

WRAC FEATURED ARTIST OF THE MONTH, RICHARD CLINE.

For this month, the Winnipeg River Arts Council features visual artist, Richard Cline. Throughout his life, Cline has had a working relationship with the natural environment. Now retired in Seven Sisters, he worked for thirty years as a Conservation Officer (Game Warden) in Virden, Lynn Lake, Gillam, and Riverton. His knowledge of the animals and landscape is now expressed in his photo-realistic oil paintings.

Born in Glenboro, Cline learned basic drawing and painting skills from his mother. Initially expressing himself in cartooning and line drawing, he came to love the results achieved by a close examination of both line and colour in the animals and plants he found around his home. Researching master classical painters such as Rembrandt and modern masters such as Terry Isaac and Robert Bateman, Cline has worked to hone his talent in presenting accurate images for the viewer.

Recently he had the opportunity to work with Robert Bateman for a weekend Master Artists' class on Cortez Island. Cline continues to take classes with other artists in the Pinawa Art Gallery, Steinbach Arts Centre, or with his mentor and friend, Gary Holden.

Cline has participated in the Eastman Judged Art Exhibitions including the Pinawa event (2013), Lac du Bonnet (2015) and Whitemouth (2017). In the latter, he was awarded first and third prize for his entries. He has also applied to be one of the artists in the second annual Boreal Shores Art Tour 2018.

His paintings display his respect and love of the world around him. Now he is challenging himself in a series of portraits as well as doing commissions for clients. He wants nothing more than to continually improve his skills.

To inspire himself and other artists, he quotes this simple assertion from renowned Canadian artist, Robert Bateman, "If you truly love art, JUST DO IT!"

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What is the book you always recommend to people to read?

Please submit your answer to

winnipegiverarts@gmail.com

FAMILY FORT NIGHT

Lac du Bonnet Library
Thursday, January 25th

6:30 - 7:45pm

Bring your blankets, pillow and flashlight and build a fort in the Library!

The Library will provide snacks, stories and more!

Extra building supplies will be available.

FREE - everyone welcome

Call 204 345 2653 for more information



WHITESHELL WINTER ARTS FESTIVAL



FEBRUARY 17, 18, 19, 2018

CALL FOR ARTISTS and PARTICIPANTS

Are you looking to participate in a winter festival, exhibition, creative collective, art project? A creative atmosphere with indoor and outdoor events as well as workshops offered throughout the entire weekend.

Entries accepted up to January 26th, 2018 at 6:00 PM.

In partnership with the Pinawa Community Development Corporation and Pinawa Art Gallery we're looking for visual artists, music, literary and performing artists, sculptors, teachers and volunteers who wish to participate in displaying their art, performing their art, or teaching workshops for young artists, writers, actors and others interested to learn more.

Conference rooms available for art displays, workshop space available throughout the weekend. Accommodation packages available for rooms and meals.

Deep histories and shared future visions imbue Pinawa and the North Whiteshell region with an energetic diversity that contributes to a dynamic wilderness landscape alive with arts and culture, recreation, business, research and development. A winter tourist destination that offers an abundance of recreational and cultural opportunities for Manitobans to discover, explore, and enjoy.

CALL TODAY AND RESERVE YOUR PLACE IN THIS WINTER ARTS FESTIVAL

ARLENE: (204) 753-2052



Quartetto Gelato

Friday, January 26th 7pm

Pinawa Community Centre/High School

Individual tickets: Adult \$25.00; Students \$10.00

Individual tickets available at the door. Tickets also available at the following outlets: Ingham Pharmacy, Pinawa Solo Market and Beausejour Music. Subject to availability. Contact Mary-Anne or Brian at (204) 345-6077.

UPCOMING CONCERTS!

Derina Harvey Band February 16th

Quinton Blair March 16th

Andino Suns April 13th

Boreal Shores Art Tour

August 18 & 19, 2018

CALL for ARTISTS

Photo by Shirley Kurian


CALLING ALL ARTISTS in the EASTMAN REGION of MANITOBA
The Boreal Shores Art Tour is now accepting artist applications for its second annual tour to be held on August 18 & 19, 2018. The application deadline is January 31, 2018 and the application can be found by clicking on the link in our bio. All artists must be members of Boreal Shores Art Tour Inc. (membership lasts for 2 years). Artwork must be original in concept, design and execution. It must have artistic merit and be of acceptable quality.


In conjunction with your application, please submit 5 digital photos of your work to borealtour@mtsmail.ca at the same time as your application. These will be used by the jury to determine acceptance. Artists will receive a timely acceptance or rejection notification from the jury. Jurors are anonymous. Their decisions will be final and comments will be "accepted" or "not accepted". Artists have two tour fee options after approval by the jury: a flat fee of \$100 or a fee of \$65 plus 10% of all sales up to an additional \$65 for a maximum total of \$130. All fees due within 10 days of notification of acceptance by jury. Please read our "Participating Artists Guidelines" for further information. borealshoresarttour.ca

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reading app
from your library

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Lac du Bonnet

REGIONAL LIBRARY

NEW! Meet Libby. Download the new mobile app for your phone or tablet. Please call, 204 345 2653 or email us, mlldb@mymts.net and we would be happy to help! HAPPY READING!



ALLARD LIBRARY
Bibliothèque Allard Regional Library
Discover the Possibilities!

Library Allard will be hosting an Interlake Eastman Regional Health Authority program called Craving Change, starting January 17th and will run the following two weeks, from 6 – 8pm. The program is free. Its intent is to help people figure out why they eat the way they do and then work towards changing those habits. If you are interested in attending please call 204 367 8443, ask for Kelly or Jen or email asstlib@allardlibrary.com

Starting **Tuesday, January 16th** the library will have a **"Guess the Book/Character?"** game set up in the library office window! Simply ask the circulation desk staff for a game paper to get started. You will need to write down the correct name of the book or literary character beside the correct number! Hand in your sheet to the staff and they will correct it! If you have them all right you will be able to choose a prize from the treasure chest! This in house game will run until the middle of February.



Watercolour Workshop for adults with Nancy-Lou Ateah

Catfish Creek

Saturday, January 20th

Victoria Beach Community Centre

11 am – 4pm

\$45

Call or text 204 999 4397 to register or for info.

Or email nancylouateah@gmail.com



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THE GREAT JOURNEY

BY MACHINE DE CIRQUE

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 1, 2018

 Canada Council Conseil des arts
for the Arts du Canada
**New
Chapter**
2017 and Beyond



Love to Read month
@ LIBRARY ALLARD
IN FEBRUARY

COME DOWN AND CELEBRATE WITH US...

- 1) BOOKSALE - A BAG OF BOOKS FOR \$2.00
- 2) BLIND DATE WITH A BOOK
- 3) WEEKLY BOOK DRAW
- 4) IN HOUSE LIBRARY GAME "GUESS THE BOOK/CHARACTER?"

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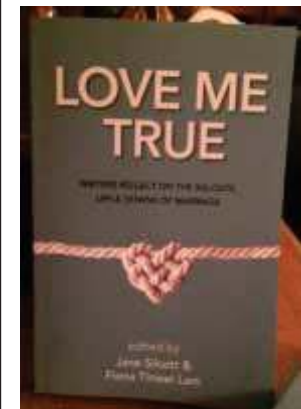
I LOVE TO READ MONTH! The Great Canadian Reading Race

Sun	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thurs	Fri	Sat
Prepared by: Reading Council of Greater Winnipeg				1 Research the meaning of "Canada".	2 Read a map of Canada.	3 Create a crossword with all of the provinces and territories.
4 Record your reading on a map of Canada. Every minute read is 10 km travelled.	5 Read "Carson Crosses Canada" by Linda Bailey and Kass Reich.	6 Write your own short story about travelling across Canada.	7 Youtube "Canada Geography Song" by Kids Learning Tube.	8 Write a song about what Canada means to you.	9 Read the lyrics to O Canada.	10 Read about two provinces and then compare and contrast them.
11 Visit your local library with your family and bring home a new book.	12 Read "I am Canada: A Celebrator".	13 Create your own book page to go in "I am Canada: A Celebrator".	14 Create valentines for people you love.	15 Visit: https://www.kids-world-travel-guide.com/canada-facts-for-kids.html	16 Buddy read with another grade.	17 Write a poem about your favorite place in Canada.
18 What are Canada's national sports? Go play one of these with some friends.	19 What are Canada's official languages?	20 Read "Thank you, Canada" and write 5 things you would thank Canada for.	21 Where is the "Polar Bear Capital of the World"?	22 Read "ABC of Canada" and list 5 symbols of Canada.	23 Read a book of choice by a Canadian author.	24 Challenge a friend to a tongue-twister contest.
25 Listen to an oral story from a family member.	26 Create a travel brochure to welcome tourists to Canada.	27 Read a recipe for "beavertails" and then make some with your family.	28 Use www.google.com/earth to locate your home town.			

Lac du Bonnet Regional Library

For the entire month of February, each time you visit the Library, you are entitled to enter one of the nine book draws. The draw will be made on Feb. 28th.

Enter Often! Good Luck!



Local author, Donna Besel is included in the anthology, *Love Me True: Writers Reflect on the Ins, Outs, Ups and Downs of Marriage*. Launch of this book is February 14th.

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Locations

- Wilderness Edge Hotel
- Pinawa Golf & Country Club
- W.B. Lewis Business Centre
- Sunova Mall & Gas Station
- Pinawa Heritage Sundial
- Marina
- Yo Yo Hill

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Activities

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SATURDAY		SUNDAY	
Valentine's Day Partner Workout <i>Mind and Body by Mad Back - Pioneer Bay Campground</i>	9:00-10:00	Tobogganing <i>YoYo Hill - Highway 211 - Between Vanier & Aberdeens</i> Adult supervision required.	10:00-5:00
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Gentle Beginner Hatha Yoga <i>Iran with Moor Yoga Studio - W. B. Lewis Business Centre</i> Complimentary session. Connect your body, mind and spirit through gentle movement and the use of breaths. Lower feeling energized and rejuvenated. All skill levels welcome.	11:00-12:00	Cross Country Ski Tour <i>Luis Bernardino - Whiteshell Cross Country Ski Club</i> Come and meet us at the Pinawa Golf and Country Club Parking Lot to join our guided tour for skiers of all skill levels along the trails.	1:00-2:00
Pick - up Broomball Game <i>Madison Backer - Outdoor Orville Acres Annex</i> Come join us for a free Broomball Game! Bring a helmet!	12:00-2:00	Family-Friendly Curling <i>Pinawa Golf and Country Club</i> An afternoon of family friendly curling. All ages and skill levels welcome. Instructors available.	1:00-3:00
Cross Country Ski Tour <i>Luis Bernardino - Whiteshell Cross Country Ski Club</i> Come and meet us at the Pinawa Golf and Country Club Parking Lot to join our guided tour for skiers of all skill levels along the trails.	1:00-2:00	Medicine Woman Healing Card Reading <i>Karen Dubreuil - W.B. Lewis Business Centre Conference Room</i> 130 per reading.	2:00-3:00
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Community

FEBRUARY 17/18, 2018

SATURDAY		SUNDAY	
Soup Bar <i>Pinawa Lions Club - Sunova Mall</i> 12 Soup and Bun	11:00-1:00	Food and Drink Specials <i>Eagles Restaurant and Pub at the Pinawa Club</i> Grilled Omelette (Garlic Bread, Muffin, Tomato and Bacon) 11:30 Child and Bun 99.95 Chicken Alfredo 513.95	9:00-7:00
Chicken Drop <i>Pinawa Lions Club - Sunova Mall</i>	11:00-1:00	Sunday Brunch <i>Wilderness Edge Dining Room</i> Adults \$15 - Children \$7.50 taxes included	10:00-1:00
Meat Draw <i>Pinawa Golf and Country Club</i>	4:00-5:00		
Steak Dinner <i>Wilderness Edge Dining Room</i> 120 taxes included. Contact Kevin at 204 753 2535 to reserve your spot.	5:00-7:00		
Chase the Ace <i>Pinawa Golf and Country Club</i>	5:00-7:00		
S'mores by the Bonfire <i>Between the Wilderness Edge Dining Room and the Sunova Mall</i>	7:00-8:30		
Drink Specials <i>Eagles Restaurant and Pub at the Pinawa Club</i>	7:00-11:00		



Live Music

SATURDAY

Cohen Sieg <i>Guitar/Vocalist - Wilderness Edge</i>	12:00-2:00	Vivo Harmonics Music <i>Piano/Guitar - Wilderness Edge Dining Room</i> Piano, Guitar & Vocals performed by the students and teachers of Vivo Harmonics Music.	5:00-7:00
JABaH <i>Scorchophone Quartet - Wilderness Edge Dining Room</i>	3:00-5:00		

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Literary Arts

SATURDAY

Book Signing 10:00-5:00

Mike Luke - McCoy Rm 10 at the Wilderness Edge
Author of "The Perfect Candidate" and "The Morning Light Conspiracy"

Gerald Kuehl - Wilderness Edge Lobby
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Brenda McKenzie - Wilderness Edge Lobby
Author of "Living Now"

Storytelling 10:00-1:00
Mary Louise Chown - Wilderness Edge Dining Room
"Fires from the Winnipeg River: Stories of voyageurs, wives and strong women."

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Mike Luke - The Manitoba Room - Wilderness Edge
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Gerald Kuehl - The Manitoba Room - Wilderness Edge
"Portraits of the North" - A presentation on the work and adventures of researching his books, his portraits and his stories.

After the Book is Written 1:00-2:00
Brenda McKenzie - The Manitoba Room - Wilderness Edge
"Living Now" - A reading and discussion about what happens after the book is written.

Finding Your Written Voice 2:00-3:00
Donna Besel - The Manitoba Room - Wilderness Edge
A workshop where participants will be challenged to find their written voice - to discover that they have something to say and the ability to say it.



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Visual Arts

SATURDAY

Art Show & Sale 10:00-5:00
Dining Room Annex - Wilderness Edge

Photography Workshop 10:00-11:00
Stu Iverson - Pinawa Room - Wilderness Edge
One hour to better pictures with any camera. All skill levels welcome.

Children's Painting 10:00-12:00
Annie Bergen (WRAC) - Pinawa Art Gallery
Register with Invoice # at 204 340 0889 or at winnipegwinterarts@gmail.com

Watercolour Workshop 11:00-12:00
Anita Dziubik - Pinawa Room - Wilderness Edge
Working with yellow, red and blue watercolours to create a vibrant sunrise or sunset scene.

Clay Sculpting Demonstration 11:30-12:30
Metro Dmytyiw - Wilderness Edge Lobby

Puppet Making 12:30-1:30
Joyce Platford - Pinawa Room - Wilderness Edge
Art Therapist Joyce Platford invites you to come make a puppet with recycled materials.

