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FROM MY DESK

Welcome to Summer 2023! It's wonderful to see so many re-openings as we stretch ourselves into this wonderful season of music, and art, and nature, and gardens, and hikes, and so much more. My best advice to you is to get your daytimer out right now, before you start reading, and be prepared to fill it up with a multitude of remarkable community events happening right here, right now. In this issue you will learn about local festivals, studio tours and art exhibitions, theatre, a starfest, classes, teardropping, barn building, and (drum roll please) free weekend bus rides to Sauble!

We've squeezed as much as we can into this issue; inevitably we wanted to tell you more about some things, but there just wasn't room. So, briefly, visit choircamp.wordpress.com for details on Choir Camp 2023 (July 10-14), contact www.twigandbrindille.ca for the most amazing bouquets of grown-right-here flowers, and register now at wordsaloud.ca for the amazing Words Aloud Poetry Festival happening this fall. And have a great summer re-connecting with old favourite haunts and discovering some new ones!

- Maryann

CORRECTION: In the Spring 2023 issue (vol 5 no 1) we misidentified the work of Senior Short Story winner Amelia Sutter of the Write @ Your Library. Amelia's story starts: *I lived in a tedious small town in southern Ontario where nothing interesting ever happened. It had a dying mall with only ten stores open for business and a downtown that consisted of closed shops and empty streets...* read more at <https://www.osngupl.ca/write-your-library>. We apologize to Amelia for our error, and congratulate her on her prize-winning story.

ABOUT THE FRONT COVER: Photograph shows Boyd Crevices Nature Reserve, a remarkable section of the Bruce Trail which takes you into and through the Escarpment. Visit www.sydenhambrucetrail.ca for information on local hikes, or pick up a copy of *Secrets of Sydenham: 30 Hikes and Explorations on Bruce Trail Conservancy Nature Reserves* by Ron Savage (\$30); Boyd Crevices hike is described on pg 25. Photograph by Shelley Jackson. www.facebook.com/shelleyjacksondesign

TALENT, SKILL AND DEDICATION: THE INGREDIENTS FOR A PREMIER ART SHOW

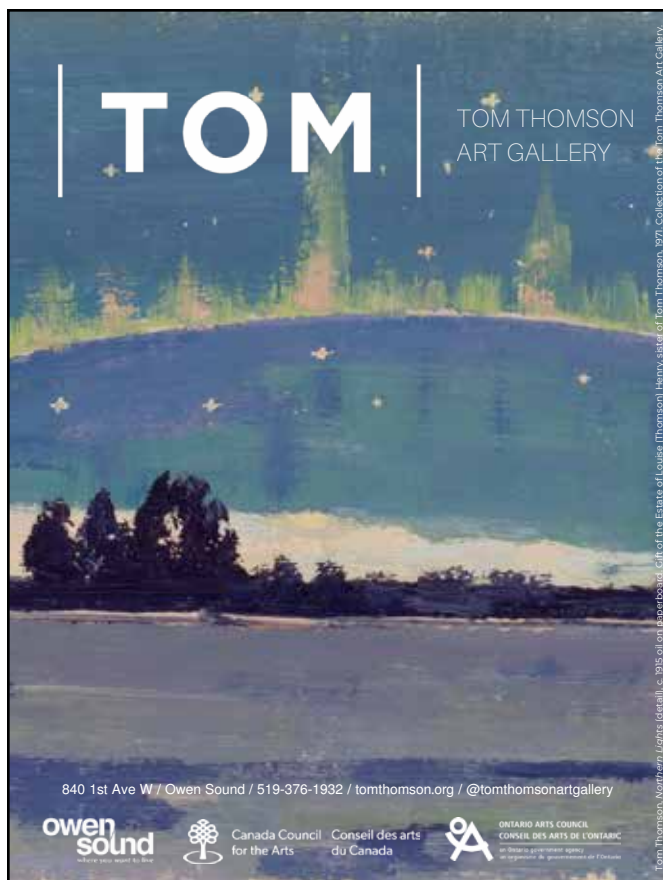
TERRY BURNS • • • • •

Patrons who attend the Walter's Falls Group of Artists (WFGA) Shows know what to expect when they walk with anticipation through the door of the Walter's Falls Community Centre every August. The WFGA takes pride in presenting fine and diverse works of art and craft in a manner that shows its understanding that it is not just the quality of the objects on offer, but also how they are presented which matters.

Though the WFGA comprises just a few permanent members along with several invited guest artists, each participant works hard to contribute expertise and experience to the event. Administrative coordination, graphic design, technical and creative display, marketing, budgeting, sales, hospitality – each Show requires of its members and guest artists a willingness to take on many tasks. Not least among these is the requirement for all the artists to be on hand during the Show, to chat with interested visitors about their works and artistic process.

Plans are made throughout the year, and then in the final week a flurry of activity takes place: moving the Group's display units into place, determining the best arrangement of wall and 3-dimensional artworks, assembling and placing spectacular floral décor, and preparing tasty hors d'oeuvres and delicious sweets for our Friday night (August 25) gala. Common to every participating artist is the desire to present an event which will make for an intriguing, satisfying and welcoming experience for every visitor.

