North Perth Arts and Culture Council Receives Charity Golf Classic Funding

North Perth Arts and Culture Council are the recipients of the proceeds from the 2007 Listowel Charity Golf Classic tournament, held July 19th at the Listowel Golf Club. Paul Bartman, Chair of this year’s fundraiser, presented the cheque for $18,000 to NPACC treasurer Cathy Bitton. On hand for the occasion were committee members, (LtoR standing) Norma MacDonald, Bob Boertien, Brendan Parsons, and Anne Stirling. (Seated LtoR) Paul Bartman, Golf Committee Chair; Gary Moon, NPACC Vice-Chair; and Cathy Bitton, NPACC Treasurer.

NPACC directors, and over 50 volunteers, helped the Charity Golf Classic Committee run its highly successful tournament.

North Perth Arts and Culture Council will use the funds to get our newly formed, and recently incorporated, not-for-profit arts group up and running. Specialized computer software will be purchased for organizing information about our artists and membership, and communicating council news to them. The funds will also cover fees for incorporation as a not-for-profit organization, which is necessary in order to apply for grants and funding for upcoming projects. A web designer will be hired to set up and maintain a web page. We now have a firm financial base from which to work in the future.

We extend our sincere thanks to Paul Bartman, and all members of the Listowel Charity Golf Classic Committee, for their ongoing dedication to this event. The tournament has provided much needed funding for many organizations in our community over the years. The planning and execution of the tournament require a tremendous investment of time and labour, from many individuals, over an extended period.
Our thanks also go to everyone who contributed to the success of the tournament: volunteers who helped set up and assisted with various activities at the event; all participants who supported the cause; the staff at the Listowel Golf and Country Club; businesses and individuals who donated prizes; those who sold or purchased raffle tickets; and Zehrs for providing a location to sell tickets.

How heartwarming it was to see so many from the community come together in support of the 2007 Charity Golf Classic Tournament. We take pride in our mission to ensure that the proceeds will, in turn, benefit our community.

**It Can’t Happen Without Volunteers!**

Volunteers: Kate Rozendal, Brittany MacLennan, Stephanie Morgan, Maddie Petter, Taylor Norman

Volunteers Nellie Hofer, Glenna Weber, Wilma McLaughlin and NPACC Chair Brenda Kaufman

NPACC members: Mark Robinson, Gary Moon, Cathy Bitton

**THANK YOU!!**
North Perth Public Library is pleased to provide art exhibit space to enrich the lives and environment of the Municipality of North Perth residents and visitors, and to feature the works of local artists. We invite local artists and arts organizations to apply for exhibition space at the Listowel Branch. The public can view displays during regular library hours.

There is no fee to exhibit; however the artist must agree to comply with the North Perth Public Library Exhibits and Display Policy. This is posted on the library's website www.northperth.library.on.ca under the ‘Library Info’ menu. It is also available at any branch of our library system. Our hope is that artists will commit to a 4 to 6 week exhibition period.

To register for an exhibit, or for more information, please contact Sherri Berfelz at the North Perth Public Library, 519 291-4621.

The owner of The Blank Canvas, Talitha Moores, is offering art classes for young people at her store on Tuesday afternoons from 4:00 to 5:30 p.m.. She has divided the groups by age: 7-10 years and 11-14. She alternates the groups, each meeting every second Tuesday. A variety of mediums are taught, with something new happening each week. Children can choose which classes they would like to take according to the lessons being offered. For more information, call Talitha at the store.

If there is enough interest, life drawing sessions will be offered in November. Cost for this is $15. Individuals must be 18 years of age, or 16 with parental consent.

Keep your eye on her website for other upcoming classes.

Talitha welcomes contact from anyone interested in teaching a class, or requesting a specific type of class to be taught. She also provides space for local and area artists to display their work in her gallery.

Members of NPACC are offered a 10% discount on store purchases, excluding art work or class registration fees. Membership card must be presented for discount.

The Blank Canvas is located at:
360 Main St. E. Unit 2, Listowel.
Phone 519-291-2369.
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www.theblankcanvas.ca

NPACC is currently putting the final touches on an exciting program ‘Art Camp for Children and Youth’ to take place during the summer of 2008.

During the week long program, six classes will be presented, each offering instruction in a specific visual or performing art. Each class will run half days from Monday to Friday, enabling each child to participate in up to two different types of artistic instruction. The fifteen hours of class time will culminate with the students displaying their art, or performing, in a public venue.

Watch for the Art Camp brochure, available early in the new year, for details and registration information.

The excitement is starting to build as many local and area artists are preparing for Studio Tour Number Three. The weekend of April 26 and 27 will see local and invited area artists displaying and selling their work.

In past tours, over 20 artists, in as many locations, presented their work, talked about their art, and showcased their talent. Presentations included: watercolour, drawing, oil painting, wood working, photography, mixed media, jewellery and textile art. The range of art for Studio Tour Number Three will be equally impressive.

If you would like to participate as an artist in the tour, contact Gary Moon 519-291-2583 or Mark Robinson 519-343-2201 for the artist’s participation package.

