



November 2022 Newsletter

Next Meeting:
Wednesday, November 9th @ 7:00 PM
Faith Lutheran Church
Meeting Room (Rear)
2012 Sullivan Trail, Easton, PA



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About Us

Contact and Info

For more information regarding FAAS:

Email: info@forksart.org

Website: www.forksart.org

Facebook: www.facebook.com/forksareaartsociety Instagram: [@forksartsociety](https://www.instagram.com/forksartsociety)

2023 Membership Dues

We are now accepting 2023 dues for the Forks Area Art Society memberships. The cost is only \$20 per person or \$30 for a family. Sign up at one of our next events or by emailing us at info@forksart.org

2022 FAAS Holiday Show at the Park Plaza

Call to Artists and Fine Crafters!



Our **2022 3rd Annual FAAS Holiday Art and Fine Craft Show and Sale** is just around the corner. The event will take place on **Saturday, November 19th** from **9 AM to 2 PM** in the **Park Plaza Atrium**; 1800 Sullivan Trail, Easton, PA. Please help support the wonderful artists and fine crafters participating in this event. Also please share this event with your family and friends and encourage them to attend as well.

We are just about full with only one or two spaces left. Any artist or fine crafter who wishes to participate should contact us at www.forksart.org as soon as possible to reserve a space.

The following is a tentative list of participating artists and fine crafters:

Diane Otten

Frances Lamm

Jamie Weiss

Katherine Winchell

Lillian Wunderly

Pam Eden (Dulaff)

Rhemy Golab

Wendy Sterling

Donna Keyser

Jackie Shoup

Jan Nagle

Kelsey Plate

Louise Marina

PJ Lum

Sharon Reuss

Erin Chuss

James Cox

Katherine Chartier

Kristine Crozier

Maria Filosa

Polly Kendrick

Susy Kamber

FAAS Meeting Info

Next Meeting: Wednesday, November 9th at 7 PM



The Forks Area Art Society's next monthly meeting will feature renowned artist **Chance Todesco** who will be offering an artist's talk featuring his amazing Wildlife art work. The meeting will be very informative and entertaining! All attendees are invited to bring an item for "Show and Tell". **Wednesday, November 9th at 7:00 PM in the Faith Lutheran Church Meeting Room (Rear), 2012 Sullivan Trail, Easton, PA.**

Artist's Statement: "In my earlier stages of drawing and painting I came across images of paintings in books, magazines and advertisements which would simply grab and hold my attention (sometimes for hours on end). In staring at these works of art, I did not realize what it was I began to break down in these images until my later years as an artist. Composition, value, temperature, anatomy, lighting effects, eye magnets and focal points all became areas of study as my paintings began to mature. It was not until my late teenage years that I had a real desire to learn even more from the iconic artists that inspired my childhood years in art. Frank Frazetta, Carl Rungius, Robert Bateman, Charles R. Knight, James Gurney and John Singer Sargent offered plenty of opportunity to dive into learning about what inspired them as artists to create the paintings that held my attention.

With every painting I try to create a sense of depth, lighting effects as well as action and movement all with a sense of texture. A good painting (in my honest opinion) is a work of art that can grab your attention immediately, hold it for some time, but also leave you thinking about the experience and aspects of studying how it was produced. I try to take experiences in the field and create a dramatized version of them in my art. Sometimes my paintings are meant to convey a message and often they are communicating through my subject to the viewer."

October Thank You!



We would like to thank **Chris Severn** for his VERY entertaining presentation "**Bob Ross Painting Techniques**". Everyone learned a few things and had a great time reliving Bob's life. Thank you Chris!

Upcoming FAAS Meetings

December: Holiday Party

January: Hibernation Month (no meeting)

We are accepting requests from any area artist who would like to present at a future FAAS Meeting. You do not need previous presenting experience. FAAS will offer \$50 as well as a one year membership (\$20 value) to anyone who presents. If you are interested in presenting please contact us at info@forksart.org.

