



MY QUIET PLACE
Joyce Boyer, Edmonton, AB
Signature, Mixed Media

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CREATING PATHWAYS for ALBERTA ARTISTS!

We acknowledge that we are on the Ancestral Territory of the First Nations People, the traditional home, meeting grounds, gathering place, and traveling route for all the many First Nations, Metis and Inuit whose footsteps have marked these lands for centuries.

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

ACACA – “Creating Pathways for Artists in Alberta”

Hello Everyone!

Summer is here! The VIBE Show is in the books for another year. All pieces of art and all the winners can be viewed on our website. All three Zone Shows are complete. I was lucky to be able to attend all of them, and I so enjoyed all the art. I am always amazed at the beautiful variety and talent we have here in Alberta. We paint the people, the fauna, all the flora and landscapes throughout our lovely province! It is wonderful to see.

I hope this Newsletter finds you all well and enjoying these warmer days.

The Alberta Wide Show, being sponsored by the Alberta Society of Artists in Calgary, is readying their gallery for our show. We will be setting up the show for jurying on August 4th, after the jury has made their decisions as to winners and which pieces will stay in the show! Then the final hanging for the show will take place, and the ACACA Alberta Wide will be presented to the public. Viewing will be throughout August, Wednesday through Saturday. (Elevators to the gallery on the second floor of the building will only be running Wednesday and Thursday). Good Luck to all Artists with pieces going to Calgary!

The Final Day of the Show and the AGM is on August 30th. We will have our critique and the AGM on that day. After the critique there will be the awards handouts. Also, the tear down of the Alberta Wide Show, all art pieces will be sent home with the artist or designated person. Please check times in the newsletter. See you all at the Alberta Wide and the AGM.

The Alberta Spirit Show is going to be shown on the website this year for the first time. I am looking forward to seeing all the winning pieces from all the Zone Shows, and the Alberta Wide Show on this site!

Remember...Above all else...keep creating and helping each other stay connected.
These things are extremely important in these unsettling times.

Sincerely,

Cindy Clark: President



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**ALBERTA COMMUNITY ART CLUBS
ASSOCIATION**

Presents

**THE 2026 ALBERTA
WIDE SHOW**

**SPONSORED BY
ALBERTA SOCIETY OF ARTISTS
ASA GALLERY**

located at

#222, 1235-26 Ave S.E. Calgary, AB

AUGUST 5 – August 30, 2026



**Opening
Reception**

2pm – 4pm



The ASA Gallery is located on the **second floor**
within the Crossroads Market Building

Regular **Public Hours** for the ASA Gallery are
Wednesday – Saturday, 10AM – 4PM

Elevator Access: Wednesday & Thursday 8am–5pm
No elevator Service access on Fridays and Saturdays

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Alberta Community
Art Clubs Association

THE ALBERTA COMMUNITY ART CLUBS
ASSOCIATION (ACACA) PRESENTS...

THE 2026 SPIRIT SHOW

STARTING SEPTEMBER 1, 2026

THE SPIRIT SHOW WILL SHOWCASE ALL
OF THE WINNERS OF ALL ACACA ZONE
SHOWS AND THE ALBERTA WIDE SHOW
OF 2026.

The show will be found on the
ACACA website at www.acaca.ab.ca



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Foundation
for the Arts

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The Alberta Community of Art Clubs Association (ACACA)



- Who We are -



Created in 1986, under the direction of Professor Harry Wohlfarth from the Department of Extension University of Alberta, The ACACA holds Charitable Status. Financial support for the ACACA and sponsored projects is provided through membership fees, donations and grants from the Alberta Foundation for the Arts through Visual Arts Alberta Association. Membership is not exclusive. Anyone supporting these goals may join the organization and it is not necessary to belong to a club to join the ACACA. Artists are invited and welcome to be part of this organization. Art Club memberships are essential to be the Hosting Club of the three Zone shows, with workshop grants available. The ACACA Board of Directors, Zone Representatives, and the Hosting Clubs carry the weight of organizing the juried shows each year. Silent Auctions are a great benefit to the hosting clubs and ACACA. These Juried shows are once a year, usually in May or June, one in each of three Zones being Southern, Central & Northern Alberta.

