

The Palette



North Perth Arts and Cultural Council Newsletter

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Our Vision:

to increase awareness, appreciation and support of arts and culture in the community of North Perth

Our Mission:

North Perth Arts and Culture Council promotes and supports arts and culture opportunities by:

- creating experiences for the community to appreciate arts and culture
 - providing educational opportunities to further assist the artist

Our Values:

Artistic expression, Creativity, Individuality Respect, Inspiration Integrity, Collaboration, Mentoring

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NPACC in midst of great year! Royal City Saxophone Quartet had toes tapping



The Royal City Saxophone Quartet, from Guelph, followed with a lively concert of Ragtime and Dixieland style music, presented to an enthusiastic audience. The highlight of the concert was a set of pieces celebrating the music of the Six Brown Brothers, an Ontario troupe of saxophone players who starred on the Vaudeville front for 20 years.

Quartet members, left to right: Larry Moser, Robert McWade, Area performers, Joan Moore of Listowel, and Phil Main of Wingham, started the first concert of the 2009 North Perth Arts series on a high note, when they opened for The Royal City Saxophone Quartet on April 19 at Theatre 3-11. This duo, having worked together in the past, presented a familiarity and home town spirit that had the audience settling in for a great afternoon of musical fun. Photo by Mark Robinson.



Ernie Kalwa, and Bradley Moggach, were impressed by the appreciative North Perth audience and the acoustics of Theatre 3-11. Thanks to Selinger's Music, of Listowel, for concert sponsorship. Photo by Gary Moon.

Paul's Odd Friends - a talented group



When a group of talented musicians gathers, beautiful music happens. 'Paul's Odd Friends', the second of the 2009 Concert Series, drew an appreciative audience to Theatre 3-11 on Sunday May 31st. Paul Dekker brought together an eclectic mix of local and area talent. Music styles ranged from Indie Rock, to Country, Folk and Jazz.

The concert included performances by Chris McIntosh, Arif Qureshi, Mitchell Dekker, Alex Mason, Karli Purcell, Brian McMurren, Agnes Marie Henderson, Alex ALejandria, Gord Evans and Morgan Evans. NPACC is grateful to J.H. Keeso and Sons Ltd. for sponsorship of this event. Photo by Mark Robinson.

An Evening with Brian McIntosh



Photo by Gary Moon

The concert on June 13th, An evening with Brian McIntosh, was a special event for North Perth Arts and Culture Council. In a generous offer, the internationally recognized bass/baritone Brian McIntosh and his wife Karen Shelstad, pianist, waived fees for their performance, making this a groundbreaking event to raise funds for the arts council. Held at Trinity United Church in Listowel, the concert drew a supportive and appreciative audience, and made for a memorable evening. Many of the audience commented on the high caliber of the performance, and indicated they would appreciate similar programs in the future. Proceeds from the evening will finance future events for North Perth Arts and Culture Council. Sincere

thanks to Lois Aitchison, of Stratford Memorials Ltd., Listowel, and TarBush Giller and Associates for sponsoring this event.

First Impressions Artists' Workshop

The bi-annual First Impressions Artists' Workshop on April 25 was well received with a dozen talented and enthusiastic local artists and hobbyists taking part in the hands-on experience.

Pat Turbitt, a local artist known for her skills in drawing with pencil, guided her group through the art of drawing faces with character. The range of images produced by those attending this workshop displayed a tremendous amount of talent.

Lorraine McDonald, from the Fergus area, presented a detailed program in the basics of watercolor painting. This program, geared to new comers to the medium, was full of great ideas and how-to-get-started techniques. Those attending this workshop were successful in completing a large watercolor project in one day.



Rosemary Galloway adds finishing touches to her 'face with character'. *Photo by Gary Moon*

The full day program also included a satisfying soup and sandwich lunch as part of the fee, which gave participants time to mingle with other attendees and reenergize to complete their projects in the afternoon.

