

Frankenmuth Area Fine Arts Council News and Events

Promoting and encouraging the appreciation, development and education of art in all of its diverse forms.



Happy New Year!

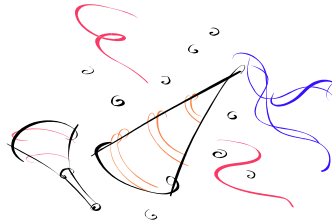
Welcome 2012!

As the Frankenmuth Area Fine Arts Council moves forward into 2012, we introduce our new officers. In December, a letter/ ballot was sent out to members indicating the candidates for each position. Voting was held at the January 2nd meeting, and the new FAFAC officers are:

President - Mary Anne Schrems
Vice President - Calista Hecht
Secretary - Sharon Bergman
Treasurer - Stacie Rose

At the last 2 meetings of 2011, and at the January meeting, there was a lot of discussion about our past events, and what we might eliminate, change, or add. Many of the attendees agreed that we need to keep our events fresh and

interesting. We also discussed our fundraising endeavors, and our contributions to the community. Many ideas were suggested, and evaluated. Some of these require a significant amount of planning time, number of volunteers, volunteer hours, and cost. As a result of our discussions for 2012, there will be two main events. FAFAC will be the coordinator of the MSI Sculpture Initiative, and the Art Fair on Main. We will continue to offer an art scholarship to a Frankenmuth High School graduate pursuing a career in the arts. As event opportunities present themselves, we can consider participation, and/or sponsorship at that time. We may



also decide to host an additional smaller event as well.

There are two events that will not be continued in 2012. Last fall, it was voted on, and decided that we would not host a Fall Art Show. This event was previously held at St. Julian Winery, and at Fischer Hall. Instead, we might use other events to showcase local artwork. The second event we will not continue, is the Spring Art Auction. This was our main fundraising event. We chose to use the MSI Sculpture Initiative as our primary fund raising opportunity this year.

Your Frankenmuth Area Fine Arts Council is excited about bringing art into the community in new ways this year. We think you'll like it!



Become A Member!

If you would like to show your support for the arts in the Frankenmuth area, consider becoming a member of the Frankenmuth Area Fine Arts Council. The cost is \$25 for the year. This gives you the opportunity to run for an officer position, become a board member by attending regular meetings, voting privileges, and supports our many projects. You do not need to be an artist to be a member. The fine arts council is committed to bringing a variety of art forms to the area, and helping to spark interest of the arts into people of all ages. Whether a child, or a senior

citizen, it's never too early, or too late to get started in an interest in art. There are other tasks that might interest you, such as maintaining the FAFAC website, writing the newsletter, chairing an event, promotions, or even membership chair. (our current membership chairperson is Sharon Bergman)

Becoming a member is as easy as mailing your \$25 check payable to Frankenmuth Area Fine Arts Council, or FAFAC, to:

FAFAC
591 Northview Dr.
Frankenmuth, MI 48734

FAFAC is Single Organizer for Midwest Sculpture Initiative in 2012



In 2011, the Frankenmuth Downtown Development Authority invited the Frankenmuth Area Fine Arts Council, and The Frankenmuth Community Foundation to join forces and develop a plan to bring public art

to our community, through the Midwest Sculpture Initiative. The project was intended to add to city beautification, and attract additional tourism. Eleven sculptures were selected to display throughout main street, and the project was named "Frankenmuth Art Walk". The chamber of commerce was also involved in promoting the project as a tourist attraction.

For 2012, the project was offered to FAFAC as the single organizer of the project, should we wish to continue for another year. We accepted it and chose it to be our primary fundraiser for 2012. We will be offering sponsorship of the sculptures. The details and cost of the various sponsorship levels will be sent to local businesses, organizations, and individuals. The letter will be sent out through the newsletter

distribution list, as well.

As the single organizer, FAFAC will be responsible for raising funds, selecting the sculptures, placement, promotions, and naming the event. We are considering a special event for the unveiling of the new sculptures. The new sculptures will be selected and installed approximately late April.

We received positive comments regarding the current sculptures, and many tourists took pictures with the sculptures. I wouldn't be at all surprised if there are many facebook postings with the sculptures.

Send your comments or information requests to fafac2007@yahoo.com , or FAFACnews@gmail.com.

For more information about MSI, visit the website: www.msisculpture.com, or www.msisculpture.com/Frankenmuth2011-12.htm

FAFAC Member News

The FAFAC is always looking for input from our membership with regards to what is working for us, and how they envision our future. All comments and critiquing is appreciated. It helps the board develop a sustainable plan for the future. Please send any thoughts or ideas to FAFACnews@gmail.com. Members are welcome to attend our monthly meetings, the first Monday of every month, at Independence Village, 7pm.

