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**“Italian Thoughts/Pensieri Italiani” Art Exhibit, May 1-May 27, 2010
Fredericksburg Center for Creative Arts**



Market Place, watercolor by Sally Rhone-Kubarek

Fredericksburg, Virginia – The Fredericksburg Center for Creative Arts (FCCA) presents the art exhibit “Italian Thoughts/Pensieri Italiani.” The exhibit will feature the work of Sally Rhone-Kubarek. The show will be located in the FCCA Members’ Gallery and opens on Sunday May 1, with the First Friday opening reception on May 6 from 6:00-8:30 pm.

“Italian Thoughts/Pensieri Italiani” is a collection of artwork done in a variety of media. Rhone-Kubarek spends her summers in the Abruzzo Mountains an hour and a half to the east of Rome. She thinks of this time as “peace and rejuvenation.” Each summer is a reconnection with quiet contemplation, reading of good books, eating of good food, enjoying time with good friends, making trips to the local wineries and visiting nearby towns. There is no calendar to follow, no appointments to keep, there is just moment-by-moment living, and generally seeing how the day unfolds. The artworks in this show give expression to her contentment with these times, places and thoughts.



Morning Sun, pastel by Sally Rhone-Kubarek

Sally Rhone-Kubarek was born many years ago in Bucyrus, Ohio. She first moved at the age of two months and continued to travel until a few years ago when she proclaimed Fredericksburg “home.” She has lived in Japan, Germany, Spain, Morocco, and she maintains a small home in a shepherds’ village in the Abruzzo Mountains in Italy. Italy is now “home” during the summer. Through out life, Sally has thought of herself as an artist, and at different times and in different places on this earth, there has been agreement from others. Formal art education began at Syracuse University, College of Fine Arts. Through the years she has attended many and various workshops in art: monotype, CADKEY (computer aided design), figure sculpture, airbrush, watercolor, screen-printing, egg tempera, ceramics and book illustration. She has shown in numerous group shows as well as had one-man shows in the above countries. She has and continues to work in various mediums: ceramics, screen-printing, watercolor, pastel, oil, collage, batik and mixtures of the above. Her subject matter is just as varied.

Since settling in Fredericksburg she has become a member of Art First Gallery, The Fredericksburg Center for the Creative Arts (FCCA), and The Uninstructed Figure Drawing Group. She has won 2 awards in the printmaking division of the bi-annual “Uniquely Fredericksburg” Juried Show (1st in 2008, 2nd in 2010). She has had a one-man show at the Fredericksburg Visitors Center (July and August 2009) and a two-person show at Art First Gallery (July 2010). Recently she won a 1st in the November 2010 National Juried Exhibition, “Forms in Motion” at the FCCA Gallery and more recently a “best in show” in the February regional juried exhibit at FCCA.

As a member of FCCA, Sally Rhone-Kubarek’s work was selected by a panel of art experts to be shown in the FCCA members’ gallery during the month of May 2010.

The Fredericksburg Center for Creative Arts (FCCA) is an all-volunteer non-profit organization supporting the creative arts in Fredericksburg, Virginia. FCCA is located in the Historic Silversmith House, *circa* 1785 and is a partner of the Virginia Museum of Fine Arts. Monthly, FCCA brings new art exhibits, special programs and events, art trips, and art classes for all ages to the Fredericksburg community. These events are planned and organized entirely by volunteers, and funded through community support.

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