



“You Gotta Have Art!”
March 2020 Newsletter

Next Meeting:
Wednesday, March 11th @ 7:00 PM
Forks Township Municipal Building
1606 Sullivan Trail, Easton, PA
(details below)

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About Us

Contact and Info

For more information regarding FAAS:

Email: info@forksart.org

Website: www.forksart.org

Facebook: facebook.com/forksareaartsociety

Twitter: twitter.com/forksartsociety

2020 Membership Dues

We are now accepting 2020 dues for the Forks Area Art Society memberships. The cost is only \$20 per person or \$30 for a family. Sign up at one of our next events or by emailing us at info@forksart.org

FAAS Meetings

Next FAAS Meeting, Wednesday, March 11th at 7 PM



This month FAAS is celebrating our 10th anniversary celebration. We will not be having a presenter.

There will be refreshments and a slide show covering the first 10 years of our group. We are asking everyone to bring an item for “Show and Tell”, something from the past 10 years that may be related to, or inspired by the, art society. We will also be holding the election of our officers.

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February Thank You



We will like to offer **Jaime Karol** a sincere “Thank You” for presenting her beautiful art work at our February meeting. Her industrial landscape watercolor techniques were unique and very insightful.

Upcoming FAAS Meetings

March: 10th Anniversary Meeting—Slide Show, Special Show & Tell, Officer Elections

April: Spiwe Kanyangarara - Sculpture

May: Duane Hutchinson

June: TBA

July: Siesta Month

Penny Hochella is accepting requests from anyone who would like to present at a future FAAS Meeting. FAAS will offer \$50 as well as a one year membership (\$20 value) to anyone who presents. You can contact p.hochella@yahoo.com with your interest.

7th Annual Amp Up the Art

Early Registration Discount Available until March 31st



The date for the 2020, 7th Annual, FAAS “Amp Up the Art” art in the park festival has been set! Artist registrations are beginning to roll in. We are offering a \$5 early registration discount this year for vendors who register before April 1st. Be sure to send in your registration form early and save!

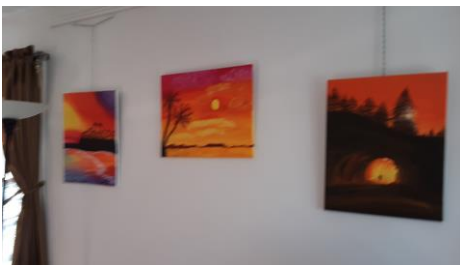
As previously announced, our musical entertainment is all set! The event will feature the popular and talented **Steve Brosky Duo**, **Walking in Circles**, and **John Brown and the Hatchets**.

New this year! Each hour will **Feature Artists Demonstrations** presenting their styles and techniques. If you would like to do a feature demonstration during the festival please let us know. We have a few slots still available.

The event is scheduled for **Saturday, May 16th** at the **Forks Township Amphitheater** and will run from **11:00 AM to 4:00 PM**. Please email Edie Deprofio at info@forksart.org for more information or to register.

FAAS Cottage News

Easton Area High School Art Student Exhibit at the Cottage



FAAS is proud to host the 2nd Annual **Easton Art Department Student exhibition** at the **Cottage**. The exhibit will be open **Sundays, March 8th and 15th** from **2 to 4 PM**. It will feature the talents of our area’s young art students. Free.

Wilson Area High School Art Student Exhibit at the Cottage



New this year! **Wilson Area Art Student** exhibition at **the Cottage**. The exhibit will be open **Sundays, April 5th, 19th and 25th** from **2 to 4 PM**. The **Opening Reception** will take place on **Sunday, April 5th** from **2 to 4 PM**. It will again feature the talents of our area's young art students. Free.

The Cottage Spring Clean Up Day – Volunteers Needed

FAAS will be having a spring **“Clean Up Day”** at the Cottage on **Saturday, April 25th** from **9 AM until Noon**. We are looking for anyone who would like to help with light yard and landscaping work around the Cottage grounds and mulch beds. The Cottage is a beautiful facility and your help will make it even nicer. If you are free that morning and would like to help please let us know if advance, if possible, that you will be coming.

FAAS Spring Garage Sale!