North Perth Arts and Culture Council is planning to offer more workshops in the future. If you would like to see specific themes or media on the agenda, please let us know! Contact the council at info@northpertharts.ca or call 519 291 4167.

And... there's more to come!

North Perth Arts and Culture Council has had a terrific year to date. We're proud of the talent we have provided the community through our concerts and workshops. We have two more major events planned before year end:

- ▶ NPACC will present the children's art program again this summer from August 10-14. Look for the registration form in this newsletter for the *Summer Art Experience*. Registration is limited to 20 so be sure to get those forms to us as soon as possible!
- ▶ The final concert in our series will take place at *Theatre 3-11 on November 22 at 2:00 p.m.* This will be a Victorian Christmas program with *Waterloo County Carollers*. Wallace Township native, Carol Treitz, is a member of this group which was established in 1986. All carollers are professional singers who come together every Christmas season to 'make music'. Throughout the year they perform individually, both on the international and local front.
 - **Sentimental Journey**, a vocal group which performed locally for several years, etching themselves into the hearts of many, will be opening for this concert in a special reunion appearance!

NPACC welcomes Chris Moon to board of directors



Members of North Perth Arts and Culture Council were pleased to approve the nomination of Chris Moon as a member of the board of directors at the June meeting. Born and raised in Listowel, Chris has been working with Ideal Supply Company Ltd. for the past six years managing the Logistics Division.

Chris is a graduate of the Music Industry Arts Program at Fanshawe College. As a certified audio engineer and trained music producer, Chris applies his training in the company he established in 2005 and personally operates - This Dark Empire Records. The company manages the production, manufacture, promotion and distribution of recorded media through all valid sales channels throughout North America. He has worked with local artists including Chris Bray and Mozart Gelanis, and large-market bands including Off the Mark, Rivera, and Wide Awake, with credits in over 20 full length albums.

He is an active member of the association for producers and engineers (T.A.P.E.), and served on the board from 2001-2003.

In the charitable sector, Chris has worked on several projects, including an orchestral benefit CD with London Symphony Orchestra for the Wellspring project. His roles have included planning, promotion, and managing events featuring a variety of acts in a variety of markets, venue sizes and genres.

As for North Perth Arts and Culture Council, Chris sounds like our man! He brings invaluable expertise which will undoubtedly help our organization as we fulfill our mandate to promote and support arts and cultural opportunities in our area.

Central School's 'The Nightingale'

By Tyler Schaefer

On Tuesday, April 7, Listowel Central Public School's junior division treated the community to an evening of fantasy by presenting "The Nightingale." Taking the audience to ancient China, the grade 4-6 students explored the moral of staying true to who you are.

Based on the classic tale by famous children's writer, Hans Christian Andersen, "The Nightingale" tells the story of an emperor who hears of a wondrous nightingale and sends his courtiers to find the bird. All of China is wowed by the nightingale until a mechanical bird arrives and the court goggles at the created bird's jewels and steady rhythm. Feeling left out, the nightingale flees. All is fine in the empire until the mechanical bird breaks. Without the music to fill his soul, the emperor's life fades.

The musical used the talents of all students. Interested students auditioned for cast roles, while others participated through song and dance. Because of the narrative nature of this musical, the junior division pushed the bar higher than previous musicals in regards to set, props, costumes, and rehearsal. While the students certainly felt the struggles of trying to create an emotionally impacting performance, the reward could be easily viewed by their energy and pride following the show.



The Nightingale (Jill Schalk) dances and sings her song for the Imperial Court.



The Emperor (Emily Qureshi) contemplates the writing, which shares the beauty of the Nightingale, with her Chief of Staff (Delanie Pritchard) and the Imperial Physician

Katherine Kerr - a passion for dance

By Nicole Kaufman

The dream of becoming a professional dancer is one that many young girls aspire to while they parade around their homes as prima ballerinas. Listowel area native, Katherine Kerr, is one of those individuals who has made her childhood dream a reality. She is the daughter of Tom and Lynn Kerr.

