



## VOLUNTEER NEWS

### HE DID, SHE DID AND VICE VERSA

by Jan Ortega

In 1978, Joe Fedorchak discovered the Fallbrook Airport, just over the hill from the El Jardin Restaurant he and his family owned. His discovery led to flying lessons and ultimately, the ownership of a Cessna 172. Penny Fedorchak loved flying with Joe, but wondered what would happen if Joe was unable to fly the plane. So Penny also took flying lessons and now it is Mr. & Mrs. Fedorchak, Licensed Pilots. Many years later, at a Big Pine painting retreat, Joe was pulled into Penny's Plein Air group as an honorary member (read: the only male). After enjoying a workshop by Mark Mehaffey in 2007, Joe entered his first show, the Fall FAA Open Judged Show and won a Second Place Award.



All the above explains how FAA came to have two watercolor awarded Fedorchak members as valuable volunteers. Penny has been a member since 1977 and began volunteering with Art Assist under the late Mary Lahue around 1994. She later led Art Assist alone until Carol Zaleski offered to help. They co-chaired for many years and taught not only at the elementary schools of Fallbrook, but also the Camp Pendleton grade school. Penny and Joe have both worked many FAA Art Shows; placement, hanging, judging and wherever needed.

Their time as volunteers is especially admirable since they were also operating the restaurant, partnering with Ray and Charlene Fedorchak, until retirement in 2012. Joe was also the Fallbrook Rotary President from 1987-1988. Since retirement he alone tends to 260 avocado trees and does restoration on his vintage cars.

Penny began painting with Mary Tomaskevitch in the early 80's. She started watercolor classes in the late 90's at the San Diego Watercolor Society (SDWS) and the Fallbrook School of the Arts. She later became a member of the plein air painters, and in

2002, she was juried into the Brandon Gallery. Penny now studies with Robert Willis of Dorland Artists Colony in Temecula. In 2005 she won her first "First Place" at FAA's Spring Show. 2013 was a very good year with "Best in Show" at Carlsbad's COAL Gallery. This year she won Brandon Gallery's Plein Air Exhibition "Best of Show." Her most recent award was third place at the San Diego County Fair for her painting titled, "Artist's Brushes." That painting also received a donor award from the North County Society of Fine Arts.

Joe has been painting for close to 10 years and has also taken classes at SDWS and the Fallbrook School of the Arts. He has won First and Second place awards at both FAA and COAL Gallery shows. Also, the San Diego County Fair has awarded him several Honorable Mentions.

Penny says, "I thank Art Assist for the opportunity to interact with many children." She also said that if she had given one child the courage to become an artist, then her volunteering has been very rewarding. Joe states, "I find that making time to help where needed ends up making me happy, and I will come away feeling richer for having done it."

*Jan Ortega, a long-time FAA volunteer herself, has volunteered to write these articles on people who have given of themselves so generously to make FAA the organization it is. Many thanks, Jan.*

### Congratulations:

Karen Langer Baker won first prize in the Art of the Avocado art show at the recent Avocado Festival in Fallbrook with her exotic piece called Persia Delights.

### Open Positions in Search of People to Fill Them

**Susan Frommer** will serve as president in 2016. She will need:  
First Vice President, Second Vice President,  
Membership Director, Newsletter Editor,  
Publicity Chairman, Greeter at General Meetings

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

**Art Assist, FAA's outreach to the community** needs volunteer teachers. Contact Diane Jansen, 760-723-3735 or [djansen805@gmail.com](mailto:djansen805@gmail.com)

**Paint Plein Air with FAA** friends on Wednesdays. Contact Ruth Parker, [rkparker2341@earthlink.net](mailto:rkparker2341@earthlink.net).

**Constance Peters teaches silk painting** in Hemet, all materials provided. For details go to: [www.constancepetersphotography.com](http://www.constancepetersphotography.com) under "Events" or contact [artsylady252@verizon.net](mailto:artsylady252@verizon.net) or 951-927-2556.

**Pam Benson teaches watercolor and oil painting** at her home studio in Temecula and the Fallbrook Community Center. Contact: [pamjbenson@verizon.net](mailto:pamjbenson@verizon.net) or 951-302-9879.

**Bonnie Rinier teaches watercolor** in her home studio. Contact: [b\\_rinier@yahoo.com](mailto:b_rinier@yahoo.com) or 951-926-9955 or <http://bonnie-rinier.fineartamerica.com>

**Kay Kalar teaches watercolor** at the Senior Center in Fallbrook every Wednesday from 9 to 12:00 noon and at the Hobby Lobby in Temecula. Beginners are welcome as are all levels. Contact: [kaykalar@aol.com](mailto:kaykalar@aol.com) or 760-728-7304.

**Helen Shafer Garcia**, painter, mixed media, found object assemblage artist and award winning illustrator, teaches at Palomar and Fallbrook School of the Arts. See [www.helenshafergarcia.com](http://www.helenshafergarcia.com).

**Fallbrook School of the Arts**—Go to [www.fallbrookschoolofthearts.org](http://www.fallbrookschoolofthearts.org) for their current schedule.



## FAA MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

(Membership Period From January 1st thru December 31st)

Make checks payable to: Fallbrook Art Association

Mail to: PO Box 382, Fallbrook, CA 92088-0382

Please circle any information you **DO NOT** want to appear in our directory and newsletter

First Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Last Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

FAA depends on volunteers. Would you be willing to volunteer your services? Your assistance will be appreciated. Please indicate your area of interest:

Please check type of membership below:

Individual - \$45 (\_\_\_)

Family (2 adults, children/same address)- \$55 (\_\_\_)

Full-Time Student - \$10 (\_\_\_)

Life (one payment) - \$450 (\_\_\_)