FAAS Cottage News

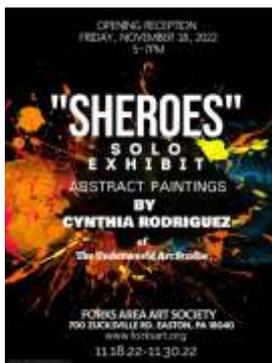
Call to Artists: December Holiday/Winter Themed Exhibit



Call to Artists: Our next exhibit at the Cottage is scheduled for **Sunday, December 4th, 11th, and 18th** from 2 to 4 PM. The show is open to all members and the theme will be **“Holidays/Winter”**. The opening reception will be December 4th.

You must be a current FAAS member to display. The cost is free to members and we ask for a 15% donation from any sales made during the show. Each artist will be allowed to submit up to two (2) paintings. Please sign up at Wednesday’s meeting or by emailing us at info@forksart.org The Cottage is located at 700 Zucksville Road, Easton PA.

Cindy Rodriguez Solo Exhibit



Cindy Rodriguez, from the Underworld Art Studio, will be featured in a solo exhibit at the Cottage. The show dates are **Friday, Nov. 18th from 5 to 7 PM** (Opening Reception) and **Sundays, Nov. 20th and 27th from 12 to 3 PM**. The title of the exhibit is “Sheroes” and features Cindy’s abstract art work. 700 Zucksville Road, Easton. The exhibit is free and open to the public.

FAAS Holiday Party

Wednesday, December 14th - 6–9 PM: FAAS Holiday Party!



After a three year hiatus due to COVID and due to popular demand, we are once again hosting our annual FAAS Holiday party. The party will take place on **Wednesday, December 14th at 6:00pm** at the **Independence Townhome's Community Center, 1200 George St. Easton PA 18040** (Forks Township).

Space is limited and will be filled on a first come/ first serve basis so please register ASAP to ensure a seat. Everyone attending will be required to bring a \$10 wrapped gift for the gift exchange and their favorite covered dish. If you haven't done so, please sign up for the party at Wednesday's meeting or contact us at info@forksart.org and let us know what covered dish you'll be bringing.

Note: Please be considerate of the gift you will be bringing for the exchange and that it is something others would want and is worth \$10 (or more). Original artwork is always a good choice.

Special Performance and Sketch Event

Phantom of the Opera Performance & Sketch Night Review



In case you missed it, the Phantom of the Opera performance and sketch night, hosted by Charlie Hanson, turned out to be very special. This past Saturday evening, October 29th, Alyssa Floyd, accompanied by Brian Davis, sang works from the Phantom of the Opera as well as other pieces from various operas. She sang beautifully and her voice was amazing!

After the performance, Tom Rush, in a full Phantom costume joined Alyssa to pose for attendees to sketch them. Thank you Charlie for producing this event.

Art Classes & Sessions at the Cottage

Cancer Support Group of the Lehigh Valley Art Classes



The next **FAAS/Cancer Support Group of the Lehigh Valley/Forks Area Art Society art classes** hosted by Dave Seiple will take place on **Saturday, November 12th from 10:00 to 11:30 AM**. The subject of the class will be completing Christmas-themed Miniature Paintings. Please note: This will be the last session until Spring.

The classes are open to the cancer patients and survivors as well as their families (no membership required). The classes include art or crafts that the attendees will make during the session. If you are interested in participating in the classes or would like **to register** for the upcoming classes please email Dave at drsartist@gmail.com

Charlie Hanson Sketch Sessions

The next Charlie Hanson Sketch Session will take place on **Tuesday, November 15th from 6:00 to 8:30 PM at the Cottage**. The model will be **Alyssa Floyd**. The cost is \$10 to pay for the model. BYOS. Space is limited and reservations are required. The sketch sessions are open to artists of any skill level. Please contact Charlie at bchanson1@rcn.com to reserve a space.

FAAS Writers Group Meeting

The next **FAAS Writers Group** meeting, hosted by Charlie Hanson, is scheduled for **Saturday, November 12th from 2:00 - 4:00 PM at the Cottage**. Free. The group is for both new and established writers. The attendees share their very creative writings with each other every month. Due to size and time constraints the group is open to members only. To register, or for additional information, please contact Charlie by calling 1-610-905-1767.