If you've visited the Walter's Falls Group of Artists Show before, we look forward to seeing you again; if you're dropping by for the first time this year, we feel sure you'll thoroughly enjoy the experience. Please visit waltersfallsartists.ca for more information about the WFGA's members and guest artists. Our 2023 Show takes place August 25 (7-10 pm), 26 (10am-5pm) and 27 (10am-4pm), in the charming Walter's Falls Community Centre (104 Church Road, Walter's Falls). See you there!



BROCKTON - HANOVER - WEST GREY

PLEIN AIR FESTIVAL & PLEIN AIR ART SHOW
JULY 19TH TO 22ND, 2023 JULY 23RD, 2023

The Festival concludes with a Public Art Show and Sale July 23rd at the Hanover Community Centre featuring paintings created entirely outdoors during the Festival.

Artists! Spaces are still available – Professional, Amateurs, Students and Youth invited. Over \$2400 in prizes will be awarded. Visit our website to register today!

Saugeen Artists Guild
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SCAN ME

IMAGING GREEN

CATHY HIRD • • • • •

As the language about climate shifts from “change” to “crisis” to “emergency”, the sense we need to act intensifies. In order to engage in climate action, we need to feel we can make a difference. We need to see that new technologies work to reduce carbon output. We need to know that our small changes – sweeping rather than vacuuming – add up when many people make these changes. But I also think we need to be able to picture a different future from the one we are headed toward.

That’s where Imaging Green comes in. Words and art can help us to visualize the future we want and need. Providing images of a different, sustainable, healthy, and balanced future can encourage us on the climate change journey. Describing the fragile beauty we need to protect can help make real why we need to change. Calling to mind those

who will suffer most if we do not shift this trajectory can help us visualize the consequences of non-action. Imaging the fragility of our world helps to see, in concrete terms, why we want to change. Words can help us understand where our actions fit with the decisions of governments and corporations, and push us to choose differently when we vote in elections and in the market place.

An evening of “Imaging Green” will explore all these aspects of our response to the climate emergency. Come to The Ginger Press in downtown Owen Sound on June 27 at 7pm to hear words to inspire your climate engagement from **Cathy Hird, Richard-Yves Sitoski, Patricia Campbell, Danuta Valleau, Rob Rolfe, Terry Burns, and Liz Zetlin**. Free admission, but consider buying a book or two to carry the inspiration home.

SUMMER AT UPWARDS ART STUDIO

AMELIA KRAEMER • • • • •

We’re looking forward to an exciting and busy summer at Upwards Art Studio in the Owen Sound River District! Upwards Art Studio is a safe space in which to explore and create. By popular demand our Summer Art for Kids returns on Tuesday mornings 10:30am-12:00pm or Thursday afternoons 1:00-2:30pm in July and August. We welcome your kiddos, aged 6 to 11, to explore different craft and art projects each week. We have added Art for Youth for 12-18 year olds on Wednesday afternoons from 1:00-3:00pm. Participants will work on art projects that include instructions on drawing, collaging, painting, composition, and colour theory.

Another exciting addition for select Thursday mornings is Polymer Clay Adventures. In this hands-on workshop with guest instructor Christian Camp, kids will learn about

different tools and equipment and how to condition their clay and mix colours, using their imagination to create unique figurines.

Do you want to introduce your teen to a different type of creativity? On July 14 or August 11 from 1:00-3:00pm we are offering Teens: Introduction to Encaustic. This medium uses heat, beeswax with resin, and pigment to make completely unique art. Participants will learn safe use of the equipment while experimenting with many encaustic techniques. Teens will learn fusing, carving and scraping, image transfers, and stencils.

For more information and to register visit: <https://upwardsartstudio.com/events/>. While you’re there, check out our exciting programs for adults as well.



WHAT EXACTLY IS TAROT ABOUT ANYWAY?

ANNE DONDERTMAN • • • • •

The standard playing card deck has a total of 52 cards in four suits of 13 cards each. The tarot card deck has 78 cards: four suits of 14 cards, plus 22 cards, commonly referred to as the Major Arcana, each representing a particular figure or concept. The tarot emerged in the Renaissance in Italy as a card game, and it was not until the late 18th century in France that it was first used for fortune telling. The occult use of tarot cards exploded in popularity in North America in the 1960s and tarot decks continue to be widely used today, including in clinical psychology, as a tool for understanding

and exploration of the self.

Artists have been drawn to the tarot through the centuries and have created their own interpretations of the figures and archetypes represented by the cards. Grey Gallery will host The Art of the Tarot, an exhibition curated by guest artist Lydia Knox, featuring interpretations of the tarot by more than a dozen local artists. As well, a collection of 200 depictions of the Magician card by different artists will be on display, courtesy of Tim Nicholls Harrison. Visit Grey Gallery in downtown Owen Sound between June 14 and July 29 to see The Art of the Tarot.