Benefits the Forks Area Art Society

FAAS will be holding a **Garage Sale** on **Saturday, June 13th** from **8 AM until Noon**. If you have any items of very good quality including furniture, lamps, kitchenware, art work and supplies, toys, etc. and would like to donate them please contact Charlie or Barb Hanson at bchanson@rcn.com to arrange a drop off at the Cottage. We will not be able to pick the items up.

Pet Adoption and Art Exhibit

CALL TO ARTISTS: Pet Art and Photography



FAAS is pleased to announce a **Pet Adoption and Art Exhibit at the Cottage** tentatively scheduled for **Sunday June 7th** from **10 AM to 4 PM**. Several pet adoption groups have expressed interest in participating along with a corresponding animal art exhibit. We are asking members to support the event by submitting a piece or two of art work displaying pets or animals for the exhibit.

Each artist will be allowed to submit one or two entries (space permitting). There is no exhibit fee. For each item sold, the artist will receive eighty five percent (85%) of purchase and the pet adoption groups will fifteen percent (15%) of purchase price which is considered a donation to help cover the cost of the pet adoption group's participation in the exhibit. Payment will be accepted in the form of a check payable to Forks Area Art Society or cash. Due to insurance purposes, participating exhibitors are required to be members with dues paid for the current year.

Art Classes & Sketch Events at the Cottage

FAAS Writers Group Meeting

The next FAAS **Writers Group** meeting, hosted by Charlie Hanson, is scheduled for **Tuesday, March 10th from 3:30 - 5:30 PM at Country Meadows**. The group is for both new and established writers. The attendees share their very creative writings with each other every month. Contact Charlie for more information at bchanson1@rcn.com. 175 Newlins Rd West, Easton, PA. Free.

Charlie Hanson Sketch Night – April Session

The next Charlie Hanson Sketch Night will take place on **Monday, April 6th from 7 to 10 PM at the Cottage**. The model is **Pat Sonne**. The cost is \$10. BYOS. Space is limited. The sketch sessions are open to artists of any skill level. Non-members welcome. Please contact Charlie at bchanson1@rcn.com to reserve a space.

Free Beginner Art Classes – First Session March 7th

FAAS is offering its members **Free Beginning Art Sessions** on a bi-monthly basis. The classes are open to new artists or anyone looking to try a new medium. The first session takes place on **Saturday, March 7th from 12 PM to 1:30 PM**. The instructor will be **Penny Hochella** and the subject is a **Peacock**. Please bring color pencils and a sharpener. Paper will be provided. Space is limited and it is highly suggested that you register for the class as early as possible. Please contact Penny Hochella at p.hochella@yahoo.com for more details and to register.

Cancer Support Group of the Lehigh Valley Art Classes



FAAS has teamed with the **Cancer Support Group of the Lehigh Valley** to offer art classes for cancer patients and survivors in our area. The next class is a **2 day class** scheduled for **Saturdays, April 18th and 25th** from **11 AM to 12 PM** at **the Cottage**, 700 Zucksville Road, Easton PA. The subject of the class will be a **Paper Fish**. Please wear old clothes it will be messy and bring newspapers. Free.

If you, or if you know of someone, who is interested in participating in the classes please contact **Penny Hochella** at p.hochella@yahoo.com for more details.

“Sketch & Chat” Sessions on Hiatus

The monthly “**Sketch and Chat**” sessions held at **the Cottage** hosted will be on hiatus until sometime in spring. Please keep an eye out for when they will resume in an upcoming newsletter.

Art & Fine Craft Classes – Seeking Instructors

FAAS is offering any art and craft instructors the opportunity to provide classes at the Cottage. The instructors can set their fee for the classes. You will to provide proof of Child Protection Training if teaching children or youth classes. If you are interested in providing a weekly, monthly, other(?) class please contact us at info@forksart.org for more information.