A dancer since the age of three, Katherine has performed with two different dance companies - Performance One in Listowel and Encore Dance Studio in Elmira. Excelling in tap, jazz, ballet, and lyrical, Katherine's passion for dance sets her apart from her peers. Over her 13-year career she has won numerous scholarships and awards at dance competitions all over Ontario and one in the United States. Locally, she carried a role in Joseph and the Technicolor Dream Coat with Drayton Entertainment.

Katherine continues to be at the top of her dance category. Her most recent accomplishments include 1st overall as a senior soloist, 2nd overall senior soloist and 1st overall senior duet/trio. Although she does a variety of different styles, it is through her lyrical dances that she finds the most passion, creativity and enjoyment. Watching her perform, it's hard to imagine she can't commit as much time to dance as some of her competitors. It is the amount of heart she puts into her dance that shines through, both at practice and in performance.

Katherine has had opportunities to work with choreographers such as Blake McGrath (as seen on both 'So You Think You Can Dance' US and Canada), and

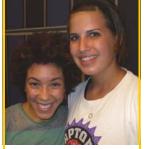
meet a number of dancers such as Sabra Johnson, Travis Wall and Jamie Goodwin, who have achieved acclaim on the hit television show 'So you Think You Can Dance'.

At the present time, Katherine is still dancing at a senior level with Encore in Elmira. In addition to her dance classes, she is an assistant instructor to the intermediate competitive class at the studio. She has one more year of classes at the competitive level, before moving onto her post secondary dreams and goals. Katherine says that dance will always be a part of her life. Although she may not be taking classes with Encore, she is hoping to be a proud and energetic member of the Wilfred Laurier competitive dance team, as she pursues a career in the legal field.

Dance is a way of life and in the case of Katherine it is clear that she has a natural love and passion for what she does. Because of this, she has the creative ability to explore different emotions, experience different movements and express herself through a medium that only a select few can achieve at a professional level.



Katherine and lyrical duet partner, Evan - 2009 - photo submitted



Katherine and 'So You Think You Can Dance' 2007 winner, Sabra Johnson - photo submitted

Local talent needed for Summer palooza!

The North Perth Chamber of Commerce and
Listowel Retail Merchants
are looking for
local artists to perform and display their work
in front of stores and throughout the downtown core
on Saturday, August 15
for the Listowel Festival - Summerpalooza

Contact: Tami Chauvin at tami@npchamber.com - 519-291-1551



This is the fourth of a four part series. See the September 2008, and January and April 2009 issues of The Palette on our website for the first three articles in the series.

How to promote yourself as an artist Part 4: The Value of Researching your Art Form

It goes without saying that whatever your art form, you need to master the basic techniques including composition, draftsmanship, perspective, craftsmanship, and other factors unique to your medium. To put yourself one level up from the rest of the field, it requires you, as an artist and creative person, investigate the variations and changes in your genre to find ways to use these to advance your creative expression. It's time to think outside the box, and move beyond your comfort zone.



Look to find ways that will set you apart from others. Once you feel confident in your art and the conception and execution of the idea, its time to put your personal style into your work. How do you differentiate your art from others in a similar school? Is it vision, color palette, theme, subject matter, presentation, or viewer response?

What factors caused other artists to veer away from the accepted norms in their chosen media? Impressionists were breaking away from the structure of the art schools and rigid rules to capturing real life subjects in their surrounds. This created controversy among artists, critics and the public as the artists moved away from classical themes as shown in the galleries and taught in the state schools. The move was away from studio controlled studies, to working outdoors (plein air), capturing the light of the moment, capturing the changing colors in nature, in the sky, or on the waves of the sea. Other shifts from accepted styles lead to new schools of art.

In the current age, there are too many gadgets to make art. Remember, the invention of the typewriter didn't make for better writers. What does this mean to you? Move away from your comfort zone. The easiest research involves a trip to the library or a few google sessions on the internet. The challenging research comes when you look around you. Visit artists in your area. Attend a studio tour, or gallery opening. Take time to talk to other artists. Explore not just the obvious, the art work in front of you for viewing, but the underlying details that make for a successful event.

