



ART in ACTION

NEWSLETTER

NOVEMBER—DECEMBER 2007

Jazz

Christmas

Concert

Dec. 2,

2:30 pm

Festival of

Trees

Concert

with

A Cappella

Plus

Dec. 14

7:00 pm

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The Old School House
**Arts
CENTRE**

Calendar Celebrates 20th Anniversary

We are pleased to introduce the first calendar produced by The Old School House Arts Centre. The idea has been brewing for a few years, and, as 2008 marks the 20th Anniversary of the opening of the Art Centre, the time is now right. Although TOSH Coordinator, Corinne James, designed the finished product, many people were involved. The calendar has been created with the 2007 Grand Prix d'Art Artists' outstanding paintings of picturesque locations in Qualicum Beach.

The 14th annual Grand Prix d'Art was held on July 28, 2007. Forty artists from Vancouver Island as well as the greater Vancouver area left their studios to convene in Qualicum Beach for a day of painting "en plein air". The Grand Prix d'Art is, indeed, a "race". Competing artists have to complete a work of art in the space of three hours. Each artist is assigned a zone in Qualicum Beach by lottery. The work has to represent or be inspired by some thing visible from the assigned location. The winners are



The Calendar is dedicated to all the volunteers of TOSH over the past 20 years.

determined by a panel of three judges. The 2007 Judges were Dan Gray (the 2006 Grand Prix d'Art winner) and artists John Barton and Sally Laidlaw.

Ivor Cohen took the photos of each painting so that they could be transferred to the calendar. Sandy Gray and Rusty Joerin submitted photos of the artists in action. All of these elements were put together to create a beautiful souvenir of Qualicum

Beach and TOSH.

The calendar is available for a \$20.00 donation (\$1.00 for each year TOSH has been open) or 5 for \$85.00 so that you can send it to friends and family this holiday season.

The donations will support our ongoing programs, such as education, exhibitions and music, and enable us to continue our policy of extremely accessible pricing on all of our presentations.



Dan Gray, cover artist

Another Banner Year at TOSH

It is time again to reflect on the successes of The Old School House Arts Centre and thank the community for its support. TOSH has become the standard for many other communities that would like to create a similar venue in their town. I am continually asked for the recipe for our outstanding Art Centre. Quite simply, It boils down to enthusiastic volunteers

and a community that appreciates and participates in our programming.

The Board of Directors continues to encourage top-quality, professional artists and musicians for exhibitions, art classes and concerts. The Old School House Arts Centre patrons know they are going to experience the best that the area can offer each time they walk through our doors.

Thank you to all...

Corinne James, Coordinator



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Clive Powsey, Watercolourist

October 15 to November 12

Clive Powsey

Clive has been an artist by occupation since graduating from the Ontario College of Art in 1980. He has exhibited fine art paintings—primarily watercolour—on a regular basis and worked for many years as a commercial artist. Clive is a keen frequenter of the out-of-doors and an admirer of nineteenth century watercolour landscape painting. He enjoys the straightfor-

ward application of paint to paper that is inherent in watercolour. The Comox Valley, where he now lives, with its mountains, rivers, vapors and remaining forests is an ideal location for bringing together these interests. In the Brown and Volunteer Galleries

Basma Kavanaugh is exhibiting in the Dorothy Francis Gallery



Clive Powsey, one of Vancouver Island's top Watercolourists



Draw or Paint Models in Costume
Every 3rd Thursday in the month
Next session Nov. 15
9:00—1:00
\$10.00

A CELEBRATION OF COLOUR

November 12 to December 3



Linda Skalenda in The Volunteer Gallery
Carmen Gerhing in The Dorothy Francis Gallery



A Group Show In The Brown Gallery



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Celebration of Colour Exhibition

November 12 to December 3

Opening Reception :

Wednesday, Nov. 14th 7-9pm

During these drab months just before winter we need to be reminded of how colourful our world can be. Join us in a **Celebration of Colour** with a wonderful mixture of mediums and artists with one thing in common: a love of **COLOUR**. Enjoy artists: Donna Horn, Sara Wiens, Elizabeth Cox,

Carla Weaver, Eumi Conacher, Antonia Olak, Joanna Rogers, Debra Thomlinson, Therese Johnston, Maurice Nicolson, Lorraine Buckrell and Maureen Karagianis. in The Brown Gallery

Linda Skalenda

Linda's use of interesting perspectives and excitingly vibrant colour as well as the passion that she puts into all of her

works make you stop in your tracks to take a second look. She loves to lead you on a journey into her paintings. In the Volunteer Gallery

Carmen Gerhing

"My art is alive and growing and changing with me. My paintings take on, as their subject matter, the people I meet and the places I visit..." In the Dorothy Francis Gallery

A Cappella Plus
Christmas Concert
December 14

7pm



The Festival of Trees

This year's Festival of Trees will present even more seasonal treats. As always, the Christmas trees will be beautifully decorated by participating charities, and anyone—with a donation of a toonie (which goes into a pool for all the charities)—can cast a vote for his/her favourite tree. We will also have professionally decorated wreaths to bid on and, as a new

feature, winter paintings exhibited by local artists will be included in the silent auction (again, with all proceeds going to the charities).

The event will wind up with a special concert featuring the wonderful voices of *A Cappella Plus*. Seating will be amongst the festive trees. Tickets are available for \$10.00, with all proceeds again

December 4 to 15

going to the charities involved in the Festival of Trees.