Area Art Groups/Events/Classes Info

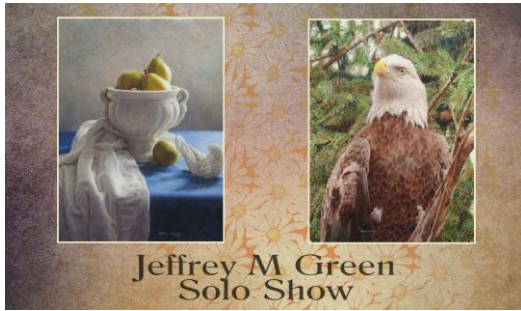
Art Exhibits at Country Meadows @ Forks Township



The **March** exhibit at Country Meadows features the outstanding works of **Diane Horoschock**. A portion of the proceeds from art purchased at Country Meadows will go to FAAS. 175 Newlins Rd West, Easton, PA 18040. The exhibition is free.

If you wish to display your art work during a future month at Country Meadows’ hall gallery please contact Charlie Hanson bchanson1@rcn.com for more information.

Rotunda Gallery Show, Bethlehem (Thank you)



Jeff Green's solo show at the Rotunda Gallery, Bethlehem, PA is on display until March 30th. (*Jeff would like to thank the folks who so kindly came out and supported at the reception*). The show, themed "Quiet Reflections", includes newer work, some viewer favorites, and two never seen before rose pieces. The show can be viewed at regular City Hall hours, 8:00 Am-4:30 PM. 10 East Church Street, Bethlehem, PA, 18018. Jeff's website:

<https://jeffreymgreenartist.com/>.

Arts Community of Easton (ACE) Meeting

This month's ACE's General Membership Meeting will be held on **Tuesday, March 10th** at **7 PM** in **Room 108** of the **Lafayette College Williams Center**, 317 Hamilton Street, Easton PA. The meeting is presenter is **Jennifer Murray** of Three Birds Coffee House.

The Gallery at St. John's Exhibit



The Gallery at St. John's and The Arts Community of Easton present "Artists Without Walls" and "Small Works" Show. **March 1st through April 26th; 12:00 to 3:00 PM.** Music in the gallery by **Terry Kitchen with Mara Levine**, on **Sunday, April 5th, 1:00 to 3:00 PM.** **Easton Galleries Open Art Tour; Saturday, April 18th, and Sunday, April 19th, 12:00 to 4:00 PM.** Closing Reception: Sunday, April 26th, 12:00 to 3:00 PM. Artist's Talk 12:30 PM.

Eggs Original 12th Annual Show and Sale

This year's show will feature a "Nature" theme. **Saturday and Sunday, April 25th & 26th; 9 AM - 3 PM.** Amazing decorative eggs exhibits and sale. \$5 (Children under 12 are free). Forks Community Center, 500 Zucksville Road, Easton PA. Visit www.eggoriginal.com for all the details.

ACE Community Arts Tour 2020

The Art Community of Easton (ACE) is hosting its 21st annual Art Walk on **Saturday, April 18th & Sunday, April 19th** from **11 AM to 5 PM** both days. The self-guided tour provides the opportunity to meet and talk with Easton area artists. You can pick up a brochure at the ACE tent in Center Square or at any of the participating artist's studios which will have orange and teal balloons on display. It is a great event and hope you can find time to come out and support the arts in the area.

State Theater Center for the Arts Upcoming Schedule



The **State Theater Center for the Arts** of Easton is offering an outstanding schedule of shows and events during their current season. There is something for everyone. Be sure to support the theater by attending at least one of their many great shows.

The theater is also available to rent for parties and personal/corporate events. Please visit their website at statetheatre.org for more information about the State Theater and all the upcoming shows. 453 Northampton St., Easton, PA.

Upcoming Art Events

Additional Upcoming Events:

FAAS Members: we encourage you to share with us your art events. Please forward your event information to info@forksart.org for inclusion in our next newsletter by the 1st of each month. As the newsletter goes out around the end of the first week of the month, early event dates in a month can be included in the previous month's newsletters.

- **First Friday of Each Month: ArtsQuest's First Friday events at the Banana Factory** 25 W. 3rd Street, Bethlehem. Special exhibitions and artists open studios plus more. Please visit the Banana Factory website for more info: bananafactory.org.



