Catching up!

We were so busy with our ArtSense fundraiser that we didn’t have time to get the October newsletter published. The past three months have been a rich and rewarding time! Most of this issue is dedicated to sharing that with our readers.

That being said, thanks to Crystal Daugherty for passing along the following submission. We commend her for offering this experience to our youth for the past few summers.

Summer Drama Camps by Crystal Daugherty

Drama Camp 101, the 2010 edition, consisted again of two separate camps, both running two weeks for ages 7-16. However, the first camp ended up consisting mainly of 7-11 years old and the second, of 11-16 year olds, which worked out very well activity-wise. An addition from previous years was my new, extremely talented Assistant Director, Chris Daviau, who introduced the idea of themed days to the camps. Days dedicated to character development, behind-the-scenes, movement, etc. gave the camps more of a workshop vibe and the campers a more in depth look at the different elements of theatre.

We had two groups of very passionate and dedicated campers who put on outstanding performances and made the whole experience a great success! We also had another amazing group of counselors and very generous donations from local businesses: Zehrs, Holmes Made Cakes, Conway Furniture, McDonalds and Food Basics. Thank you, everyone, for your hard work and support!


Counselors: Brandon Stolz, Chris Daviau, Jordan Tucker, Mack Daugherty, Crystal Daugherty
Upcoming in 2011 for NPACC

Concert Series
The concerts are booked for Wednesday evenings this year and will be held in the Church Hall at Knox Presbyterian Church in Listowel.

Wednesday March 9th at 8:00 p.m. our series will kick off with a concert to mark Listowel’s Celtic heritage. Jason Pfeiffer, who plays Irish flute and whistles, will be accompanied by three musicians. Check out Jason’s web page at www.thetriskellstudio.com

The other concert dates are June 15 and November 16. We are awaiting confirmation from the performers we have contacted for these dates. We’ll let you know as soon as details are final.

Concert tickets are $20 each in advance and $25 at the door. We are again offering our popular package of 3 concerts for $50 - a great Christmas gift! For updates go to www.NorthPerthArts.ca or call 519-291-2583.

Linda Bester, two day watercolour workshop:
May 7 and 8, 2011
9:30 to 4:00 p.m. daily
In the common room at Perth Meadows Seniors’ Apartments, Listowel
Registration fee: $130 early bird; $150 after April 16
Limited registration
For more information call Brenda Kaufman at 519-291-4167

Summer Art Experience 2011
Ages 7-15
August 15-19
Details and registration forms will be available on our web page in the spring.

Amateur Photo Competition

Thanks to all who responded to the call for submissions for entries in our amateur photo competition. The top three winning photos in each category were displayed during our Culture Days celebration on September 24 and 25.

All submissions were displayed at ArtSense 2010, at the Elma Memorial Community Centre on October 2nd. Event attendees were each gifted with a reproduction of one of the first place photos.

Much thanks to judges Brian Hammond, Mark Robinson, and Gary Moon.

Winners by category:
12 years and under: Andrew Bauman, 1st and 2nd place (no 3rd placement)
13 to 19 years: Rebecca Galloway, 1st and 3rd place; Maddy Campbell, 2nd place
20 years and over: Julie Emond, 1st place; Sue Szpara, 2nd and 3rd place.
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Summer Art Experience 2010
August 9 to 13 proved to be a creative and fun-filled week for 25 aspiring young artists in the North Perth area. Artist/Instructor, Keith DeVries, led the participants into “The Fantasy World” by development and exploration of a different medium each day. Next year’s Summer Art Experience is scheduled for August 15-19. Details will follow in the February edition of The Palette.


North Perth Library, Listowel Branch

The library offered a variety of culturally rich experiences with free classes in Tai Chi and meditation, a quilt blocking workshop, and, as seen above, a display of artwork by the talented youth in our community.

Culture Days 2011

Next year's nation-wide celebration is slated for September 30th to October 2nd. Individuals, groups and organizations are encouraged to participate by offering a free arts or cultural participatory event. Provide the public the opportunity to experience, discover and celebrate the uniqueness of art, music, theatre, history and culture in our own neighbourhood. Open your studio and workshop doors, set up an outdoor event, offer a class, invite people to see and appreciate the behind-the-scene steps in your creative process. Find ways to display the richness of our cultural heritage. Registration details will be included in next spring’s Palette.
ArtSense 2010 was the first fundraising endeavour for North Perth Arts and Culture Council. When our small but mighty committee began throwing ideas around last February, our aim was two-fold:

• to bring together the public and our member artists in a fun-filled evening that would increase the awareness, appreciation and support of arts and culture in our community;
• to raise much needed funds to enable us to continue to support our artist members, enhance and expand our programs and create experiences for the community to appreciate arts and culture in the coming year.

Mission well accomplished - far beyond our original expectations! We welcomed 210 attendees at the Elma Memorial Community Centre on October 2nd. Our musical and dancing performers and our artists, who donated art for auction, demonstrated that artistic talent abounds in our community. We raised $17,500, thanks to the generosity of our sponsors, attendees, auction donors, financial donors, member artists and volunteers. Thanks to everyone who contributed in any way!

**Entertainment:**

Background musicians and performing artists kept the attendees well entertained throughout the evening. Our thanks to Mozart Gelines, dancers from the Listowel School of Dance, Paul Haslem, Christin Dennis, Scott MacKenzie, Karli Purcell, Tyler Schaefer, Linda Umbrico, and Sentimental Journey members Agnes Henderson, Nancy Skinner, Brenda Kaufman, Kathy Hoover, Virginia Spence, Colleen Crossland, and Lynn Kerr as seen on the left.
Visual Artistry:
Among the items offered for silent and live auction, were donated art works from over 20 artist members. The appreciation for the quality of talent was reflected in the generous bidding.

Fun!
Attendees enjoyed the fun centres:
*Picasso Fun* where they put brush to canvass; *Photo Fun* where they donned attire, verging on the ridiculous, and posed for a take home picture; *Portrait Fun*, where their likeness was captured in a caricature sketch.

Cath MacLennan was hard pressed to keep track of Dave Carson’s fast paced auctioneering. His persuasive skills brought out the best in the bidders.

Over 50 businesses and individuals generously donated auction items, or money to purchase items, which brought in a healthy sum. All donors are listed on our web site at [www.NorthPerthArts.ca](http://www.NorthPerthArts.ca)

Master of Ceremonies, Phil Main, added his wit and charm to the proceedings.

Joan Moore poses for caricature artist Keith DeVries

Guess who!!! (answer below) Georges and Sandra Arlein

Thanks to BftArtsVest and our corporate Emerging Arts Supporters for their commitment to ensuring that arts and culture remain a vibrant aspect of our community.