The more you see and experience, the more you add to your personal visual vocabulary. It is from this store of unique knowledge you will grow and express your vision and emotion as a successful artist.

NPACC member artist displays work at Toronto juried art show

NPACC artist member Wesley Bates was selected to display his work in the juried Toronto Outdoor Art Show, in Nathan Philips Square on Queen Street West, July 10, 11 and 12. Seen here, just after the show opened, Wesley was pleased to report he had already sold some of his artwork. For more info **o**n the Toronto Show experience, visit www.torontooutdoorart.org.







Mozart Gelinas is a local musician with a life-long dedication and passion for performing. Mr. Gelinas, a Zurich ON native who moved to Listowel with his wife, Julie, in 2000, began performing professionally at the age of 14. A natural talent, he has mastered several instruments in his career with acoustic guitar, bass, banjo, saxophone and E-flat horn part of his repertoire.

Mozart joined his father's travelling family dance band at the age of 18 and remained a member for 32 years. The band saw

many changes over the years, including the progressive addition of each of Mozart's three children. Daughter, Amy Rau, a professional music teacher based in Zurich, recently received a NYC Cornerstone Award for her contribution to the Music for Young Children program. His son, Brian, is a Kitchener-Waterloo based sheet metal mechanic with a penchant for music and performing on the side. Youngest daughter, Chantel, is currently a costume designer with the Drayton Festival Theatre, working out of their Grand Bend location.

A veteran of the inaugural NPACC Concert Series where he opened for Ali Matthews and Rick Francis in April 2007, Mozart has recently issued his first full length album of his unique blend of folk, gospel, and traditional rock music. The album is available for purchase through Mozart's web-site at www.mozartgelinas.com or can be found on iTunes. Mozart credits his influences for the album to an eclectic group of performers ranging from Bruce Springsteen to Three Dog Night, Johnny Cash and John Denver.

Mozart currently resides in Listowel, with his wife Julie, and frequently plays various events at his church, work, and surrounding area."

www.NorthPerthArts.ca Have you visited our web site lately?

Access to NPACC news is available 24/7 on our website. Have a peak here and see which areas of the site might benefit you by visiting on a regular basis. The news section contains call for talent notices for artists, performers and musicians. Contact the webmaster by email at info@NorthPerthArts.ca. You're always welcome at NorthPerthArts.ca!



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Summer Art Experience 2009

North Perth Arts and Culture Council is offering a week-long summer art program to area youth. A similar program was offered last year, which offered a variety of courses, each focused on one form of artistic expression. This year, students will all receive instruction in five different mediums, based around one central theme: 'The Summer Garden', Instructors will approach the theme in a fun and creative manner.

notography, watercolour, and drawing will be offered again this year, with Gary Moon, Rosemary Galloway and Keith Devries respectively as instructors. New expressive modes include paper maché with Keith Devries, and collage with Janine Bakelaar. Artists will enroll for the entire week with all supplies being provided except for the digital camera. We encourage early enrollment, as class size is limited to 20.

Time: 9:30-4:00 with a supervised lunch Location: Central Public School

Cost: \$150.00 per student; \$125.00 for each additional family member

Age: 10-15

- Digital camera any model acceptable
- Creative enthusiasm
 A posput free lunch





UpcomingArts and Cultural Events

JUNE THROUGH OCTOBER June 07 to September 27

Gallery Stratford Perth Huron Juried Art Show

This exhibition opens at 9:00 am daily 54 Romeo Street, Stratford ON Contact Christine Lee at 519-271-5271

Saturdays ending September 5

Listowel Farmers' Market

Locally grown produce, fresh baking, hand crafted items North East Corner of Municipal Parking lot on Main St. E., between Ward and Uptigrove and Canada Trust Contact: Tami Chauvin 519-291-1551

July and August, Mondays and Wednesdays

Listowel School of Dance

Summer Dance Intensive for the Working Girl

Senior open modern class and Junior and Senior ballet classes

Contact Miss Jane at 519-807-7105

July 25 ~ 7:30 p.m.

