







## **CURATOR'S REPORT – November 19, 2013**

Thank you to all the artists, members and volunteers who support FCCA and help to keep our gallery open. We will conclude our 2013 Frederick Gallery shows with the December "It's Small" national exhibit and look forward to an exciting 2014 exhibition schedule. New jurors will appear and familiar jurors will return to select work that reflects their personal aesthetics, taste and expertise. They have the arduous task of choosing from among the many entries submitted by talented artists who have taken the step to present their

work to the public.

I am pleased to report that the Frederick Gallery continues to present the work of a growing number of new regional and national artists. The quality and presentation of their entries is impressive. The expertise of our jurors has resulted in exciting and well received shows this year. We continue to enjoy the support of regional and national artists and FCCA members who regularly enter our exhibitions, and, we have seen an increase in the number of gallery visitors

The Frederick Gallery exhibits are the result of the enthusiastic support of many volunteers including the docents who handle the incoming and outgoing artwork, the dedicated exhibition crews who insure the safe unpacking, storing, installation and return shipping of artwork, and other faithful helpers. Many thanks to my assistant curator Bob Worthy who works with the jurying process and installations each month. Thanks to data entry assistant Sheila Cockey and jurying statisticians Patricia Smith and new member Cynthia Spotswood. Thanks to the take-down crew of Barbara Taylor Hall, Bev Bley, Anne Parks, Penny Hicks, Ann Tate, Jeff Messmore, Tom Smagala and Charlotte Burrill for their dedication. Thanks to hanging crew leaders Bob Worthy, Heidi Lewis and Donna Coley for their aesthetic sensibilities and decision making in hanging work. Thanks to Kate Logan, Jeff Messmore, Guerin Wolf, and Tom Smagala for insuring that work is carefully hung and labeled.

Thanks to our webmaster Maura Harrison for our successful website, that makes our FCCA Frederick Gallery exhibitions visible and well known to artists and online visitors. Beginning with the December "It's Small" national exhibit, artists are now able to enter national shows and pay entry fees electronically with PayPal on our website. Thanks to Carolyn Beever for providing our website exhibit slideshows and DVD publications and for managing the website SAVE.AS student artwork exhibits. (I encourage you to publicize this online opportunity to your art teacher friends.) Thanks to Valerie McGovern, editor and graphic designer for her professional production of our FCCA Newsletter which covers our exhibitions, jurors, and artists. Thanks to Lezlie Cheryl for her outstanding job on publicity and press releases for our artists and exhibits.

Thank you for your generous support of FCCA and our exhibitions. I am very grateful for the many kind words and encouragement that I have received. A special thank you to the Board of Trustees and all the members who make it a pleasure for me to serve FCCA.

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