

Alberta Community Art Clubs Association

<http://www.acaca.ab.ca>



Youth: Sofia Capettini, "Continuance", Lacombe, AB

President's Message

What a year it has been! I officially became President of ACACA late in 2014. It has been a busy nine months for me and I want to thank all of you who are volunteering for your many hours of time consuming efforts, whether it is on the board or within the committees. Ads have been placed in a number of newspapers to canvas for volunteers for the empty Board of Directors positions which we desperately need to fill. We have come up with someone to fill the positions of Vice-President, (Jean Warren of Thorhill), Treasurer, (Anne McMahon of Duchess), and Communications Committee Chair (Betty Dean of Edmonton). Another position that we need filled is the Exhibit Committee Chair.

Along with promoting each other with all the shows, workshops and tasks done to keep going each year, we need more volunteers on the various committees to help make the Board and the ACACA like 'a finely tuned engine'.

ACACA is an important Association, with approximately 165 individual members and 13 clubs. This encompasses

all of Alberta and, with the three zones segregated into their distinct Juried Zone shows, we bring to the table a wide variety of art including paintings, digital, mixed media and sculpture.



As you are aware, this year, we added a sculpture category and we hope to see this, as well as the digital art category, continue to grow in the years ahead. There was even an award given for mixed media, which is fantastic.

I was lucky enough to be able to attend all three Zone Shows, the Alberta Wide Show and this past week, the opening of the Alberta Spirit at the VAA. There were beautiful paintings, digital art, mixed media and sculpture to enjoy. It is my wish to see more of the sculpture, mixed media, and digital art entered next year.

This year, we had a larger than ever youth membership and they were well

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represented in the Alberta Wide Show, as the jurors wanted to send a message that it is important that we promote the next generation of artists in the ACACA; their display filled one of the cases at the college. I believe you join me in being overwhelmed for the uplifting praise the Youth Category received through this jurying process. As hired, knowledgeable artists with jurying and critiquing expertise, we must accept and respect any decisions they have made in this regard.

It is important that within this next month, we find art clubs to host the Zone shows so that once again we have all three zones represented. We need to get out there and try and sell this to the various clubs who are members.

In closing, I feel honored to serve as President for one more year and want to thank

all of the members of the Executive, the Board of Directors, Host Clubs, the Red Deer College for their hospitality, the VAA for hosting the Alberta Spirit Show in Edmonton and, all of you as artists for believing in the ACACA. I must say, if there are any artists who are members of ACACA and have a membership in a club who is not a member of ACACA, please encourage these clubs to do so. It is beneficial to member clubs to host Zone Shows each year, thus getting their name out there in the communities and the Province.

Let's grab those newly updated brochures and get out and work together over the next year.

Sincerely,

Linda LaRochele-Wilson

Linda LaRochele-Wilson,
ACACA President

Check us out on Facebook @
<https://www.facebook.com/groups/acaca.ab/>

Dinosaur Paint Out

The ACACA Southern Zone Paint Out was held at Dinosaur Park August 17-21. We had four Artists camping in the park and some of the Sage Brush Artist visited.

We had a good time despite the unseasonable wet weather, held two critiques and helped each other. We are planning another one for next summer.

*Submitted by
Penny Volk*

**Thank
you
Sage
Brush
Arts
Society!**

Great news! The Sage Brush Arts Society is once again hosting the Southern Zone Show, to be held in Brooks the first weekend in May.

Help Build Our Membership

The Alberta Community Art Clubs Association aims at uniting, serving and networking with artists throughout the province. Our goals are to foster and maintain instruction in art and to develop an interest in the knowledge of art and culture in the communities throughout the province.

ACACA fills a unique niche in promoting the arts in the province of Alberta by sponsoring three juried art shows annually, hosted by art clubs from different communities each year.

- the southern zone show – south of Highway 9
- the central zone show – between Highways 16 and 9
- the northern zone show – north of Highway 16

The works of art are critiqued at the conclusion of each show, providing encouragement and learning experiences, in an environment that encourages new ideas, networking, and goodwill. Paintings are then juried again at the Alberta Wide Show. The Alberta Wide Show location may change every year, dependant on what buildings are available. Awards are presented annually for each Zone show and the Alberta Wide Show. Winners from the Alberta Wide Show are hung in a smaller gallery as the Alberta Spirit show. ACACA owns a permanent collection of award winning works, which are purchased from the artist every year.

There are several membership categories, including youth, beginners, intermediate, advanced, masters, signature, digital and sculpture. Details of each category are posted on the ACACA website.

Benefits of membership in the ACACA include:

- juried exhibitions and critiques
- workshops and paint outs
- scholarships and awards
- newsletter, including free advertising for members in our newsletter.

An application form is included in this newsletter. Feel free to make copies to share!

For more information go to ur website: <http://acaca.ab.ca/>



ARTISTRY BOUTIQUE

<https://www.artistryboutique.com/art>

It's about the Art! Think it, Breathe it, Paint it

Artistry Boutique is a community website, just about to have it's hard launch with the first 200 memberships free for the first year. It is a great site and all who I have talked to believe it is "high time" that all arts are clustered under one umbrella.

Linda LaRochelle-Wilson

*Check out
the Alberta
Foundation
for the Arts
(AFA) website
[www.affa.
ab.ca](http://www.affa.ab.ca). It is
well worth a
visit any time
with photos of
many of their
art works.*

*Visual Arts
Alberta
(visualart-
salberta.
com) pro-
vides lots of
information
for artists -
check it out!*

2016 Zone Shows

Hosting a Zone Show is a lot of work, but a wonderful opportunity to showcase your art club to your community. You will get to know artist colleagues and introduce artists from your zone to your neighbours.

In 2015 the Southern Zone Show was part of a larger festival gaining a wider audience. They included performing artists and potters creating a lively event. The Northern Zone Show featured two workshops encouraging people to be actively involved and get their hands dirty!

It is up to us to blow our own horns and reveal that there is more to Alberta than hockey!

Contact any board member to sign up your club for 2016.

Visual Arts Alberta presents ALBERTA SPIRIT

Award-winning art by community artists from across Alberta, featuring everything from paintings to digital and sculptural works.

The exhibited artworks were created by members of the Alberta Community Art Clubs Association. The pieces were judged in a variety of categories, from youth and beginner adult, to signature members, at three zone shows held this spring, as well as at the Alberta-Wide Exhibit at Red Deer College this summer.

Award-winners from all four shows will be displayed at the Alberta Spirit Show until Nov. 28.

Exhibition Dates:

October 1 to November 28, 2015

Opening Reception

Thursday, October 1st from 7 to 9:30 pm

Location:

*VISUAL ARTS ALBERTA ~ CARFAC
3rd Floor, 10215-112 STREET
EDMONTON, AB*

Gallery Hours:

*WED-FRI 10-4 + SAT 12 -4
Closed Remembrance Day*



ALBERTA COMMUNITY ART CLUBS ASSOCIATION INDIVIDUAL WORKSHOP GRANT

The purpose of this grant is to offer individual members of the Alberta Community Art Clubs Association \$400.00 to assist in furthering their knowledge and education within the field of Fine Arts.

Only three grants will be available annually and only to members in good standing with the Alberta Community Art Clubs Association. Selection will be based on the member's merit and eligibility within their field of study as well as their involvement within the Alberta Community Art Clubs Association. Members who have received any other scholarships or grants through the A.C.A.C.A. within the past year are not eligible. This grant application excludes the Executive and Directors of the Alberta Community Art Clubs Association.

To apply for this Grant, members must submit the following:

- personal statement as to why they are applying and how the grant will be used;
- curriculum vitae or biography;
- 5 slides or photographs of their work; **please include a self-addressed stamped envelope** for the return of photos

A panel of three from outside the ACACA will review applications.

Upon receipt of their grant, successful candidates must:

- use the funds within a 12 month period.
- provide the ACACA with an article to be printed in the newsletter about their experience and use of the grant.

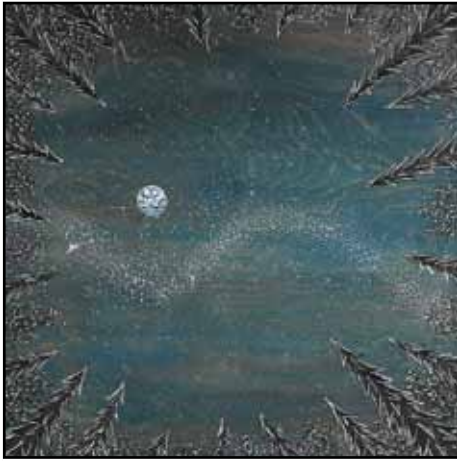
Application deadline is midnight, October 31st. Applications received after this date will not be accepted.

Successful recipients will be notified in writing by December 31.

Address all submissions to:

ACACA- Individual Workshop Grant
C/o Visual Arts Alberta Association
3rd Floor, Harcourt House
10215— 112 Street
Edmonton, AB T5K 1MJ

Questions may be directed to: President of ACACA (linlarochelle@shaw.ca)



*Beginners: Tyner Lee, "Starry Night",
Camp Creek, AB*



*Margaret Seelye Award: Trish Acres,
"Lemon", Barrhead, AB*



*Martha Houston Award: Penny Lamnek,
Shimeji "tastes like dirt", Boyle AB*



*Jen Stephenson Award: Jean Warren,
"Flanders Field", Thorhild, AB*



*Sculpture: Rita Wildschiet, "Little Old
Lady", Brooks, AB*



*Signature Award: Susan Barker, "Ruth's
Jardiniere", Red Deer, AB*



*Mixed Media Award: Laurie Bentz,
"Galore", Barrhead, AB*



Harry Wohlfarth Drawing Award: Chelsea Halbert, "Untitled", Lacombe, AB



Hildur Sherbeck Award: Glenice Wilson, "Out of the Blue", Barrhead, AB



President's Award: Lana Michelin, "Haleakalala", Red Deer, AB



Digital: Joe Williams, "Baby T-Rex", Barrhead, AB



Lillian Nunn Award: Jean Warren, "What Lies Beneath", Thorhild, AB

"Art is not what you see, but what you make others see."

- Edgar Degas



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FACULTY OF EXTENSION LILLIAN NUNN SCHOLARSHIP

The Lillian Nunn scholarships are funded by the interest portion of monies bequeathed to the Faculty of Extension at the University of Alberta by the late Mrs. Lillian Nunn of Lacombe, an A.C.A.C.A. member who died in 1982.

It was Lillian Nunn's wish that her bequest be used to provide scholarships to A.C.A.C.A. members 50 years of age or older, and that the selection of scholarship winners be at the sole discretion of the Faculty of Extension. Scholarships will be awarded annually, in an amount not less than \$300.00, to assist recipients with expenses to further their art or art education.

Individuals may be awarded a Lillian Nunn Scholarship by one of two methods:

- 1) 'The instructors of the Faculty of Extension Pine Arts Program will submit the names and portfolios of persons who have excelled in these courses and who meet the age and A.C.A.C.A. membership requirements. These portfolios will consist of five (5) pieces of work** completed within the last 1-2 years.
- 2) A.C.A.C.A. members who meet the age requirement, but are not enrolled in a Faculty of Extension Fine Arts Program may apply for a scholarship by completing an application form and submitting a portfolio of five (5) pieces of work** completed within the last 1-2 years directly to the Lillian Nunn Scholarship Application do Liberal Studies, Faculty of Extension, University of Alberta, 2-200 Enterprise Square, 10230 Jasper Avenue, Edmonton, AB, T5J 4P6.

Application forms are also available at the following address:

Lillian Nunn Scholarship Application
c/o Liberal Studies
Faculty of Extension, University of Alberta AB
2 - 200 Enterprise Square
10230 Jasper Avenue
Edmonton, AB
T5J 4P6

The deadline for submission of applications is JULY 15th ANNUALLY.
Members of the Faculty of Extension academic staff will jury portfolios. All scholarships recipients will be notified directly from the U of A Extension Fine Arts Program.

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Renewal New Year _____**CLUB MEMBERSHIP REGISTRATION FORM**

Club Name _____

Art Club Membership Fee: \$30. _____

Address _____

*Note: Club Membership entitles the club to apply for an
ACACA Workshop Grant and to Host a Zone Show*

Postal Code _____

Zone: Check One

Phone _____

- Northern - North of highway 16
 Central - Between highways 16 and 9
 Southern - South of highway 9

Email _____

*Donations are greatly appreciated. Receipts will
be issued for amounts \$10 or over.*

Club contact _____

Total donation enclosed _____

Total enclosed _____

Cash Draft Cheque # _____

Mail to: *Grace Prospero
10-5601 42 Street
Red Deer, AB
T4N 1B9*

Phone: 403.347.2045
 Cell: 403.307.1539
 Email: gprosperoart@hotmail.com

*Please send a self addressed stamped envelope
if a membership card and receipt are required.*

*Note: A Club Membership does not entitle any member
of the club to enter a Zone Show, only an Individual
ACACA Membership does.*

Painters, illustrators, print-makers, sculptors, digital and multi-media artists are welcome. Be involved by hosting the Juried Zone Shows each year in Southern, Central and Northern Alberta, the Alberta Wide show in Red Deer and the Alberta Spirit show in Edmonton at the VAA. Winning artists receive certificates for art that is selected by the jurors to go on to the next level.

Becoming a member club makes your club more visible throughout the Province. Art clubs that host Zone shows receive help from the President and Zone rep. As well, we have an instruction manual which has all the forms and information needed.

Member clubs may also be eligible for an ACACA grant to host various workshops.

Check out the website at www.acaca.ab.ca for more information.

WELCOME ABOARD!



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INDIVIDUAL MEMBERSHIP REGISTRATION FORM

Name _____

Address _____

Postal Code _____

Phone _____

Email _____

Zone: Check One Northern - North of highway 16
 Central - Between highways 16 and 9
 Southern - South of highway 9

Individual Membership Fee: \$30. _____

Youth Fee: (Ages 15-18) \$10. _____

Category: (Check one if known)

- Youth
- Beginner
- Intermediate
- Advanced
- Master
- Signature
- Digital
- Sculpture

*Donations are greatly appreciated.
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Total donation enclosed _____

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 T4N 1B9

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Please send a self addressed stamped envelope if a membership card and receipt are required.

Note: To be eligible to enter a Zone Show, your Individual Membership must be postmarked no later than February 28.

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Sign up for the various workshops, receive a quarterly newsletter, and/or join with other artists to form a club. Members may also qualify for a scholarship or grant.

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