Artists Marie Assad, Marilyn Bridge and Tami Martin Singer/Songwriter Dale Nikkle

At the open house for Studio Factor, a new artistic venue operated by Donna Hirtle.

24 Wood Street, Drayton (former Public Library) Contact Donna at 519-638-2689

August 5, 2009 ~ 7:00 p.m.

An Evening of Musical Perspectives -

Celebrating the Gifts of our Brothers and Sisters

Featuring: Paul Haslam and Michael Park on hammered dulcimer and frailing banjo, John Somosi with native drumming and song, Becky Reesor on solo piano Refreshments to follow.

Listowel Mennonite Church

Contact Becky at 291-3293 for information

August 7 to season's end

Blyth Festival Art Gallery Exhibition 'Rural Roots'

Works by 16 talented artists from the Stratford collective, Gallery 96, featuring paintings, metal, sculpture, fibre and other media.

Contact Robert Tetu at 519-345-2184

August 10 - 14

NPACC Summer Art Experience for Youth See registration form in this newsletter

August 15

Listowel Festival "Summerpalooza"

Various artists will be performing and displaying their talents outside local businesses in downtown Listowel Presented by North Perth Chamber of Commerce and Listowel Retail Merchants

Contact: Tami Chauvin 519-291-1551

August 17-21

Listowel School of Dance Summer Dance and Drama Camp

Ages 4-9 9:00 a.m. to noon Ages 19 and up ~ 1:00 to 4:00 p.m. No dance experience required Contact Miss Jane at 519-807-7105

July 29, September 9 ~ 7:00 - 9:00 p.m.

Dianne McEwan hosts Spiritual Book Club Meeting

July 29: Discussion of "The Divine Matrix" by Gregg Braden September 9: Discussion of "The Shack" by William Paul Young

At The Bookery ~ Bookstore and Coffee Bar 272 Main St. E. Listowel To register call Debb at 519-291-4996

July 22, Aug. 20 and 27, Sept. 10 and 24 6:00 - 10:00 p.m.

Sandra Waytowich, Spirit Drawings

At The Bookery ~ Bookstore and Coffee Bar 272 Main St. E. Listowel For information call Debb at 519-291-4996

October 1-3 and 8-10 ~ 8:00 p.m.

Salt Water Moon by David French

Theatre 3-11 311 Main St. E., Listowel Call 519-291-2033 for tickets

October 23 ~ 7:00 p.m.

Lieutenant-Colonel John Conrad, former Listowel resident, sharing his story as chronicled in 'What the thunder said: reflections of a Canadian officer in Kandahar' Wine and cheese reception - meet the author Presented by Friends of North Perth Library at Theatre 3-11, Listowel Call 519-291-2235 for information

October 24 ~ 2:00 p.m.

Ian Crawford's Magic of Reading-Detective Show Interactive magic show for the entire family to enjoy Presented by Friends of North Perth Library at Listowel District Secondary School Gym Call 519-291-2235 for information

Neighbourly News



Your party line connection to what is happening with the Harriston-Minto Arts Council and the Saugeen Artists Co Op.

Harriston-Minto Arts Council

www.mintoartscouncil.ca

Minto Heritage Gallery

Atop the Library in Harriston Hours: Tuesdays 7-9 pm

Thursday and Friday 2-4 and 7-9 pm Saturday 11:00 am to 1:00 pm

September 11 - October 31st Exhibit Linda Glass-Ward: My View of the Country Linda is an accomplished artist who farms near Clifford.

