



September 2022

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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

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

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



FAAS Meeting Info

Next Meeting: Wednesday, September 14th at 7 PM



The Forks Area Art Society's September meeting will feature **Bonnie Winfield** presenting **"The Journey Home: Re-entry Program for Incarcerated Women"**. Bonnie will be discussing this art program and showing examples of the work completed by the participants. There will also be a "drum circle" for attendees to learn and play conga drums. It's fun! All attendees are invited to bring an item for "Show and Tell". **Wednesday, September 14th at 7:00 PM in the Faith Lutheran Church Meeting Room (Rear), 2012 Sullivan Trail, Easton, PA 18040.**

Dr. Bonnie is an expressive arts facilitator and educator. She has been providing open studio and safe space for over thirty years. She received her advanced degrees from Syracuse University Maxwell School of Citizenship and attended classes and workshops at Marywood University and the International Institute of Restorative Practices. Most recently she is the creative director and founder of a reentry program (The Journey Home) for women who are and have been impacted by the criminal justice system. She has thirty years of experience in higher education as a faculty member and administrator. She has an open community maker space nestled in the historic center square in downtown Easton. For more information about Bonnie as well as contact information please visit her website at <http://bonniewinfieldphd.com/> or follow her on Instagram @thejourneyhomeeaston

August Thank You!



We would like to thank **Cynthia Rodriguez** her fascinating presentation on Book Altering and for sharing her life challenges. Thank you Cynthia!

Upcoming FAAS Meetings

October: Chris Severn – Certified Instructor: Bob Ross Painting Demonstration

November: Chance Todesko – Wildlife Painting

December: TBA

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

Thank You: August “4 Member” Exhibit at the Cottage



We would like to thank everyone who came out and supported our August “4 Member” exhibit at the Cottage. The response we received was excellent. We would also like to thank the four artists who shared their work with us:

- ❖ Louise Marina
- ❖ Kimberly Bartholomew
- ❖ Perrie Layton Adams
- ❖ Pam Pontrelli

FAAS at Forks Township Community Days

Volunteers Needed!!

For the 12th year the Forks Area Art Society will be hosting the Crayola/Forks Area Art Society tent at this year’s Forks Township Community Days. **We are asking for volunteers to help with the FAAS/Crayola tent. If we do not get enough volunteers then we will have to withdraw from the event.** It is always a fun time. A sign-up sheet will be passed around at the August meeting or you may volunteer by sending us an email at info@forksart.org. **Please help us out by volunteering for just a few hours. We especially need help opening each day as well as evenings. Also any help with set up on Friday evening would be especially appreciated.**

Art Donation Request

FAAS will be hosting a fundraiser silent auction that be held during Forks Community Days. We would like to request our member artists donate one or two pieces of their art work for the auction. You can bring the donated piece to an upcoming meeting, an event at the Cottage, or set up between 4 and 5 PM on the Friday of Community Days. We would appreciate any donations you can offer.

Community Days Schedule: Dates: **Friday, September 16th, 5 to 10 PM; Saturday, September 16th, 11 AM to 10 PM; and Sunday September 17th, 11 AM to 7 PM.**

Location: Forks Township Community Park, 500 Zucksville Road, Forks Township, Easton, PA 18040.

2022 FAAS Holiday Show at the Park Plaza

November 19th at the Park Plaza

We will begin accepting registrations for the **2022 FAAS Holiday Art and Fine Craft Show and Sale** starting at Forks Community Days. 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. The event is open to all artists and fine crafters (no store bought crafts). The cost for each 8' x 10' space is \$25 for Members and \$30 for Non-members. Since the event is held in the atrium no tents are needed. Space is limited so be sure to register early.

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, September 10th from 10:00 to 11:30 AM**. The subject of the class will be acrylic painting.

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 **Wednesday, September 21st from 6:00 to 8:30 PM at the Cottage**. The model will be **TBA**. 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, August 24th from 2:00 - 4:30 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.

Tuesdays, September 20th - October 25th 2022, 9:30-noon.

The cost of the 6 week class is \$180 for members. If not already a member, to join FAAS or learn more, please visit forksart.org for details about this fun group. Individual and family Memberships are available.

For more information about the classes, or to register, please email paulineclarkstudio@gmail.com

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 Exhibit – Call to Artists!



The Gallery at St. John's is pleased to announce their annual **"Plaid Show"** exhibit. The exhibit will take place from **September 11th** through **October 23rd**. Any artist is welcome to submit their plaid-themed art work for the show. **There is still time to register. Please fill out the registration form attached to the email and contact Charlie Hanson 610-905-1767 ASAP to submit it.** The gallery will be open Sundays from **12 to 3 PM** or by appointment. The gallery 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, September 13th** at **7:00 PM**. The presenter is Hector Castro Muralist/Artist. 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

The opening reception for the ACE Fall Members Exhibit at the State Theater takes place **Thursday, September 15th** from **7:00 to 8:30 PM**. Light refreshments will be served. The exhibit is free and open to the public. The exhibit runs from **September 1st** through **October 30th**.

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. Vaccines and mask wearing are required. Please bring your vaccine card or email me a photo ahead of time: lauren@laurenkindle.com. For updates on the figure drawing classes 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.

- **West Park “Art-in-the-Park 2022” festival: Saturday, September 17th 10 AM to 5 PM.** West Park: 16th & W. Turner Street, Allentown PA. Free.
- **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 for our members. We have so many nice frames 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. Of course, we'll always accept more books and frames as a donation to the cause, so if you have any lying around... Please contact Charlie or Barb 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!

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, Barb Hanson

Programs: Erik Chuss

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

Membership: Bob Jordan, Edie DeProfio

Newsletter/Website: Erik Chuss

Publicity/Social Media: Erik Chuss, Lily Wunderly

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

Holiday Party: Barb Hanson, Edie DeProfio

2022 Board Members and Officers

President: **Erik Chuss**

Vice-President: **Dave Seiple**

Secretary: **Edie DeProfio**

Treasurer: **Bob Jordan**

Board Member: **Lily Wunderly**

Board Member: **Charles Hanson**

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