PLEIN AIR PAINTING FESTIVAL & ART SHOW

LAUREL SCHLOTZI • • • • •

The Saugeen Artists Guild invites all Ontario artists to paint outside (*en plein air*) across the Saugeen River Watershed (West Grey through Hanover to Brockton) July 19-22. Three artist meet-ups are planned during the festival. An Exhibition and Sale of the paintings will be held 1:00-4:00

Sunday July 23 at the Hanover Community Centre with over \$2000 in prizes (including \$500 for youth participants) to be awarded. Email saugeenartists@gmail.com for more information, and register at www.saugeenartistsguild.com.



Durham ArtsFest 2023

SATURDAY JULY 8
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More info: townofdurham.ca



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CELEBRATING HIBOU

MARIE KNAPP • • • • •

“We are travelling through property that is going to be lost forever if we don’t act now,” said Mac Kirk in 1970. Thus began a successful community effort to acquire and maintain Hibou Conservation Area with its 2km of shoreline. On Saturday June 24 from 5:00 to 11:00pm, Friends of Hibou will host Live Music in the Park with performances by **Kailey Jane Hawkins, Rob Elder, Dave Hawkins and Matt Epp**, as well as star and moon gazing. Tickets (\$10/children free) are available from Runners’ Den.

SUMMER IN THE CITY

Music at the Market
July & August
Thursdays 5 p.m. &
Fridays at noon

Outdoor Movie Nights
July 7, 21 & Aug 11, 18

TD Harbour Nights
June through August
Sundays

Sound Waterfront Festival
Youth Day – June 30
Canada Day Celebrations – July 1

All listed events are family focused and free to attend.
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MANITOULIN ART TOUR

SUE CAIRNS • • • • •

The Manitoulin Art Tour is back up and running after a two-year hiatus due to Covid. This will be our 27th year. We invite you to take a scenic drive and meet many of the talented artists and crafters of Manitoulin Island. Explore our galleries, meet the artists, hear their stories, share yours, and find some wonderful treasures that will hold memories for years to come.

The Tour runs for three days, always on the third weekend in July. It is easily accessed by the Chi Cheemaun Ferry between Tobermory and South Baymouth. Or drive around and reach the Island and Hwy 6 via Hwy 17. Come for the day or make a weekend of it and tour the whole island. The artists are all part of the Manitoulin Fine Art Association. More information can be found on the website Manitoulinart.com and on Facebook “Manitoulin Art Tour”.

#CompassionInAction

Vital communities need volunteers like you!
Volunteers share their time, talent, and energy to ensure the vitality of their communities.
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Hope for Our Kids Fund

This essential support system helps over 800 children in Bruce and Grey who have been impacted by poverty. By providing basic necessities such as nutritious food, warm winter clothing, and summer camp experiences when permitted, the fund ensures that the needs of children whose families are involved with Bruce Grey Child and Family Services are met. Your support can help us achieve this.

By donating to the Hope for Our Kids Fund, you can make a direct and immediate impact on the life of a vulnerable child. United Way Bruce Grey is dedicated to providing essential and emergency support for vulnerable children and families. Your support is crucial to enable us to continue to provide assistance to those who need it most.

For more information and to donate,
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SUMMER IN THE CITY

JENNIFER WRIGHT • • • • •

One of the goals of the City of Owen Sound Official Plan is to be a community that celebrates its cultural heritage, cultural diversity and is a leader in offering an engaging, supportive, and healthy environment through a social, cultural, and recreational leadership focus for city residents and visitors.

To achieve this, **Music at the Market** takes place at the Owen Sound Farmers' Market Square on Thursdays at 5:00pm and Fridays at noon in July and August. 16 individual concerts are planned. The concerts will include vendors and artisans as well as partnerships with River District businesses promoting dinner and lunch specials. For more information, music line up, lunch and dinner specials, sponsorship, and vendor information: www.musicatthemarket.ca

Family Outdoor Movie Nights take place at the Owen Sound Farmers' Market on Friday, July 7, 21 and August 11 and 18. Starting at 7:30pm, each evening features family-friendly activities, themes, and treats with the movies (including *Moana*, *Minions*, *Trolls*, and *Spiderman into the Spider Verse*) starting at dusk. For a full line up and details: www.owensound.ca/movienight.

TD Harbour Nights concert series happen for 12 Sunday evenings at the Owen Sound Visitors' Centre starting June 18

at 7pm with artists from Grey County and southern Ontario. Grey County Rogers TV (channel 53) will live-stream TD Harbour Nights as part of their weekly programming. The Owen Sound Legion and Georgian Bay School of the Arts have been secured as backup locations in case of inclement weather. For more information and musicians' line up, sponsorship, and vendor information: www.harbournights.ca.

The Sound Waterfront Festival will be a two-day event: **Youth Day** on Friday, June 30 at the Owen Sound Visitor Centre with family activities, food vendors, artisans and crafters, community organizations, as well as Indigenous ceremonies and youth activities at the Reconciliation Garden; and **Canada Day** on Saturday, July 1 at Kelso Beach at Nawash Park with food trucks, vendors, artisans and crafters, balloon creations, cultural and community booths, dog show, fire and police vehicles, cub car racing, circus performers and a full musical line up concluding with a spectacular display of fireworks at 10 p.m. over the Owen Sound harbour. For more information: www.owensound.ca/waterfrontfestival

All these City of Owen Sound events are free to attend; however, donations are welcome. Find us on Facebook and www.owensound.ca. Grab your lawn chair and join us this summer!

