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From the President's Palette

Ah, the lazy days of summer are finally here! As teachers, we secretly wish our lives away to get to our long-awaited, much-deserved summer vacation. Boy, do we need it! As art educators, we spend our year searching for inspiration and draining our own artistic wells in order to creatively charge the batteries of our students. So how do we recharge our own batteries in the summertime?



For my own artistic rejuvenation, I find nothing more exhilarating than international travel to the places best-known for artistic and cultural heritage. One of my favorite trips came a few years ago when I was fortunate enough to travel to France and Italy. I was in absolute artistic glory. At Monet's garden in Giverny, about an hour ride

outside of Paris, I was delighted to see several school groups touring the house and viewing the waterlilies on the pond. Without a doubt, the access that both French and Italian students have to museums, as well as the rich arts heritage within those countries, are an advantage to educators and art educators alike. Imagine if these places were in our own backyards?

Though traveling internationally or within the US may not be in your plans for this year, however you spend your days this summer, make sure you take time to nourish your own artistic spirit. Many art educators do that through creating their own magnificent masterpieces, which you can plan on submitting to our Member Exhibition to be revealed at the 2014 Daytona Conference:

Member Exhibition

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FAEA can also offer you summer enrichment by way of our fabulous Summer Workshops in Miami (June 10th -17th) and Sarasota (June 25th -27th). Read more about them here:

2014 Summer Workshops

As you travel far and near this summer, please take a moment to post a photo to our FAEA Facebook page (hyperlink) and share your artistic adventures. We would love to see how all of you are spending these lazy days of summer!

"The artist's world is limitless. It can be found anywhere, far from where he lives or a few feet away. It is always on his doorstep." **Paul Strand**

Have an amazing summer, FAEA Members!

Karen Nobel
President, FAEA

FAEA Summer Workshops

We are pleased to offer our members another opportunity for personal, professional, and artistic growth this summer by offering summer workshops in two locations.



"Artistic License"

Miami, Florida
June 10-17, 2014
Registration Deadline June 6.

"Sarasota Retreat Quest, Small Works 2014"

Sarasota, Florida
June 25-27, 2014
Registration Deadline June 24.

REGISTER NOW

Visit www.faea.org for more information, schedules, and fees.

Thank You!

FAEA is saying a "THANK YOU" to all of the members who submitted conference session proposals. There was an overwhelming response and the sessions will provide great professional development experiences for members this October.

The Board of Directors is excited to review and select sessions to provide FAEA members the most relevant conference. The review and selection process will take place throughout June. Applicant will be notified once final decisions are made.

FAEA looks forward to seeing everyone in Daytona October 2-

5, 2014.

FAEA Upcoming Deadlines

Annual Awards - deadline June 16th

Nominate an outstanding art educator or advocate for one of FAEA's annual awards. **[Download an awards nomination form.](#)**

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