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## Valentina Lamdin, Impressionist Artist Demonstrator and Workshop for Sept., 2017



Valentina Ratschenko-Lamdin is a Russian artist who was influenced by her father, artist Jakob Ratschenko whom she lost during WW II.

As an artist, Valentina does not limit herself to a subject, medium or style. She loves color and is recognized as a colorist with works in many private collections and museums.

Well-known artist Stephen Juharos said of Valentina's work that she is able to get the first impression of a subject without being influenced by unnecessary details. For 30 years her primary focus has been teaching others, bringing out her student's abilities and developing their talents.

By teaching, she achieves the reward of hearing a student say finally, "My gosh, I get it." One of her students called recently to tell her she received first and second place in a show, "and that", said Valentina, to use a well-known phrase, "makes my day."

Valentina has more than a love of nature. For her it is a passion representing "life itself, resurrection and continuity" depicted through her paintings of landscapes and flowers. Despite the hardships she has had in her life, she chooses to focus on beauty, joy and harmony.

## President's Message

Summer arrived with our July/August break and seemingly some down time. But, these months are proving to be anything but quiet. Our members have been busy gathering or giving honors.

First there was the San Diego County Fair. Ruth Parker received two awards there, AND, I just received news that she has been awarded a *Signature Membership* for Watercolor West. Congratulations, Ruth!

Patrick Murphy received two awards as well, one for his piece "After the Rain" and another for "Low Tide in Connemara, Ireland.

Jack Ragland and Natasha Ragland each received an award, Jack for his landscape "Desert View from Highway 74" and Natasha for "The Beye View". FAA members continued to sweep the floor. Anita Plaks received three awards, Lois Athearn one, Ray Fedorchak two, and Linda Reyes was accepted into the show which was an honor in itself. Karen Langer-Baker took on the task of choosing FAA's Fair award and was able to choose two paintings for recognition along with a year's FAA membership.

Well done, everyone. And just think, we have several more months left in the year with an exciting line up of demonstrators and workshops and our own Fall show coming up. Don't forget to sign up for workshops well ahead of the event.

At our September meeting we will continue to provide nomination forms for the officers for 2018 so those of you who were unable to attend the June potluck will be able to introduce more names into the mix. FAA has two community activities coming up for which we need help. The Harvest Faire, October 15, 10:00 AM to 4:00 PM and the Alley Art Festival in Vista on September 10. This is an opportunity to show/sell as well as just inform.

Susan 

## Molly Murphy, Watercolorist, Demonstrator and Workshop for October



I had a hard time choosing an image from Molly's web page because she seems to have a wide-ranging choice of subject matter ranging from shoes (sometimes on their owners' legs), to still lifes, to landscapes to portraits. Ultimately I chose the one above just because I loved the colors.

Molly says, "Education is the process of waking up to the art that is life. For 47 years, teaching was my "winter" art, and painting was my "summer" one. Now, retired from both the 6th Grade classroom and as an adjunct art education professor at School of Museum of Fine Arts Boston/Tufts University, I am a full time artist who teaches a little bit."

"It's exciting to watch my style evolve as I am able to focus on it. Seeking order within either visual or intellectual chaos requires the same kind of artistic approach; it is merely applied differently. The same creative energy is required for both and the sometimes synchronic relationship of the content and/or form of teaching and painting still surprises me!"

Don't forget to reserve your workshop spot with Molly by signing up at the September meeting. ☞

## Alley Art Festival Set for Sunday, September 10 in Vista

FAA will have an informational booth comped at the Festival to promote our organization, but this is also an opportunity to show and sell your work. Several of you might like to get together to reserve a separate booth in the Artist Market and share the cost.

If you wish to do so, you need to email Sarah Spinks right away at <[backfencesociety@gmail.com](mailto:backfencesociety@gmail.com)>.

Your Board could use some help to set up and staff our informational booth. Please see me to volunteer to help. I have written for more information about hours and exact location. More info to follow via e-blasts as soon as I have some.

Susan ☞

## Photographer Ken Seals to Offer Photo Shoot for FAA

If you would like to have your art work professionally photographed for submissions to shows, Brandon Gallery is sponsoring a photo shoot with Ken Seals. The exact dates are TBD, but the potential dates are August 28, September 4 and 18. Once the date is decided, we will send out an e-blast. Time? 9:00-5:00. Sessions are 30-40 minutes long.

Ken will use a very high resolution camera with special lights to provide you with excellent digital copies of your work to use for show submission, social media and your website. You will be able to see the photos of your artwork immediately and OK the final result. Bring a memory stick to save the photos to. You will take the finished digital photos home with you.

Pricing (size of original work does not matter):

Pieces:

1-5 \$14 each

6-10 \$12 each

11-15 \$9 each

16-20 \$7 each

Cash, check or Credit card (via PayPal) accepted.

Giclee prints are available on Premium Archival Lutre paper: Pricing:

Up to 8X10" \$15

more than 8x10" up to 11X14" \$25

more than 11X14" up to 16X20" \$40

Special papers like caves or metal require individual pricing quotes.

Please contact Noreen Ring, <[reenierin@gmail.com](mailto:reenierin@gmail.com)> to let her know if you intend to come and how many pieces you will bring so she can begin to think about scheduling. ☞

## Oakes at the Brandon

Nope, not the tree, but our favorite acrylic painter Joe Oakes. Joe will be teaching an Acrylic Color Mixing Workshop on Sunday, September 17 from 10: AM to 4:30 PM at the Brandon Gallery, 105 Main St.

The workshop will cover simple approaches to help you stay loose; color, color mixing and color choices; composition, value and painting techniques; and how to give your paintings depth and perspective.

