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CURATOR'S REPORT - 1/21/2014

Welcome to a new year of exciting FCCA Frederick Gallery exhibitions. We are now accepting email entries and PayPal fee payments for national level juried exhibits, and we hope to develop a similar procedure for regional exhibits in the future. The dangerous weather conditions of late January prompted a last minute decision to send out and post a call for email entries for the February Regional Exhibit, and

many artists responded enthusiastically. Our current regional exhibit schedule allows only four days between jurying and installation of selected work. A change to accepting regional exhibit email entries will require a revised exhibit schedule, which may take a few months to develop. Hand-delivered entries will always be welcomed and we will continue to accept CD images mailed with submissions to national shows. Visit our website and review the March 2014 call-for-entries page to find email entry information. Please offer your comments and suggestions to curator-frederick-gallery@fccava.org.

I am contacting new potential jurors with experience and expertise for our 2014 exhibits, and some popular jurors will be invited to return. I hope that you will find their selections exciting and their juror talks enlightening. The personal criteria and aesthetics of each juror will provide a series of unique exhibitions. Juried exhibits provide artists with the opportunity to share their artwork with the public--extending their viewing audience and promoting sales. Our visitors are provided with free public exhibits of exemplary artwork from our region and the entire country. The historic "Silversmith House" is truly the place where art and history meet.

I am honored and humbled that the Board of Trustees has appointed me to serve as Curator of the Frederick Gallery, and I look forward to continue serving our artists, patrons and visitors. Please contact me with your comments, suggestions and concerns. Email or call 540-760-6928.

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