Clay Sculpting Demonstration 12:30-1:00
Kelly Klick - Wilderness Edge Lobby

Snippet Art 1:00-2:00
Karen Murri - Pinawa Art Gallery
Using heat and bond, a rag material and embellishments, you can create your own work of art.

Alcohol Inks 2:00-3:00
Arlene Bohn - Pinawa Room - Wilderness Edge
Learn and experiment with the inks, tools and materials while completing a small project.

Mandela Painting 3:30-4:30
Mary Louise Chown - Pinawa Room - Wilderness Edge
A complex abstract design usually circular in form. Spiritual visual representing the universe.

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Snow Painting 10:30-12:00
WRAC - Pinawa Heritage Sundial

Curated Tour of the Art Gallery 11:00-12:00
Pinawa Art Gallery - W.B. Lewis Business Centre

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Paint it Up Night 7:00-8:30
Pinawa Room - Wilderness Edge



Accommodations:

Wilderness Edge
32 Burrows Road
Pinawa, MB, R0E1L0
204 753 2535



Thank you

WWAF Organizing Committee

Arlene Bohn Kevin Penner
Patty Drew David Schellenberg
Shane Li Hannah Strachan
Candy Li Nancy Zubrisky



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Children's Painting

with Annie Bergen

Saturday, February 17
10:00AM - 12:00PM
Pinawa Art 211
W.B. Lewis Business Centre

Age: 8 - 12 years
Space is limited.
Register with Jennifer at:
204 340 0889
winnipegrieverarts@gmail.com

COME TRY OUT SNOW PAINTING AT THE SUNDIAL ON SUNDAY 10:30 – Noon!

Or at Lac du Bonnet Town Dock on Monday, 19th Noon – 4pm!

WRAC Featured Artist of the Month

Jim Niedermayer

For this month, the Winnipeg River Arts Council highlights a previously featured artist, chainsaw carver Jim Niedermayer. Born and raised in Powerview-Pine Falls, he currently resides in Silver Falls.

Niedermayer learned how to carve on his own. His father, a talented knife-maker and woodcarver, gave him a book on the subject and he worked at it for about six months. But he already knew how to handle a chainsaw. For years, he harvested wild rice from remote lakes. Any lumber he needed at his camp had to be made on the spot so he learned how to rip logs into boards freehand. When he makes a carving, he uses full safety gear: pants, glasses, ear protection, steel toe boots, gloves, and respirator mask. Contrary to what some folks may feel when they pick up a chainsaw, Niedermayer said, “It’s actually calming for me, making something new out of a log, giving something a second chance, beyond the tree’s life.”



During the past few years, he has earned a growing profile in the chainsaw carving community. His work is scattered across most provinces, either from competing or being hired to create a work of art out of a tree stump in someone’s yard. He has even carved trees in a city park.

Wherever he goes, he serves as a mentor for new chainsaw artists and enjoys meeting carvers. He said, “They are like family. Even though we are competing, we help each other.”

Niedermayer has done demonstrations at many schools and festivals. This February, he will be appearing at the Festival du Voyageur in Winnipeg, alongside some of the top carvers from across Canada. Over the past eight years, he has participated in numerous competitions. One of the more memorable events was the Canadian Chainsaw Competition, held in London, Ontario. He won a fifth place, out of twelve of Canada’s top carvers.

His advice to anyone interested in getting into this kind of art - “Do not quit. There will be times when you think you reached your limits but just hang on and things get better. Chainsaw carving has it all, sport, art, and entertainment. The best thing is to go out and watch an event and you will learn a lot.”



86th OPEN JURIED COMPETITION AND EXHIBITION
Warehouse Artworks Gallery | 222 McDermot Ave

March 1-29

March 1st 7pm
Jurors' Lecture

March 4th 2-5pm
Opening Reception

Manitoba Society
of Artists

submit by Feb 22

Artist: Paulo Delgado
"Waiting" Acrylic on Canvas

OJCE 2018

We are pleased to announce that this year's OJCE will be held March 1 - 29th at Warehouse Artworks Gallery in Winnipeg's Exchange District. Diana Thorneycroft and Keith Wood are the two jurors.

Note that all works submitted must be for sale, with artists receiving 60% of any sale. The maximum width of art is 40".

There Are Two Ways To Apply - Mail or Online

Mail: Fill out the form on your computer and print it out or fill it out by hand. Mail it with \$40 cash or cheque to:

c/o OJCE Registrar
Forum Art Centre
120 Eugenie Street
Winnipeg, MB R2H 0X7

A confirmation email will be sent to you once we have received your payment and entry form.

Online: Fill out form on your computer, or fill in by hand and scan it back into your computer. Email the form to ojce@manitobaartists.com and send payment through our online store: <http://www.manitobaartists.com/product/ojce-2018/> A confirmation email will be sent to you once we have received your payment and entry form.

Deadline is February 22nd. You can find all the information on OJCE 2018 on our website: <http://www.manitobaartists.com/ojce-2018/>

I WANT TO SHOWCASE

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Showcase

October 25 - 28 in Portage La Prairie, Manitoba
Deadline to Apply: April 30, 2018

Applications are now open at iWantToShowcase.ca for performers of all types, from music (traditional, contemporary, classical, jazz, hip hop etc.), dance, theatre, and variety acts.

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For performing artists wanting to tour Manitoba, your best bet is to apply to showcase for arts organizations at MB Showcase. Applications are now open at iWantToShowcase.ca for performers of all types, from music (traditional, contemporary, classical, jazz, hip hop etc.), dance, theatre, and variety acts. Manitoba Showcase 2018 will be held October 25th-28th in Portage la Prairie, MB and will feature 15 - 20 performing artists.

Artists are selected by a jury to perform in three live showcases at the William Glesby Centre, for an audience of arts organizations (presenters) seeking to book acts to tour to their communities in 2019/20. Following the conference, Manitoba Arts Network will coordinate block booked tours of the showcasing artists throughout the province based on interest generated by arts orgs who attended MB Showcase.

Besides being an opportunity to showcase, the conference also features seminars, workshops, one on one meetings, an artist tradeshow exhibit room and networking events, all focused towards connecting artists, agents, industry professionals, and arts presenters.

Manitoba Arts Network is the only organization that showcases and coordinates tours in Manitoba, generating \$120,000 - \$180,000 in artist fees throughout the year. Showcasing artists can receive up to four years of on-going bookings based on their performance at MB Showcase.

iwanttoshowcase.ca/manitoba-showcase-2018/

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Whiteshell
Winter Arts
Festival 2018

Photographs
and Collage
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Kneale
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Pinawa Players Present

Calendar Girls

By Tim Firth

Based on the Miramax motion picture
By Juliette Towhiki and Tim Firth

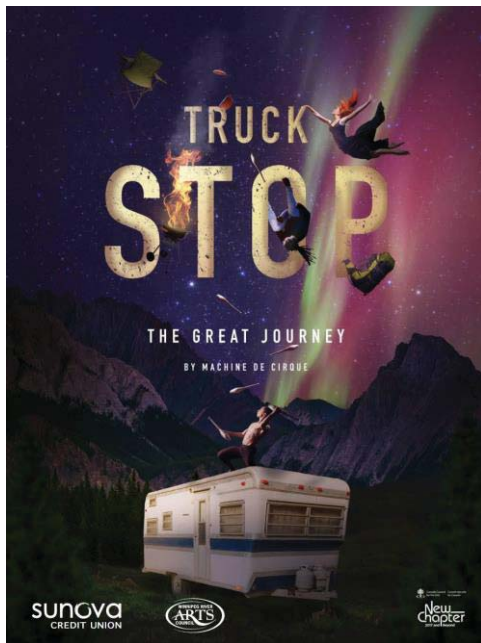
Pinawa
Community
Centre

April
19, 20, 21
7:30 2018

**Tickets \$15 at the door
or from Solo store
Dessert and Coffee
for purchase at intermission**



Proceeds from the sale of dessert will go to Pinawa Cancer Care



Winnipeg River Arts Council is thrilled to announce that Sunova Credit Union is sponsoring the presentation of Truck Stop – The Great Journey by Machine de Cirque. A motley group of campers in search of adventure and thrills decides to hitch up their trailer to set out on a journey across the American continent. With a well-stocked cooler, windows wide open and music blaring, they are all set for an epic odyssey on wheels. Salty air that fills the lungs, enshrouding forests, electrifying cities, breathtaking mountains and plains that stretch as far as the eye can see hold the promise of an unforgettable trip. Travel from east to west with five performers and a musician who will take you on a coast-to-coast trip in fifty minutes.

Save the date!!

Wednesday, August 1 – Lac du Bonnet

Top 10 Legal Issues for Artists

Date: March 21, 6:00 pm-8:00 pm

Deadline: Advanced registration preferred but not required

Price: Free for members / \$10 for non-members

With the help of Pro Bono Students Canada, you will learn the top ten legal issues faced by independent artists today. These lawyers-in-training will decipher the complicated lawyer lingo, so that you don't have to! Topics include publishing on social media, contracts, royalties, fair dealing and copyright, the Creative Commons Legal Code and more.

<https://creativemanitoba.ca/events/top->



Festival and Event Management Master Class: *Early bird ends soon*

Date: April 12 and 13, 10:00 am-4:30 pm Deadline: March 16 (early bird)

Price: \$400 two day / \$300 single day

The Festival and Event Management Masterclass is an intensive two-day program designed to inform and inspire anyone involved in the business of creating, managing and developing festivals and events. It is a highly practical course full of ideas and examples to increase participant's knowledge and improve their events. It includes sessions on key tasks and challenges for festival organizers such as Marketing, Press, Programming, Evaluation, Sponsorship and Fundraising.

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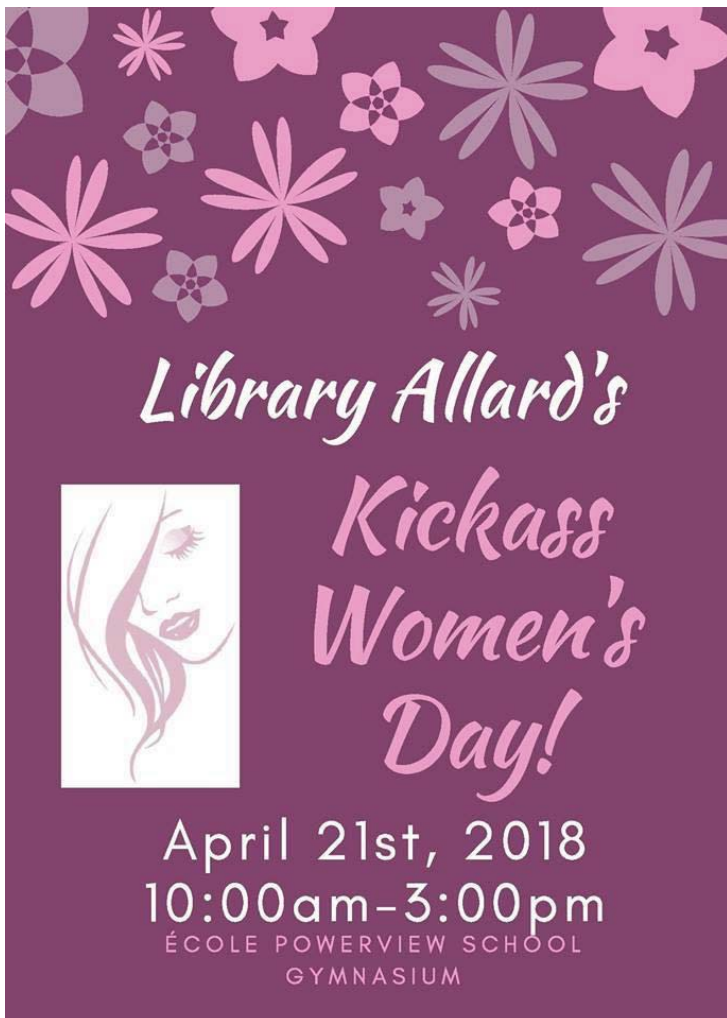


Quinton Blair Friday, March 16th 7:30 pm Pinawa Community Centre

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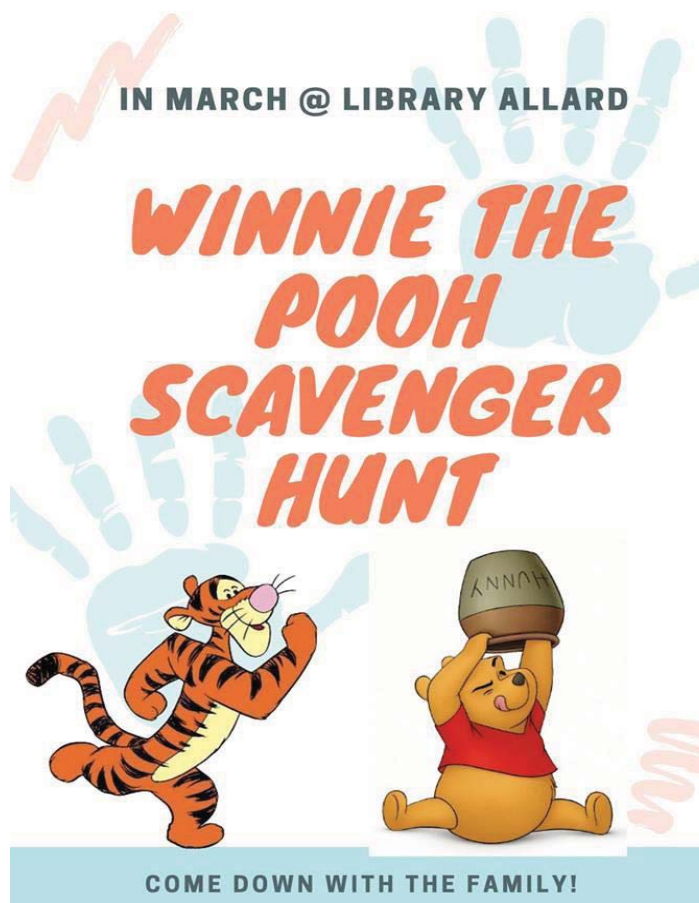
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Final Concert of the season! Andino Suns Friday, April 13th



*Library Allard's
Kickass
Women's
Day!*

April 21st, 2018
10:00am-3:00pm
ÉCOLE POWerview SCHOOL
GYMNASIUM

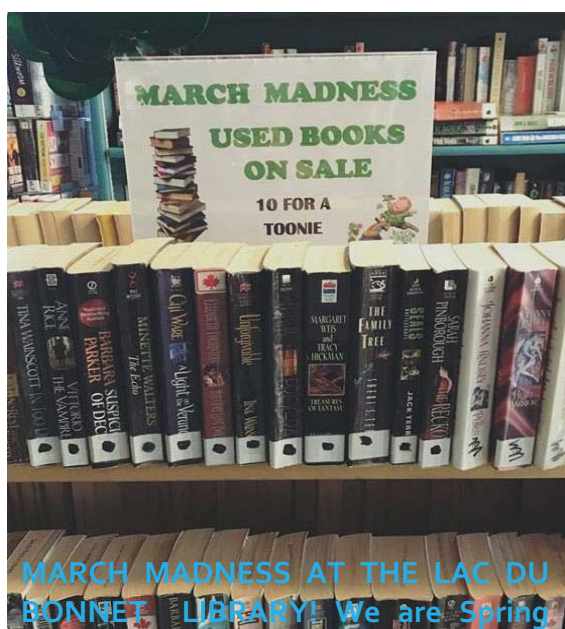


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COME DOWN WITH THE FAMILY!