STARFEST AUGUST 17-20

DIANE FERGUSON • • • • •

Have you ever been to a Star Party? It's a place where amateur astronomers come together to share their passion for the night sky. People camp and bring their telescopes, binoculars, or just their eyes. There's no campfires and no lights, unless they're red lights. As dark skies get harder and harder to find, people drive from cities to a place where they can still see the heavens. And the party starts after dark – as most good parties do – with a chance to walk around and look through a myriad of telescopes, some even requiring ladders to get to the eyepiece.

Starfest – a three day event from August 17-20 – is Canada's largest annual Astronomy Conference and Star Party. It is held at the River Place Campground near Mount Forest. BBC rated it one of the top ten star parties in the world. This year Starfest celebrates 40 years.

During the day, there are astronomy talks given by professional astronomers and advanced amateurs on a variety of topics, from observing and imaging to the latest cutting-edge astronomical science. There's also imaging workshops,

vendor booths, swap tables, kidsfest, door prizes, and an imaging contest with awards in several categories.

This year's theme is Charting the Universe. From ancient times to modern days, charts have been used to help us visualize and understand the nature of the universe. This year, we look at how these charts have been used and continue to be used to direct our exploration of the universe, from personal observing and imaging sessions to leading edge research.

Our Friday keynote speakers are: **Fred Espenak** (Scientist Emeritus, NASA's GSFC), The Great North American Eclipse 2024; and **Dr. Tony Noble** (Scientific Director of the McDonald Institute), Shedding Light on Dark Matter, Neutrinos, and the missing mass in the Universe. Our Saturday Keynote Speaker is **Dr. Katherine Mack** (Hawking Chair in Cosmology and Science Communications at the Perimeter Institute). Her research considers dark matter, vacuum decay, the formation of galaxies, and more!

To find out more and register, visit: nyaa.ca.

INTERGENERATIONAL SUMMER PROGRAM AT IWC

MICHAEL SIMPSON AND NORM RAGETLIE • • • • •

Intersections Wood Collaborative (IWC), with the support of a federal New Horizons Grant for Seniors, is pleased to announce a two-part Intergenerational Woodworking Program to create a welcoming experience that features activity-based projects to build skills and social connection.

The first part is the creation of a regular weekly day time drop-in program for seniors at the storefront wood shop, enhanced by the development of an on-line social networking platform – a dedicated chat room for the exchange of information and support.

The second part is three, 3-week summer sessions for youth ages 13 to 18 in July and August. Youth will

work alongside experienced senior woodworkers in a supervised setting. Lunch will be provided on site to promote fellowship. Participants will build their confidence and skill in basic woodworking techniques. In addition to registrants from the community, IWC is grateful to be working with M'Wikwedong Friendship Centre and Big Brothers/Big Sisters. "This project provides meaningful opportunities for mentorship, skill development and community building, all of which are invaluable experiences for the youth attending," says Beth Aubrey, Executive Director, Big Brothers Big Sisters of Grey Bruce and Western Simcoe.

IWC runs a woodworking shop in downtown Owen Sound from a highly



visible storefront location. We aim to be a place for woodworkers and those who love wood to connect, learn and collaborate with classes, exhibits, and events that serve a wide spectrum of interests regardless of skill level. For more information on IWC and to register for the Summer Woodworking Program, please contact info@intersectionsOS.org.



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River District Blooms
June 9 to 18

Wheel & Ride
June 24 & Sept 9

Hottest Street Sale
July 8

Trick or Treat Trail
October 28

Holiday Magic
November 18

Moonlight Madness
December 8



ARTWALK

WHAT'S HAPPENING AT ARTWALK 10:00-4:00 SATURDAY JUNE 24

Visit 13 arts venues in a three-block area and enjoy outdoor artists painting it up in the downtown all day. Featured events include:

Billie Bridgman Studio • 748 2nd Ave E

Featuring Billie Bridgman, Carey Carrick and Nancy Knight

Curvey Lines Art School & Print Shop • 817 3rd Ave E

All-day hands-on instruction for mixing acrylic colours and painting techniques

Georgian Bay School of the Arts • 938 2nd Ave E

Guest pop-up and fundraiser of Reach Centre artists + "I Made It At GBArts" exhibit + Mammoth Hall Press will demonstrate printing from 11-2.

Grey Gallery • 883 2nd Ave E

Featuring The Art of the Tarot group exhibition + guest curator Lydia Knox will do tarot card readings from 10:00-noon by donation to OShARE.

Heartwood Home • 939 2nd Ave E

Paul Hunter and Leah Springate of Mammoth Hall Press will exhibit works and discuss printmaking from 10-12 and 2-4. From 11-2 they will demonstrate printing at GBArts.

Intersections Wood Collaborative • 299 10th St E

Featuring exhibition of turned wood bowls by local artists + observe how to turn a flat board into a turned bowl.

Jean Francis Studio • 986 1st Ave E

Featuring guest artist Joan Hawksbridge's "Carbon Series" (recycled plywood sculptures with carbon torch marks) + abstracts by Jean Francis.

