



FCA NEWSLETTER

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"A man would do nothing, if he waited until he could do it so well that no one at all would find fault with what he has done." - Cardinal Newman

Pastel Workshop with Marija Petricevic, CIPA, AFCA, PSC

Coming Events

- Program for February - New Active Members
- Winter Thaw Exhibition, Lake Bonavista Village, February 19, 2005.
- Art Fusion - A Collaboration of Canadian Artists - May 7 to 13, 2005.
- Edgemont Exhibition - October 1, 2005.



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"Things should be made as simple as possible - no simpler."

Albert Einstein

Marija Petricevic is a professional artist and instructor in all painting media's. Marija is a Senior ranking member of Canadian Institute of Portrait Artists (CIPA), a signature member of the Pastel Society of Canada (PSC), and an Associate member of the Federation of Canadian Artists (AFCA).

Marija's work has appeared in "The Best of Canadian Pastels" book, and in Pastel Artist International, International Artists, Calgary, Vancouver Life, Gallerieswest magazines and several newspapers. Her paintings are found in private and public collections in Canada and internationally.

Marija will begin the workshop with a demonstration to clarify the techniques, and share

her knowledge of dry pastel, as well as values, composition, drawing and painting the human face, and focusing on correct proportions. Marija will provide individual attention, critiques and



Nicole (Pastel)

reference material (copy of William Bouguereau painting "The Story Book"), or you can bring

photos or copies of your choice. If participants wish, Marija will bring supplies (paper and pastels) to share for a modest cost.

Supplies List:

Portable Easel, sketch pad (9" x 12" min) or newsprint paper, pencil or charcoal, eraser (kneaded or hold - it). Exacto knife, masking tape, ruler and tracing paper.

Pastel paper: (Sennelier La Carte, Wallis, or paper of your choice). Please choose earth tones beiges or flesh colors.

Drawing Board: masonite, very thick.

Pastel pencils for portraits: Stabilo Carb Othello, Derwent, Bruynzeel, Conte, PITT. Soft pastels, Nupastels, Mungio pastels.

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FCA Executive - 2004/2005

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Jury Results - Winter Thaw

Congratulations to:

1st Place

- Jerry Markham, Bragg Creek, Oil

2nd Place

- Marija Petricevic, Irises,

Pastel

3rd Place

- David Pawson, High & Away, Acrylic

Honorable Mention:

- Jennifer Schinschick,

Through the Trees, Pastel

- Eveline Kolyn, Foothills Patterns, Etching.

Thank you to all the jurors and Committee members who made this jury a huge success. Without our Volunteers we couldn't do it.

PROGRAM - New Active Members

Lois Fisch, Program Coordinator

February 17 is an evening we all look forward to every year in order to view the new members' presentation of their work and to welcome them into our circle of artists. This particular night promises to be an exciting and enjoyable evening with Jerry

Markham, Alan John, Charley Fong, Brigitte Dasbois, Dawn Thrasher, Alice Evancio are all from Calgary, Krystyna Laycroft from Nanton, Dee Poisson and Joan Moore are from Okotoks. Donna Jopling will be in Africa and Margeret Metcalf is taking a course in Vancouver for five weeks at

that time. The distance may prevent the following from attending the presentation; Jean Blackall from Crownsnest Pass and Audrey Pfannmuller from Camrose. Looking forward to a good turnout of members to view and support our new members.



President's Message - Natalie Kurzuk

As I readied myself to write the president's message for the February issue of our newsletter, I received a simple, yet profound, poem in the mail. This poem, "Slow Dance", struck an accord with me and since I feel that it applies to most of us, I decided to share it with you. It goes like this:

Slow Dance

Have you ever watched kids on a Merry-go-round?

Or listened to the rain slapping on the ground?

Ever followed a butterfly's erratic flight?

Or Gazed at the sun into the fading night?

You better slow down

Don't dance so fast

Life is short

Make the music last!

Do you run through each day, on the fly?

When asked "How are you?" do you hear the reply?

When the day is done, do you lie in bed,

With the next hundred chores, running through your head?

You better slow down

Don't dance so fast

Time is short

Make the music last!

Ever told your child, "We'll do it tomorrow"?

And in your haste, not see his sorrow?

Ever lost touch, let a good friendship die

'Cause you never had time, to call and say "hi"?

You better slow down

Don't dance so fast

Time is short

Make the music last!

When you run so fast to get somewhere

You miss half the fun of getting there

When you worry and hurry through your day

It is like an unopened giftthrown away.

Life's not a race.

Do take it slower

Hear the music playing

Before the song is over.

You better slow down

Don't dance so fast

Time is short

Make the music last!"

General Meeting Minutes - January 20, 2005

Attendees: 23

Approval of Minutes Nov. 18, 2004:

Lorna Hannett moved; Lillian Tkach-Matisons seconded

President's comments and announcements:

Stampede Window 2005: Natalie applied for Saturdays, July 9th & July 16th. 12 members may take part, two artists per session. A volunteer is needed to organize this event.

FCA nametags: available at \$5 each from Canuck Amusements on Richmond Road. Contact Rose Bennett.

Workshops: Rex Beanland, co-ordinator:

- Marija Petricevic: "Portraiture in Pastels", Feb. 26-27.
- Eleanor Lowden Pidgeon: "Watercolour", March 12
- Lorna Hannett: "Scratch Art", April 16 (& possibly 17th) Lorna was recently featured in "International Artist."
- Workshops are \$40 for 2 days or \$30 for one day (member price).

Treasurer's Report:

Kathleen announced the discontinuation of our account

with Bank of Montreal. She requested that a financially savvy member volunteer do a spot audit for the chapter.

Commissions for paintings sold will remain at 30%. Kathleen McCombie moved to write off \$595 in bad debts, due to incorrect Mastercard processing. Lois Fisch seconded. Motion carried.

Art Fusion National Show, Calgary Chapter May 6 - 13, 2005.

Lorna Hannett: Awards for paintings: \$1000 first; \$500 second; \$250 third. A John Williams award and an SFCA award will be presented. Size restriction on paintings is 60" x 60" (framed). Friday night gala: by invitation only, for participating artists and a guest. Food and wine are donated. Public opening: Saturday, May 6 with artists present. Deadlines for slides or digitals: Saturday, Feb. 5. Submission fee: \$20 per painting. Paintings framed, unless on gallery canvas. 80 - 90 pieces will be accepted. Half of these paintings will be shown at the FCA Gallery in Vancouver. Artist must cover the cost of return shipping.

Exhibitions: Previously-juried paintings may be added (4

paintings per artist in total). Easels drop off: 4 pm Friday. Carol Little and Natalie Kurzuk to aid in delivery. Lyla Couzens, Karen Makowski, and Bev Farley: morning set-up. Painting drop-off: Saturday: 9 - 9:30 am. Lean paintings against the walls. The art show will take place down "Main Street". Small easels needed. Easel pick-up at 4:30 pm. Total budget for show is \$1,170. Food and refreshments provided by Lake Bonavista. Signage: 4 bold signs. Extra sign at the nearby Holiday Inn and 10 directional signs provided by the Bonavista Centre.

Programme: Lois Fisch Feb. 17: New members (8) show their work.

March 17: Don Mabee, "Trading Art Cards."

Guests and New Members:

Guests: Dixie Inman, Brenda Walker.

New Members: Virginia Crooks, Jana Milne, Elesha Vaughan.

Meeting Adjourned:

Carol Little and seconded by Kathleen McCombie.



Pastel Workshop with Marija Petricevic (Cont'd from Page 1)

The Workshop is February 26/27, 2005 at the University of Calgary, Room 673, Faculty of Fine Art Building from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. The cost is \$40.00 for members and \$50.00 for non-members.