VIBE 2027

The Fourth Annual "VIBE", our Online Art Show will give all entrants added exposure to your art from the viewing public. There are six talent levels in the show - Youth, Beginner, Intermediate, Advanced, Masters and Signature.

Last year, entrants used watercolour, ink, pencil, acrylic, oil, pastel, mixed media, fusion glass, rock and digital illustration.

Jurors will pick winners of each of the categories, plus the winner of the "Best in VIBE". Awards are provided to the winners, usually in the form of gift cards. Registration for the "VIBE" Show begins February 1st and public viewing of this show is available by February 28th and remains on the ACACA Website.

See previous years' VIBE Shows via the ACACA Website, at www.acaca.ab.ca



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CENTRAL ZONE SHOW

Hosted by SYLVAN LAKE ART SOCIETY



FIRST LIGHT ON SILENT FIELDS

Karen Filthaut

Sylvan Lake, AB

Acrylic

Masters

Jurors' Choice Award

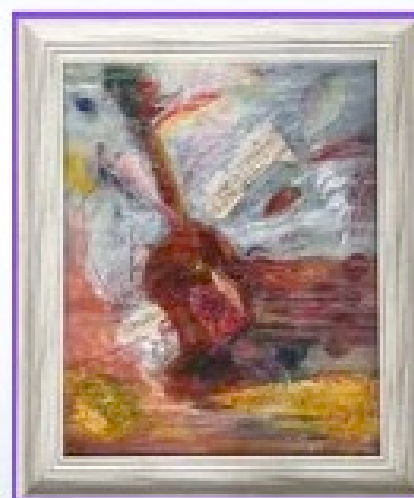
ENCORE

Coralie Banks

Eckville, AB

Acrylic

Beginner Award



BURNED INTO TIME

Donna Orr

Clive, AB

Encaustic

Advanced Award

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CENTRAL ZONE SHOW

Hosted by SYLVAN LAKE ART SOCIETY



FORGET ME NOT

Stephanie Perry
Sylvan Lake, AB
Acrylic

Masters Award

MEMORIES OF HOME

Colleen Biggar Robinson
Sylvan Lake, AB
Fibre Art - Beginner

**Beginner - Fibre Art
Award**



BUSY BEE

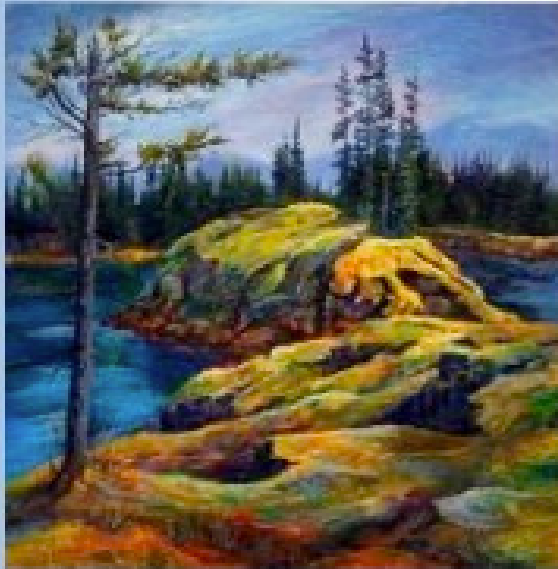
Margaret Walker
Red Deer, AB
Watercolour

Intermediate Award

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CENTRAL ZONE SHOW

Hosted by SYLVAN LAKE ART SOCIETY



MY QUIET PLACE

Joyce Boyer
Edmonton, AB
Mixed Media

Signature Award

THUNDER AND LIGHTNIN'

