



MARYLAND FEDERATION OF ART

First and foremost, let me congratulate you for your participation in the MFA Circle Gallery's award from the Capital Gazette, for **“Best Gallery in Annapolis, 2010.”**

As President of the Maryland Federation of Art, I am grateful for your support of the Gallery and the organization. Together as artists and art patrons we bring the world of art closer to our community. Our focus is to encourage emerging artists and support established artists, both locally and nationwide. The MFA is a perfect match for the young and old, art collector and patron, and visitor from Maryland, and beyond, providing a unique perspective on the world we live in, through the eyes of an artist.

Our “Gem” of Annapolis would like to continue to support the variety of opportunities for artists to show and sell art work in the Circle Gallery, the Holley Gallery, and alternative locations in and around Annapolis. **As an artist, every time you enter a Member show, a National show, help install an exhibition, give a workshop, or a tour of your studio, you bring joy, education and camaraderie to the community of Annapolis, Maryland, and the surrounding rural and metropolitan communities. As an art patron, your support of MFA demonstrates your support of the arts and your value of diversity in artistic expression.**

In order to keep our commitment to exhibiting the work of local Maryland Artists, we need your philanthropic support. In the past several years, the non-profit organizations have suffered economic difficulties more than most. Funding for the Arts is virtually at zero! **The MFA is a non-profit, member organization in dire need of your financial help!**

As the new President of the MFA, **I am asking every member to make a donation of \$10 or more to keep our doors open.** The future of art exhibited at the Circle Gallery depends on it.

Our vision for the future of the Maryland Federation of Art, and the Circle Gallery, is exciting. **Our goals focus on our membership, gallery promotion, education, and community participation.**

The **Membership Committee** is actively seeking alternative locations for member exhibition venues. **Kathy Mathai and Gail Higginbotham**, Co-Chairs of the committee, have created the member survey to gather up-to-date information for future member shows, networking and promotional activities.

Our **Communications Chair, John Jensen, is working with John Coder, Tom Bodorff, and Frank Arsenault** on our new web site which will eventually include a color picture of every artist's work, with contact information.

The **Exhibition Committee, chaired by David Diaz**, has added another national juried show and is increasing member opportunities to promote your art work. The committee members – **Sharon Arsenault, Frances Borchardt, Eva Carson, John Coder, Gail Higginbotham, Kass McGowan, Angela Petrunccio, Rosanne Thiel, Dick Schneier, and Kate Stillwell** are consistently upgrading our exhibitions, from the variety of shows, to the professional presentation of the art work.

The **Education and Outreach Committee, chaired by Deborah Banker along with Judy Barrett, Lesley Bender, Harrison Doyle, Nick Edwards, Mary Goodman, Karen Guay, Mae**



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**Hancock, Mary Jeter, Robbie Misleavy, and Hayley Schless,** is expanding outreach in the community through workshops at the Stanton Center, education for children in Circle Gallery and revamping our Emerging Artist show to include middle school, high school, community college, and university students.

**The Development Committee, Joe Dickey, Andrew Cole, and Susi Conley,** is working together with all committees on Collectors Choice, our main annual fund raiser, plus, searching for additional funds to keep our organization alive and active.

Your generous donation to the Maryland Federation of Art will not only help us reach these goals, but will also help us keep your art work in the gallery, all of our wonderful staff employed, our lights on and our doors open, six days a week!

**Please consider making a donation to support the MFA so that the MFA can support you.**

I want to thank you, for your contribution and continued support of the Maryland Federation of Art. Your gift and involvement are greatly appreciated.

Andrea Olney-Wall  
President, MFA

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We have creatively come up with as many Donation options as possible.  
We ask that you give what you can. The more you give, the more the MFA is able to give back to everyone!

NAME \_\_\_\_\_

€ I would like to give: \$ \_\_\_\_\_, in support of the MFA.

€ I would like to give: \$5.00, \$10.00, \$15.00, \$20.00, \$25.00, or \$ \_\_\_\_\_ (other amount) per month, on an Automatic charge.

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*Thank you for your support!*