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CURATOR'S REPORT – September 20, 2018

The Frederick Gallery welcomes a guest exhibit by the MidAtlantic Pastel Society (MAPS) during the month of October featuring work by 21 accomplished and well-known pastel artists. This is a rare opportunity to enjoy their combined work in our gallery. The exhibit is the culmination of two years planning and a lot of coordination. Thanks to the MAPS artists for sharing their work with our FCCA audience.

Over the past year, the Frederick Gallery has transitioned the previously titled "Regional" exhibits to "Artist Choice" exhibits, which welcome entries without the restriction of a theme. Submitting artists are reminded that the delivery of selected "Artist Choice" exhibit work is expected within 9 – 10 days of notification. With the exception of the annual February "All Photography" exhibit; themed national exhibits continue to allow three weeks following notification for delivery of selected work. Watch our website and newsletters for juried exhibit schedules and calls for entries. Mailed prospectuses are sent by request—mark your membership form or send request to the curator.

In the Frederick Gallery, a fresh coat of paint at the end of October will be followed by the introduction of a new fiberglass rod hanging system that will prevent further damage to the walls of our historic building and will make the hanging process easier for our exhibit installation crew. We hope to have the new system in place in all three rooms within the coming year and are planning to add the system to the Members' Gallery.

As we go into the third quarter of the exhibition year, please consider taking advantage of the opportunities to submit your work to our juried exhibits, which support the operating expenses of our gallery and most importantly allow your artwork to be exposed to the broad audience of visitors to the "Silversmith House" and our website www.fccagallery.org. Please invite others to FCCA First Friday receptions, 6 – 8:30 pm, to experience the art, meet the artists, hear Juror/Artist Talks, join conversations about art, and enjoy the musical entertainment and refreshments. I look forward to seeing you and invite you to join the volunteers who make our exhibits possible. Ask how you can help.

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