Laurie Miller
Innisfail, AB
Acrylic
Advanced

People's Choice Award



SOUTH ZONE SHOW

Hosted by THE BASHFUL BRUSH AND THE CANADIAN
BADLANDS ARTIST ASSOCIATION



BETWEEN SKY AND SAGE

Alenda Gridley

Morrin, AB

Acrylic

Advanced

Jurors' Choice Award

HUNTING BREAK

Cindy Welsh

Picture Butte, AB

Acrylic

Masters Award



PUT OUT TO PASTURE

Rick Janzen

Rosemary, AB

Digital Art Illustration

Masters

**Masters - Digital Art Illustration
Award**

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SOUTH ZONE SHOW

Hosted by THE BASHFUL BRUSH AND THE CANADIAN
BADLANDS ARTIST ASSOCIATION

FLYING FISH

Ellen Nobel

Drumheller, AB

Acrylic

Masters

People's Choice Award



SILVER SWIRLS

Bradyn Bayham

Brooks, AB

Mixed Media

Beginner Award

FOG RISING

Amy Ouellette

Drumheller, AB

Acrylic

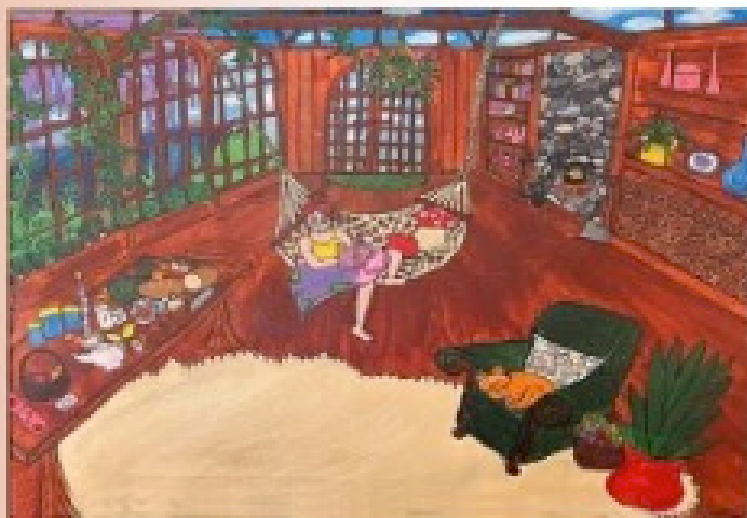
Advanced Award



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SOUTH ZONE SHOW

Hosted by THE BASHFUL BRUSH AND THE CANADIAN
BADLANDS ARTIST ASSOCIATION



COZY LIFE
Cathleen Thibert
Brooks, AB
Acrylic

Intermediate Award

RESPLENDENT IN HER YELLOW DRESS

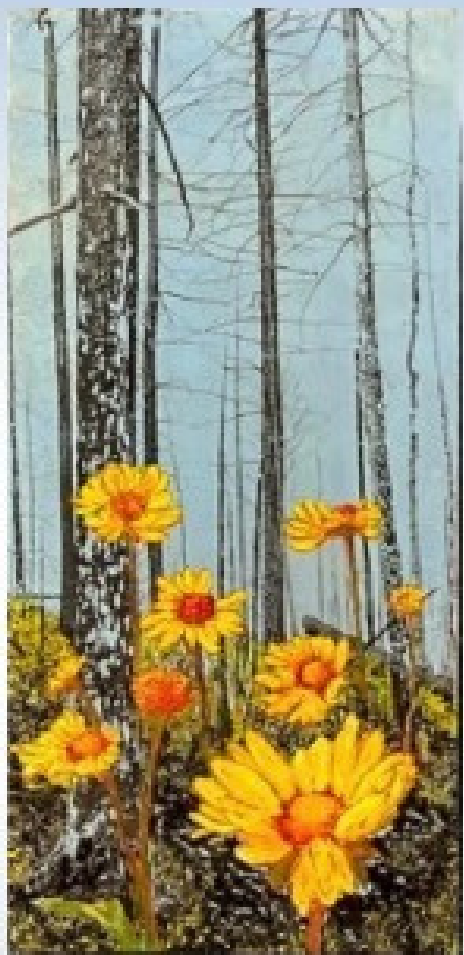
Cindy Clark
Drumheller, AB
Oil

Signature Award



NORTH ZONE SHOW

Hosted by HINTON ART CLUB



FROM THE ASHES

Joy Burkinshaw

Brule, AB

Encaustic Photo Transfer

Masters

People's Choice AWARD

A CALM SPOT

Donna Steele

Lac La Biche, AB

Oil

Beginner Award



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NORTH ZONE SHOW

Hosted by HINTON ART CLUB



HELLO HUMAN

Susan Thompson
Hinton, AB
Acrylic

Intermediate Award

WHISPERS

Mary Frances Fitzgerald
Edmonton, AB
Wood - Beginner

Beginner - Sculpture Award



ATHABASCA TEMPORAL

Andrew Godsalve
Hinton, AB
Photomontage
Masters

Masters - Digital Manipulation Award

NORTH ZONE SHOW

Hosted by HINTON ART CLUB



THE BLUES
Mary Frances Fitzgerald
Edmonton, AB
Acrylic

Advanced Award



FALL GATHERING

Rachel Imrie
Hinton, AB
Fibre Art - Advanced

Juror's Choice Award

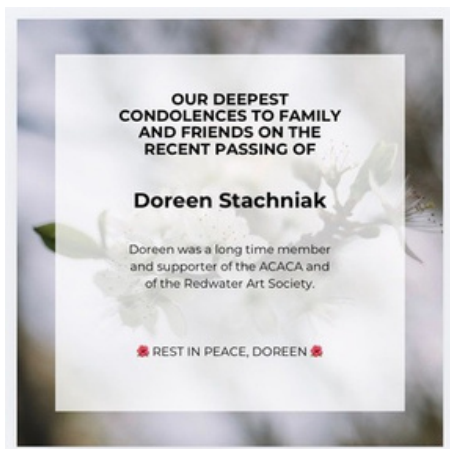
WEST FROM THE PETRO CAN

Susan Roper
Hinton, AB
Fibre Art - Intermediate

Intermediate - Fibre Art Award



