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## **CURATOR'S REPORT - November 19, 2018**

On November 18, 2018, the FCCA Board of Trustees reappointed me to serve another year as Curator of the Frederick Gallery, and I am honored to be entrusted with this position. I look forward to continuing the tradition of presenting exciting new exhibits that showcase the work of regional and national artists, including our member artists and other emerging and professional artists from throughout the

country. We will be extending our calls-for-entries to new online websites to encourage new artists in all media to submit their work for consideration in future exhibitions.

The themes for 2019 national juried exhibits have been selected, after surveying twenty-five member artists who most frequently exhibit their work at the FCCA; collecting their theme ideas; and tallying their votes for five best theme choices for next year. Find the 2019 Frederick Gallery exhibit schedule in this newsletter. Plan ahead and put 2019 themes and deadlines in your art-making calendar.

The Board of Trustees recently approved the purchase of a new Walker Display, Inc. hanging system for the Frederick Gallery. With special thanks to donors who contributed to our Building Fund and towards the hanging system, I am happy to announce that the Frederick Gallery will soon be using the new art installation method in all three gallery rooms. The molding and rod system will protect the walls in our historic building from further nail damage, and it will make installation much easier for the "hanging crew". Volunteer Dan Ramsey has been busy painting and installing the molding. Look for this exhibit improvement in the near future. Thanks to all our donors and volunteers who support our gallery improvements. Next on our wish list will be improved LED gallery lighting.

Happy Holidays to all, and please invite your friends, family and visitors to attend our First Friday "Focus on Color" reception on December 7, 6-8:30 pm, with Juror Talk by Cheryl Bosch at 6 pm, and to view our exhibits, especially the Members' Gallery Holiday Show and Sale during December.

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