Sketch Nights

- Lafayette College Thursday Evening Sketch Nights take place at the William C. Buck Hall on the Main Floor at N. 3rd Street in Easton at 7 PM. The sessions are open to the public. The subject is a live nude so discretion should be used when attending. BYOS. Free.
- Connexions Gallery hosts two sketch nights each month on the 3rd Wednesday and 4th Tuesday. The subject is a live nude so discretion should be used when attending. Please contact Anthony or Alice at 610-250- 7627 or stop by the gallery at 213 Northampton St. Easton PA for more information. BYOS.

Forks Township Recreation Dept.

Activities and Events

Upcoming Trips and Events

The Forks Township Recreation Department offers a host of activities for residents and non-residents alike. For more information on upcoming trips and events as well as all the Forks Recreation department offerings please visit the Forks Township Recreation website at www.forkstownship.org/recreation.

Membership

Now Accepting 2020 Annual Dues

We are now collecting annual dues for 2020. The dues cost is a very reasonable \$20.00 pp, or \$30 for a family (immediate family only), for the entire 2020 calendar year. Please consider becoming a member or renewing your current membership (if you have not already done so) and help support the Forks Area Art Society future endeavors. A membership form can be obtained on our website www.forksart.org

Member Benefits at the Cottage!

Several benefits of being a Forks Area Art Society member include very reasonable, classroom space for teaching small group and individual art classes at the Cottage. We also have an art library that contains over 100 art instruction and subject books available for use, on loan, to our members. We also have several dozen used art frames that members may have for free if a frame is needed for a piece you are completing. Of course, we'll always accept more books and frames as a donation to the cause, so if you have any lying around... Please contact Charlie or Barb Hanson at bchanson1@rcn.com for more information on these great benefits.

Sponsorship Opportunities

FAAS is pleased to offer sponsorship opportunities for our group. Please contact us for more information on the benefits that your sponsorship will provide. Sponsorships offer opportunities for people and businesses to help FAAS continue to grow and prosper. Please consider helping by becoming a FAAS sponsor or recommending us to organizations or companies who may be interested in helping. The Forks Area Art Society is a 501 (c) 3 non-profit organization, registered in the state of Pennsylvania. All sponsorships and donations are tax deductible.

Our Current Sponsors...

We want to thank all the businesses that have so generously donated money or materials to the Forks Area Art Society over the past year. They include:



Social Media

FAAS Website: www.forksart.org

The Forks Area Art Society's website can be found at www.forksart.org. **We are making a page available to support our artist members where they can list the type of artwork they specialize in along with their contact information.** Please contact us at info@forksart.org to provide your information for your listing on the page. Be sure to check it out and let us know what you think and if you have any suggestions.

Facebook

The Forks Area Art Society page is available on Facebook. To join, visit www.facebook.com/forksareaartsociety and click the "Like" button. Don't forget to share the page with your friends. If you wish to share some of your work or work of other artists you may know please feel free to post it for others to enjoy!

FAAS Committees

If you would like to get involved with FAAS and help the organization grow and expand we have the following committees. If you would like to join a committee, please contact Penny p.hochella@yahoo.com for more information.

Cottage Exhibits/Shows: Charlie Hanson, Barb Hanson

Programs: Penny Hochella

Art in the Park: Edie DeProfio, Penny Hochella, Barb Hanson

Membership: Bob Jordan, Edie DeProfio

Newsletter/Website: Meganne Abbott, Jeff Green, Suzi Campbell, Erik Chuss

Publicity: Jeff Green, Edie DeProfio, Erik Chuss

Grants/Sponsorships/Donations: Dave Seiple, Bob Jordan, Viji Narasimhan

Country Meadows: Penny Hochella, Maria Filosa, Charlie Hanson, Barb Hanson

Holiday Party: Barb Hanson, Edie DeProfio

2020 Board Members and Officers

President: **Penny Hochella**

Vice-President: **Erik Chuss**

Secretary: **Edie DeProfio**

Treasurer: **Bob Jordan**

Board Member: **Dave Seiple**

Board Member: **Charles Hanson**

Board Member: **Barbara Hanson**

Board Member: **Viji Narasimhan**

Board Member: **Maria Filosa**



Original artwork makes great gifts! Please consider purchasing or commissioning a unique and special piece from any of our amazingly talented local artists.