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Doreen was one of the two original founding members of The Redwater Art Society, originally known as The Athabasca Landing Trail Art Club. She has been a recipient of the Lillian Nunn Scholarship, Juror's Choice Award and has a painting in the ACACA permanent collection. Her first choice of medium is oil, but also uses watercolour, wax resist and acrylics. She has been painting since 1963 when Professor Harry Wolfarth came by bus to Redwater to teach the use of egg tempera and oil. He presented the Lillian Nunn Scholarship to Doreen at the Department of Art Extension at the U of A. Doreen served 12 terms as President of the Redwater art Society.



Congrats to the Innisfail Art Club: June 21 to September 27, 2026

Something special is coming to Innisfail this summer, and we invite all to experience and enjoy. The Innisfail Art Club is proud to present the Innisfail Art in Nature Walk—a brand-new community art experience that brings original artwork out of the gallery and into the great outdoors.

What Is the Art in Nature Walk?

Set along the scenic 3 km Napoleon Lake Trail loop in Innisfail, the Art in Nature Walk places original works by talented Central Alberta artists directly within the natural landscape. From painting and sculpture to mixed media and more, visitors will discover a diverse range of creative expression tucked among the trees, trails, and open skies of one of Innisfail's most beloved outdoor spaces.

The walk is completely free and fully self-guided — meaning you can explore at your own pace, on your own schedule, any time between June 21 and September 27, 2026.

Open to Everyone

One of the things the Innisfail Art Club is most proud of is that this event was designed with the whole community in mind. Approximately half of the Napoleon Lake Trail is accessible to visitors of all abilities — whether you're walking with young children, using a mobility aid, or simply prefer a more leisurely stroll. Art is for everyone, and the Art in Nature Walk was built to reflect that belief. There is no admission fee, no registration required, and no set arrival time. Come alone, bring a friend, or make it a family outing — the trail and the art will be waiting.



