



# FRFA NEWSLETTER



**Finley River Fine Artists**

**May 2025**

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Open Wed – Sat 10-3

## Members were challenged in *Pick Your Palette* theme show.

Artists blindly drew 5 colors; they had to choose 3 of them to complete their entries (black & white could be added).

Astrid Owens took First Place. She won a gift card to GW Coffee House and will be featured as our Artist of the Month for May.

**Congratulations!**



**Astrid Owens**

**Ursula Wollenberg**



**Glee Kieny**



# Mystery Box Traditional Art Competition

## DUE MAY 14<sup>th</sup> – 17<sup>th</sup>

Our next competition open to the public is our “Mystery Box”. Artists purchase a Mystery box for \$5 each. The contents of the box must be used as the inspiration for your entry into the competition. Artists may purchase as many boxes as they want; they may submit as many entries as they want. Boxes are currently available. Entries **must** be accompanied by an official entry form AND the box contents. Entries are due May 14<sup>th</sup> through the 17<sup>th</sup>. The awards reception will be announced later this month as the Memorial Day holiday may cancel a possible reception. The winners will be announced during the week of May 19<sup>th</sup> – 23<sup>rd</sup> via email and Facebook if there is no reception. Entries will be on display May 17<sup>th</sup> – June 21<sup>st</sup> with pick-up June 21<sup>st</sup> – 28<sup>th</sup>. Official entry forms are available at the Gallery and on our website [finleyartgallery.com](http://finleyartgallery.com).

### ENTRY RULES

- \* Entries can be any medium (exceptions as noted) and any size (no larger than 2880 sq in)
- \* No prints, photography, or computer-generated art accepted; no nudes.
- \* Submitted competition pieces must be based on, inspired by &/or include an item found in one of our Mystery Boxes, available for purchase for \$5 each. There is no additional fee for entries. You may purchase as many boxes as you want; you may submit as many entries as you want. **Box contents must be submitted along with entry.**
- \* FRFA reserves the right to refuse any entry deemed not appropriate for any reason.
- \* All work must be original in both concept & execution by the entering artist.
- \* Work must have been created within the past year and not previously entered in any FRFA competitions.
- \* Everyone is invited to enter regardless of age or skill level. However, there are no separate classifications and all entries will be judged using the same criteria.
- \* All entries on paper must be matted and framed under glass or acetate or sealed with an appropriate sealer. All work on canvas must be on gallery wrapped canvas with the edges painted or framed. All work must be wired and ready to hang. **NO SAWTOOTH HANGERS.**
- \* All work must be for sale. 10% commission to the Gallery for members; 25% commission for non-members.
- \* Artists accept all risks when submitting art in competitions and hold the Gallery harmless for any damage that may occur while the art is on display in the Finley River Gallery.



**Next meeting is Saturday,  
May 17<sup>th</sup> at 10:00**

- ☺ **MYSTERY BOX ENTRIES DUE**
- ☺ **We will “Roll the Dice” for July’s members-only challenge**

## INTERESTED IN PLEIN AIR PAINTING?

Several artists are going to start doing some plein air painting—painting outdoors on site. If you would like to know when outings are planned, contact Javier “Harv” Saltares. For information on the FRFA Plein Air Group, call or email Harv: 1-417-988-4976 or [jarv\\_art@yahoo.com](mailto:jarv_art@yahoo.com).



**Our sale of new and used art supplies was a great success! A few of the artists want to continue with sales so will be set up this Saturday (May 3<sup>rd</sup>) during Market Days on the Square. Come on down and load up on art and craft supplies.**

## MEMBERS-ONLY CHALLENGES

Theme shows are open to members only. Ribbons are awarded to 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup>, & 3<sup>rd</sup> Place winners. First Place winner will also receive a gift card to a local business, be the featured artist in the front entry the following month and will be the judge for the next theme show.

- **June 21** due date for **Macro Art** entries. Macro Art is a small object enlarged as if under a microscope or magnifier. Any size under 2,880 sq in, any medium, any subject (no nudes). Standard hanging procedures apply.
- **July 19** due date for **Roll the Dice** entries. Paintings must follow guidelines determined by the roll of the art dice rolled at the May meeting. Any size under 2,880 sq in; standard hanging procedures apply.
- **Sept. 20** due date for **Memories of Fall** entries. Any size under 2,880 sq in, any medium, any subject related to autumn (no nudes). Standard hanging procedures apply.
- **Nov. 1** will be the date to set up display of gift items for Christmas. All Christmas Bizarre items are exempt from 10% commission.

# ART CLASSES!

## FREE SPRING CLASSES

- May 10** – Collage taught by Becky Wendt & Kathy Manjeot
- May 31** – Abstract Watercolor taught by Krista Woods

## SUMMER CLASSES

*\$10 PER PERSON*

- June 14** – Abstract Art taught by Carol Snyder & Nancy Day
- June 28** – 2D Felting Bumble Bee
- July 12** – Pencil Values taught by Thom Bakie
- July 26** – “Altered Books” taught by Becky Wendt & Kathy Manjeot

## FREE FALL CLASSES

- September 13** – Pastel Class taught by Tanja Ware
- September 27** – 4 Types of Watercolor taught by Glee Kieny

Stop by the Gallery to sign up or call during open hours (417-551-4011). Space is limited so you must register in order to attend. Free classes are funded in part by a Ghost Light Project Award from the Missouri Arts Council in partnership with the Missouri Association of Community Arts Agencies.



**WE NEED INSTRUCTORS FOR AUGUST AND OCTOBER CLASSES. PLEASE VOLUNTEER TO TEACH ONE OF THESE CLASSES! YOU PICK CLASS THEME, MEDIUM AND PROJECTS. WE NEED YOU!**

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