

Minutes of the FD Meeting - November 13, 2019
Studio 205, ICB Sausalito, CA

Host: Emily, Judy, Alex
Chair: Emily
Secretary: Alex

Present: Susan Doyle, Chris Motley, Allegra Burke, Myrna Tater, Ursula Pedersen, Sheila Tuffanelli, Juline Beier, Judy Calder, Phyllis Thelen, Pam Leith, Katy Anderson, Regula Allenspach, Jennifer Kim Sohn, Roy Forest, Marcia Kent, Beth Hartmann Joanne Salz, Giselle Kappus, Alex Friedman, Emily Dvorin

Critiques:

Katy- brought a collage she had made in a workshop designed to develop creativity. Each artist had 15 minutes to make a small collage from magazine papers. She thought it might make a good workshop for the group.

Allegra- has applied for and received a grant to work on three projects related to living in the Hyatt Hotel for 2 years after the Tubbs fire. It became a powerful community and a family for her. One project was related to making hotel keys (cards) into book format and joining the first and last pages to each other to make a long, connected book about 7,' much like an earlier art book that was lost in the fire. Second, a project using tiny jam jars from the hotel restaurant. Each one will be filled with meaningful elements of her experience. They will be attached horizontally to vertically mounted plexi.

Third project involves an eco print book of many opened teabags impressed with flowers from the hotel gardens (Japanese technique) and embroidered.

Ursula- showed a panel made up of colored knitted sections. She wanted advice on hanging crochet balls from the piece. Suggestions were that she add the balls below and add some within the piece for continuity. Also, Ursula has written a book about her childhood and holocaust survival. It is available on Blurb.

<https://www.blurb.com/b/9686781-uprooted>

Susan Doyle- Showed 9 black panels that had been stitched with white thread to create flowing designs, titled "10,000 Lies." She was concerned about the tilted mounting but her experiment to keep it flush on the wall worked. She may try something else next time.

Roy -brought 3/13 small panels he has made using baling wire and then coated, colored, and textured with his proprietary material. He is showing some of them in the Studio Gallery, "Small" show this month. (1641 Pacific Ave. SF)

Emily -showed her new piece, "Organical." It is made from palm fibers and embroidered with fishing line and jelly yarn. She wanted to combine the natural and the manmade elements.

Sheila -brought the Intersection 6 binder which she no longer has room to store. She wanted for members to take their page/information.

Treasury: Juline reported that we have \$2619.25 in the bank.

Old Business: Many expressed thanks to the enormous amount of effort Kathryn Grothe put into having the show at MONCA. Eleven of us attended the opening and were very impressed with the large, airy gallery spaces. The art looked wonderful on the walls with lots of space around. It was well curated. Kudos to the food team for providing a very attractive and delicious nibbles. There were a lot of locals in attendance and they seemed very impressed with the quality and breadth of the show. The MONCA Board members attended, and they too were very welcoming and supportive.

There was also thanks to Beth for all her work organizing the entries and keeping the communications going.

The Artist Discussion on Sunday went very well. Emily, Jennifer, Beth, and Melissa presented and there were many questions from a very engaged audience. The event had to be curtailed as time was running out.

Jennifer did a sewing circle based on her refugee project and that too was a success with 48 in attendance.

Juline will organize a flower arrangement to be sent to Kathryn for all her efforts.

New Business: There are several people who have asked to join the group. We currently have 37 active members. There was a brief discussion about who do we want to add.

1. A good artist, 2. A good team player, 3, in jest, a large house.

Julia Feldman is a consideration. She is active in the NorCal SDA and would probably be a very helpful member. juliafeldmanartist.com

Joanne Salz mentioned that Liza Pike was interested, and she was going to bring her to a meeting. She will plan to do that in January.

Artists under consideration will be invited to the January meeting and we will decide in February.

Regula tried to resign as she feels she did not contribute much. She was roundly denied and was welcomed to stay with the group. Her insights and energy are always welcomed.

The Thorley Murray celebration will be this Sunday, Nov 17 from 2- 4 at her house, 25 Elm St. Larkspur.

Also, Kudos to Chris Motley for her wonderful presentation at the deYoung on the 19th October as part of the Textile Arts Council lecture series. She brought lots to look at as well as making a great presentation of her knitting and fulling journey on the big screen.

Announcements:

Susan Doyle will have a show December 3-30.

at the Dance Palace Community & Cultural Center, 503 B Street, Pt. Reyes Station.

Reception on December 15th. Time to be decided.

Jennifer

- Two person show at Monterey Peninsula College is from Monday 1/27-2/26. Reception on Thursday 2/6 12/30-2 pm.
- 25Million Stitches sewing circles:
 1. Sebastopol Art Center: Saturday 1/18 and the following week after school hours (details to be worked out)
 2. SJMQT two sessions: Saturday and Saturday 2/28. All the information, updates and photos of the community engagement will be available on <https://www.25millionstitches.com/>

Emily, Judy and Alex will be participating in the 51st Annual Winter Open Studio at the ICB. December 6, 7, & 8 from 11 to 6 pm. Over 90 artists will open their doors. Bring your friends.

Alex announced a tapestry show, "IMPACT: Climate Change," at the Mills Building, 220 Montgomery St. in San Francisco. This is a joint exhibit of two tapestry groups, TWW (Tapestry Weavers West) and TWiNE (Tapestry Weavers in New England). This will be its second venue. There is a wide variety of techniques and interpretations.

Beth has a piece in a show in Sebastopol Regional Library Community Room "Innovation in Fiber" now through Saturday November 30 10 a.m. – 6 p.m. Monday - Saturday 7140 Bodega Avenue, Sebastopol, Requirement was wall work so she had to adapt her sculptural piece.

Joanne mentioned the Noguchi and Hasegawa show at the Asian Art Museum. It is an excellent show. Open until December 8. 200 Larkin St, SF

Lucy is in a three person show Zentner Gallery, Jan 4-Feb 29, 5757 Horton Street, Emeryville, CA. Gallery hours: Wed.-Sat. 11-5.
Artist talk/ Reception, Jan. 11, 2-5 p.m. www.Zentnercollection.com

Next meeting

January 8th will be at **Marcia Kent's home, 260 Margarita Drive**, San Rafael. From the north-- take 101 south to the CENTRAL SAN RAFAEL exit which becomes Hetherton. Travel south staying in the Left lanes. Make a left turn at SECOND street.

From the south or from I 580 to the CENTRAL SAN RAFAEL exit stay in the far right lane Make a right turn at the first traffic light onto SECOND street and get in the middle lane

Now you all are on SECOND street continue east about 1.5 miles passing Montecito shopping center. Second street becomes Pt. San Pedro Rd.
MAKE A LEFT ON MARGARITA DR. Follow the yellow double lines bearing right at all the intersections. GO up to 260. Please try to park as many cars as possible in the driveway. Carpool if you can.

Please let me know if you ARE coming. If you use your GPS it will take you a very narrow back way.

- Meetings gather at 10 and the meeting starts at 10:30.
Chair:
Secretary: