

FCCA welcomes award-winning communicator as its president



Marilynn Deane Mendell

The Fredericksburg Center for the Creative Arts welcomes Marilyn Deane Mendell as its new president. The WinSpin CIC, Inc., president and member artist, has volunteered her expertise to expand the FCCA's social media presence to garner more visibility, followers, sponsors and appreciation.

Mendell specializes in growth strategy, marketing and public relations. With 40 years of experience supporting the A/E industry among others, Mendell also teaches entrepreneurship as an adjunct

professor at Georgetown and George Mason Universities. She is an artist, illustrator, and author, as well as a nationally recognized speaker. She has an extensive art collection and is a life member of the AKG Art Gallery in Buffalo, New York.

Organizational recognitions include Woman of the Year from the Washington Women in Public Relations, the New York State Department of Labor, and Everywoman Opportunity Center. In 2023 the NSDAR (National Society of the Daughters of the American Revolution) awarded her their highest honor with a gold medal for her lifetime conservation efforts.

Mendell is a strong advocate for pollinator gardens. She was featured on Good Morning America and is a Phi Beta Kappa. Her latest book: *Elbow Grease + Chicken Fat: Business Advice that Sticks to Your Ribs*. www.winspincic.com

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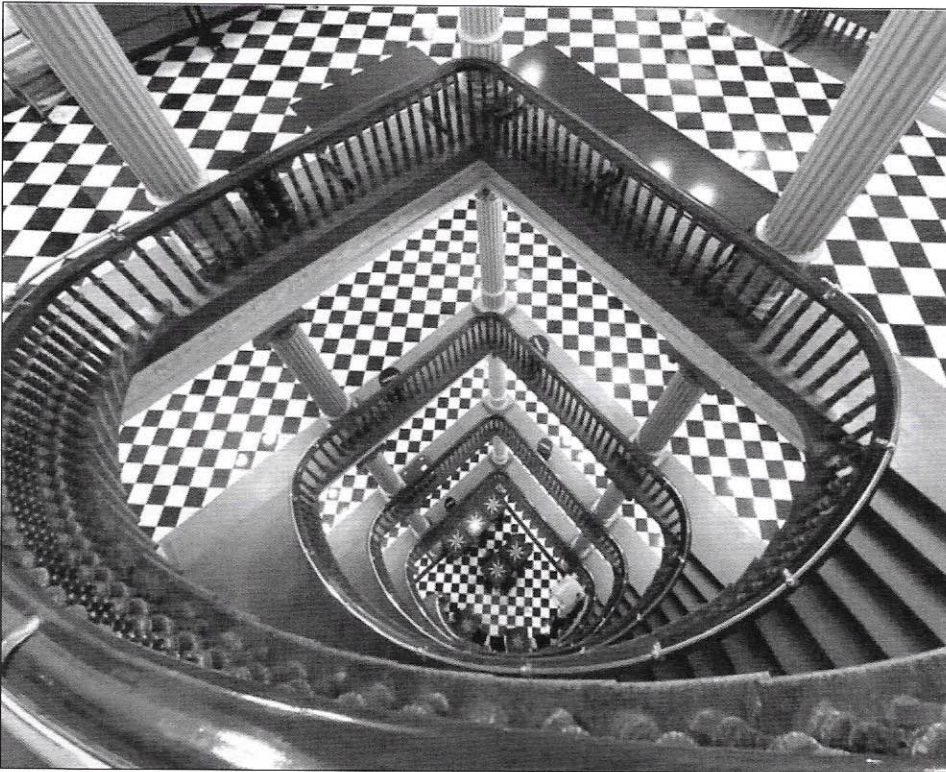
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Eisenhower Staircase

Digital Photography by Scott Fuller Stafford, Va., All Photography National Exhibit, February 2024.

Welcome to FCCA's new President Marilynn Deane Mendell

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Board positions available

The FCCA is still looking to fill some positions. Volunteer are needed for vice president, publicity, treasurer and hospitality. Contact Marilyn Mendell, FCCA President, for more information and to volunteer your talents. president@fccagallery.org

Members' Gallery changes

The 2024 Members' Gallery Exhibit Schedule has been revised. Jennifer Galvin moved to Oregon and will not be showing in June 2024. In her place will be a duo exhibit by Connie Canby and Janice Jones.

Show your love, help restore Silversmith House

FCCA members will call for your tax deductible donations this Valentine's Day, Feb. 14.

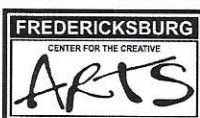
The Love the Silversmith House phonathon has a goal of \$6,000 this year, to fund restoration of the building's windows. If you miss the phone call, you can donate online at www.fccagallery.org. Click the donate button located on the lower half of the webpage. In-person donations are always welcome at 814 Sophia Street. Or you can call us at 540-373-5646. Cash, check and charge are accepted.



The "Silversmith House" c. 1785, has withstood the past 239 years, and we hope to preserve it for future generations as the place "where art and history meet."

The FCCA is an all-volunteer nonprofit 501 c (3) organization. Donations of materials and labor by certified technicians are always welcome as gifts-in-kind.

Three Thank You gifts of original Teresa Blatt framed artworks will be randomly drawn as prizes for three donors to the Love the Silversmith House fundraiser. Winners will be drawn and announced at 6 pm at the FCCA front desk on First Friday, March 1, and notified by phone if not present.



The Fredericksburg Center for the Creative Arts is a non-profit, all-volunteer 501 c (3) organization and a partner of the Virginia Museum of Fine Arts of Richmond. The FCCA presents new art exhibits each month, along with special programs and events, and art classes for all ages, to the Fredericksburg community. The FCCA is located in the Historic Silversmith

House, circa 1785, at 813 Sophia Street, Fredericksburg, Va. The center is open Monday, Thursday and Friday, noon to 4 p.m., Saturday, 11 a.m.-4 p.m. and Sunday, 1-4 p.m. First Friday, noon-8:30 p.m. The center is closed Tuesday and Wednesday. Established 1963. For more info, call 540-373-5646 or visit www.fccagallery.org.