



# Focus on Fibre Art Association

Encouraging, fostering and developing excellence  
and appreciation of fibre as an art form.

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FFAA Member Newsletter Jan/Feb2021

## 2021 Upcoming Virtual Meetings

The next Board meeting will be Sunday, January 17, 2021 on Zoom. The link will be emailed a few days prior. This is the last opportunity to have input into the revision of our Bylaws before the vote at the February AGM.

All members are invited to the AGM on Sunday, February 21, 2021, also via Zoom. The agenda and the link will be posted on the website a few days prior to the AGM.

## 2021 'Self-Expression' Exhibition

The Call for Entry for this open exhibition will be posted on the website in January. This will be the first non-judged FFAA exhibition and is scheduled for June and July in the FFA Studio. Thanks to Christine Wiggett and the members of Fibre Fly for coordinating this exhibition for the benefit of FFAA members.

## 2022 'Keeping It Local' Exhibition

Next year, a juried and judged competition and exhibition are planned on the theme 'Keeping It Local', and will be displayed at the Focus on Fibre Art Studio.

## Upcoming FFAA Workshops

The virtual Karen D. Miller rug hooking workshop was well received, and we're looking to offer more virtual workshops for our members. We invite interested teachers to submit proposals using the form on the [Upcoming Workshops webpage](#). Instructors can be local or distant. Questions or suggestions? Contact [workshops@focusonfibreat.org](mailto:workshops@focusonfibreat.org).

## New! Sign Up Now for Email Notices

Members and non-members can now [sign up](#) to receive email notices of upcoming workshops, exhibitions and events directly from FFAA. This benefit was introduced to give members quick notice of meetings and events in the Focus on Fibre Art Studio. One objective is to overcome the problem of limited participation due to slower notice via the bi-monthly FFAA newsletter. Initial response has been positive, especially from members in the nine FFAA Member Guilds who are not in the habit of checking the FFAA website, Facebook, and Instagram sites on a regular basis. Stay in the loop... sign up today for direct email notification of coming events!

## Focus on Fibre Art Studio - Update of Events

The January exhibition in the Studio Gallery has been cancelled. A February exhibition is planned to showcase fibre artworks on a Valentine theme or featuring the colour red. Check the website and Facebook for updates; the exhibition is subject to health restrictions being lifted for February.

Watch also for news about sew/play days in the Studio. These will again be offered once per month when it is safe to meet again in groups. Open to all members. Contact [studio@focusonfibreat.org](mailto:studio@focusonfibreat.org)

In addition, FFAA will again offer Open Studio days for members who require more space for a project or wish to get together with some friends in a large space. Email [studio@focusonfibreat.org](mailto:studio@focusonfibreat.org) to inquire and to book the Studio workspace. Subject to health restrictions being lifted.

## New Facebook Address (URL)

The location of the FFAA Facebook page has changed to [www.facebook.com/focusonfibreart](http://www.facebook.com/focusonfibreart). Note: there is no 's' on this web address. Please update your bookmarks as needed for quick access to our Facebook page.

## Member Guilds - Upcoming Workshops & Events

Consult the [Member Guild websites](#) for updated information about online meetings and workshops.

## EDQG January-February 2021

With the beginning of a new year, EDQG has lots of opportunities for its members and anyone who would like to check us out!

January 20<sup>th</sup> meeting speaker is Dawn Piasta from Dewpoint Arts presenting "Trunk Show a-la-Mode" in which she shares her excitement for the inspired process and passion for art quilting. Dawn will also teach two classes: Feb. 13 "Milagro", a fabric interpretation of little wishes represented by tiny Mexican charms; and Feb. 14 "Bojagi", a Korean textile technique which roughly translates as "covering" or "wrapping cloth." Bojagi is traditionally a square piece of cloth skillfully constructed from a variety of leftover scrap fabrics. For more information, contact [program@edgg.ca](mailto:program@edgg.ca).

The February 17<sup>th</sup> meeting will feature Susan Purney Mark presenting "My Iceland Narrative".

Other events scheduled for January include the first online class, Scrappy Playtime, to be taught by Cathy Tomm. Cathy was the EDQG winner of the teaching grant for 2019-2020 but her class was postponed. It will be taught on January 23<sup>rd</sup> with a one-hour pre-class presentation on January 18<sup>th</sup>. For more information, contact [program@edgg.ca](mailto:program@edgg.ca). Class limit is 20 students.

Guests are welcome to attend the monthly meetings for a \$5 fee and space permitting may also register for workshops. Contact [program@edgg.ca](mailto:program@edgg.ca) for more information.



*The Wing of the Falcon Brings to the King* by Janet Dean  
from the 2020: Future in Focus competition

## FFAA Board of Directors Update

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