Simply come to the library during regular business hours, ask circulation desk staff for a form. Fill out the correct character name and number found beside it and hand into the staff. If you have all the names and numbers correct you get to choose a prize from the treasure chest! Bring your kids and grandkids down to take part in this fun activity!



MARCH MADNESS AT THE LAC DU BONNET LIBRARY! We are Spring cleaning and we have a surplus of used books selling out at "10 for a Toonie", while quantities last! Hurry in!



SPRING INTO THE LAC DU BONNET LIBRARY during Spring Break!

Tuesday, March 27 10:30 am to 12:00 noon
Wednesday, March 28 1:30 pm to 3:00 pm
Thursday, March 29 10:30 am to 12:00 pm

Join the fun with crafts, snacks, stories and more!
Ages 5 to 12. Registration is encouraged.



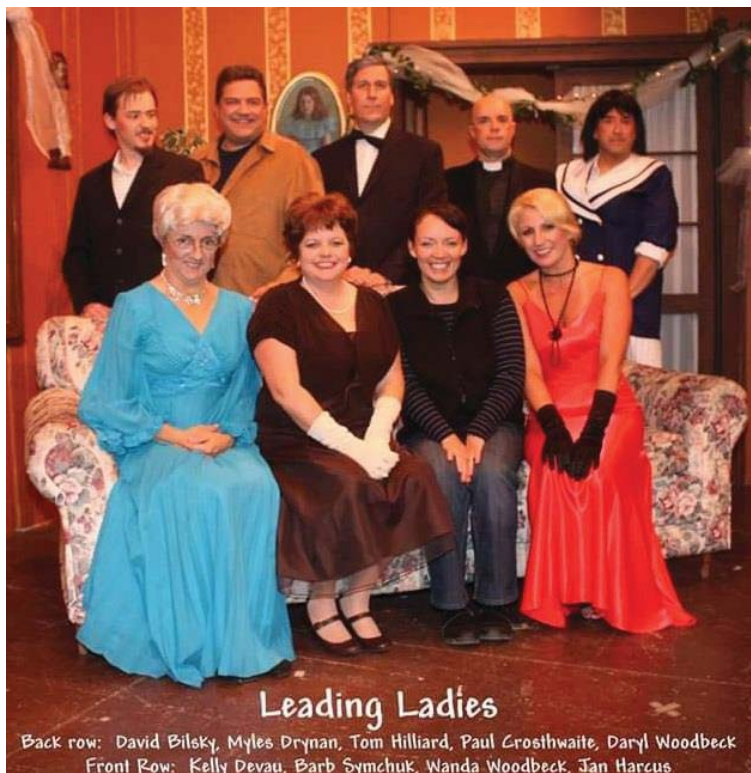
WRAC Featured Artist of the Month Darryl Woodbeck

For this month, the Winnipeg River Arts Council features actor Darryl Woodbeck from Pinawa. By day, he works at Canadian Nuclear Laboratories as an Emergency Preparedness Officer, writing and reviewing policies and training personnel on emergency procedures.

After work, he brings his engaging personality to the Pinawa Players. An actor of long standing, he has honed his skills in plays as diverse as “Lend me A Tanner” (singing opera), “Lafferty’s Wake” (posing as an Irish performer), and, most recently, “Sadie Flynn Comes to Big Oak” (showcasing his comic timing alongside Myles Drynan, his long-term “partner in mime”).

Woodbeck said, “I love the thrill of being on stage, hearing the reaction of the audience, and knowing the cast has given the audience a new experience.”

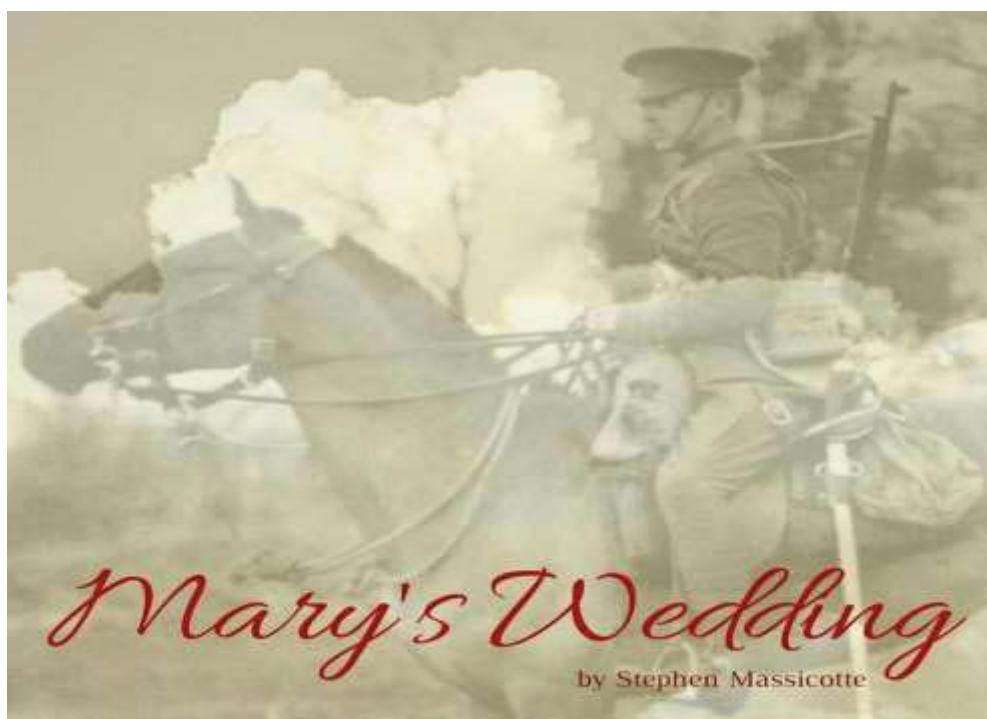
His passion for live theatre began in the 1980’s as a backstage worker helping with props, set design, lighting, and sound management in Pinawa. After all this valuable experience, he ventured onto the stage with his first role in “The Nerd” and he has acted in plenty of plays ever since. Both Beausejour’s *Haystack Productions* and Gillam’s *Live Wire Productions* have benefitted from his work.



Offstage, Daryl has directed such works as “I Take This Man,” “Done to Death,” and “Leading Ladies.” In this last play, presented in 2009, a publicity photo showed him wearing a wig and a smartly tailored dress.

In “Moon over Buffalo,” he worked with his wife, Wanda. She will be directing this April’s production of “Calendar Girls” and Woodbeck will be the prompter for the women in the cast.

The Pinawa Players is now Manitoba’s longest running amateur company. Woodbeck encourages anyone interested in theatre to come and join this incredible group of people. His philosophy to acting is simple – “It has to be fun because the pay is lousy!”



WRAC News

April
2018

Winnipeg River Arts Council is pleased to announce the presentation of Theatre Project Manitoba's production of *Mary's Wedding* by Stephen Massicotte on Sunday, October 21st at 2pm at the Great Falls Community Hall.

A play with a heart as big as the prairie skies that serve as its stage, *Mary's Wedding* is an epic, unforgettable story of love, hope and survival.

On the eve of her wedding, Mary Chalmers dreams of Charlie, her first love. Set in Western Canada during the First World War, the story of Mary and Charlie's romance unfolds through a series of dreamlike memories, punctuated by the innocence of new love, the courage of youth and the cruelty of fate.

2014-2018 marks the Centenary of the First World War, and the Battle of Moreuil Wood. *Mary's Wedding* honours these historic events, how they shaped the lives of Canadians at that time, and the lives lost in battle.

This beloved play premiered at Alberta Theatre Projects and has since gone on to great success across Canada, the United States, Scotland and England. *Mary's Wedding* will appeal to your entire community. It will be possible for the play to be performed in less traditional venues including a variety of indoor and outdoor locations.



Wednesday, August
1st

8pm

Lac du Bonnet

Free Family Event



WRAC Featured Artist of the Month

Roberta Laliberte

For this month, Winnipeg River Arts Council revisits previously featured visual artist Roberta Laliberte, who grew up Pine Falls and still lives there.

When she was young, Laliberte learned by copying. In a small community, before the internet, it was all she had. She said, “I thought my art had to look super realistic. Later on, I wanted to show viewers how I saw the world, and not replicate it perfectly.”

She began studying artists online, learning techniques and finding new mediums to interpret in her own way. In 1993, she attended fine arts at Mount Allison University in Sackville, New Brunswick, but did not complete a degree. She said, “At the time, I didn’t see the value. Now I see it.”

Recently, she has developed her application process, influenced by every-day experiences. She prefers paper as a surface but likes mixed media, adding more of them to her repertoire, such as chalk pastels and different charcoals. Also, texture, shape and colour inspire her.

She said, “I now lean towards semi-abstract or abstract landscapes and still life, with loose, spontaneous passages and thick impasto sections.”

Laliberte instructs artist in schools, private classes, and online groups with students from all over the world. She helps teachers with professional development and has earned a Community Collaborative Arts Coordinator Certificate, awarded by Creative Manitoba, a Winnipeg organization dedicated to professional artists’ development. She spent a week at the Lincoln Center in New York, taking their International Educator Workshop, which uses inquiry-based approaches to learning.



She encourages students to explore and learn, just as children do. She said, “We decide at some point what we are good at and leave it at that. People tell me I’m talented. I have some skills but the one that serves me best is my tenacity.”

She has produced public art installations such as the one commissioned by a jury from *Heritage Canada/La Maison Des Artistes* for Library Allard in St. Georges, and created videos, such as the ones with Canada’s first Youth Walking Theatre Company.

Her work has also been exhibited in shows throughout Manitoba. Supported by Manitoba Arts Council’s ArtsSmarts program, she has helped students create large installations. In 2000, *Dateline Arts Magazine* named her as one of their Artists of the Year.

Her favourite quote: “We were all born to create. What you make speaks to who you are and where you are in that moment, and it is good.”

Visit [her website:](http://www.prairiefairydesigns.com)

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6th Annual

Celebrating Stories and Music



STORIES with Brenda McKenzie

As an artist Brenda illustrated the book "Teddy'n'Me" by Peggy Halstead. As an author she wrote "Loving You" about caring for someone with dementia. Both books will be used to discuss the "behind the scenes" of being an author or an artist.

She is currently a volunteer for the Pinawa Art Gallery and the Winnipeg River Arts Council.

MUSIC with Hannah Leigh Strachan and Students

Hannah has been a music instructor for over 10 years and has experience playing/performing on over ten different instruments, but chooses to focus mainly on piano, vocals and songwriting.

Hannah believes strongly in the importance of individualized instruction, and works hard to create a flexible and fun learning environment where all students will grow as musicians and learn to love music in their own way.



Thursday, April 19, 2018

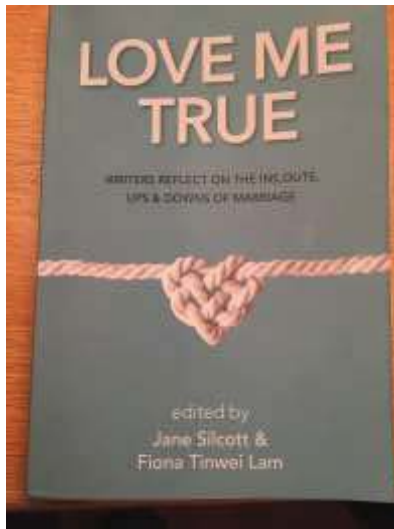
7:00 pm to 9 pm

Join us for an evening of Stories and Music. Refreshments will be served. This event is free and open to everyone.



Lac du Bonnet Regional Library

84-3rd Street - (204) 345 2653



Vancouver editors Jane Silcott and Fiona Lam have invited local author Donna Besel to a Toronto book launch where she will read from her essay, "The End of a Marriage," found in the new anthology from Caitlin Press, LOVE ME TRUE: WRITERS REFLECT ON THE INS, OUTS, UPS & DOWNS OF MARRIAGE. The launch will be held at Ben McNally Books on May 3, in conjunction with the annual Creative Nonfiction Collective conference at the University of Toronto. Published in February, this anthology contains writing by award-winning writers from across Canada and can be purchased from major book-selling websites and bookstores.

Coming exclusively to EMCA on Friday, April 13 is Andino Suns, the wonderfully energetic group from Saskatchewan. As descendants of South American refugees, they'll bring haunting and zesty Latino songs, accompanied by guitars, percussion, harmonica, charango (small mandolin), quena (Andean flute), zampona (Pan flute), and trutruca (like an Alpen horn). This is our final concert of the season — a real toe-tapper! As usual, you'll be treated to fantastic music.

Doors at the Pinawa Community Centre open at 7:00 and the show starts at 7:30. Everyone welcome! Get your tickets at Pinawa Solo, Ingham Pharmacy (LdB), Beausejour Music, at the door, or reserve by calling 345-6077. Bring friends!



Watercolour workshops Victoria Beach Community Centre

\$50. 11-4. Go home with a finished painting
To register: email nancyateah13@gmail.com
Suitable for all levels.



March 17



April 21

Sailboats May 5



June date TBA

Art classes at my home

Informal classes where we will learn the basics of watercolour...values, colour theory, composition, perspective. How to keep a sketchbook, how to do studies...lots of fun and lots of learning!

