



WRAC News

January 2019

On Friday, January 18, clap your hands, warm your heart and treat your soul to Western Canadian Folk songs from Alberta's internationally recognized troubadour, John Wort Hannam. The Pinawa Community Centre offers you top-notch affordable musical entertainment. Check out the new comfy static-resistant chairs, bathe in pristine sound, meet the band, and enjoy locally-produced snacks. What could be better? Bring your friends! Tickets are available at Pinawa Solo, Ingham Pharmacy, Beausejour Music, or at the door.

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Winter Warm Up At Lazy Tuesday's

Winnipeg River Arts Council Fundraising Dinner

Saturday, February 23rd 8pm

Join us at this fundraising dinner where funds raised will help to promote local visual, performing, literary and musical artists in our region and bring quality entertainment act such as Truck Stop Circus touring productions and special events to our surrounding communities.



Enjoy a delicious meal starting with soup or salad. Followed by Sauerbraten, German roast beef cooked in brine and smothered in a Bavarian Ginger Sauce, served with spaetzle and red wine cabbage. Black Forest Torte for dessert.

Live entertainment by local musician Ray St. Hilarie

Tickets \$50 each, available by call/text 204 340 0889 or email winnipegriverarts@gmail.com



Brushes & Beers

Painting workshop with Roberta Laliberte

Sunday, January 27th 2pm Chicken Chef, Lac du Bonnet

\$45, includes instruction & supplies

To register call/text

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WHITESHELL WINTER ARTS FESTIVAL



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FEBRUARY 9 / 10, 2019

FAMILY FORT NIGHT

Build a reading fort in the Library!
Join us for snacks, stories and more!

Thursday, January 24th
6:30 - 7:45pm



Lac du Bonnet
REGIONAL LIBRARY



Featured Artist of the Month

Ron Neufeld

For this month, the Winnipeg River Arts Council features writer Ron Neufeld. Born in Calgary, he has also lived in the United States and British Columbia. Neufeld's background is in the construction trades. After retiring in 2013, he moved to Vancouver Island where he began taking creative writing courses at the University of Victoria. In September of 2018, he moved to Pinawa, in order to be closer to family living in Winnipeg.

Since then, he has wasted no time jumping right into the lively arts scene in Manitoba. He has attended the Eastern Manitoba Concert Association's performances and author readings at McNally Robinson's Bookstore in Winnipeg. He also volunteered to help with set-up and takedown at Mary's Wedding (the Theatre Projects play in Great Falls), signed up for the memoir writing classes offered by Winnipeg River Arts Council at the Lac du Bonnet Library, and recently agreed to serve on WRAC's board of directors.

Neufeld grew up in a family of storytellers - refugees from the Ukraine who settled in Calgary after World War II. His earliest childhood memories are of Sunday evenings lying on the living room carpet listening to his parents, their friends, and especially his grandmother share stories of unbelievable hardship, suffering, and loss. But he also heard stories of resilience, hope, resourcefulness, and love.

In 2007, together with his father, he wrote and self-published his memoirs. Neufeld says, "These tales told by immigrants were often infused with laughter and so I learned that tragedy and humour are not incompatible."

His constant companion is a Border Collie-Great Pyrenees cross named Magnus and he loves exploring his new community with his canine friend. He writes daily, both short stories and memoir, inspired by the beauty of the Whiteshell Provincial Park and the artists who live along the Winnipeg River. He cares deeply about nature and the environment and wants to explore this topic in greater depth in his artistic work.

He says, "Landscape and how it shapes us is an important theme in my writing."