A brochure, with map and directions, for the self-guided tour to the destination studios and participating artists, will be available to the general public in late February.

Mark your calendars now, for the last weekend in April: the 26th and 27th. Studio Tour locations are open from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. both days.
North Perth Arts and Culture Council is in the final stages of preparing for our first Concert Series: a set of three concerts to be presented throughout 2008. A variety of musical talent will be featured. Each concert will take place at 2:00 p.m. on a Sunday afternoon at Theatre 311.

**April 20th** - features the well-known local duo, Agnes Marie Henderson and Pat Smith. Much of the music presented will be original compositions by Agnes Marie. Pat will be singing as Agnes Marie accompanies her on the piano.

**June 8th** - offers a unique musical program, featuring The Blazing Fiddles from the Hamilton area. This group is known for its high energy and versatility and plays a wide variety of styles from classical and fiddle to show tunes and jazz.

**November 30th** - we are pleased to bring back singer/songwriter Ali Matthews, and her guitar accompanist, Rick Francis, in ‘A Christmas Season Special Concert.’ Last April, as part of the First Impressions Artist Workshop Weekend, their concert generated tremendous audience enthusiasm. This will be a stirring program for the festive season.

Tickets are $20 per concert or $50 for the three concert series.

Tickets will be available November 25 at The Blank Canvas, The Bookery, and Chocolates on Main. If you wish to be placed on a waiting list for advance tickets sales call Gary at 519-291-2583. If no one answers you may leave your name and phone number and he will return your call.

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A few individuals have indicated, to NPACC, an interest in forming a movie club. Volunteers are needed to help organize and maintain this endeavour. For further information, or to volunteer, contact Brenda Kaufman at 519-291-4167 or kaufmanart@bmts.com
Deb Greer, owner of The Bookery, has lined up an inspiring series of workshops, classes and seminars for the fall, as part of her ‘After Hours’ program. As she frequently adds events to the agenda, be sure to check her website regularly to ensure you don’t miss anything.

**Tuesday, October 2nd & 9th (7:00 - 8:30): Living a Life Transformed**
In this two part workshop Helen Shaw will teach us how to overcome limiting beliefs and “Live a Life Transformed”. She will discuss how it is possible to live your life with a greater sense of joy and purpose and to transform yourself into the person you know yourself to be.

**Tuesday, October 16th (7:00 - 8:30): Sharing The Secret**
Andrew Epplett invites you to participate in a discussion about The Law of Attraction, the ancient principle featured in The Secret. The focus will be on similarities between various spiritual teachings and modern science, and how to put the law of attraction into action. To get the most out of the evening, familiarize yourself with The Secret prior to the class. (Copies of the book, audio book and DVD can be borrowed from your local library). You may also order your own copy through The Bookery. Pre-registration and payment are recommended to guarantee your space. Cost is $15.00. This class may repeat depending on demand.

**Thursday, October 25th (7:00 - 9:00): Sacred Cleansing**
Heidi Burroughs will discuss and demonstrate ancient spiritual cleansing methodologies practiced by various religions. She will provide free cleansing kits for participants to use at home. Pre-registration and payment are required to guarantee your space and kit. Cost is $20.00. Space is limited.

**Tuesday, November 6th & 13th (7:00 - 8:00) Mediation Guidance**
In the first of these two classes, Andrew Epplett will introduce you to the basics of simple meditation and breathing. The second class will provide opportunities for review and feedback, and explore the power of visualization. Each class will end with a guided-meditation session. Pre-registration and payment is recommended to guarantee your space. Total cost for both classes is $25.00. (This class could run monthly depending on demand)

**Thursday, November 15th (7:00 – 8:30) Shiny Thinking, Shiny Life: The Universal Law of Attraction Applied**
Joe and Merri, authors of the recently published book, Shiny Thinking, Shiny Life: The Universal Law of Attraction Applied, will host this workshop. Joe and Merri reside in Kincardine and frequently conduct similar workshops at The University of Guelph. Signed copies of their newest book will be available the evening of November 13th.

This fast paced workshop will explore the origins, history and validity of the Law of Attraction, featured recently in the hit movie "The Secret". It will also present an opportunity to ask questions related to the daily application of this surprisingly useful tool. Contact The Bookery to pre-register. Cost of this Workshop is $15.00.

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Pre-registration and payment is recommended to guarantee your space. Cost is $20.00 per session or $35.00 if you register for both.

**Friday, December 14th (6:00 ~ 10:00) An Old Fashioned Christmas at The Bookery**
Featuring live music, visit from Santa (from 6:00 ~ 8:00) and refreshments for all. THIS IS A FREE EVENT

**Discussion Groups**
Interested in getting together with others to discuss matters of spirituality and personal growth? Monthly discussion group will be held at The Bookery on the first Wednesday of every month from 7:00 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. starting November 7, 2007. For more information contact The Bookery at (519) 291-4996 or Helen Shaw at (519) 418-4288. THIS IS A FREE EVENT

The Bookery is located at 326 Main Street East, Listowel. Phone: (519) 291-4996
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