\$35 a class. 1:00 - 4:00

April 12 Thursday

April 26

May 10

May 24

June 14

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Or text or call 204 999 4397



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August 18 & 19, 2018

2018 Participating Artists

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Arlene Bohn

Janine Bergamot

Annie Bergen

Margaret Brook

Herb Burlock

Janice Charko

Mary Louise Chown

Rick Cline

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Corrine Flaws

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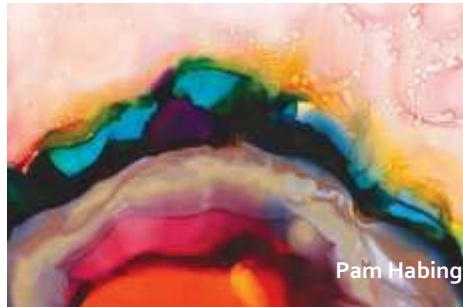
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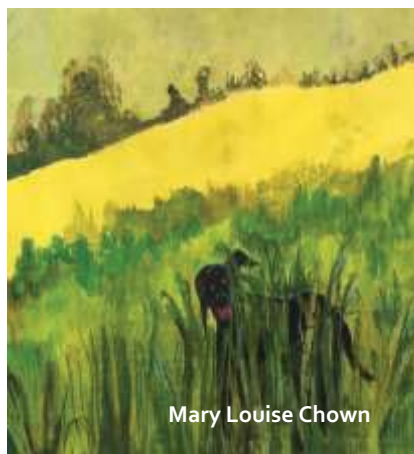
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Mary Louise Chown



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Shirley Kurian

Roberta Laliberte

Dianne Lund

Alex Martin

Trish Richardson Mason

Marilyn McNish

Brigid Meakin

Chrissy Sie-Merritt

Rick Merritt

Barbara Metrycki

Bernice Philips

Pinawa Gallery

Barbara Pritchard

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Rosemary Scurfield

Diane Silverthorne

George Tanner

Brigitta Urben

Roy Ward

Pinawa Players Present

Calendar Girls

By Tim Firth

Based on the Miramax motion picture
By Juliette Toulme and Tim Firth

April
19, 20, 21
7:30 2018

Pinawa
Community
Centre

**Tickets \$15 at the door
or from Solo store**

**Dessert and Coffee
for purchase at intermission**

Proceeds from the sale of dessert will go to Pinawa Cancer Care

Winnipeg River Arts Council

Annual General Meeting

Monday, May 14th

6:30pm

Community Futures Winnipeg
River – Board Room

4 Park Ave, Lac du Bonnet

Please let Jennifer know if you
plan to attend,

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or 204 340 0889

The reading of a fine book is an uninterrupted dialogue in which the book speaks and our soul replies.

- Andre Maurios

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SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 3rd, 2019

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When Brad Deacon, a young real estate agent trying to prove himself to his father, arrives at the Bjornson farm, he's determined to succeed where others have failed. And that just may happen since the old, bachelor farmer, Magnus Bjornson, is now finding himself backed into a corner with mounting debt and suburban neighborhoods advancing from every direction. But chores, skunks and ants get in the way, not to mention Magnus' high-spirited and secretive great niece Esme, who is unwavering in her resolve that this farm is NOT FOR SALE. How much is a fourth generation farm worth? Is it possible to hide from one's self? And can anyone hold back "progress"? To answer these questions, Magnus, Esme and Brad must break through the divisions between urban and rural like to build a better future for them all...



WRAC News

May 2018

VIVO HARMONICS TEACHER HANNAH LUSSIER AND STUDENT SAFFIYA ROSNOW PERFORMED "MY HEART WILL GO ON" AT THE LAC DU BONNET LIBRARY CELEBRATING STORIES EVENT ON APRIL 19TH.



Left & below: Artist & author Brenda McKenzie spoke about illustrating the book "Teddy 'N' Me" by Peggy Halstead and writing her book "Loving You" about caring for someone with dementia.



Pinawa Players cast of Calendar Girls take a bow.

A brave and talented cast presented a heartfelt, hilarious rendition of a much loved true story, set in England. Dressed or undressed, these actors amazed and delighted the audience.

WINNIPEG RIVER ARTS COUNCIL ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING
MONDAY, MAY 14th 6:30pm
COMMUNITY FUTURES, 4 PARK AVE, LAC DU BONNET
 Please advise Jennifer if you plan to attend by Friday, May 11 at 5pm.
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 Lac du Bonnet District Museum

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Lac du Bonnet Hidden Gem

NEW EXHIBITS

Museum Hours

May
Sat. 19 -10-4

Sun 20
Sat. 26 Sun. 27
12:00 - 4:00

June
Sat. 2 10:30-4
Sat. 16 - 10-4

Sat. & Sun.
12:00 - 4:00

July
Sun. 1 10-4
Wed. - Sun.
10:00 - 4:00

August
Wed. - Sun.
10:00 - 4:00

Sept.
Sat. 1 10-4
long weekend

Open House & Market



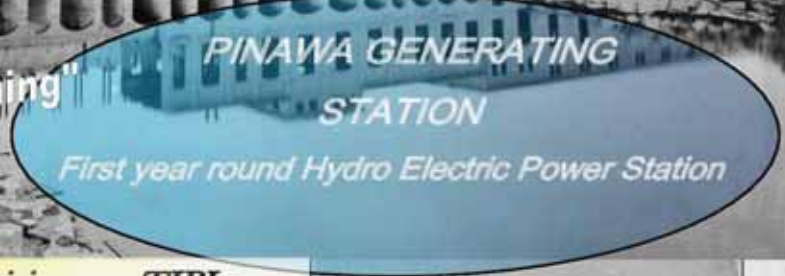
*Raising our TIPI
with Tipi Joe
and Lac du Bonnet Senior
School*



**July 1 Canada Day
refreshments / outdoor
market**



**William Duncan Halliday and
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Lac du Bonnet Pioneer Family**



**HERITAGE DAY & Market
Sept. 1st
10:00 - 4:00**

FUNDRAISER
- local history book
"Caviar and Venison"
by Vivian Nesor
- local WILD RICE

Anishinaabe Exhibit



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345-6329

Lac du Bonnet & District Historical Society Cultural Fundraiser Fri. Dec. 7, 2018

WRAC Artist of the Month Cohen Sieg

For this month, the Winnipeg River Arts Council features Cohen Sieg. A life-long resident of Sieg's Corner, he's a sixteen-year old singer/songwriter and musician.



When he was six, he took some beginner guitar lessons which kindled his interest in music. At the age of ten, he decided to commit and take some real lessons. And the rest, as they say, is history. Since then, he has been mainly self-taught.

His musical style is pop/folk but he also likes country, rock and a bit of blues. The guitar is his main instrument, but he has been known to pick up and play bass guitar, piano, drums, saxophone, clarinet, mandolin, ukulele, banjo, harmonica, trumpet, accordion, and an assortment of percussion instruments.

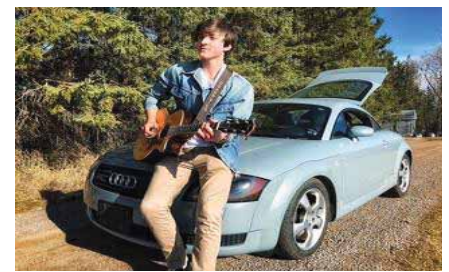
He also makes films, including music videos and similar creative projects. Working with Winnipeg Film Group, he made a music video and hopes to further explore this medium.

Sieg has always wanted to be an entertainer and strives to be the best musician he can be. He said, "I feel most confident when I'm on stage. I want to put on the best show for my audience. I try to write songs that spark an emotional response. I pour my heart out and strive to capture people's souls."

He has performed at gigs all over Manitoba such as Lac du Bonnet's Fire & Water Music Festival (3 times), Selkirk events, and Red River Exhibition. He's also played at venues all across Canada from Charlottetown, P.E.I. to Vancouver, B.C. He posts his work on social media sites such as Instagram and YouTube, and currently has a single out on iTunes, Spotify and Google Play.

Sieg is always working on new projects and he hopes to have an album out soon. He likes contests and has entered Canadian Music Class Challenge and CBC's Searchlight (along with a video he made). One of his tunes placed second in a Steinbach song writing contest.

He said, "Every person interprets a song differently. I hope my work affects each individual in a unique way. As long as someone connects to my material, I did my job right."



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**Saturday
 June 9, 2018
 1:00—3:00 pm
 Must RSVP by
 May 26th, 2018**



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Library Allard is featuring breathtaking work of art from our local artist Roberta Laliberte during the month of June.

Thursday, May 31st from 6 – 8pm, the Winnipeg River Heritage Museum is

hosting a Wine & Cheese evening at the library to kick off the exhibit. Some of Roberta's artwork is featured in our library in the children's corner. Looking forward to seeing more of her beautiful artwork.



WRAC is seeking new board members, if you are interested please attend the next board meeting on Monday, May 14th at 6pm at Community Futures, 4 Park Ave, Lac du Bonnet or contact Jennifer at 203 340 0889 or winnipegriverats@gmail.com



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 Monday and Saturday 11am - 1 pm
 Tuesday and Thursday 2pm - 4pm
 Tuesday Evening - 7:30 pm - 8:30 pm

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THE GREAT JOURNEY
BY MACHINE DE CIRQUE

FREE Family Event

Wednesday
AUG 1st, 2018
8:30 PM

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New Chapter

Honouring the Centenary of the Great War

Great Falls Community Hall
Sunday, October 21, 2018
2:00 pm

Mary's Wedding
by Stephen Massicotte

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SWEDISH CULTURAL ASSOCIATION & LAC DU BONNET & DISTRICT HISTORICAL SOCIETY
presents

"The Swedes are Coming"

Saturday June 2, 2018
beginning at 10:30 am
location:
Lac du Bonnet District Museum
Halliday Park
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Swedish picnic lunch
Midsommar Parade
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Outdoor activities
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Boreal Shores Art Tour
August 18 & 19, 2018

Immerse yourself in our World... Photo: Shirley Kurian

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NEW! Spring coaching sessions available

We offer one-on-one coaching for independent artists.

Price: \$30 for a one hour session, available to Creative Manitoba [members](#).

Weds, May 23: Grant writing with Bev Pike

Thurs, May 24: Project planning with Alexa Joy Potashnik

Tues, May 29: Leadership/arts careers with Jessica Dumas

Tues, June 19: Social media with Chloe Chafe



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connecting creativity

Workshops at MAN: Online Video Training – Social Media Marketing

Date: Wednesday, June 6, 2018 Time: 11:30 am - 1 pm

Where: via Zoom (online/internet)

Cost: \$15

Register online at manitobartsnetwork.ca

This lunch time video training with the Manitoba Arts Network is presented by [Sphere Media Agency](#). Come and learn practical skills in the context of a small group webinar. We will cover recent changes for Small Business and discussed under-utilized tools and there will be plenty of opportunities to ask questions.

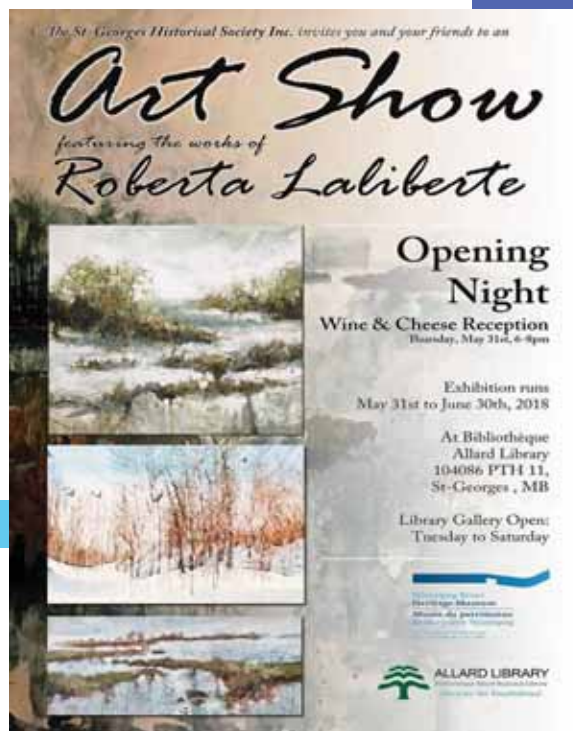
Dominick Blais is a 10 year veteran of using web and social media to build digital relationships for business and marketing. He is the owner of Sphere Media, a Winnipeg-based agency working with fast growing companies who are serious about communicating their value proposition, finding new customers and increasing sales. Dominick is the co-owner / co-publisher of the internationally known SAY Magazine.



Roberta Laliberte poses with her artwork on the opening night of her art show at Library Allard in St. Georges. This art show is on now until the end of June.

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June 2018



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Brenda McKenzie and Grace Kost discussing art at the 5th Anniversary Celebration of the Pinawa Art 211.

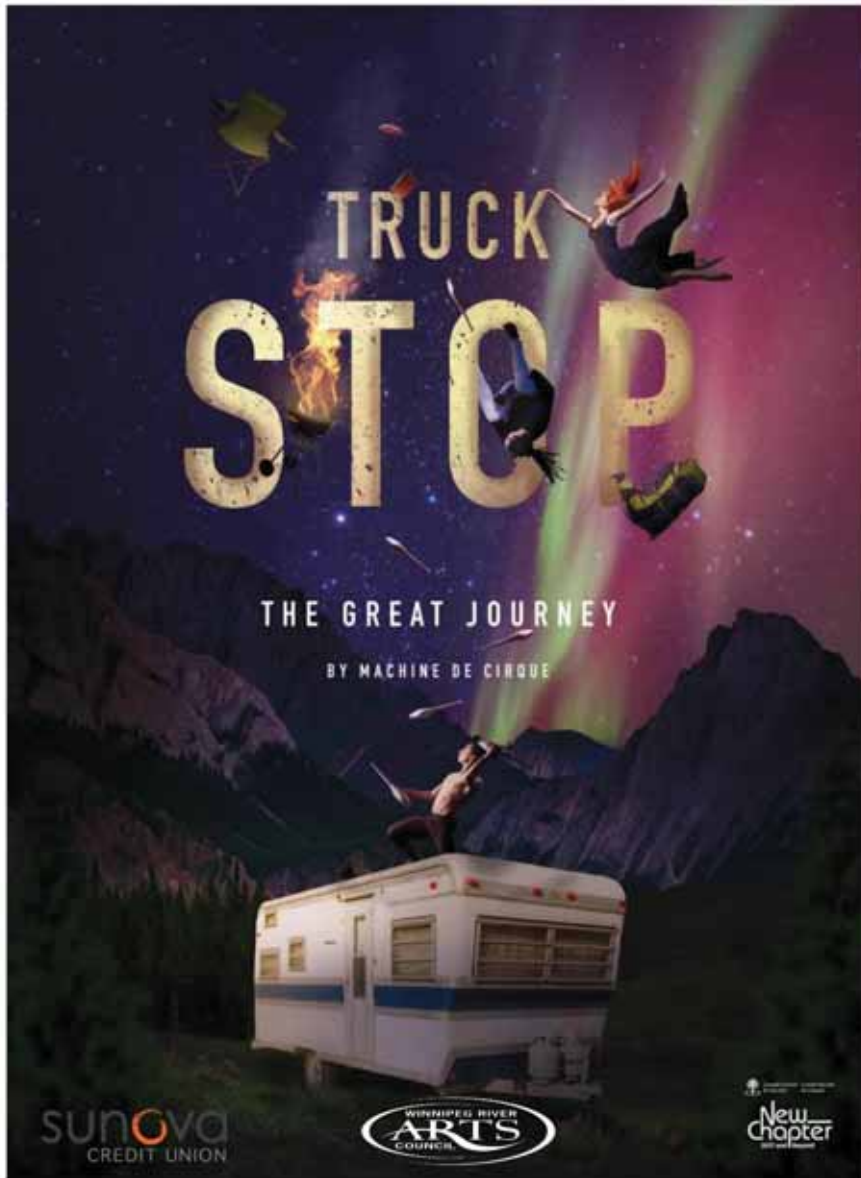
Below: On May 3, local author Donna Besel read from her story in the new anthology *Love Me True: Writers Reflect on Ups, Downs, Ins & Outs of Marriage* at Toronto's Ben McNally Bookstore. Thirteen writers read and dozens of Toronto writers and guests attended the book launch, held in conjunction with Creative Nonfiction Collective's annual three day conference. Donna also read at the writers' cabaret at the conference banquet. Writers from across Canada attended the conference, hosted for the first time in Toronto.