The Library • 824 1st Ave W

Contribute to a community paint by number mural that will decorate the Library throughout the summer.

Owen Sound Artists Co-Op • 942 2nd Ave E

Artist Kelly Maw will demonstrate until 2:00 + artwork by 45 local artists

Owen Sound Farmers' Market • 88 8th St E (8:00-12:30)

Featuring international cuisine from culinary artist-chefs Gilles Sarazin (French), Zach Keeshig (Indigenous), John Rodriguez (Latino), Rajab el Sheayer (Syrian), Olha Sukhina (Ukrainian), Fran Wensley (Italian) + Machaella Burnett (Pizza), and Jason Hayes (sustainably grown and raised foods).

Tom Thomson Art Gallery 840 1st Ave W

Sidewalk chalk happening outside on our new front entrance, as well as a Grab & Go activity inside the gallery.

Upwards Art Studio • 975 2nd Ave E

Bring the kiddos and use acrylic paint markers to decorate rocks. We carry materials for painting, printing, sculpting, drawing, and more + encaustic demonstrations and artwork by Amelia Kraemer.

The Warehouse Studios • 3rd floor 1190 2nd Ave E

Featuring studio tours with artists Peter Garayt, Sarah McComb-Turbitt, Candra Schank, and Fierce Deer Jewelry.

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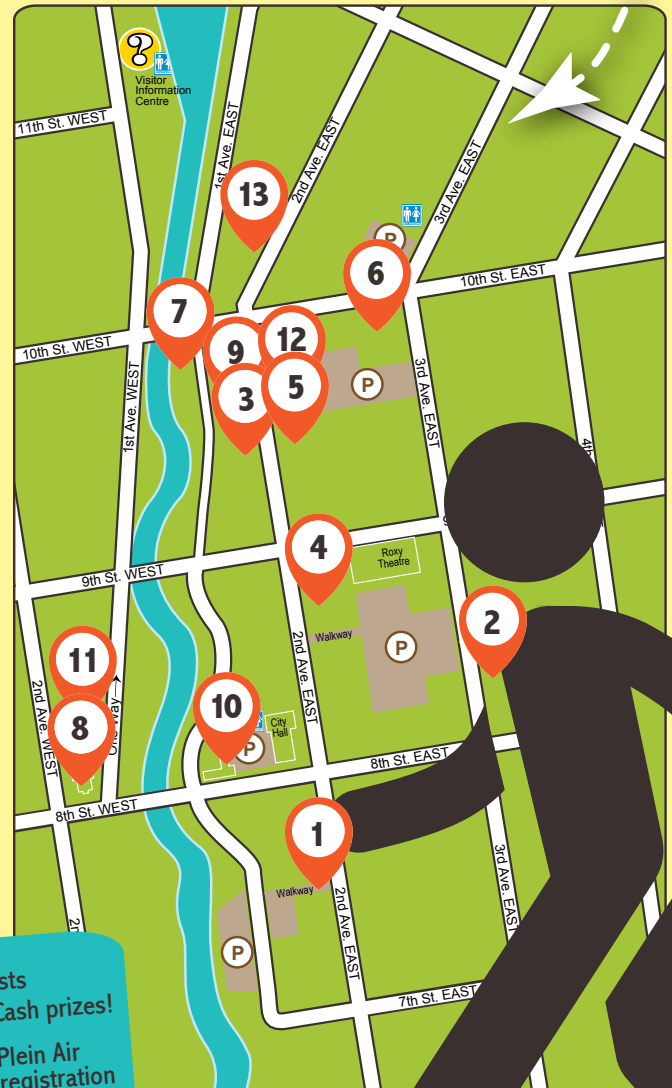
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SATURDAY JUNE 24
10:00 - 4:00

ARTWALK!

A CELEBRATION OF ART AND ARTISTS IN DOWNTOWN OWEN SOUND

1. **BILLIE BRIDGMAN STUDIO**
748 2nd Avenue East
2. **CURVEY LINES ART SCHOOL & PRINT SHOP**
817 3rd Avenue East
3. **GEORGIAN BAY SCHOOL OF THE ARTS**
938 2nd Avenue East
4. **GREY GALLERY**
883 2nd Avenue East
5. **HEARTWOOD HOME**
939 2nd Avenue East
6. **INTERSECTIONS WOOD COLLABORATIVE**
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TEARDROPPING AROUND GREY-BRUCE

NEIL BALDWIN • • • • •

I live off-grid, solar-powered, on 50 acres of forest just outside Owen Sound. As the UPS guy once said when handing off a parcel, “You live in paradise.” Grateful as I am to look out my windows at woodland paradise everyday, I do sometimes yearn for a change of scenery. Especially after a long winter.


Last spring, I began touring around Grey-Bruce and beyond in a tiny teardrop trailer. This quirky little crossover between camping and RVing is like a scaled-down version of my off-grid home life: small, self-sufficient, and pragmatic yet comfortable, it allows me to maintain a small footprint on the world. A teardrop trailer like the one my dog Luna and I travel in allows the freedom to get away from it all without the challenge of leaving it all behind. The experience is closer to camping than RVing, but in this version of camping the bed is comfortable, the interior is dry, and the kitchen is always ready at hand. Everything you need is packaged together in under 1000 pounds, towable by most any car.

