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CURATOR REPORT – November 25, 2015

The holidays are upon us and the Frederick Gallery is filled with the "Power of Small" exhibit of affordable small scale art works in all media. I encourage members and visitors to consider making a purchase from this outstanding collection of art from regional and national artists. Gifts of art will last a lifetime and bring pleasure to your family or friends who are lucky enough to receive original artworks—gifts that will bring daily joy.

The new exhibition season will begin with a February 2016 regional "All Photography" juried exhibit, inviting photographers to show off their photo media works in this first-time all photo show. Photo media includes all photo processes from traditional to contemporary mixed photo media. I am excited to have Adrienne Azhderian-Kelly as juror for this special exhibit. Adrienne was born is Washington, DC and began making photographs of the southern landscape in 1982. Since then, she has been passionately involved in the arts and earned her Bachelor of Arts degree from Virginia Intermont College in Bristol, Va. and her Master of Fine Arts in Photography from Virginia Commonwealth University. She has worked as a commercial free-lance photographer and operated her own photography studio. She served as Administrative Assistant and Grant Writer at FCCA from October 1992 – October 1993. Adrienne began teaching in 1996 at Virginia Commonwealth University and in 1998 she was selected to implement the darkroom and photography classes at University of Richmond where she served as an Adjunct Professor for 16 years.

Many thanks to those members who have volunteered their time and talents to our exhibitions during 2015, and I look forward to another exciting year of outstanding juried exhibits of work by local and nationally known artists. Contact me if you are interested in helping with exhibitions in the Frederick Gallery. Volunteers are needed and welcomed to join the dedicated crews and assistants who make our exhibits possible.

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