



JACKSONVILLE FINE ARTS FORUM

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Dear Members:

As we approach the summer months of July and August, we on the Board are looking to gather to come up with ideas for a permanent place to meet starting in January 2022. We would love your input if you know of a place that will serve our group with a good lunch at a reasonable cost.

Some of the places that we have visited are:

Bistro Aix; San Jose Country Club; Epping Forest, Blue Bamboo; Embassy Suites; Ramada Inn; European Street Café; Wine Cellar; The Chart House; Bahama Breeze; Seasons 52; River City Brewing; Tidbits Restaurants; Zoe Kitchen, plus 2 hotel restaurants in Towne Center.

These places all have one thing in common, the prices we were quoted would require raising our luncheon cost from \$25.00 upward by \$12.00 to \$20.00.

As you can see, we have done our due diligence on a location, so we need your help. The questions we need to ask are this:

Do you have a suggestion for another location/or are you in favor of one of those that the Board visited?

Are you willing to raise the cost of our lunch?

Please let us hear from you.

**Marty Cawley,
President JFAF**

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NEXT MEETING:

JUNE 22

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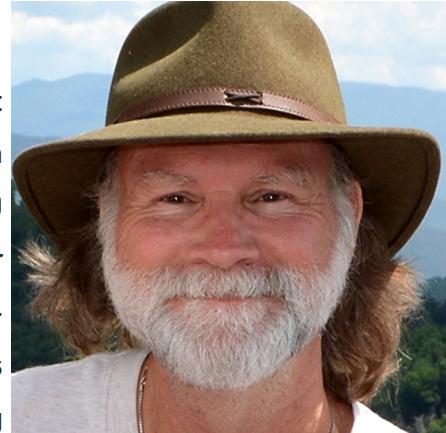
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Ted Head - Our Presenter for June

Ted's work has been published in American Artist magazine, SPLASH 11 AND SPLASH 16, the Best of America Watercolor Artists & Artisans. He has also won over 80 awards, including a dozen "Best of" and 1st place awards for his oils and watercolors, and has become a popular workshop instructor and show judge. Ted believes that when his brush dances between imagination and reality, something



magical can happen. When it does, the emotional connection between me and my subject says it all. Design, values and color are the means to express a moment in time, captured in dramatic watercolor or oils. An Avid kayaker, his painting show a fascination with light and color, depicting nature's beauty, wildlife, pets, and people. To learn more

about Ted, look on his website

www.tedheadfineart.com

SPOTLIGHT ON JACKSONVILLE ART FORUM BOARD MEMBER JEAN HOPPER

by Franne Entelis

Well, at the onset, my interview with Jean really got turned around! Let me explain.

In the first place, Jean was so kind and conscientious as to provide me with a detailed written biography, thus as the pandemic has limited in house visits to perspective featured Forum members, plus add to that I had a written biography, so, for my part, I only had very few questions! Secondly, but more importantly, our interview included a good deal of "sharing." Thus, when we were closing the interview, Jean declared "it was so nice to learn all about you, Franne."

Goodness gracious... this is not about me! So, let us turn our attention to our esteemed Board Member, JEAN HOPPER.

I begin with an amusing paragraph from Jean's biography in which she writes that the most interesting thing about her is that she is a triplet! Jean, Jerry and Jewel were born at



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the same time when multiples were not common. She says, "it was like growing up with two best friends!"

Born in Michigan, Jean is one of 10 children. Thus, I asked her what it was like growing up in such a large family? "Well, the phone constantly rang, and we all received lots of attention especially due to the triplets. I also learned to share, wait my turn and have patience." She went on to an all-girl Catholic school and learned to play the cello and enjoyed being part of the school orchestra. From there she went to college at Oakland University where she received a B.S. in management.

Her first career path was in insurance. Now married to Tom, Jean's work at CNA Insurance as a Senior Property adjuster revolved around cases handling losses from fire and burglaries, etc. to homes and residences. According to Jean, "very few women were among the workers in this occupation. The work was hard, and I had to work mostly outdoors."

Jean and Tom moved to Jacksonville in 1988. After taking a break while enjoying motherhood, Jean returned to school earning a Masters Degree in Elementary Education and worked as a 3rd grade teacher for 23 years plus 5th grade teacher for 1 year. Her teaching career enabled Jean to have time for being a mother as well as having a rewarding career. "I love children" exclaims Jean.

Jean has served on the JFAF Board for 4 years now. Her interest in art was piqued as she watched her sister, Geraldine, who studied art, draw and paint at home. Watching her sister spend many hours finishing a piece made Jean appreciate the time and effort artists spend creating trying to make a piece perfect. She loves art, music, reading, gardening working jigsaw puzzles, and spending time with her family and friends. "Many thanks go to Fredi Olson who introduced me to JFAF...I am so glad she did. I so enjoy the varied and interesting programs at the Forum."

And here's more fun news—Jean has much to celebrate! a 44th wedding anniversary... AND her first grandchild this Fall. Her son and his wife live in Tampa, so she will be fairly close to the new arrival.

Jean's favorite place to visit is the Upper Peninsula in Michigan on Lake Superior surrounded by lakes, pine forests, and some family. "I thoroughly enjoy traveling there." Thank you Jean for helping make my newsletter spotlight so interesting and practically effortless! And, thank you for your enduring service as JFAF Membership Chair and Board member.

MEETING DATES:**APRIL 27**

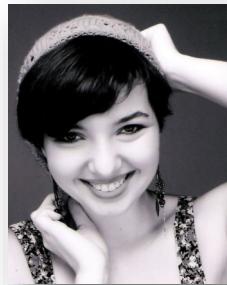
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