Music On Sunday: November-December

November 4 Celtic: Triska!

Calvin Cairns-fiddle, voice, concertina Paul O'Brien-guitar, voice, bodhran. Boris Sichon-percussion, multiple instruments A high energy trio comprised of Irish musicians and a mesmerizing Ukrainian multi-instrumentalist.

November 11 Classical:

Brenda Fedoruk - flute David Vandereyk - piano Brenda performs as Principal Flute of the Vancouver Opera Orchestra and Second Flute and Piccolo with the CBC Radio Orchestra. David is a piano faculty member at Capilano

College and a very active soloist and collaborative pianist in numerous festivals and series throughout B.C..

November 18 Classical:

UVic Young Artists: Dylan Phillips - Piano, Jacqui Sullivan-clarinet and Jayden Leung-cello Working with the University of Victoria, we continue to feature outstanding students and recent graduates of the UVic School of Music.

November 25 Classical:

Johanna Hauser-clarinet and Anna

Levy-piano. Johanna is a highly respected Vancouver chamber musician and a member of the Vancouver Inter-Cultural Orchestra. Anna holds her Doctorate of Musical Arts from The Moscow .

December 2 Christmas Jazz

Nick McGowan-tenor saxophone, Ron Hadley-piano, Rick Kilburn-bass, Kelby MacNayr-drums The sequel to the capacity crowd yuletide concert sensation of three years ago. Favourite tunes of the season by yet another great quartet.



All tickets can be purchased at TOSH or by phone

Concerts are held from 2:30 to 4:30

Music on Sunday: Winter 2008



That's right... Borgy is back!

Get your tickets early for the January 13 opening

concert of the Winter, 2008 Music On Sunday series.

Winter series tickets on sale SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 25 2:00 PM

at which time the full winter schedule will be available at the Reception Desk

12 great, eclectic concerts beginning on January 13 with inimitable banjo man Borgy Borgerson playing and singing those old time

and Dixie favourites with Victoria clarinet legend Al Pease and former Glenn Miller Orchestra bassist Joey Smith. The series runs every Sunday (except Easter) up to and including April 6.

TOSH JAZZ CLUB

Weekly Live Jazz Happy Hour.

With guitarist Jim Kilburn and pianist Ron Hadley (and guest musicians)

Classes start January 28, 2008

Member price: \$100.00
Non-Member price \$110.00

Mondays

January 28 to March 17

Peggy Burkosky

9:30 - 12:00 Watercolour

1:00 - 3:30 Drawing

Tuesdays

January 29 to March 18

Peggy Burkosky

9:30 - 12:00 Watercolour

1:00 - 3:30 Watercolour

Wednesdays

January 30 to March 19

Merv Brandel

9:30 - 12:00 Oil & Acrylic

Thursdays

January 30 to March 20

Ivor Cohen

9:30 - 12:00 Basics Watercolour

Joan Larson

1:00 - 3:30 Pastel

Fridays

Life Drawing Sessions

Jan 11 to May 16

10:00 am to 1:00 pm

\$10.00 drop in



Classes for all levels

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Please support TOSH
and the
Grand Prix d' Art
Buy a calendar.

Resident Artist News



TOSH is saying goodbye to longtime Resident Artist, Maureen Walker. She and her husband will be building a new home on Saltspring Island. Maureen's wonderful paintings on silk will be missed, and we wish her all the best.

Lynn Orriss will be returning to Studio Nine after a hiatus

and a successful stint as a Gift Shop Artist.

Nana Cook will be sharing Linda Skalenda's Studio. Drop by to welcome her.

Patricia Carroll will be the Monday Gift Shop Artist and Cindy Mawle will be in the Gift Shop on Tuesdays. We are pleased to welcome these two

exciting artists to TOSH. If you are interested in a weekly or biweekly opportunity to paint, meet the public as well as other volunteers and pass an enjoyable day at TOSH, **please call Corinne: 752-6133 to enquire.**



The Volunteer Tea
Saturday,
March 1, 2008
2 pm



Resident
Artists'

Christmas
Open House
December 8
1:00 to 4:00

Eat, drink and be merry...
Maybe buy a little art...

Volunteer Voice by Arlene Angelo

Whenever I am in my hometown of Saskatoon visiting Mom, I stop into the Mendel Art Gallery. This October I was fortunate enough to experience an installation by Graeme Patterson, a Sask. artist who, through sculpture, animation and video, has defined his hometown of Woodrow, Sask. His work held my attention for over an hour.

Another wing presented an early collection of illustrations by Ernie Lindner for a 1948 book. Mr. Lindner was my art teacher in high school. Every week I would cross the river from Nutana to Saskatoon Tech for two wonderful hours. Being from "the old school", Ernie would have us take pencil in hand and draw cubes, cones etc., and occasionally supervise a trip to an alley to draw garbage cans and such. He believed in the necessities

of drawing before applying paint. Lindner was also instrumental in the well-known Emma Lake sessions.

Ivor Cohen recently lent me two books by John Fowles. One was "Aristos", which contains several chapters on Fowles' definitions of art and the artist. He says an artist is someone who uses his abilities to create for three reasons:

- 1] to describe the outer world.
- 2] to express his/her feelings of that outer world.
- 3] to express his/her feelings about him/herself.

This third principal only came about in the last couple of centuries.

We endeavor to continue to please you and always appreciate your input.



Plan to join us for a
20th Anniversary Celebration

FEBRUARY 27, 7 PM

Featuring artists from the past 20 years



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