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IF YOU ARE WONDERING
ADVERTISING in the ACACA Newsletter is
affordable—especially for members.
INDIVIDUAL and ACACA members and
ACACA clubs can advertise **FREE!**
Rates for non-members: Half Page is \$25

ACACA CLUB MEMBERSHIPS

Barrhead Art Club
Art Society of Strathcona County
Aurora Visual Arts Association
Canadian Badlands Artist Assoc
Bashfull Brush
Crow Buttes Artists
Edmonton Art Club
The Hat Art Club
Hinton Art Club
Innisfail Art Club
Lacombe Art Guild Simpson
Redwater Art Society
Sylvan Lake Art Society

THANK YOU

John Nedd, Linda La Rochelle and Amy Ouellette for
their support in creating this newsletter.

Newsletter Editor: Mary Frances Fitzgerald

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Club Workshop Grant Application

FOR QUALIFYING MEMBER CLUBS

Alberta Community Art Clubs Association

Society No. 500053301

Registered Charity No. 8984 20948 RR001



This application form must be completed and submitted to the ACACA Treasurer for review and approval by the ACACA Executive Committee. Please make sure to carefully read the criteria listed below before submitting.

Club Workshop Grant Application Form

name of host club

contact person

address

zone

city / town

postal code

email

contact person phone

type of workshop

date(s)

location

rent (if applicable)

registration fee

instructor's name

instructor's email

instructor's phone

instructor's fee

hours of instruction

estimated class size

type of outreach planned

Grant Criteria and Information

Art Clubs* that are members of the ACACA are entitled to four (4) workshop grants PER ZONE, per fiscal year in the amount of \$400.00. This grant includes paint-outs with instruction.

NOTE: This Application Form must be reviewed and approved by the ACACA Executive, please review the Application form carefully.

Club Workshop Grant Criteria and Information

1. Four workshops or paint-outs per zone will be entitled to a \$400 grant in each fiscal year, if the following criteria are met:
2. The Club must be a paid member and have hosted a Zone Show in the last ten (10) years.
3. a) Application deadline is July 31 of each year, late applications will be denied.
b) Applications will be processed in the order that they were received.
4. Preference will be given to clubs planning some sort of outreach beyond their membership.
5. A club or local group must be willing to accept responsibility for advertising, bookings, handling registrations, guaranteeing class size, providing overnight accommodation for instructor and securing local grant(s) if available.
6. Some kind of outreach is encouraged, for example: invitations should be extended to persons from the community, older students in school and interested seniors.
7. ACACA's sponsorship of the Workshop should be noted by having ACACA promotional materials available and given to the participants.
8. Applicants must submit the Workshop Grant Application form to the ACACA Treasurer for review and approval.
9. A minimum of eight (8) participants must be registered.
10. The club must submit the Workshop Report form to the ACACA Treasurer within 30 days of the completion or funds will be revoked.

*Any ACACA member or group of members that do not belong to a club may apply for this Workshop Grant, but must be pre-approved by the ACACA Board and must follow the same criteria as a club.

APPLICATION DEADLINE: July 31

Application forms are also available on the ACACA website at www.acaca.ab.ca

ACACA Club Workshop Grant
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Club Workshop Report

Alberta Community Art Clubs Association

Society No. 500053301
Registered Charity No. 8984 20948 RR001



This form must be completed at the conclusion of any Alberta Community Art Clubs Association assisted workshop and submitted to the ACACA Treasurer within 30 days.

Club Workshop Report Form

name of host club _____

address _____

city / town _____ postal code _____ email _____

club contact _____ phone _____

date(s) of workshop _____

location (address) of workshop _____

rent (if applicable) _____ registration fee _____

instructor name _____

instructor mailing address _____

email _____ phone _____

hours of instruction _____ cost of instruction _____

class size (please provide the names and addresses of the workshop participants on a separate sheet of paper and mail with this form) _____

names of community clubs participating _____

evaluation of workshop and comments: (if necessary, include on a separate sheet of paper mailed with this form)

We declare the above to be a true report and furthermore that the grant money received from the Alberta Community Art Clubs Association will be used to pay for art instruction.