There will be plenty of individual attention for all, the class is structured to be light and fun, and each student will create a finished painting. Cost is \$90.

Please contact Joe directly to sign up at <[joeoakes1@gmail.com](mailto:joeoakes1@gmail.com)> or 760-861-4796 ☞

## Great Grant News!

Once again our presentation at the San Diego County Board of Supervisors was positively received and we will be the recipients of a County grant which will help us pay for meetings, demonstrators and other expenses which are detailed in the grant requirements.

We are looking forward to another wonderful year in 2018 exploring art in all mediums and growing as artists within the artists' community of FAA. ☞

## Galaxy of Glass Show at Fallbrook Art Center

The 20th annual Galaxy of Glass who will have its opening reception on September 9 from 5PM to 7PM. The show will be open daily from September 10 through October 22.

Processes include blown, torch work, slumped, fused, cast, and lampworking to create sculptures, vessels, functional ware, jewelry and more.

## Golden at TVAL

If you missed the Golden Paints demo at our previous meeting, you have another opportunity to participate by attending the Temecula Valley Art League's meeting on Tuesday, September 19, 5:00 PM, 28720 Via Montezuma, Temecula. Bring a dish to share during the social hour.

Their October 17 meeting will feature Melody Brunsting, a paletteknife artist of considerable talent. and the November 21 meeting will have Katinka Kleinsmith who has a creative style all her own.

## San Diego Sculptors Guild Presents Monster Mania

It might be a little early for Halloween thoughts, but you can get in the groove by attending the SDSG's Featured Artist Event on August 25. There will be larger-than-life cyborgs, whimsical ghouls and every thing in between.

The "creatures" will thrill in the Spanish Village in Balboa Park from 5:00 PM to 9:00 PM. Models featuring goth-oriented fashions by Bessar's New York collection will make a special runway appearance. Refreshments of wine, cheese and appetizers will be available.

(I didn't see any charge mentioned, but one might be prepared for one, especially for the refreshments?) ☞

## What's up Around the Southland

**Aug. 14** - FAA Board meeting, Women's Club, corner E. Mission and S. Mission - 9:30 AM

**Aug. 28** - San Diego Sculptors Guild "Monster Mania" - Balboa Park Spanish Village, 5:00 - 9:00 PM

**Aug. 28** - possible date for Ken Seals photo session at the Brandon

**Sept. 4** - Gem of the Valley Art Assoc. - Joe Oakes critique session - 1:00 PM, Senior Center on Juniper, Murrieta

**Sept. 4 or 18** - possible Ken Seals dates for photo shoot

**Sept. 9** - Galaxy of Glass opening reception, 5:00-7:00 PM at the Art Center-

**Through Sept. 9** - Front Porch Gallery Annual Juried Exhibition featuring San Diego County artists, Wednesdays through Fridays - noon- 6:00 PM, 2903 Carlsbad Blvd., Carlsbad

**Sept. 10** - Alley Art Festival, Vista, more info to follow

**Sept. 11** - FAA Board meeting, Women's Club, 9:30 AM

**Sept. 16** - FAA meeting and workshop with Valentina Lamdin, Women's Club, 9:00 AM

**Sept. 17** - Joe Oakes acrylic workshop at The Brandon 10:00 AM - 4:30 PM

**Sept. 17 - Nov. 11**, "Turn, Turn Turn; a Season of Senior Art", Front Porch Gallery. Opening Sept. 17 from 12- 2:00 PM

**Sept. 19** - Golden Paints at Temecula Valley Art League (TVAL), Assistance League, 28720 Via Montezuma, Temecula

**Sept. 30** - FAA intake for Fall Show, 11:00 AM - 3:00 PM

**Oct 2** - FAA fall show judging

**Oct 2** - GEM of the Valley - Rafael Maniago demonstrator, 1:00 PM Senior Center, Murrieta

**Oct. 7** - FAA Fall Show Reception, The Brandon, 5:00 - 7:00 PM

**Oct. 15** - Harvest Faire, downtown Fallbrook, 10:00 AM - 4:00 PM

**Oct. 16** - FAA board meeting, Women's Club, 9:30 AM

**Oct. 17** - TVAL meeting - Melody Brunsting demonstrator Assistance League, Temecula, 5:00 PM

**Oct 21**- FAA meeting - Molly Murphy demonstrator and workshop, 9:00 AM, Women's Club

**For sheer excitement you can keep movie premieres and roller-coasters. An empty white canvas waiting to be filled.**

**That's the thing.**

*☞Pam Brown☞*

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## ***FAA Membership Application***

Membership period is from January 1 through December 31 each year.

Make checks payable to : Fallbrook Art Association

Mail to: P.O. Box 382, Fallbrook, CA 92088-0382

Please circle any information you DO NOT want to appear in our directory

**First name** \_\_\_\_\_ **Last Name** \_\_\_\_\_

**Address** \_\_\_\_\_

**E-mail** \_\_\_\_\_

**Phone** \_\_\_\_\_

**FAA is a Non-Profit run by volunteers. Would you be willing to volunteer your services in some way? Please check spaces below to indicate your area of interest.**

**Board of Directors Position** \_\_\_\_\_ **Programs/Workshop assistance** \_\_\_\_\_

**Art Show Preparation and coordination** \_\_\_\_\_ **Other** \_\_\_\_\_

**Please check type of membership below:**

**Individual - \$45** \_\_\_\_\_

**Family - (Two adults and dependent children under 21 living at same address) - \$65** \_\_\_\_\_

**Full-time Student (with ID) - \$10** \_\_\_\_\_

**Signature** \_\_\_\_\_ **Date** \_\_\_\_\_