The views, and locales, are endless. A few kind landowners in Grey-Bruce and Manitoulin allow me to overnight but I also enjoy camping at local parks including MacGregor Point, Cyprus Lake, and you won't find a much





sweeter life than gazing out at the awesome escarpment from a peaceful waterfront site at Cape Croker Park in the shoulder-season. We have so many scenic roads in our area – I've never stopped at the same place twice to enjoy lunch with a view!

If you'd like to learn more about “teardropping” life or follow along my adventures, come say hi at teardrop-trailertravels.ca. My blog is pure information and wholly non-commercial.



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BARNs OF THE QUEEN'S BUSH WITH JON RADOJKOVIC

KEVIN MCKAGUE • • • • •

On July 29 at 1:00pm, barn historian, author, and timber framing expert Jon Radojkovic will host an experiential "Barns of the Queen's Bush" talk in Cargill, once home to Bruce County's largest barn. Jon first became interested in barns in 1984 after building a timber frame house from trees on his farm near Chesley, using mostly hand tools the original builders would have used. From there he began to build timber frame structures for others including some barns.

Radojkovic says: "Heritage barns are not only beautiful pieces of architecture and craftsmanship, they contribute to our rural landscape and as they disappear Ontario's landscape is permanently changed." Henry Cargill, Bruce County's leading industrialist and employer in the late 1800s, built Bruce County's largest barn from virgin timber harvested from the Greenock Swamp. Tragically, this barn was lost to fire in the 1950s, but another barn built by Henry Cargill remains on the edge of the village.

Radojkovic's talk on July 29 will include an overview of



barn building tools and techniques, and a book signing. For more information on this event, contact kmckague@gmail.com.



GREY GALLERY

It is the fifth anniversary of Grey Gallery this summer, and if you have never visited us we hope you will take the time to drop in next time you are in downtown Owen Sound.

Our exhibitions change frequently so we always have an exciting selection of original art on display, and we also carry a range of Japanese papers. The adjoining garden is open during gallery hours.



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The Tom Thomson Art Gallery has teamed up with Coffin Ridge Winery to create an Artist Edition series of wine, cider, and beer inspired by Canada's most iconic artist, Tom Thomson. These one-of-a-kind beverages will launch throughout the spring and summer and are part of a larger Tom Thomson tour that links the Winery, historic locations in Leith, the local hiking trail, and the Art Gallery.

Tom Thomson (1877-1917) is one of the most influential artists of the 20th century and was buried just 12km away from Coffin Ridge in Leith, Ontario (where he grew up). He died in a tragic accident on Canoe Lake, Algonquin Park, at the age of 39 but the actual cause of his death remains an unsolved mystery to this day.

The Thomson-themed custom crafted wine, cider, and beer are made from grapes grown on Thomson's old stomping grounds. This summer watch for: **Night Spirit**, a unique bourbon barrelled Marquette wine, which is a nod to Tom Thomson's revolutionary artistic approach; **Brush with Death**, a cider that bursts with earthy notes reminiscent of the woods; and **Tombstone Tom**, a one-of-a-kind beer that will be created in Coffin Ridge's new brewery.

Hike the Tom Thomson Trail, stop for some Tom-inspired bevies, visit his grave and the historic Leith Church where he frequented, and explore the Art Gallery which is custodian of the fourth largest public collection of Tom's works in the world and the only gallery to be built solely through the contributions of his friends and family.

We hope you'll get into the spirit and enjoy the beauty of this area the way Tom would have!

DURHAM ARTSFEST RETURNS

BARBARA DYCK • • • • •

Get ready for a day of art-making and celebration on Saturday July 8. Downtown Durham ArtsFest will be hopping with puppets, music and art. This free event supports local artists and encourages everyone to tap into their inner Van Gogh. Bring your friends and family for the day culminating in a puppet parade with the Sauntering Band. Come for the weekend and take advantage of the new Friday farmers' market at the Riverside parking lot, camp at the Durham conservation area (saugeneconservation.ca), following the meandering river trails to three scenic dams, and go for a refreshing swim at one of our public beaches. Anyone wanting to get involved as a volunteer or busker, contact barbdyck@thecolourjar.ca or follow this link to a Google form <https://forms.gle/XjKwAqCzjHSgYE1Y7>. Keep posted for more details at thecolourjar.ca or townof-durham.ca.

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REMEMBERING NEIL RAYNSFORD (1965 - 2023)

Neil was born in Poole, England, a place he always held dear to his heart. When he was young, his family relocated to Owen Sound where he spent the majority of his life; eventually, he settled in Halifax where he worked as a respected tour guide and as an actor, with roles in several films and TV shows with the highlight being in his cherished Trailer Park Boys series. Neil was an exceptional drummer, played in numerous bands across the country, and made lifelong friends along the way. He loved music, worked hard, embraced his talents, and chased his dreams; he took chances and made people smile every day.

On learning of his passing, local musician Brian Tannahill remembered Neil “grooving on stage and laying down the most excellent beat.” Brian wrote this:

SONG FOR NEIL

You were a keeper of time.