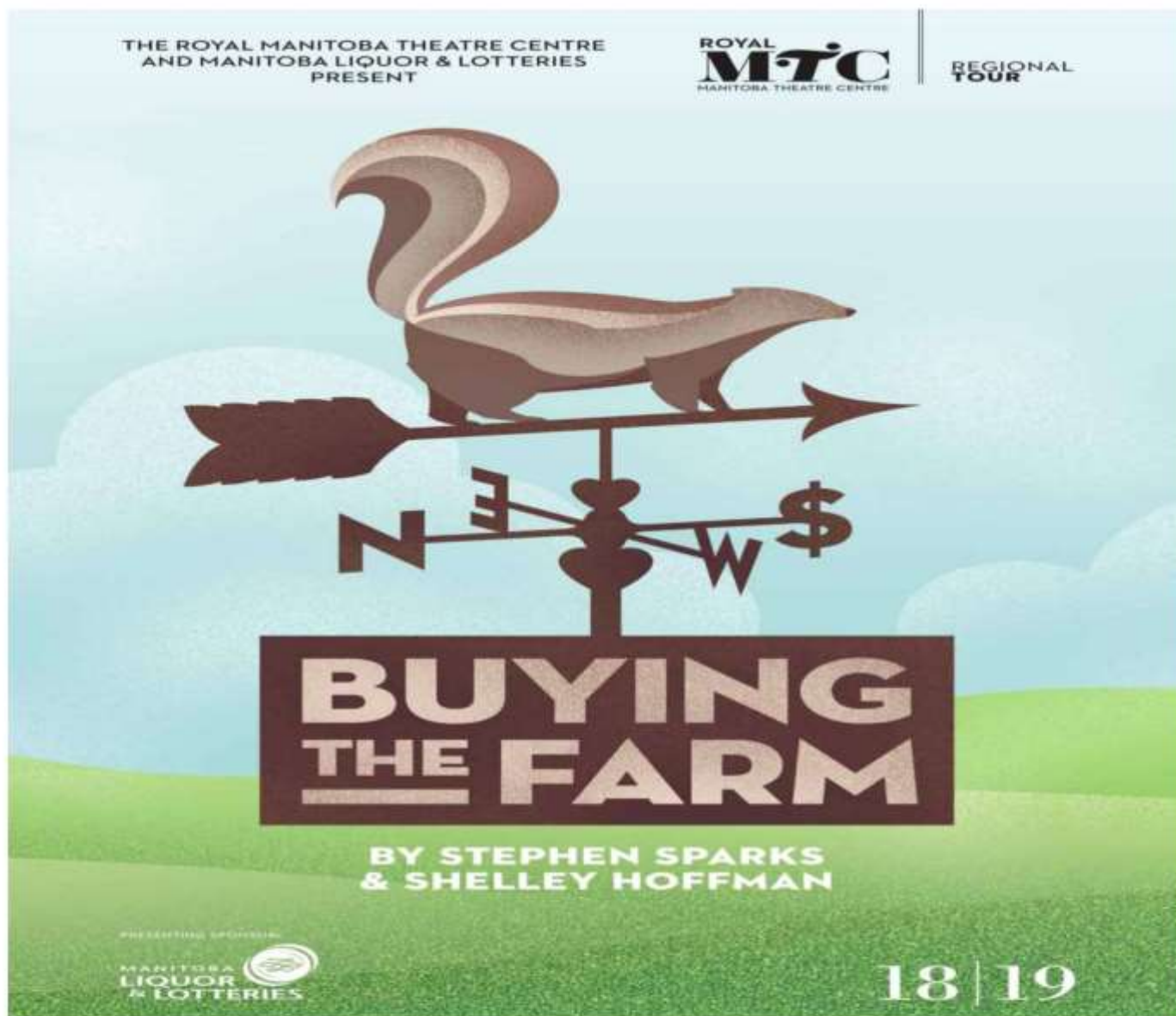
EMCA presents Desiree Dorian

IMA 2018 Country Album of the Year

February 8, 2019 7:30pm Pinawa Community Centre

Tickets: \$25 – Adult, \$20 – Student

Available at the door, Ingham Pharmacy, Pinawa Solo Market & Beausejour Music. Subject to availability.



Change is in the air! Magnus Bjornson has some issues. His finances are in tatters, his great niece is hiding out, his health is not what it once was and now he has a determined Real Estate developer banging on his *door*. *What's a bachelor farmer supposed to do?* A dance as old as time its self. A comedy about hope, last stands, skunks and love among the chickens.

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 3, 2019

Pinawa Community Centre
Tickets \$25

Available at Ingham Pharmacy,
 WRAC Office – 4 Park Ave – Tuesday & Thursday mornings
 or from WRAC Board Members

7:30 pm



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CALL FOR ARTIST SUBMISSIONS

2019/2020 Salt Spring National Art Prize

\$40,000 in awards

**SALT SPRING PRIZE - THE JOAN McCONNELL AWARD
+ RESIDENCY FOR OUTSTANDING WORK**

\$20,000 (\$15,000 and a \$5,000 Salt Spring Island artist residency)

JURORS' CHOICE AWARDS

Four awards of \$3,000 selected by each juror

PEOPLE'S CHOICE - ROSEMARIA BEHNCKE AWARDS

Three awards determined by a vote of visitors to the exhibition

1st prize \$3,000

2nd prize \$2,000

3rd prize \$1,000

SALT SPRING ARTISTS AWARD

For outstanding work by a Salt Spring Artist \$2,000

Online submissions open January 10 - May 31, 2019

Open to Canadian citizens and permanent residents of Canada who are 18 years of age and older

Guidelines and submission details to be found on our website
www.saltspringartprize.ca

A biennial competition and exhibition of Canadian visual art offering \$40,000 in awards
in partnership with the Salt Spring Arts Council

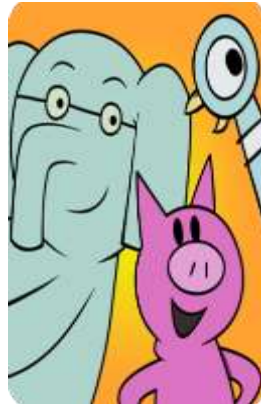


ALLARD LIBRARY

Bibliothèque Allard Regional Library

Discover the Possibilities!

Join us in January as we search for words with Mo Willems friends Elephant, Piggie and Pigeon. In the library, you will find a large word search posted up on the side of the library book shelf. Along the side of the word search there will be a dry erase marker. Are you up for the challenge? How many words can you find?



CBC NONFICTION PRIZE

The 2019 CBC Nonfiction Prize is now open. You could win \$6,000 from the [Canada Council for the Arts](#), a two-week writing residency at the [Banff Centre for Arts and Creativity](#) and have your work published on [CBC Books](#).

Four finalists will each receive \$1,000 from the [Canada Council for the Arts](#) and have their work published on [CBC Books](#).

The competition is open for submissions from Jan. 1 to Feb. 28, 2019.

<https://www.cbc.ca/books/literaryprizes/cbc-nonfiction-prize-1.4090951>



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