Coffee will be provided bring



Gabriel (Pastel)

your own lunch. (Cafeteria is available). Because of time constraints those interested will need to register

and pay at the next meeting or call Rex Beanland at 685-5812 to register and make arrangement for payment before the workshop.

For a complete supply list contact Marija at 241-3729.

News - Notices - Opportunities

The Calgary Chapter

is proud to host an exhibition to celebrate Alberta's 100th Anniversary

Art Fusion

a collaboration of Canadian artists

This exhibit will be on display at both

Gainsborough Galleries

441 5th Avenue SW, Calgary, AB
May 7th—13th, 2005

Reception and Awards Ceremony:
May 6th, 2005

&

Federation Gallery

1241 Cartwright Street, Vancouver, BC

May 24th—June 5th, 2005

Entry deadline: February 5, 2005.

Entry fee: \$20/image.

Submit completed entry packet to:
Federation Gallery

1241 Cartwright Street, Vancouver, BC V6H 4B7

For more information, contact Marg Stevens (403) 932-6383 or email at stevenss@telusplanet.net.

The *Art Fusion* entry form is available at www.artists.ca

Click on *FCA Events*

FCA Programs: Program Coordinator: Lois Fisch

February 17, 2005 New FCA Members presentations of their work.

March 17, 2005 Don Maybie, a professional artist and teacher, will do a slide presentation on the new and exciting ARTISTIC TRADING CARDS that have taken Calgary by storm. He will

also bring some examples of Artistic Trading Cards; some media coverage, as well as background material for our viewing and end his presentation with a question period.

The Peter Lougheed Hospital has expressed interest in acquiring original artwork to hang in their hallways. It would be a donation on the part of the artist but they will issue a tax receipt for the appraised value. Interested artists please contact Sue Yaskiw at 943-4781.

A friendly reminder for all those who haven't paid their dues, please be sure to pay them by March 1st or your name will be removed from our list.

FCA Name Tags. You can order your FCA name tags for yourself from Canuck Amusements 249-6641. Ask for Doug. You can order them plain or with the FCA Logo. They are \$5.00 plus GST.

Stampede Artists Window. We have applied for the Stampede Artist Window again this year. If we are successful in receiving the two Saturdays applied for and you are interested in demonstrating and showcasing your work,

please contact:

Rosemary Bennett (249-4814) or Lorna Hannett (637-2454).

Workshops:

Eleanor Lowden Pidgeon, *Courageous Watercolour*, on Saturday March 12, 2005 at the University of Calgary, Room 673. Cost \$30 for members or \$40 for non-members.

Lorna Hannett - *scratch art* on Saturday April 9, 2005 at the University of Calgary, Room 673. Cost \$30 for members or \$40 for non-members.

If you are interested in any of the upcoming workshops contact Rex Beanland at 685-5812 . Register early space is limited.

Dave Allen. FCA members would like to send a special thank you to



Dave Allen, from Kid Gloves Courier Alberta Ltd. for his positive attitude and generosity in working with us these past 6 years. Dave feels that art is important to our society, and shows it in his dealings with us. "Thanks Dave"!



Newsletter - Calgary Chapter

FCA - Calgary Chapter Newsletter. The Federation of Canadian Artists (FCA) is a not for profit organization dedicated to its aim of gradually raising the artists' standards by stimulating participants to greater heights of achievement.

The FCA - Calgary Chapter Newsletter is produced nine (9) times a year. We do not publish July, August or December. The deadline for submission to the newsletter is

the end of the month

We're looking for members profiles/biographies to publish in upcoming issues of the newsletter. If you are interested please submit your bio and picture to Marg Stevens at stevenss@telusplanet.net or phone (403) 932-6383.

The Newsletter provides information on persons, places and events of importance,

as well as technical information.

Advertise in the Newsletter to reach a premier audience of artists, rates are very reasonable:

Full Page	6 x 7.5	\$110.00
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1/8 Page	2 x 2.8	\$20.00