Pauline Clark's "The Art of Watercolor Painting" Classes



FAAS member **Pauline Clark** is offering **watercolor painting classes** at the Cottage. Information regarding the upcoming sessions is as follows:

Beginner to Intermediate Group Lessons

Learn and practice the skills you need to enjoy this beautiful medium. This class will focus on understanding materials (papers, paints, brushes, etc.), composition, color matters, art and painting techniques, with start to finish instruction and critiques. Supply list provided upon paid registration.

A new schedule is in the works for late November through December. If interested in taking classes, please email paulineclarkstudio@gmail.com, and include your experience level.

Art & Fine Craft Classes – Instructor Opportunities

FAAS is offering any art and craft instructors the opportunity to provide classes at the Cottage. The instructors can set their fee for the classes. You will need to provide proof of Child Protection Training if teaching children or youth classes. If you are interested in providing a weekly, monthly, other(?) class please contact us at info@forksart.org for more information.

Area Art Groups/Events/Classes Info

The Gallery at St. John's Holiday Show



Call to Artists: The Gallery at St. John's is issuing a "call to artists" for the annual **Holiday Show** which opens on **November 13th** and runs through **December 18th**. The registration deadline is **Sunday, October 30th**.

Drop off is Friday, November 11th from 12 to 3 PM. There is a **\$10 registration fee** and, for each item sold, the artist will receive 80% of the purchase price and the gallery will receive 20%. The exhibit is open to any artist. For more information and/or to register for the exhibit please visit their website www.stjohnseaston.org/ministries/gallery The show is free and open to the public. 330 Ferry St, Easton, PA 18042. For information regarding registering for the exhibit please contact Charlie Hanson at bchanson1@rcn.com

Arts Community of Easton (ACE) Monthly Meeting

The next **ACE meeting** is scheduled for **Tuesday, November 8th at 7:00 PM**. The presenter is **Terry Fahy-Ernst, Fabric Florist**. The meeting will take place at Lafayette College's Williams Center for the Arts; 317 Hamilton St., Room 108, Easton PA. ACE Monthly Meetings are free and open to the public.

ACE Fall Members Exhibit at the State Theater –Act 2

The **ACE Fall Members Exhibit at the State Theater - Act 2** opening reception takes place **Friday, November 11th from 7:00 to 8:30 PM** at the State Theater Gallery, 453 Northampton St., Easton. The exhibit is free and open to the public and runs through **January 14th**.

Lafayette Community Figure Drawing Group

The **Lafayette Community Figure Drawing Group's Thursday Night Community Weekly Figure Drawing** take place **every Thursday evening from 6 to 8:45 PM** weekly at a new location, the **Williams Visual Arts Building (upstairs); 243 N. 3rd Street, Easton**. These sessions are free (tips for the model are appreciated) and open to the community. Please contact Lauren Kindle for more information lauren@laurenkindle.com. And for updates regarding the sessions please visit their Facebook page at [Lafayette Community Figure Drawing Group | Facebook](#)

Additional Upcoming Events:

FAAS Members: we encourage you to share with us your art events. Please forward your event information to info@forksart.org for inclusion in our next newsletter by the 1st of each month. As the newsletter goes out around the end of the first week of the month, early event dates in a month can be included in the previous month's newsletters.

- **First Friday of Each Month: ArtsQuest's First Friday events at the Banana Factory; 6 to 9 PM; 25 W.3rd Street, Bethlehem.** Special exhibitions and artists open studios plus more. Please visit the Banana Factory website for more info: www.bananafactory.org



Crayola Advisory Panel

Volunteers Needed: Children & Teenagers



Crayola is looking for volunteers for their **Advisory Panel**. It is a wonderful chance for children to have fun participating in focus groups where they will have an opportunity to share their thoughts on various topics and/or test new product ideas to help Crayola develop the best products for our kids.