Saturday September 26 Art Bus Tour

Hop on the bus early in the morning and spend the day visiting art galleries in London. For details go to the website

Basement Café Concerts

The Basement Café Concerts are presented in the basement of the Harriston Public Library. For tickets go to the website or call 519-327-8529, 519-338-3756

Saturday September 12, 8:00 pm My Sweet Patootie: Sandra Swannell and Terry Young

With humour-driven lyrics, swinging acoustic strings and hot vocal harmonies, this duo is tighter than last year's swimsuit! They are the "li'l big band" that's busy ripping up the peapatch with their "hayseed jazz" whenever they aren't touring with Canadian Folk Music Award winning roots group Tanglefoot.

saugeen Artists Coop

www.saugeenartists.ca

Friday July 24: 4 to 10 p.m.

Saturday July 25: 10 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. 3rd Annul Saugeen Artists' CoOp Art Show and Tell

Approximately 20 local artisans will display their jewellery, stained glass, paintings, sculpture, photography, leatherwork, glass art and pottery. Wine and refreshments on Friday evening. Meet and speak with artists on Saturday. Located at I.W.A. Hall, 405, 10th Street, Hanover.

For more information go to the website.

Musicians! Here's a thought!

A recent Ontario Arts Council newsletter invited submissions of examples of artistic programming which enhances audience participation. More info on the webpage www.arts.on.ca

Meirion Kelly submitted this idea: "I am an independent jazz musician and own and operate a small rehearsal space and perform in various groups in the Toronto area. Last week I put together a small gathering of people at my space for a 'listening soiree.' The concept was simple: bring along a jazz recording on vinyl and we would listen together and provide insight into the various recordings. It was a great success, going long into the night, with the flavor of 'poker night' with no cards.

"There is something to be said for the social aspect of listening that I think we have completely lost with the development and popularity of iPods and directed broadcasts. These methods of experiencing music are very isolating I believe and human encounters really need to be reintroduced when experiencing music. I intend to use these soirees as way of cultivating an audience base for my own projects, recordings and concerts."

NPACC MEMBERSHIP

Artists, and members of the public, interested in arts and culture in our community, are welcome to become members of NPACC by linking to the 'become a member' button on the left side of our website at:

www.NorthPerthArts.ca

or call Brenda Kaufman: 291-4167 or Gary Moon 291-2583

Membership is free and ensures you receive information about upcoming events by receiving this newsletter, as well as occasional updates via email.

Members are entitled to submit information about arts and cultural events on the webpage and in the newsletter, in accordance with NPACC guidelines.

To submit for <u>newsletter</u> email: <u>the maclennans@wightman.ca</u>
To submit for the <u>website</u> email: <u>info@NorthPerthArts.ca</u>

North Perth Arts and Culture Council

presents



Summer Art Experience 2009 For Youth Aged 10-15

"The Summer Garden"

Creative expression of this theme will be explored through a different medium each day: photography, watercolour, drawing, paper maché and collage Instructors: Gary Moon, Rosemary Galloway, Keith Devries, Janine Bakelaar



August 10-14, 2009

9:30 am to 4:00 pm with lunch supervision
Central Public School, Listowel
\$150 per student: \$125 for each additional family member
Ages 10-15
All supplies provided except digital camera

This program is made possible through the generosity of Listowel businesses: MacKenzie Optometric Services Ltd., Schaefer's Financial Consultants Inc., and Christin Dennis Photography, Custom Framing, and Fine Art Gallery

Further information: * Call Brenda Kaufman 519-291-4167
* visit our website: NorthPerthArts.ca where this registration form is posted

Please

- Digital camera any model acceptable
- **bring:** Peanut free lunch

- Creative enthusiasm
- Sunscreen and hat

Registration Form

- If you are registering more than one child, please send a separate registration form for each child.
- You may include one cheque to cover more than one registrant in your family, provided the registration forms are clipped together with the cheque.
- Class size is limited to 20: payment will be returned if class is full when we receive your registration or if less than 5 students register.
- A waiver absolving North Perth Arts and Culture Council from legal responsibility will be sent prior to start date, and is to be brought to the first class.
 - Please include cheque for total registration fees with this form and mail to:
 North Perth Arts and Culture Council
 C/O Brenda Kaufman

650 Park Ave. N. Listowel ON N4W 3C1 (payable to North Perth Arts and Culture Council)

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