Volunteer opportunities: As with any organization, there is always a need for volunteers. For the Art Fair On Main event, Saturday and Sunday, August 11th and 12th. Please contact us at: fafac2007@yahoo.com, or FAFACnews@gmail.com. Please give us your contact

information and the day and times you are available, or if you are interested in helping organize and promoting the event. We are also looking for help in maintaining our website. Contact us with any additional ideas.

Current members, now is the time to renew your membership for another year. Please continue to show your support, and mail your \$25 check payable to Frankenmuth Area Fine Arts Council, or FACFAC, to:

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Contributions are always appreciated, and accepted at any time. Contributions can be mailed to the same address listed above, or turned into one of our officers. Thank you for supporting the fine arts!

CALENDAR OF EVENTS FOR VISUAL AND PERFORMING ACTIVITIES IN THE AREA

DATE	EVENT	TIME	PLACE
Current, thru January 22	Art in the HEART OF THE CITY'S ART 4 ALL Exhibition Series at the Saginaw Art Museum. Features the artwork of regional artists. Visit the website for admission fees and hours. www.saginawartmuseum.org , or call 989.754.2491	See web-site or call	Saginaw Art Museum 1126 North Michigan Ave, Saginaw, MI 48602
January 13	Harvest Coffee House presents Almost Unplugged - live, acoustic music performance. www.harvestcoffeehouse.com	7pm	626 South Main Street Frankenmuth, MI 48734

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Friday and Saturday evenings	Sullivan's Black Forest Brew Haus presents Keith Boesnecker - live, ragtime piano music entertainment. www.blackforestbrewhaus.net	5pm - 7pm	281 Heinlein Strasse Frankenmuth, MI 48734
January 20	the Frankenmuth Brewery presents Da Frankenmuda Fratz'n - live, Bavarian music entertainmet. www.frankenmuthbrewery.com	6pm - 10pm	425 South Main Street Frankenmuth, MI 48734
Current, thru February 19	UNBROKEN THREAD: Nature Painting and the American Imagination – The Art of Philip Koch , a current exhibit at the Saginaw Art Museum. Visit the website for admission fees and hours. www.saginawartmuseum.org , or call 989.754.2491	See web-site or call	Saginaw Art Museum 1126 North Michigan Ave, Saginaw, MI 48602
January 25 thru January 30	Zehnder's Snowfest - the annual festival features ice carving and snow sculpting at local, national, and international levels of competition.	All day and evenings	Zehnder's Restaurant 730 South Main Street Frankenmuth, MI 48734 ...and thru downtown
January 27	Harvest Coffee House presents Mean Mary James - live, music performance. www.harvestcoffeehouse.com	7pm	Harvest Coffee House 626 South Main Street Frankenmuth, MI 48734
February 2	Frankenmuth Community Education presents Groundhog Day . FREE admission. \$1 snacks, or a Snack Pack Special for \$2 is being offered. Website: www.frankenmuth.k12.mi.us	6:30pm	Bronner Performing Arts Center, 525 E. Genesee, Frankenmuth
February 11	Saginaw Bay Symphony Orchestra presents Shakespearean Dreams - under the direction of Brett Mitchell. Ticket Office: 989-754-7469 Website: www.saginawbayorchestra.com	8:00pm	Temple Theatre 201 N. Washington Ave Saginaw, MI 48607
February 16	Frankenmuth Morning Rotary presents A Winter Wine Affair . Enjoy a night of Wine tasting, hors d'oeuvres, raffle drawings and fun. Ticket price \$20, must be 21years of age to purchase ticket. Tickets can be purchased at the Frankenmuth Credit Union and Zehnder's. info contact: Noelle, 989-497-1637 - Website: www.fmrotary.com	5:30pm - 8:00pm	Zehnder's Restaurant 730 South Main Street Frankenmuth, MI 48734
February 26	Music at St. Lorenz presents Wind Ensemble - an afternoon of sonic thrills provided by the instrumentalists of St. Lorenz Lutheran Church under the direction of Mr. David Sievert. The concert is free and open to the public. A free-will offering will be received. Call for more information 989-652-6141.	4:00pm	St Lorenz Lutheran Church 1030 W. Tuscola Road Frankenmuth, MI 48734
March 3	Harvest Coffee House presents Shattered Sky - live, Celtic folk style music performance. www.harvestcoffeehouse.com	7pm	Harvest Coffee House 626 South Main Street Frankenmuth, MI 48734
March 3	Music at St. Lorenz presents Valparaiso University Chorale - Conducted by internationally acclaimed, Dr. Christopher Cock. The concert is free and open to the public. A free-will offering will be received. Call for more information 989-652-6141.	8:00pm	St Lorenz Lutheran Church 1030 W. Tuscola Road Frankenmuth, MI 48734
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March 31	Saginaw Bay Symphony Orchestra presents Past Masters, Present Promise - under the direction of Brett Mitchell. Ticket Office: 989-754-7469 Website: www.saginawbayorchestra.com	8:00pm	Temple Theatre 201 N. Washington Ave Saginaw, MI 48607