

elcome to the Annual General Meeting and Arts Event of the PineRidge Arts Council as we celebrate "Arts Mosaic". We hope you like the new venue for our AGM courtesy of Ontario Power Generation. Enjoy our members original art exhibition, bid high and bid often at the Silent Auction tables, buy lots of raffle tickets, partake of the wonderful refreshments donated by OPG while mingling with old and new friends.

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2009 Events

Artfest on the Esplanade, Saturday, May 23rd

Many PRAC artists and artisans will participate in this 13th annual outdoor art show in Esplanade Park, Pickering. Returning this year is HANDS ON ART with PRAC teaching artists, Gwen Williams and Janice McHaffie. Volunteers needed.

Entry Forms and Rules and Regulations on-line.

Opening Reception for 11th Annual Juried Art Show, Friday, October 30

Watch the website for entry form and registration details. Volunteers needed.

Agenda

6:30 P.M. **Silent Auction Preview**

7:15 P.M. **Welcome Guests** – Cathy Schnippering, President

Greetings from:

David Ryan, Mayor of Pickering

Steve Parish, Mayor of Ajax

President's Address – Cathy Schnippering

Minutes and Reports:

President's Report – Cathy Schnippering (page 4)

Minutes from April 2008 AGM – Ramola Vanderhyden (page 6)

Treasurer's Report – Heather White (page 10)

Elections – Lou Schnippering

New Executive introduced and announcement of bylaw amendment (page 8) by Lou Schnippering

Introductions

Ken Bond, Director StoneCircle Theatre – introduced by Cathy Schnippering

Featured Guest: Carol Smith ~ "Midlife Mayhem" StoneCircle Theatre

Thanks to StoneCircle Theatre – by Gwen Williams

Presentation to Honourary Members – Cathy Schnippering

Thanks to Ahmad Sairafi, and Jaleh Kasraian for creation and donation of trophies – Cathy Schnippering

Raffle draw for an original painting by award winning Canadian artist Joan Attersley entitled "Golden Treasure"

Meeting adjournment.

Last chance to bid on Silent Auction items

Tables close at 8:30, 8:40, 8:50 and 9:00 P.M., winners announced.

President's Message

Since my inauguration into the PineRidge Arts Council in 1994 when our membership totalled a mere 33, this totally voluntarily administrated organization, through dedication and passion has blossomed to a membership of nearly 400. What fun it has been to be a part of this artistic group of people and I look forward to even more exciting developments in the future. Here is a brief synopsis of what we have been up to over the past year.

Newspaper: Our run is 2700 and every two months we mail out approximately 1900 ArtScenes. Another 800 copies are distributed at various locations in Durham Region and beyond.

Website: Mary Cook is our Webmistress and does a fabulous job keeping our site up to date and our members informed.

Check us out at pineridgearts.org

Activities During the Past Year:

- Organized our 10th Juried Art Show at the McLean Centre in Ajax resulting in 180 entries (including 28 youth). Presented \$4,400 in awards to 19 winning artists.
- Were able to give \$1275 back to the community (over and above our Juried Art Show) by sponsoring local projects and events – to name a few:
 - Durham Philharmonic Choir • Young Singers
 - Pickering Rotary Music Festival • Durham Youth Orchestra
 - Visual Arts Centre, Clarington • Artfest on the Esplanade
 - Pickering Museum Village Foundation Rubber Duckie RACE
 - Pickering Teen Art Show • Oshawa Historical Society
- Partnered with the City of Pickering for the 12th annual Artfest on the Esplanade where we initiated a new youth event "HANDS ON ART"
- Art in Public Places exhibitions at McLean Community Centre, the Ontario Power Generation Information Centre, Pickering Chiropractic Health Centre, Chartwell, Pickering City Centre and Dentistry on Liverpool.

- Held another successful AGM/Arts Event at Papps Restaurant, raising \$1,800. Featured guests were Heartstrings Stringed Quartet from the Durham Youth Orchestra.
- Dorsey James and Susan Lindo instructed workshops in Ontario Power Generation's popular summer family program Tuesdays on the Trail.
- Partnered with Ontario Power Generation in hanging and jurying artists for their Employees' Art Exhibition.
- Worked with the Pickering Museum Village Foundation, carving and judging pumpkins during their Fall Family Festival at PMV.
- Robert Hinves, Sharon Steinhaus, Janice McHaffie and Gwen Williams exhibited their work and demonstrated their artistic talents at Chartwell Pickering City Centre.

We Wish to Thank:

- Ontario Power Generation, Pickering Nuclear for donating our AGM venue and refreshments.
- Ahmad Sairafi and Jaleh Kasraian for creating and donating our Honorary Member trophies.
- The StoneCircle Theatre and Carol Smith for being our featured AGM guests this year.
- The City of Pickering for our monthly meeting space at the Recreation Complex.
- The Town of Ajax for the use of the McLean Community Centre during our Juried Art Exhibition.
- Our Art in Public Places exhibition venues.
- Our special donors, advertisers and sponsors who support PRAC throughout the year.
- Our hardworking executive, committee people and volunteers whose aforementioned dedication and passion make our Arts Council flourish.

Respectfully submitted,



Catherine Schnippering, President

Annual General Meeting Minutes – April 2, 2008

LOCATION: PAPPS CASUAL DINING, PICKERING

ATTENDING: PRAC Executive and Committee Members;
City of Pickering Major Dave Ryan, Councillor Doug Dickerson;
Town of Ajax Mayor Steve Parish, Councillors ~ Colleen Jordan,
Joanne Dies;
News Advertiser Representatives: Mike Ruta;
Approximately 100 members and art patrons were in attendance.