Artists off the Avenue

Be sure to check out the artwork of Centennial School students that is up around Lac du Bonnet. Thank you to local participating businesses.

- Kindergarten- Ingram Pharmacy
- Room 2,3,4 - Home Hardware, Town Office, and Dancys
- Room 7 - Library
- Room 8 - Cottage Country
- Room 10 - Sunova
- Room 9 - Post Office
- Room 11 - Lucci's Too and Rona





WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 1 8:30 pm

Behind the Lac du Bonnet Community Centre

FREE FAMILY SHOW!!

Thank you to local sponsors; Lac du Bonnet Community Centre, Lac du Bonnet Charitable Foundation, Ingham Pharmacy and Sunspace Sunrooms.

A TOUCHING, REFRESHING AND BEWILDERING ROAD TRIP

A motley group of campers in search of adventure and thrills decides to hitch up their trailer to set out on a journey across the American continent. With a well-stocked cooler, windows wide open and music blaring, they are all set for an epic odyssey on wheels. Salty air that fills the lungs, enshrouding forests, electrifying cities, breathtaking mountains and plains that stretch as far as the eye can see hold the promise of an unforgettable trip.

Travel from east to west with five performers and a musician who will take you on a coast-to-coast trip in fifty minutes. To present this show, they will literally trek across Canada throughout the summer of 2018.

Truck Stop will soon be performing on August 1 in Lac du Bonnet.

Truck Stop: The Great Journey is one of the 200 exceptional projects funded through the Canada Council for the Arts' New Chapter program. With this \$35M investment, the Council supports the creation and sharing of the arts in communities across Canada.



WRAC Featured Artists of the Month

Tannis Thomas & Carl Quesnel

For this month, Winnipeg River Arts Council features Tannis Thomas and Carl Quesnel, a Pinawa couple who own and operate a family business called Boreal Workshop, which creates stunning handcrafted jewellery. In addition to jewellery and personal goods, they produce art objects, and vessels and containers suitable for personal and ceremonial use.

In 2016, Boreal Workshop moved from Winnipeg to Pinawa. The couple felt drawn by the beauty of the Canadian Shield. The scenic surroundings played a major role in their decision to live and work in this community.



Tannis Thomas is a member of Ojibwa-Sipi Cree Nation (Fisher River), with Cree and Metis ancestors from the Interlake and Grand Beach regions of Manitoba. Her education in art began at an early age. Her uncle, Don LaForte, was an accomplished visual artist and bon vivant.

Thomas said, "He passed on a belief that art is intrinsic to our nature."

Carl Quesnel, the head jeweller and lapidary-gemologist is Canadian, of English and French ancestry, with roots in Winnipeg, and the Manigatogan-Long Lake area of Manitoba. For those who may not know, a lapidary is a person who cuts, polishes or engraves stones. Quesnel was introduced to lapidary at a young age by parents and grandparents, and he has studied gemology with the Gemological Institute of America. He is also an accomplished gold, silver, and copper smith.

The couple has lived and worked in diverse regions of Canada, from the Arctic to the Prairies. Boreal Workshop's classical, minimalist aesthetic is reflected in each piece they design and hand make. As well, their work is informed by Indigenous and European cultures, the traditions of art and craft, and the environment.

Thomas said, "The influences of cultures, traditions, and the beauty of the natural world are intrinsic to our art."



All of their creations are hand made in Canada and ethically produced. They cut and facet gemstones using select rough sourced from around the world. The metalwork they produce is also all handmade, typically in copper, silver, and gold. Where possible, they use local sources and distributors, and consider sustainability and the environment.

Their work is available on their website, www.borealworkshop.com, as well as at select retail locations in Manitoba. Pieces have been donated to the art and ceremonial exhibit, "Walking with Our Sisters," and they support Manitoba-based arts organizations and exhibits with donations of jewellery and vessels for fundraising events.

Their motto: "We make beautiful things for all people."





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Summer
Reading
Club
2018**

Join the fun!
Lac du Bonnet Library
July 3 to August 16
Every Tuesday and Thursday
10:30am to 12:30pm (Ages 5 to 12)

FREE Special Programs with stories, crafts, snacks, games & more!



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2018 @
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July 10 to August 30,
2018 on
Tuesdays &
Thursdays:
3-6 year olds,
1:00-2:00pm
7-10 year olds,
2:15-3:15pm

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Boreal Shores Art Tour
 Aug 18 & 19, 2018



Immerse yourself in our World....

You are invited.....


To the Official Kickoff of the
2018 Boreal Shores Art Tour

At the Whitemouth Community Centre
 on June 13, 2018 at 2pm
 Light refreshments will be served.

We will reveal the list of artists, the new Route and the Brochure for the 2018 Boreal Shores Art Tour.

Also to be unveiled is the 2017 Mosaic Art Project. Last year, the public was invited, at 6 different stops on the Tour, to paint their representation of a 2" square portion of a large photographic, boreal image donated by Pinawa photographer, Stu Iverson. Over the winter, the 648 squares were assembled into a 3' by 6' mosaic including the names of all who participated. This mosaic will be hung in the Whitemouth Community Centre.

Come join us as we celebrate the growth of the Tour in its second year. Also learn about the 2018 Art Project – another opportunity for the public to participate in making art!



Boreal Shores Art Tour

ART OF MANAGING YOUR CAREER, FALL 2018

Application deadline: September 1, 2018

The Art of Managing Your Career offers working artists the confidence and knowledge to successfully manage their careers or businesses in the cultural sector. By the end of this course, you will have developed an extensive business plan, a marketing plan, and have a template for managing your finances.

<https://creativemanitoba.ca/programs/the-art-of-managing-your-career/>



July 2018



2017 BOREAL SHORES ART TOUR MOSAIC ART PROJECT IS ON DISPLAY AT THE WHITEMOUTH COMMUNITY CENTRE UNTIL JUST PRIOR TO THE 2018 BOREAL SHORES TOUR. THE MOSAIC WILL BE ON DISPLAY AT A SECRET LOCATION FOR THE ART TOUR. WATCH FOR IT AND RECEIVE AN EXTRA STAMP IN YOUR PASSPORT.

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Travel our self-guided Art Tour featuring individual art studios and artist group locations throughout the Beautiful Boreal Region of Manitoba!

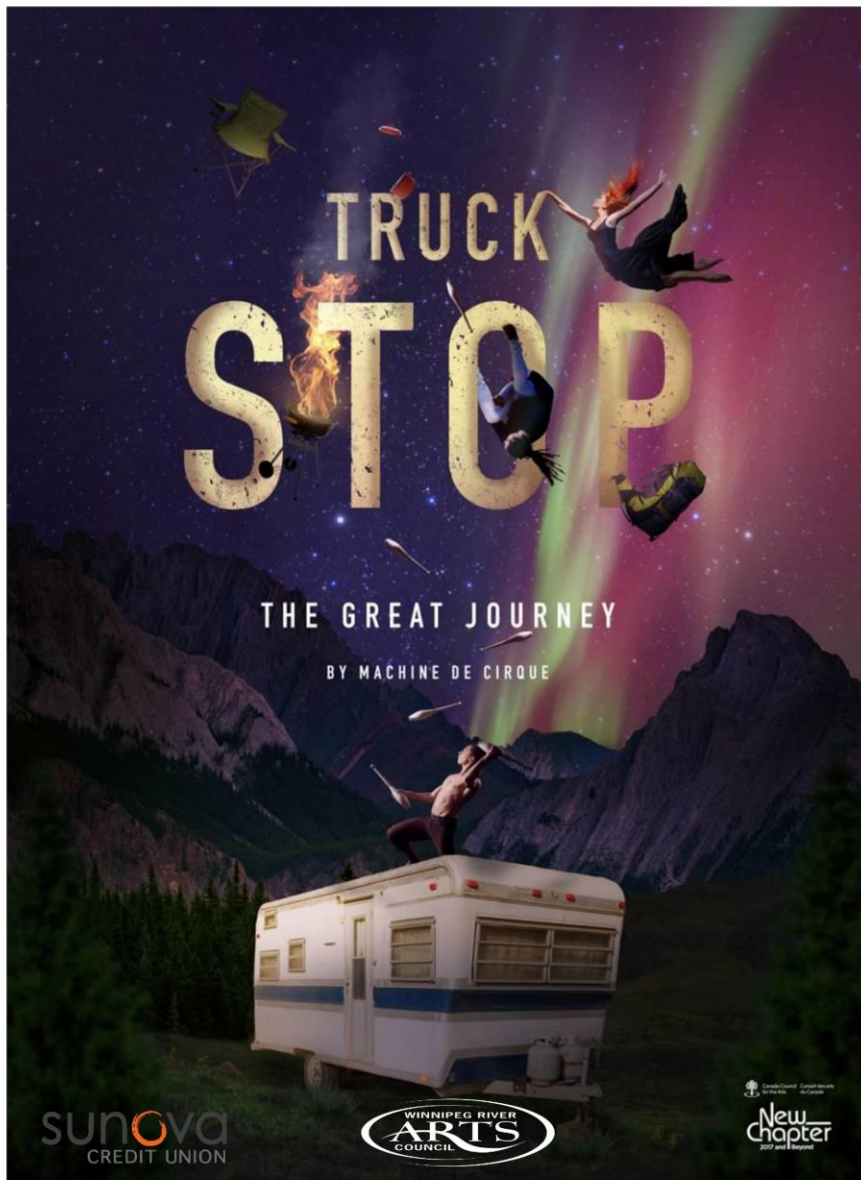
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Top - Bottom: Arlene Bohn, Janice Charko and Herman Saxler spoke about the collaborative mural at the kickoff for the 2018 Boreal Shores Art Tour in Whitemouth on June 13th.

Kudos go out to David Schellenberg for figuring out how to list all the names of those who painted a square and then doing the graphics for the list, which is placed below the art piece.



WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 1 8:30 pm

Behind the Lac du Bonnet Community Centre

FREE FAMILY SHOW!!

Thank you to local sponsors; Lac du Bonnet Community Centre, Lac du Bonnet Charitable Foundation, Ingham Pharmacy and Sunspace Sunrooms.

A TOUCHING, REFRESHING AND BEWILDERING ROAD TRIP

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Travel from east to west with five performers and a musician who will take you on a coast-to-coast trip in fifty minutes. To present this show, they will literally trek across Canada throughout the summer of 2018.

Truck Stop will soon be performing on August 1 in Lac du Bonnet.

Truck Stop: The Great Journey is one of the 200 exceptional projects funded through the Canada Council for the Arts' New Chapter program. With this \$35M investment, the Council supports the creation and sharing of the arts in communities across Canada.



WRAC Featured Artist of the Month

Andreas Oertel

For this month, Winnipeg River Arts Council revisits previously featured writer Andreas Oertel. Born in Germany, Oertel spent most of his life in Manitoba. For the past sixteen years, he's lived in the Lac du Bonnet area. By day, he works for the Manitoba Government. In spare hours, he finds time to follow his passion – writing action-adventure novels for middle grade readers (grades 4 to 7).

Oertel went to the University of Winnipeg and British Columbia Institute of Technology but he doesn't think those classes really helped him with his fiction projects. He said, "In fact, if I could travel back in time, I'd go for a degree in English or diploma in journalism."

Instead, he taught himself to write through trial and error - lots and lots of errors. He wrote, submitted to publishers, and was rejected over and over. With each rejection letter, he became more determined to learn the craft. He continued to write, revise and re-submit, and eventually his stories began getting published.

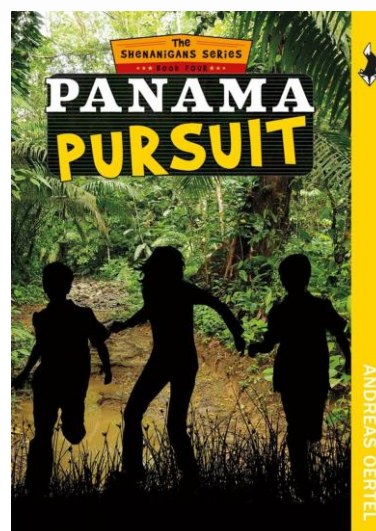
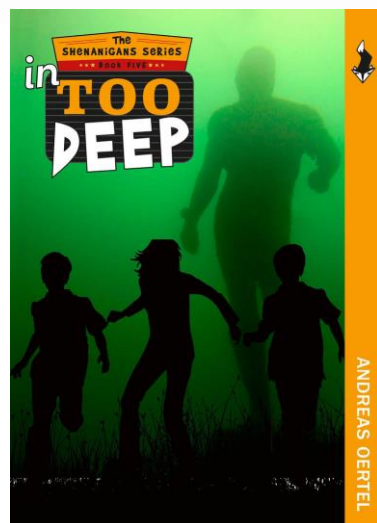
When asked what inspires him, he said, "I like to think that a young, reluctant reader somewhere might finish one of my books and think - *Hey, that was a pretty cool story!*"

Not surprising, given his motivation to inspire kids to love books, he makes lots of visits to schools and libraries, including the ones in the area.

Although he's never taught a formal writing class, he's had six books professionally published and they have been nominated for several awards (*Silver Birch Award*, *Manitoba Young Readers Choice Award*, and the *McNally Robinson Book for Young People Award*). In 2017, he won *The Very Best Award!* (*Young Adult Category*) for *Prisoner of Warren*.

This spring has been especially exciting for Oertel. In April, *In Too Deep* - the fifth book in *The Shenanigans Series* - was officially launched in Winnipeg at McNally Robinson Bookstore. In May, the 2018 TD Canada Book Tour, Canada's single largest book event for young people, offered him a spot on their national circuit. Selected authors spread out across Canada, doing presentations and readings. Oertel's assignment: tour southern Ontario and speak to over 800 middle graders. He said, "I was thrilled to be one of 30 authors. It was an exhausting week, but a lot of fun."