Crayola is currently seeking **children between 2 and 17 years old** for upcoming focus groups. If you have any children or know of any children who would like to participate please visit <https://www.crayola.com/advisorypanel> for more information and to register for the advisory panel.

Forks Twp Recreation Activities & Events

Upcoming Activities and Events

The Forks Township Recreation Department offers a host of activities for residents and non-residents alike. For more information on upcoming activities and events as well as all the Forks Recreation department offerings please visit the Forks Township Recreation website at www.forkstownship.org/recreation.

Membership

Now Accepting 2023 Annual Dues

We are now collecting annual dues for 2023. The dues cost is a very reasonable \$20.00 pp, or \$30 for a family (immediate family only), for the entire 2023 calendar year. Please consider becoming a member or renewing your current membership (if you have not already done so) and help support the Forks Area Art Society future endeavors. A membership form can be obtained on our website www.forksart.org

Member Benefits at the Cottage!

Please Note: We are NOT currently accepting donated frames and art books for our members. We have so many nice frames and books already. If a member needs a frame(s) for your art work please feel free to stop by the Cottage.

Several benefits of being a Forks Area Art Society member include very reasonable, classroom space for teaching small group and individual art classes at the Cottage. We have an art library that contains over 100 art instruction and subject books available for use, on loan, to our members. We also have several dozen used art frames that members may have for free if a frame is needed for a piece you have completed. Please contact Charlie Hanson at bchanson1@rcn.com for more information on these great benefits.

Sponsorship Opportunities

FAAS is pleased to offer sponsorship opportunities for our group. Please contact us for more information on the benefits that your sponsorship will provide. Sponsorships offer opportunities for people and businesses to help FAAS continue to grow and prosper. Please consider helping by becoming a FAAS sponsor or recommending us to organizations or companies who may be interested in helping. The Forks Area Art Society is a 501 (c) 3 non-profit organization, registered in the state of Pennsylvania. All sponsorships and donations are tax deductible.

Our Current Sponsors...

We want to thank all the businesses that have so generously donated money or materials to the Forks Area Art Society over the past year. They include:



Social Media

FAAS Website: www.forksart.org

The Forks Area Art Society's website can be found at www.forksart.org. **We are making a page available to support our artist members where they can list the type of artwork they specialize in along with their contact information.** Please email us at info@forksart.org to provide your information for your listing on the page. Be sure to check it out and let us know what you think and if you have any suggestions.

Facebook

The Forks Area Art Society page is available on Facebook. To join, visit www.facebook.com/forksareaartsociety and click the "Like" button. Don't forget to share the page with your friends. If you wish to share some of your work or work of other artists you may know please feel free to post it for others to enjoy!

InstaGram

The Forks Area Art Society is also available on Instagram. To join, search for @forksartsociety and select "Follow". Please be sure to share your art work or news of art events in the area.

FAAS Committees

If you would like to get involved with FAAS and help the organization grow and expand we have the following committees. If you would like to join a committee, please email us at info@forksart.org for more information.

Cottage Exhibits/Shows: Charlie Hanson

Programs: Erik Chuss, Lilly Wunderly

Art Festivals & Events: Edie DeProfio, Bob Jordan, Dave Seiple, Charlie Hanson, Joe Swartz, Cathie Fly, and Erik Chuss

Membership: Bob Jordan, Edie DeProfio

Newsletter/Website: Erik Chuss

Publicity/Social Media: Lilly Wunderly, Erik Chuss

Grants/Sponsorships/Donations: Dave Seiple, Bob Jordan, Viji Narasimhan

Holiday Party: Edie DeProfio, Charlie Hanson

2022 Board Members and Officers

President: **Erik Chuss**
Vice-President: **Dave Seiple**
Secretary: **Edie DeProfio**
Treasurer: **Bob Jordan**
Board Member: **Cathie Fly**

Board Member: **Charles Hanson**
Board Member: **Viji Narasimhan**
Board Member: **Joe Swartz**
Board Member: **Lilly Wunderly**



Original artwork makes great gifts! Please consider purchasing or commissioning a unique and special piece from any of our amazingly talented local artists.