Person to whom grant is sent: _____

Witnesses:

Name _____	Name _____
Signature _____	Signature _____
Address _____	Address _____
Phone _____	Phone _____

ACACA Club Workshop Report
January 2020

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INDIVIDUAL ACACA MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION FORM

☐ 2026 ☐

NAME _____

ADDRESS _____

POSTAL CODE _____

PHONE _____

EMAIL _____

WEBSITE URL _____

☐ check box if permission is granted to post the above link on ACACA's website

please check one

- ☐ RENEWAL
☐ NEW MEMBERSHIP

CATEGORY

*please check one
(OPTIONAL)*

- ☐ YOUTH
☐ BEGINNER
☐ INTERMEDIATE
☐ ADVANCED
☐ MASTER
☐ SIGNATURE

*please check applicable
(OPTIONAL)*

- ☐ 2-D ART
☐ SCULPTURE
☐ DIGITAL DA-I
☐ DIGITAL DA-M
☐ FIBRE ART

Member Artists participate in an annual Zone Show in Southern, Central or Northern Alberta; the Alberta Wide and Alberta Spirit shows. These shows provide the perfect venue to promote your talents. Artists receive collective gallery space, professional critiquing, networking with fellow artists and further recognition for art selected by a qualified panel of jurors to move on or up to the next level. Special awards are presented to artists at Zone, Provincial and Alberta-wide exhibitions.

ZONE (check one)

- ☐ NORTHERN
*North of Hwy. 14 to Alberta/NWT border,
includes City of Edmonton*
- ☐ CENTRAL
South of Hwy. 14, North of Hwy. 9
- ☐ SOUTHERN
*South of Hwy. 9 to Alberta/Montana border,
South of Hwy. 1 (west of Calgary), includes City of Calgary*

ACACA NEWSLETTER (check one)

- ☐ I will download it from ACACA's website
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MEMBERSHIP FEE \$30 \$ _____

E-Transfer acacaart@gmail.com

YOUTH FEE (ages 15-18) \$10 \$ _____

TOTAL DONATION \$ _____

DONATIONS GRATEFULLY ACCEPTED
(all donations of \$10 or more will be receipted)

TOTAL ENCLOSED \$ _____

PLEASE MAIL COMPLETED APPLICATION TO:

ACACA Membership Chair
P.O. Box 1215, Picture Butte, AB T0K 1V0
phone: 1-403-732-4093
email: cindy_welsh@outlook.com

PLEASE SEND SELF-ADDRESSED STAMPED ENVELOPE IF A MEMBERSHIP CARD AND RECEIPT ARE REQUIRED

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

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CLUB

ACACA MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION FORM

☐ Renewal
☐ NEW MEMBERSHIP

For the Year ☐ 2026 ☐

CLUB NAME _____

ADDRESS _____

_____ POSTAL CODE _____

CLUB CONTACT PHONE _____

EMAIL _____

WEBSITE URL _____

☐ check box if permission is granted to post the above link on ACACA's website

CLUB MEMBERSHIP: Becoming a member club of the ACACA makes your club more visible throughout the province. Art clubs that host Zone Shows will receive help from the Board of Directors and Zone Representative. We have a manual with all the necessary forms and information. Hosting a Zone Show gives your club the opportunity to apply for Workshop Grants which will enable your club to host workshops in your area for aspiring painters. NOTE: Individual members of each club must apply for membership in order to enter a Zone Show.

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ART CLUB FEE \$30 annually \$ _____
E-Transfer – acacaart@gmail.com

TOTAL DONATION \$ _____
DONATIONS GRATEFULLY ACCEPTED
(all donations of \$10 or more will be receipted)

TOTAL ENCLOSED \$ _____

PLEASE NOTE: Club memberships entitle the Club to apply for ACACA Workshop Grants and/or host a Zone Show. Club memberships DO NOT entitle individual club members to enter a Zone Show. Only individual ACACA membership entitles Show entry.

PLEASE MAIL COMPLETED APPLICATION TO:

ACACA Membership Chair
P.O. Box 1215, Picture Butte, AB T0K 1V0
phone: 1-403-732-4093
email: cindy_welsh@outlook.com

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