His advice for writers, young or old: "If you have a desire to write, don't give up. Also, your goal shouldn't be to be a writer, your goal should be to write great stories. You'll know you're a *writer* when other people call you a writer."





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1:00-2:00pm
7-10 year olds,
2:15-3:15pm

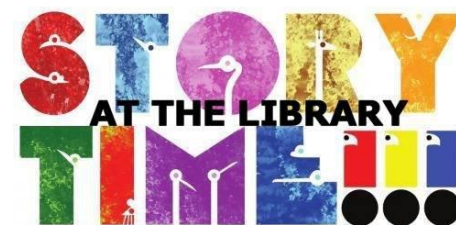
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beginning July 11,
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**Creative
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RURAL YOUTH MENTORSHIP

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If you are interested in this program as a mentee or mentor please contact Jennifer at 204 340 0889 or winnipegriverarts@gmail.com

Art Thursday's at the VB Clubhouse....

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SHORT FICTION
 (one story per entry, max. 10,000 words)
 Judge: Lisa Moore

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 (one essay per entry, max. 5,000 words)
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DEADLINE: NOV. 30, 2018

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Boreal Shores Art Tour 2018

August 18 & 19
10am - 5pm

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Three regions with incredible landscapes, 46 artists with diverse work including...acrylics, batik, clay, clothing, fibre, glass – fused, painted or stained, jewelry, metal work, mixed media, photography, oils, pebble art, pottery, watercolours, woodcarving and woodworking...What's not to love!

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\$25/ticket

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**LAC DU BONNET
NIGHT
MARKET**

August 23
5 to 9 pm
Third Street

Presented by

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Still room for vendors, crafters & artists, contact Kristen at wrrdassist@gmail.com 204 345 8816

Buskers, entertainers! Contact Jenn at winnipegriverarts@gmail.com 204 340 0889

WRAC will have a tent at the Night Market, tickets for the Oct 21st presentation of Mary's Wedding will be available and tickets for the art raffle. Stop by and say hello!

THE ROYAL MANITOBA THEATRE CENTRE AND MANITOBA LIQUOR & LOTTERIES PRESENT

ROYAL MTC MANITOBA THEATRE CENTRE REGIONAL TOUR

BUYING THE FARM

BY STEPHEN SPARKS & SHELLEY HOFFMAN

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18 | 19

Sunday, February 3, 2019

7:30pm

Pinawa Community Centre

“Magnus Bjornson is a sixty-something down-to-earth bachelor who has worked on his family farm all his life. His smart-as-a-whip niece, Esme Van Fossen, has been helping her great-uncle for the past four months, but when issues arise things go awry. Magnus’s health takes a turn, his finances are out of sorts and there’s a real estate developer ready to make an offer. Watch this delightfully comedic story unfold and embrace life’s inevitable changes amongst the cows and chickens.”

WRAC Featured Artist of the Month

Linda Bourrier



For this month, the Winnipeg River Arts Council features visual artist Linda Bourrier. Two years ago, she was living and working in Calgary, as an executive assistant at a large oil company. After retiring, she moved to Pine Falls, where her husband had family.

When she was around ten, she watched a neighborhood girl sketching clothes models. This experience inspired her passion for art and it remained a favourite subject throughout her school years. In grade twelve, she won the art award and her love for creativity deepened.

Later in life, while busy working and raising three children, she treated herself to evening and weekend workshops, starting with beginner watercolor classes at North Mount Pleasant Arts Centre in Calgary, then sessions in various artists' studios, including Nancy-Lynne Hughes, Karin Richter, and a weekend workshop with Gordon MacKenzie from Ontario. While living in Pine Falls, she's taken workshops with local artist Roberta Laliberte. She hopes to learn more from Laliberte and other artists in the area.



Bourrier said, "I'm absolutely hungry to learn new techniques."

In her adult life, she prefers to depict flowers. Although watercolor painting is her first and favorite medium, she's dabbled with acrylics and wants to learn more. A while ago, she tried making 3-D stained glass creations. Mixed media sparks a lot of interest, as well as cartoon type characters. She has also experimented with resin on glass, simple mobiles, copic markers, watercolor pens, and various children's crafts. Right now, her special passion is creating homemade personal cards.

She said, "I like a more realistic style, rather than abstract. And I look at objects and scenery with 'watercolor eyes.' Colors also play a big part in stimulating me."

Bourrier admits she hasn't settled on a single art practice or medium but hopes, in her retirement, to focus on one and get better at it. She has not exhibited any of her work, but thinks she might like to, at some point. But she enjoys sharing her talents with children in her church and with interested friends. She also likes the fun of "art dates" with fellow artists, such as the River Crawlers Sketch Club, organized by Leah Boulet from St-Georges. Bourrier said, "While doing art, I'm in my 'happy place.' It shuts out the rest of the world and any worries."

EASTERN MANITOBA CONCERT ASSOCIATION

2019/2019 Season



Mark Humphries Orchestra

40's Era Swing

SATURDAY, Sept. 22, 7:30 p.m.

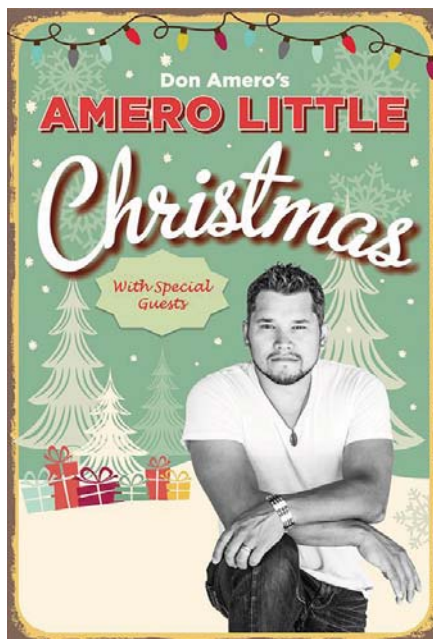
Strike up the band! Clear the floor! Seventeen talented musicians from Southern Manitoba and Saskatchewan are coming to play 40's era swing music in the big band style. Musicians and singers are led by Mark Humphries, who honed his musical skills in the U.K. army, before moving to Canada in 2008. This show will appeal to everyone with a heartbeat! Facebook: The Mark Humphries Orchestra

Jack Semple

B. B. King Tribute

Friday, Nov. 2, 7:30 p.m.

Regina based Blues guitarist, singer and songwriter Jack Semple with band will perform a tribute to the legendary "King of the Blues" B.B. King. King was inducted into the Rock & Roll Hall of Fame in 1987 and died in 2015. Semple has won both a Juno award and a Western Canadian Music award, and he's an outstanding guitarist, so sit back and enjoy the best in Blues. www.jacksemple.com



Don Amero

Amero Little Christmas

Friday, Dec. 14, 7:30 p.m.

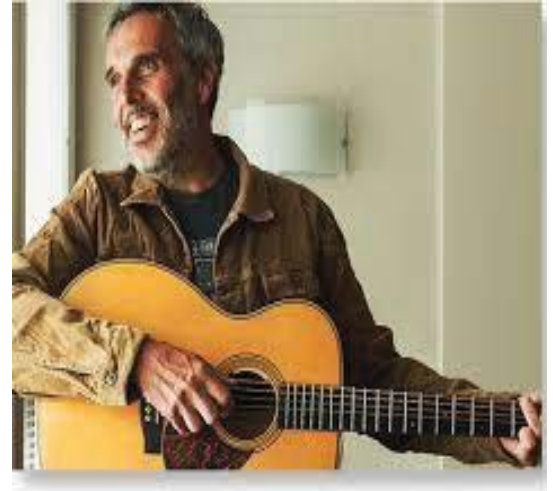
Don Amero presents a popular variety show with his unique take on some familiar and traditional Christmas melodies, sprinkled with a few original songs. With silky vocals, a lovable stage presence, and a soulful sound, Don and his friends bring their brand of percussion-style guitar play and delightful approachability to each performance. A holiday treat! donamero.ca

John Wort Hannam

Folk / Traditional

Friday, Jan. 18, 7:30 p.m.

John Wort Hannam is an international touring prize-winning song writer and humourist. He's a natural born storyteller known for his unique take on the simple day-to-day dramas of common folk. His group will perform folk songs that map the landscapes of both the human heart and this vast country. www.johnworthannam.com



Desiree Dorion

Country / Roots

Friday, Feb. 8, 7:30 p.m.

This 2017 Indigenous Music Award winner and former Juno nominee's music is as country as the gravel roads around her hometown of Dauphin. It strikes a chord by finding the commonalities of hope in us all. With a gift for song writing and a versatile voice, she and her group will leave your toes tapping and your heart smiling. www.desireedorion.com

Chloe Dominguez & Janelle Fung

Classical

Friday, March 8, 7:30 p.m.

Cellist Chloe Dominguez and pianist Janelle Fung take you on a sublime and mystical journey inspired by fables, from Russian folklore to Italian commedia dell'arte to child-like fantasy of princess and prince. Come revel in the fanciful and imaginary worlds created by the magic of beautiful music. www.prairiedebut.com



Those Guys

A Cappella Pop

Friday, April 5, 7:30 p.m.

Nine men who can sing a cappella — what more can you ask for?! Those Guys, from a cross-section of the Winnipeg music and theatre community, have built a reputation for dynamic, feel good performances. Their repertoire, ranging from The Nylons to Justin Timberlake (and everything in between) features complex, often original, musical arrangements sung without a single backing instrument. You'll love it all! www.thoseguysaccappella.com

2018 4P FESTIVAL


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LABOUR DAY WEEKEND
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- FREE COMMUNITY BBQ AND PEA SOUP COMPETITION
- CHAINSAW CARVING
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- KIDS ZONE
- MARKET SQUARE
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- TALENT SHOW
- FAMILY FISHING DERBY
- FISH FRY
- LEGION DINNER

- PAPER MILL REUNION GOLF TOURNAMENT
- FRIDAY NIGHT RETRO SOCIAL
- SLO-PITCH TOURNAMENT
- 4 ON 4 ROAD HOCKEY
- GOSPEL TENT
- FIREWORKS
- WICKED MEAT DRAW
- BUZZ & BOOMER
- LABOUR DAY CLASSIC
- FOOD VENDORS
- PARADE
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- LEGO SCULPTURE COMPETITION
- MANITOBA LIVING HISTORICAL SOCIETY EXHIBIT
- RYAN PRICE'S FAMILY ENTERTAINMENT

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Saturday September 1st
1:00pm-4:00pm
Pine Falls Legion

Sponsored by WRAC

Youth contest 1:00pm-2:30pm
Adult contest 2:30pm-4:00pm

First 10 children and first 10 adults to sign up will be in the running for cash prizes

Bring your own music or instrument
Contact Don at 367-2627 or Lin at 870-1036



The Lac du Bonnet Regional Library

FALL SUPPER

Saturday, September 15, 2018
At the Legion Hall

Two Sitzings: 5:00 pm & 6:30 pm

Adults: \$15.00
12 and under: \$7.00

Tickets are available at:
The Library and Ingham Pharmacy

For more information, or to reserve tickets please call the Library at 204.345.2653

*Reserved seating available for groups of 8 or more



ALLARD LIBRARY
Bibliothèque Allard Regional Library
Discover the Possibilities!

Lego Sculpture Contest!

The theme for 2018 is "Video Games!" Registration is free and is open to builders in 3 categories: 3-5 year olds, 6-8 year olds, and 9 and up. Original Lego designs only. **Sculptures built from kits will not be accepted.** All Lego sculptures should be brought in to the library no later than Thursday, August 30th. Judging will take place Saturday September 1st, 2018. You can pick up your sculpture at the end of the day Saturday. **All builders will receive a FREE movie rental!** There will be 1st, 2nd and 3rd place prizes for each age category. For more information call the library at 204-367-8443 or email Jen at asstlib@allardlibrary.com. This event is held during the 4P Festival weekend! Come down to the library to view all the awesome creations the kids make :)

"Photo Rally 2018" during the Fall Festival of Colors

This year's Photo Rally begins **Saturday, September 29th, 2018 at 10:00 am.** Participants have 100 shooting hours to complete 9 categories. Categories will be available at registration on the 29th. **Registration costs \$15.00.** Photos must be submitted by 2:00 pm on Wednesday, October 3rd, 2018. Winners will be announced on Thursday, October 4th, 2018 and will receive a cash prize! Last year's winning photos will be on display on the library's Pinterest and Facebook accounts. check them out starting 4P weekend.



WRAC News

September 2017

WRAC HOSTED A BUSK STOP AT THE INAUGURAL NIGHT MARKET ON THIRD ST IN LAC DU BONNET ON AUGUST 23. NEXT YEARS NIGHT MARKET IS PLANNED OF AUGUST 22. ABOVE HOPE ZIRK, BELOW: MEMBERS OF THE CENTENNIAL SCHOOL UKULELE GROUP.



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Cohen Sieg (left), performs at the Night Market on, you can see him perform on October 13th at the WRAC Fundraiser at the Spicy Radish. Next year’s Night Market will be held on Thursday, August 22, 2019.



SAVE THE DATE
Sunday, February 3, 2019
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7:30 pm

Manitoba Rural & Northern Juried Art Show

celebrating its 16th year

Buhler Gallery

St. Boniface Hospital

September 6-30, 2018

Hours: Monday - Friday: 10 am to 8 pm

Saturday & Sunday: 12 noon to 4 pm

Free Admission

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NOVEMBER 9-11, 2018

LOCATION: FALCON TRAILS RESORT
FALCON LAKE, WHITESHELL PARK, MB



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2014-2018 marks the Centenary of the First World War, and the Battle of Moreuil Wood. Mary's Wedding honours these historic events, how they shaped the lives of Canadians at that time, and the lives lost in battle.

Tickets available at

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WRAC Featured Artist of the Month

Julie Lavoie



For this month, the Winnipeg River Arts Council features visual artist Julie Lavoie, a life-long resident of St-Georges. After raising their two children, she and her husband now live by themselves in a comfortable house on the community's large rocky hill.

Lavoie loves trying new methods and finds it hard picking just one. Right now, she enjoys experimenting with different pencils. She said, "I gravitate toward graphite, pastels, and my new favourite, coloured pencils. They're versatile and can mimic other medium. And they've come a long way since our high school days."

Lavoie likes applying multiple layers with her pencils and then using a safe workable solvent, to achieve results that resemble oil paints. Even though the repeated applications take time, she doesn't mind investing days or weeks to complete one painting. She is self-taught and has been working on her arts practice for years. Even as a child, she liked making art. She said, "If homework involved art, it was just fun."