You could stop on a dime or keep it running like you were running for your life

Like an old classic Ford with four on the floor, you keep it steady and ready for some more

There's no for-sures for those who deserve everything and more

Safe journey my friend, I'll see you again – May you have all you're needing now

Safe journey my friend, from now until then – Your drum will keep on beating loud

I can still hear the sounds.

Some were soft some were loud, but always perfect every time you turned around

And those songs that you sang will make us happy again, someday.

It was worth it, the cost was not for gain

There's no for-sures for those who deserve everything and more

Safe journey my friend, I'll see you again – May you have all you're needing now

Safe journey my friend, from now until then – Your drum will keep on beating loud

Always on pace, your smiling face, we're gonna miss you. I know you're gonna miss us too

But we'll be alright, it's gonna take time. I'm gonna miss you, I already miss ya

Safe journey my friend, I'll see you again – May you have all you're needing now

Safe journey my friend, from now until then – Your drum will keep on beating loud.

Song for Neil can be heard on Brian's YouTube channel at <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=JQEaCoE787M>.

GREY TRANSIT ROUTE

ROB HATTEN

Passengers can ride the Grey Transit Route (GTR) at no cost on weekends throughout the summer on all routes. Riders travelling on Saturdays or Sundays until September 3 will not be required to pay to ride the GTR but are still encouraged to book their rides in advance.

The GTR provides the 100,000+ residents of Grey County with a dependable, inexpensive transportation option for travelling within communities and connecting to other transit lines. Our summer program

will increase access to the service and encourage residents and visitors to explore alternate travel options while decreasing car traffic in popular areas. “We’re excited to be able to offer fare-free weekends this summer,” said Stephanie Stewart, Community Transportation Manager. “With so many summer events, festivals, and activities in our communities, this provides a great opportunity for our residents to explore in their own backyard.”

The GTR is your connection to summer fun in Grey County, with

route 5 beginning summer service to Sauble Beach starting May 20. In addition, a stop in Craighleith will be returning to Route 4 as of June 3. A reminder that GTR accepts walk-on passengers, but we recommend that you book your ride in advance to ensure a seat. Call 1-226-910-1001 to reserve your seat, or book online at grey.ca/gtr.

For more information on the GTR, please visit grey.ca/gtr. For information about Grey County events and activities, go to visitgrey.ca.

SUMMER AT THE ROXY

EMMA MCCONACHIE-ANDERSON • • • • •

To close out the OSLT Season, this June we are proud to present a locally written play, *Gorgeous Gallivanting Goddesses*. This witty comedy, written by OSLT member Sheilah Spurr, follows four female friends who have gone on a wilderness canoe trip in northern Ontario. For each woman, this is a thought-provoking journey into the self, and their relationships with each other over the decades, as they come face to face with their true selves. This show runs June 15-17 and 21-24. Grab your friends and get your tickets for this heartwarming play celebrating the bonds of friendship.

After a successful season and amazing, sold out run of *Willy Wonka Jr* in May, The Roxy Young Company (RYC) is priming for a creative summer and fall! RYC has two sold out summer camps in the month of July, culminating in two productions of *Winnie The Pooh* July 14 and 28. Get your tickets now. RYC Act 1 and Act 2 Theatre Arts programs, will run September - December 2023, and January – April 2024. These classes give youth an opportunity to develop theatre skills, gain a sense of belonging, and produce a live showcase on The Roxy stage. Act 1 will focus on performance, with a showcase at the end, and Act 2 will focus on all aspects of theatre, including acting, props, costumes, sets and more! The RYC will also present another audition-based production in

the spring of 2024, *The Addams Family*. Watch for audition information.

As we round out the season, we are especially proud and excited for our first production from the newly formed Roxy Star Company (RSC), a program for adults living with physical and mental disabilities, allowing them to participate and perform in theatre, showing that theatre is inclusive and for everyBODY! The RSC perform their final Talent Show on The Roxy stage on June 29. Tickets can be purchased online or at the box office. Don't miss your chance to come out and support the participants as they show off their talents.

And next, OSLT is proud and excited to announce the 2023-2024 Season: *One Flew Over The Cuckoo's Nest*, *The Ladies Foursome*, and *Something Rotten*. Getting a Flex Pass is your best way to ensure you get the seats you want, at the best possible price. Early Bird Flex Pass Pricing for the 2023/2024 Season runs June 15-July 15, and regular Flex Pass Pricing will begin on July 15. Single show tickets also go on sale June 15. The Roxy Presents Series is now on sale with a full lineup of entertainment – music, acrobatics, dance, comedy, as well as various promoters bringing acts through The Roxy. Please visit www.roxytheatre.ca for more information or call our Box Office (519) 371-2833. There's something for everyone at The Roxy this coming 23-24 season!

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Open Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday from 10:00-5:00 and Saturday 10:00-noonish, Northern Flyer is definitely worth the drive to Tara!

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BETH GILHESPY • • • • •

Weaving together the dynamic forces impacting the Beaver Valley landscape over the past 450,000,000 years with more recent Indigenous and colonial history, author Beth Gilhespy takes readers through time and provides interpretive maps and descriptions of eight Bruce Trail geology hikes to continue their journey. This book is the culmination of many years of exploration and encouragement from thousands of hikers Beth has led along the Escarpment.

