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Curator Report – January 25, 2021

The FCCA Frederick Gallery continues to provide monthly juried exhibitions and to meet the challenges of Covid-19 restrictions. We welcome in-person visitors (masks and social distancing please) to our "Silversmith House" c. 1785, "where art and history meet": Thursday – Friday noon to 4 pm; Saturday 11 am to 4 pm; and Sunday 1 pm to 4 pm. Thanks to videographer David Kennedy and our publicity chair Olivia Sanderson for providing the FCCA with an expanded presence in the

virtual world and reaching a broader audience for our artists through our website <u>www.fccagallery.org</u>, and our social media on Facebook, Instagram and YouTube. The number of visitors and art purchasers in recent months has shown that our audience is eager to see art in person and to purchase art that will bring pleasure to their lives.

To all artists, I encourage you to submit work for exhibitions and enjoy the pride that comes with making a commitment to increased productivity and exposure to our art audience during the coming year. The prospectuses and online submission forms are available on our website for all juried exhibitions. The 2021 Frederick Gallery Exhibit Schedule can be viewed in this newsletter and on our website.

I want to remind artists that hanging devices are an important part of framing artwork. Protruding eye hooks are a liability in your studio and in galleries. To avoid artwork and frame damage, position eye hooks inside the frame or stretcher so they do not protrude beyond the back surface. The better alternative is to use flat D-ring devices for attaching hanging wire to avoid handling and storage damage to frames and artwork surfaces. The flat devices are available online and at most art supply stores.

The March "Imagined Realities" national exhibit juried by Ginna Cullen of Louisa, VA, will open to the public February 27 – March 26. We welcome back Ginna as an experienced and outstanding juror. Contact me if you would like to receive a mailed copy of future calls-for-entries.

As much as I enjoy my position as curator, I would love to find someone willing and able to take over this rewarding position. The job of the Curator of the Frederick Gallery is to administer the planning, selection, installation and removal of national, regional, and special exhibits in the gallery and to manage records and maintain communications necessary to promote the success of exhibitions. If interested in this volunteer position, please contact me by email at curator@fccagallery.org and I would be happy to get you started in training.

If you have questions or suggestions, please contact me at <u>curator@fccagallery.org</u>

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