In high school, she took art classes, with many opportunities to experience different mediums, to complete projects that inspired and challenged her, and to work on her drawing skills, increasing her knowledge of composition and perspective. She said, "Every year, I learned something new, building on skills from the previous year."

In her twenties, she discovered the joy of art books. She used them to improve her skills and mimicked the artists she saw in these books, such as *Pencil Drawing* by Gene Franks. Another influence was Claudia Nice, a well-known instructor. Lavoie said, "Her techniques are easy to follow; she breaks down all the steps. In her books, she teaches about watercolours, pen and ink drawing, sketching, and other techniques. She's still one of my favourites."

She also uses the internet to explore new medium. For example, she discovered Lisa Clough, from Lachri Fine Arts, who creates work in oils, acrylics, graphite, a medium called Inktense, and, most important, coloured pencils. Lavoie said, "Clough's styles range from realism to surrealism, and even contemporary."

She also found Alyona Nickelson, an artistic pioneer who creates new products that change the way how coloured pencils react on paper. Lavoie said, "They are like pastels, but no smudging. You get vibrant colours; you can finish a painting in half the time."

She has also learned a lot from local artists, taking watercolour classes with Nancy-Lou Ateah and Jo-Anne Thompson, watercolour and mixed media with Roberta Laliberte, and drawing with Leah Boulet. When asked for inspiring words, Lavoie said, "Creativity is allowing yourself to make mistakes. Art is knowing which one to keep."

FALLtastic

From Farm to Fork

Winnipeg River Arts Council FUNDRAISING DINNER

At The Spicy Radish Cafe in Whitemouth, MB

Saturday, October 13th 7:00 PM



Chef Shannon from the Spicy Radish Cafe has carefully selected a menu based on locally grown products and items that highlight The Spicy Radish restaurant personality. The salad and entrees are Gluten Free.

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 in quality entertainment acts such as the recent Truck Stop Circus, touring productions and special events to our surrounding communities.



The Menu:

Beet Salad

A blend of romaine lettuce and spinach leaves tossed in a house made balsamic vinegarett topped with house pickled beets, dried cranberries and crumbled feta cheese.

Winnipeg River Chicken

A prosciutto wrapped chicken breast with basil cream sauce, served with Chef's potatoes and seasonal vegetables.

Dessert

Warm Gingerbread with toffee sauce and ice cream.

Vegetarian Alternative:

Stuffed bell pepper with Chef's potatoes and seasonal vegetables.

Live entertainment provided by local musician Cohen Sieg.



\$50 each

Tickets available by calling (204) 340-0889
(Limited Seating)



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4P FESTIVAL TALENT SHOW

WINNERS!!

Youth division

- 1st place - Dana Feakes
- 2nd place- Jolene McKay
- 3rd place- Sarah Reimer

Adult division

- 1st place- Evander Twoheart
- 2nd place - Richard Wiebe
- 3rd place - Daniel Kent





On August 10, local writer Donna Besel participated in ceremonies to honour renowned and beloved Manitoba author, Margaret Laurence. One of the ceremonies included readings from three Manitoba authors. Besel said, “I was thrilled to be included in the list of readers. Laurence is one of my favourite writers. I have always connected with her work, having grown up in a small rural community.”

Starting at 1:00 p.m., the commemorative event took place at the author’s restored childhood home in Neepawa, Manitoba. The Canadian government had recently designated Margaret Laurence as a person of National Historic Significance and a commemorative plaque was set up in front of the house in her honour. Despite the heat, about sixty people showed up to witness the unveiling of the plaque and listen to presentations. The crowd included federal dignitaries, local politicians, the Margaret Laurence Home supporters and board members, Neepawa residents, fans of Laurence’s writing, and Parks Canada employees.

During the rest of the day, additional arts events took place, keeping people engaged and entertained until well after dark. Langruth writer Sharron Arksey helped organize the ceremonies and also participated as one of the readers. She said, “Such powerful readings and presentations by Manitoba authors Donna Besel and Craig Russell! What an honour and pleasure to read here in such talented company.”

This event was a trial run for what organizers hope to become an annual literary event, the Manawaka Festival.



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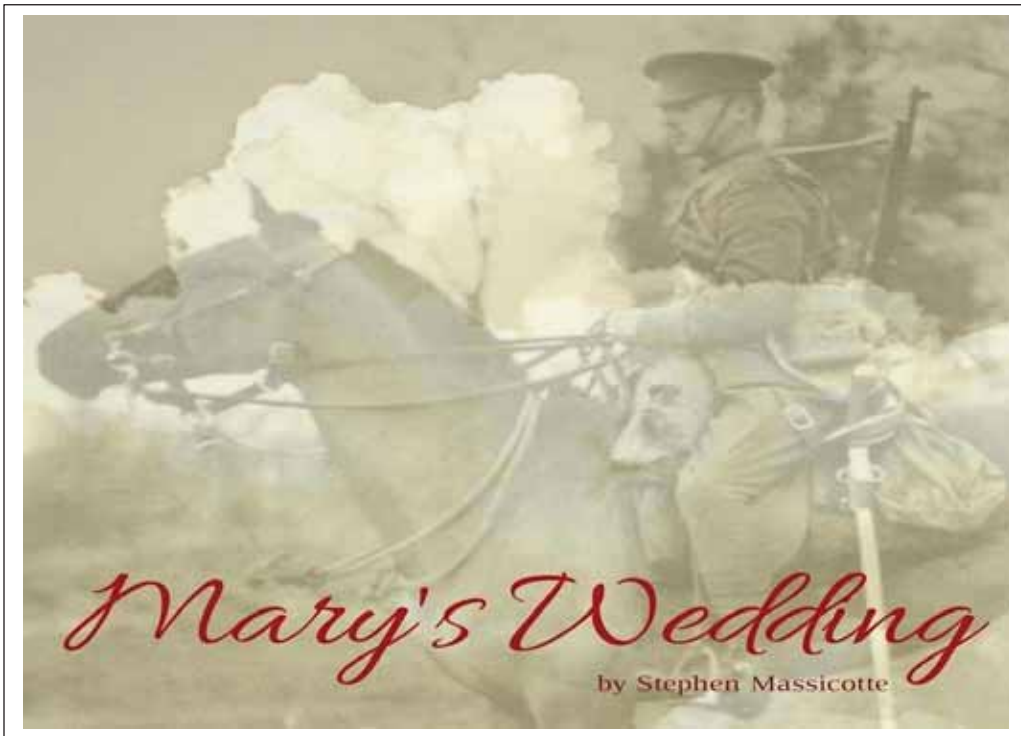
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PHOTO RALLY 2018

This year's photo rally begins Saturday, September 29, 2018 at 10am. Participants have 100 shooting hours to complete 9 categories. Categories will be available at registration costs \$15. Photos must be submitted by 2pm on Wednesday October 3, 2018. Winners will be announced by noon on Thursday, October 4, 2018 and will receive a cash prize! Last year's winning photos will be on display on the library's Pinterest and Facebook accounts.

Photos from 2017 Photo Rally.





WRAC News

October 2018

SUNDAY OCTOBER 21ST 2PM AT GREAT FALLS HALL

A play with a heart as big as the prairie skies that serve as its stage, Mary's Wedding is an epic, unforgettable story of love, hope and survival.

On the eve of her wedding, Mary Chalmers dreams of Charlie, her first love. Set in Western Canada during the First World War, the story of Mary and Charlie's romance unfolds through a series of dreamlike memories, punctuated by the innocence of new love, the courage of youth and the cruelty of fate.

2014-2018 marks the Centenary of the First World War, and the Battle of Moreuil Wood. Mary's Wedding honours these historic events, how they shaped the lives of Canadians at that time, and the lives lost in battle.

Tickets are \$25, \$20 for WRAC Members. Available at Ingham Pharmacy, WRAC Office, 4 Park Ave - Lac du Bonnet, call/text 204 340 0889 or winnipegriverarts@gmail.com & at the door.



EMCA presents Jack Semple, BB King Tribute

November 2, 2018 7:30pm Pinawa Community Centre

Tickets: \$25 - Adult, \$20 - Student

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

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SAVE THE DATE

**SUNDAY FEBRUARY 3, 2019
7pm**

PINAWA COMMUNITY CENTRE



A weekly sketching club meeting every Monday during the summer months from 6-8 pm at different locations in the St. Georges and Powerview-Pine Falls area. Draw, sketch, paint, doodle - no pressure all, fun sketching outdoors. Bring your sketching stuff, a chair and maybe throw in some bug spray. There are no lessons or instructions. It's just simple, relaxing sketching with others who enjoy the same thing. All welcome. Note that children must be accompanied by an adult. The River Sketchcrawlers will resume meeting in the spring.



River
Sketchcrawlers

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FEATURED ARTIST OF THE MONTH

RAY ST. HILAIRE

For this month, the Winnipeg River Arts Council features musician, Ray St. Hilaire. Although WRAC previously featured St. Hilaire as an artist, he has continued to pursue his musical career with great enthusiasm. He said, “I’ve been performing with my band almost every weekend this past summer.”

Prior to moving to Lac du Bonnet, St. Hilaire worked as an industrial mechanic in Winnipeg. Eight years ago, he retired from mechanics and now lives with his partner Barb on the eastern shores of the Winnipeg River.

St. Hilaire plays multiple instruments including acoustic guitar, electric guitar, electric bass, and his new favourites - upright bass or double bass. When he was around twelve years old, he took accordion lessons but, when he heard the Beatles, there was no turning back. He switched to guitar. Now, although he travels all over with his band, he gladly makes time to instruct young guitarists. “I get great satisfaction knowing I’ve given them a skill they will enjoy for the rest of their lives,” he said.

For over forty years, St. Hilaire played in the local Winnipeg music scene. “It feels like I’ve gigged in just about every hotel or club in Manitoba, going as far north as The Pas and as far south as Emerson,” he said.

These days, he sticks closer to home and appears regularly at the Lac du Bonnet Personal Care Home. With his band, “Rice and Beans,” he also gets hired for much larger venues. They’ve played at Festival du Voyageur, 4P Festival, charity events such as Children's Wish Benefit, and the anniversary gathering for Harley-Davidson Owners of Canada. St. Hilaire loves motorcycles, especially Harleys, and loves visiting Mexico in the winter. While there, he often performs with his band. He also takes time to volunteer for local organizations and serves on the board of the Winnipeg River Arts Council. At big events, he shows up with a smile to help out and he even took a turn as its president. This past summer, while he attended the Fire & Water Music Festival, he felt inspired to write six new songs, with original music and lyrics. When asked what motivates him to keep practicing and performing, he said, “Music is so invigorating and at the same time relaxing – great medicine for the human condition!”



Are you interested in being the featured artist of the month or know someone who should be?

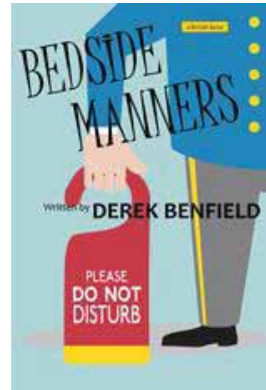
Send us an email and let us know who.

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 10 am – 12pm
 Pinawa Art Gallery
 Cost \$5 all
 supplies included.
 Email
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November 21st –
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 – Dinner Theatre
 Tickets available soon!

What's your story?



Have you ever wanted to write about your life before it gets forgotten? Do you need help and encouragement to give children and grandchildren the gift of family memories? Find fun and inspiration in our memoir writing classes with critically acclaimed author Donna Besel.

Wednesday, November 7, 14, 21 & December 5 7-9pm

Lac du Bonnet Library Board Room \$90

Contact Jennifer at 204 340 0889 or winnipegriverarts@gmail.com to register.



**WESTERN CANADA'S
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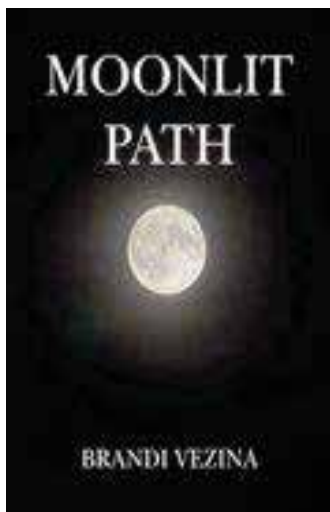
For more information go to

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Reflections of Nature
 Art Show & Sale

October 26 - 28, 2018
 Prairieland Park, Hall C
 Saskatoon, SK

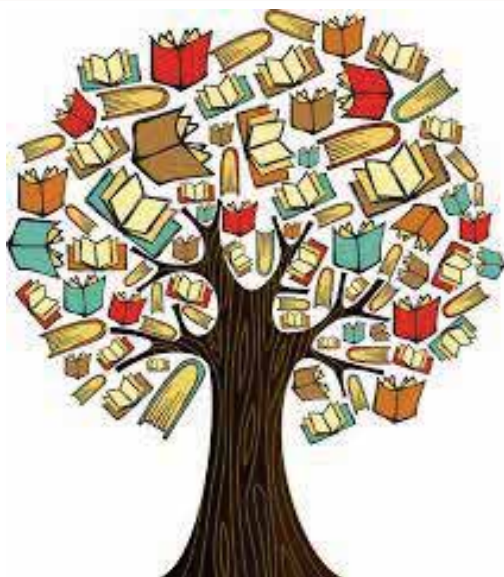
Crane painting by Sarah Wagner



Please join us on Thursday, October 18th at 6:30 p.m. when Brandi Vezina visits the library to talk about her new book "Moonlit Path." Brandi released her first book "Raising your Consciousness" in 2017. She recently wrote her second book "Moonlit Path." Both are now available at the library. The book is for readers of all ages who seek truth and spiritual awakening, and is bound to spark conversation. Come out for a fun evening. Snacks and beverages provided. Hope to see you there!

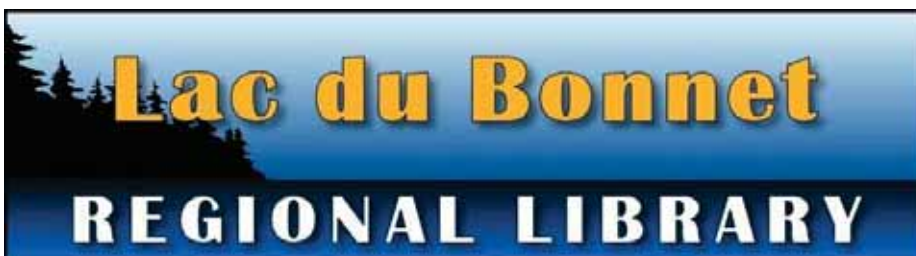


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Join us at the library for story time on Wednesday, October 17, 2018 at 2:15. This weeks theme will be "leaves and trees."