Join Beth at The Ginger Press in downtown Owen Sound for a talk and signing at 2:00pm Saturday June 17. Autographed copies of *Walking Through Time* (\$27) can be reserved at (519) 376-4233.



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MY SENIORS' DRESS CODE

BILL HAWKES

When heading outside, I now dress with the addition of a fishing vest. The vest contains more than a dozen pockets, weighs very little, and suggests, by its nature, much adventure ahead. Since Owen Sound is located near numerous outdoor sites, I do not risk appearing as just an aging urban eccentric. That would, of course, be way too close to the truth, but I nonetheless take my chances. With the warm weather now upon us, I know that I need not worry. I am sure that my neighbours and area visitors are too involved in their own agendas to notice that I walk about without a fishing pole! May we now collectively share in the joy of a stroll in the sunshine! Grey-Bruce folks may not agree on any number of things, but we unite in saying, "Here's to Summer!"

GREY BRUCE GARDEN TOUR

CHRISTINE AREZZI

Join us on July 15 (rain date July 16) from 10:00-4:00 for the first Grey Bruce Garden Tour, in support of new playground equipment for Peninsula Shores District School in Wiarton. Stroll through some incredible gardens and hidden gems in Big Bay, Wiarton, Red Bay, Sauble Beach and Allenford. The self-guided tour features seven gardens and farms. You can linger as long as you like and have your questions answered by the experts. Enter a draw at each location to win a prize package with products from our participating gardens! Dogs on a leash are welcome at most of the properties; please be courteous. And please use caution as there may be uneven ground, animals, bees and other hazards.

Bring sunscreen, water, bug spray, a hat, and your curiosity! Tickets are \$10/person (free under age 18) and can be purchased online at <https://www.bluewaterlavender.com> or in person at Josie's in downtown Wiarton. Tickets can also be purchased on the day at each garden for \$10 cash only.

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For more information, including ticketing, please consult our website at wordsaloud.ca.

(Words Aloud's operations are conditional on different sources of funding, some of which have not been confirmed at press time; therefore, the information presented is subject to change.)

Saturday, September 9

Multimedia Poets in Durham

1 pm to 5 pm at the Durham Art Gallery, 251 George Street East, Durham

Words Aloud celebrates its ongoing relationship with the Durham Art Gallery by presenting three of Canada's most adventurous multimedia poets. **Daniel Scott Tydal**'s inventiveness knows no bounds; recently he adapted the *Mad Magazine* fold-in as a poetic form! **Kevin Andrew Heaslop** will show some of his poetry films, which have been garnering excellent reviews. And **Gary Barwin** is one of the doyens of visual verse in this country, reminding us that there are no boundaries to art. The afternoon will be launched with an appearance by Collingwood's Poet Laureate, **Jillian Morris**.

Friday, October 20

Introductory Event in Meaford

7 pm to 9 pm at the Craig Gallery, 4 Sykes Street North, Meaford

The main October festival gets underway with a set by local legend **Robert Menzies**, who will be recognized for his tireless work over the years keeping spoken word vital in the region. Our headliner will be performance poet **Janice Jo Lee**, whose oeuvre weaves songwriting with spoken word to strengthen community. As a special feature, we will be holding an **open mic**, so get writing! (Ticket prices for this event will be subsidized and discounted.)

Saturday, October 21

Community Poetry Workshops

11 am to 4 pm at M'Wikwedong Indigenous Friendship Centre, 1045 3rd Avenue West, Owen Sound
(Free for M'Wikwedong members.)

D.A. Lockhart

Penn Kemp

Saturday, October 21

Main Stage Event

7 pm to 9 pm at the Owen Sound and North Grey Union Public Library, 824 1st Avenue West, Owen Sound

Saturday's main stage will be particularly exciting. **Sarah Lewis**, former Poet Laureate of Peterborough, is an Anishinaabe Kwe (Ojibway/Cree) poet and activist from Curve Lake First Nation who has galvanized audiences on stages around the world. **Stuart Ross** is an independent press legend in this country, whose poetry ranges from off the wall to deeply moving. And for more than a decade, **Brandon Wint** has been a sought-after touring performer and collaborator. He has shared his work internationally, including in festivals and showcases in Latvia, Lithuania, Australia and Jamaica. The evening will be opened by **Owen Sound's Poet Laureate**.

Sunday, October 22

Main Stage Event

1 pm to 3 pm, Tom Thomson Art Gallery, 840 1st Avenue West, Owen Sound

Our final day of poetry promises to be spectacular. Former Sudbury Poet Laureate **Kim Fahner**'s most recent book of poems, *Emptying the Ocean*, is attracting attention nationwide with its lyrical beauty. **D.A. Lockhart**'s recent output has been both prodigious and vital, placing him at the forefront of Indigenous voices in Canada. **Penn Kemp** is a one-person cultural industry in this country, with over 50 years of dazzling creativity. Finally, it is our particular pleasure to celebrate the achievements of **Barry Dempster**, who is among the finest Canadian poets writing today.

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