PINAWA PUBLIC LIBRARY



Community, food and pies...HUGE THANK YOU to everyone that attended our 31st Annual Fall Supper, or helped us in any way for the occasion. The Fall Supper would not have been possible without your support! We look forward to seeing you at the Fall Supper next year!



Creative Manitoba

Impro(v)mptu Speaking w/
 Stephen Sim and Caity Curtis

creativemanitoba.ca

Date: Wednesday, October 24, 2018, 6-9 pm

Registration deadline: Friday, October 19, 2018, 5 pm

This class is extremely limited to ensure that everyone participates and improves. Register early to guarantee a spot!

When people think of improv, they think of improv comedy, but the skills of improvisation can be applied to many environments and many situations. The skills of the improviser can be applied to the professional world quite directly. Improv doesn't just mean making things up off the top of your head, it also means being able to adapt to the moment, to be present, and to be able to engage with your audience. This workshop will have you working with others in creative collaboration, as well as individually, using improv techniques to enhance and heighten your abilities to effectively communicate and present in front of people. Improv is simply a way of getting out of your head and being creative. This will make you a better speaker, a more creative problem solver and a more flexible thinker.





WRAC News

November 2018

COHEN SIEG (INSET) ENTERTAINED A FULL HOUSE AT THE SPICY RADISH IN WHITEMOUTH, OCTOBER 13TH AT THE FALLTASTIC FUNDRAISING DINNER FOR WRAC. WATCH FOR MORE INFO COMING SOON FOR A DINNER AT LAZY TUESDAYS.



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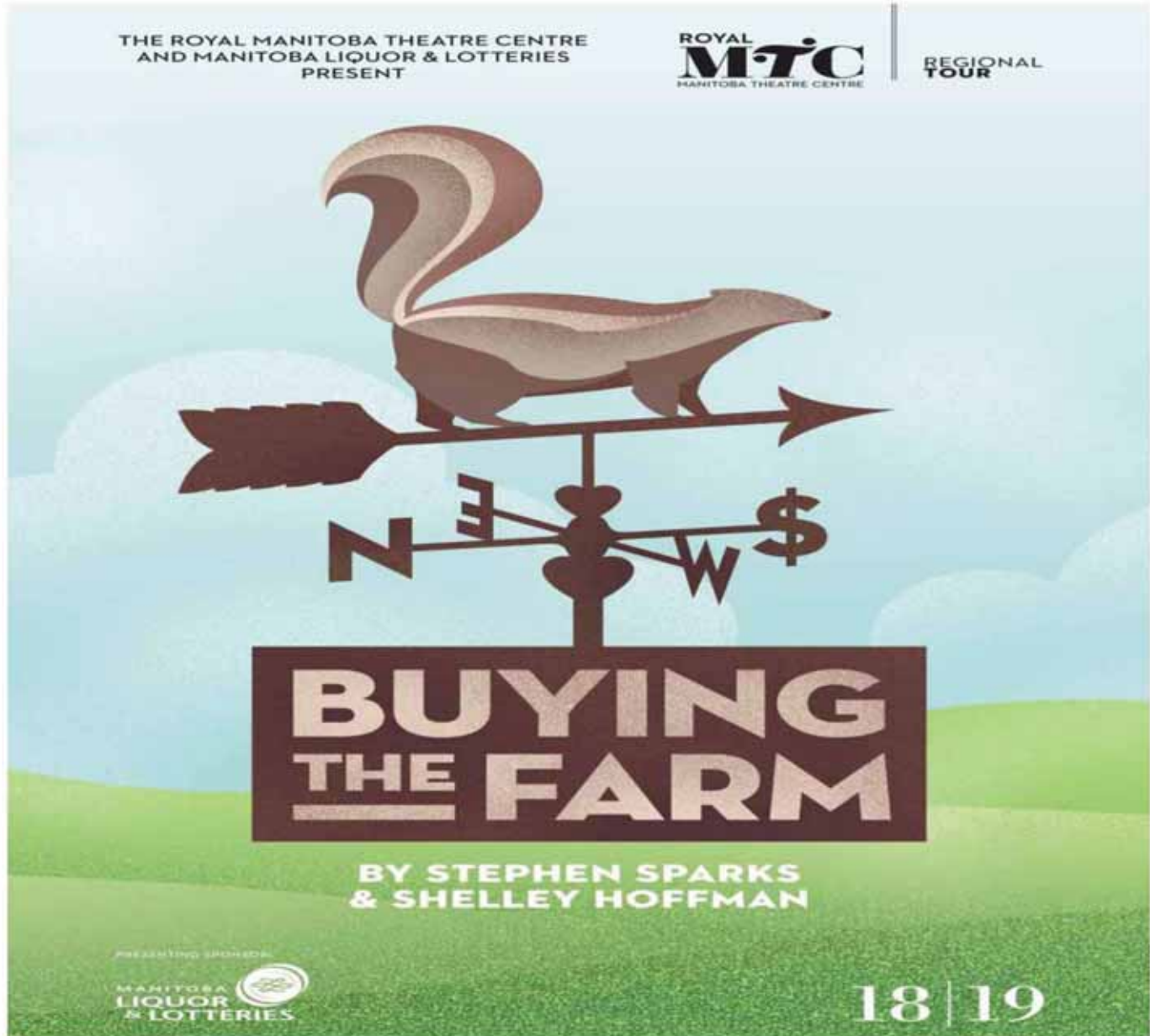
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You missed it! The audience was thrilled with the Theatre Projects Manitoba presentation of *Mary's Wedding* on October 23 at the Great Falls Hall. Pictured left, Sarah Flynn (Mary) and Justin Fry (Charlie).



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WRAC Featured
Artist of the Month
Cliff Zarecki

For this month, the Winnipeg River Arts Council features wood carver, Cliff Zarecki, who grew up in the Lee River area on his parents' homestead and went to school in Lac du Bonnet.



Before the cottagers got there, the Lee River was a much quieter wilderness. Spending time close to nature made Zarecki passionate about it. When he was younger, he did a lot of hunting, gathering, and fishing, but soon grew more interested in creating birds and animals through wood carving. He uses basswood, a local wood, but also works with harder-to-find woods such as walnut, butternut, and a southern USA swamp wood called Tupelo.

During a caribou hunting trip in Northern Manitoba, his friend, Ron Jackson, got him started. "Ron gave classes which I took for years and enjoyed. He also encouraged everyone to enter the Prairie Canada Carvers competition held every spring in Winnipeg," Zarecki said.

At these lessons, Zarecki met world class carvers. One of them, Larry Vanderhyde, agreed to mentor him. Later, he took courses from many elite carvers throughout Canada and the United States. For several years, he has instructed six young people in Lac du Bonnet. He tells them he won't charge for materials, but they must promise to enter the kids' competition at the Prairie Canada event. He said, "Several have won prizes. I sponsor the kids' section. They can win \$100 for first, \$50 for second and \$25 for third so I joke that I pay the kids to take my class."

As well as Prairie Canada, Zarecki has entered the Eastman Judged Art Exhibits and the Southwestern Florida Woodcarving competitions, which has more than 600 entries. In both Winnipeg and Florida, he has won "Best of Show" awards at novice, intermediate and advanced levels. Presently, he competes in the masters' group, and has won several "Best of Division" awards. But "Best of Show" in this category still eludes him.

Before retirement, he worked as an engineer. He got interested in art because he thinks it is so much harder to learn. Although he still enjoys wildlife photography, he finds he doesn't have enough time to get really good, so he focuses on his carving.

"Making high quality work requires hard work and patience, and it sometimes drives my spouse nuts when I spend too much time on a project. The problem is - I'm totally hooked! To be successful one needs to focus on minute details, right from the initial planning stage."



Throw on your pjs, grab your favourite cuddly stuffed animal and join us for an evening family storytime at the Library. We will read books, play games, have a snack and do a craft.

Thursday, November 15th

6:30 pm to 7:45 pm

FREE! All ages are welcome!

Lac du Bonnet Regional Library - 204-345-2653 - www.lacdubonnetlibrary.ca



9th Annual Crèche Display at Library Allard

The library would like to invite you to attend the 9th Annual Crèche Festival from Tuesday, November 27th, 2018 to Saturday, January 5th, 2019. Come by the library during regular business hours to see these beautiful creations. Les Amis de la Crèche offers tours of the Crèche display. Call Jen at 204-367-8443 to book yours.



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On the weekend of November 9 to 11, experienced and emerging writers from Manitoba, Ontario and Alberta gathered in Whiteshell Provincial Park at beautiful Falcon Trails Resort. These enthusiastic writers brought their writing and their ideas for a getaway weekend of instruction, motivation, and inspiration. Award-winning authors from eastern Manitoba, Lauren Carter and Donna Besel, led the sessions on creative writing and also invited participants to step out of their everyday lives to hone their unique writers' voices, inspired by the wild beauty of the surroundings.

Give a Child the Gift of Giving

Kids Snowflake Bazaar

November 30th & December 1st, 2018

At St. Georges Parish in St. Georges, MB
Friday 4:00 - 8:00 pm Saturday 10:00 - 1:00 pm

* For Children & Youth 14 years old and under

www.kidssnowflakebazaar.com

More information: facebook.com/kidssnowflakebazaar



HOLIDAY SPIRITS FUNDRAISING RAFFLE



\$5/ticket

Only 200 tickets.

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WRAC News

December 2018

Amero Little Christmas is a new take on a classic Christmas variety Show. It falls somewhere between a Michael Bubl  Christmas Special and Tom Jackson’s Huron Carole, giving the audience a modern take on an annual Christmas show. Between the witty banter, lots of laughs, heartfelt music and inspiring stories, Amero Little Christmas is an experience for the whole family.

Don Amero is a three-time Juno nominee who is making his mark on the Canadian Country music scene and he’ll be touring this winter to bring his soulful country voice along with a few band mates to ring in the holiday season.

From humble beginnings in 2009, Don decided to plan a Christmas themed concert based purely on his love for holiday music and the community vibe that the season brings. *“We all know there’s something magical about Christmas and my hope is to capture some of that and put it into a show.”*

Don is known to throw in a few fun and festive videos that really put the icing on the cake and are always an audience favourite. The show sets a tone for people to refocus on what the season is really about, which to Amero means *“to relax, look at the blessings in your life and show love to others.”*

Eastern Manitoba Concert Association presents Amero Little Christmas, Friday December 14th 7:30 pm at Pinawa Community Centre.

Individual tickets: Adult \$25.00 Students \$10.00
 Individual tickets available at the door. Tickets also available at the following outlets: Ingham Pharmacy, Pinawa Solo Market and Beausejour Music. Subject to availability. Contact Mary-Anne at (204) 782-3958.



HAPPY RETIREMENT TO JAN HOFFMAN!

Jan is retiring from the Lac du Bonnet Library!

“SHE’S RETIRING!”

Come Join us
Friday, December 14th
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For this month, the Winnipeg River Arts Council features theatre, film, and broadcast technician, Ward Wotton. In October, he moved to the Leisure Falls area, in the RM of Alexander.

Wotton grew up in Deloraine, Manitoba. He attended Saskatchewan Technical College in Saskatoon and then worked as a recreation director in Creelman-Fillmore area in rural Saskatchewan, and as a tour guide and promotions specialist in British Columbia. After moving back to Manitoba, he worked for CKX television in Brandon, Valley Cable Vision in Morden, and CKY in Winnipeg.

WRAC Featured Artist of the Month Ward Wotton

In early 90's, he founded *Lucky Dog Network*, filming amateur football, soccer, dance, and figure skating events. He went on to create television commercials for Parker Jarvis ad agency in Winnipeg and Partners agency in Toronto, creating ads for clients such as MTS, Walmart, Manitoba Hydro, and tourism.

When asked, he says, "I like having different jobs and acquiring new skills. I've taken courses with Film Manitoba, from the industry and my union. I'm also self-taught, constantly learning on the job."

In 1997, he joined International Association of Theatre, Stage, and Film Employees - Local 63 Winnipeg, and worked in Manitoba, Saskatchewan, and Toronto on television series (*Tracker, Doc, Shirley Holmes*), movies (*Chicago, Shall We Dance, Harvest, Jesse James*), and the mini-series *Avro Arrow*. After that, he did technical stage work at various venues, including Rainbow Stage, Pantages, MTC Concert Hall, ballets, operas, and touring shows including *War Horse, Wicked, Wizard of Oz, West Side Story, Phantom of the Opera, and Evita*.

Wotton says, "My proudest achievements: a video on the National Women's Hockey Championship, now displayed in the Hockey Hall of Fame, and a video on the Royal Winnipeg Ballet dance school's National Championships."

Wotton has coached various sports, including hockey and baseball. These days, he wants to share the technical skills he has acquired over the years. He hopes to mentor young people in the area, through Creative Manitoba's rural youth mentorship program, in partnership with Winnipeg River Arts Council.

Wotton's motto: "Try your best and enjoy life."





Festival des Crèches

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November 27th, 2018 to January 5th, 2019
at Allard Library
in St-Georges, Manitoba

Les amis de la Crèche

**Vous invitent à leur 9^{ième} Festival des Crèches
Débutant le 27 novembre 2018
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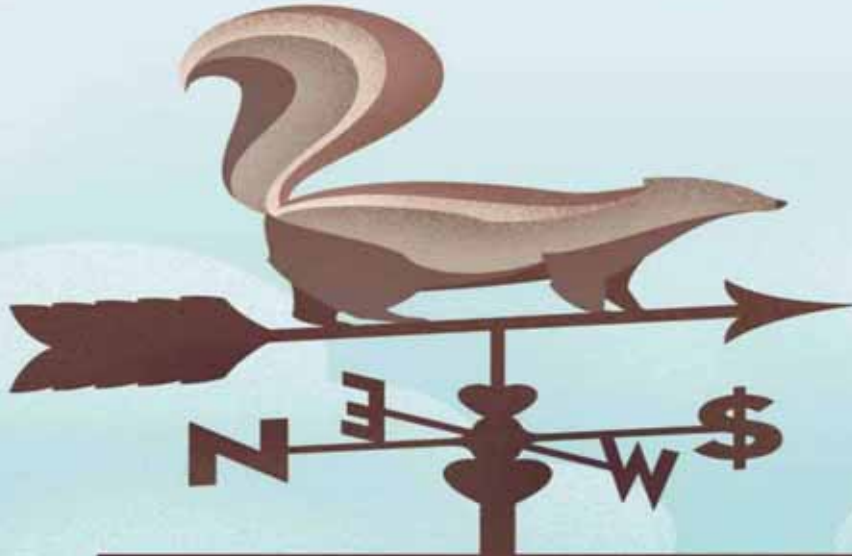


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