An art exhibit was on display from 18 PineRidge visual art members, along with a piece of artwork donated for the fund-raising raffle from archivist, Anja Knuuttila, entitled "Old Toronto, Series No. 12".

The winner of the raffle drawn at the end of the evening was Debbie Mohr.

The raffle raised \$608.00.

The meeting was opened by President, Cathy Schnippering at 7:15 p.m., who introduced the Executive Members and welcomed attending dignitaries as well as Justice David Stone of the PRAC Advisory Board.

Opening remarks were given by Mayor Dave Ryan, on behalf of the City of Pickering. Mayor Steve Parish announced that the Town of Ajax has adopted an Arts and Cultural plan and mentioned that the St. Francis de Sales Church was in the process of being refurbished to house an art gallery and other arts related activities. Mayor Parish also reminded patrons of the upcoming Ajax Festival of the Arts on May 28 to 31 and the Jazz event in Pickering in June.

MINUTES AND REPORTS

MOTION: To accept the President's Report (Cathy Schnippering) as printed in the Annual Report, was accepted carried.

MOTION CARRIED: Unanimous

Cathy then thanked the PRAC executive and committee members and asked them to stand and be acknowledged. She also made a plea for members to attend our monthly meetings and for more volunteers to join our board and committee teams.

MOTION: Made by Ramola Vanderhyden to accept the minutes of the 2007 AGM as printed in the Annual Report which was accepted and seconded.

MOTION CARRIED Unanimous

MOTION: Made by Heather White to accept the Treasurer's Report as of March 31, 2007 as printed in the Annual Report which was accepted and seconded.

MOTION CARRIED Unanimous

The President, Cathy Schnippering, introduced Lou Schnippering as election scrutineer for the incoming executive.

The elected Executive for PineRidge Arts Council for 2008 are as follows:

- President • Cathy Schnippering
- 1st Vice President • Gwen Williams
- 2nd Vice President • Robert Hives
- Treasurer • Heather White
- Secretary • Ramola Vanderhyden

Cathy introduced the evening's entertainment, "Heartstrings", Durham Youth Orchestra, directed by John Beaton.

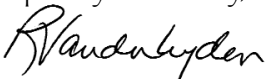
The members of Heartstrings were: Jennifer Fawcett and Alex Varga on Violin, Michaela Parker on Viola and Ian Turner on Cello.

Gwen Williams thanked the performers and presented a \$100 Honorarium to John Beaton.

A special "Thank You" went out to all exhibiting artists, the Silent Auction Donors, and Papps Casual Dining Restaurant and to all attending guests. She also announced that refreshments were served and bidding to be continued on the Silent Auction Items.

Cathy Schnippering moved to adjourn the meeting at 8:30 p.m. The motion was accepted and seconded.

Respectfully submitted by,



Ramola Vanderhyden, Secretary

Exhibiting Artists

ARTIST	TITLE	MEDIUM SIZE	PRICE
Pam Auguste	Sunset over the Bay	20 x 24 ~ Pastel	\$200.
Melanie Baker	Caged In	15 x 13 ~ Metal Wall Sculpture	\$350.
Cheryl Bannister	Main Street, Unionville	16 x 20 ~ W/C	\$200.
Joan Bontje	Interior Landscape	18 x 27 ~ Ink	\$800.
Bob Bourke	Super Model	20 x 20 ~ W/C	NFS
Darrell Colley	Overcast Meadow	20 x 24 ~ Oil	\$120.
Tiffany Dawe	Waterfall	13 x 11 ~ W/C	\$75.
Phyllis Desjardin	Shore Patrol	20 x 24 ~ W/C	\$500.
Bob Fisher	Calla Lily	14 x 19 ~ Photograph, mounted on canvas	\$150.
Angela Hennessy	Skull	16 x 20 ~ Acrylic	\$375.

Bylaw Amendment

No Director shall serve for more than three (3) consecutive years, but that person may stand for re-election if no other eligible candidate comes forward. The director may run for office again after an interval of eleven (11) months from the completion of the third term of office.

Exhibiting Artists

ARTIST	TITLE	MEDIUM SIZE	PRICE
Don Hightower	Iris Fantasy	14 x 23 ~ W/C	\$125.
Bob Hinves	Prince Edward County Relic	18 x 22 ~ Pen/Ink W/C	\$895.
Nancy Howell	Gone Fishin'	20 x 24 ~ W/C	\$325.
Jelah Kasraian	Ahmad	20 x 24 ~ Acrylic	NFS
Susan Lindo	Eve	25 x 8 x 8 ~ Wood Carving	NFS
Janice McHaffie	Untitled	16 x 20 ~ Acrylic	\$150.
Kim Robertson	Akeisha	16 x 20 ~ W/C	\$250.
Ahmad Sairafi	Man	20 x 20 x 6 ~ Stone	NFS
Sharon Steinhaus	The Filemaker	23 x 19 ~ Pencil	\$295.
Gwen Williams	Jamaican Sunset	16 x 20 ~ Pastel	\$175.
Phil Wooding	Harvest, Balsam Ontario	17 x 20 ~ Acrylic	\$165.

Treasurer's Report 1, April, 2008 - 14, March, 2009

Income

AGM Silent Auction	\$ 1,219.00	
AGM Raffle	608.00	
Art Sales	1,750.36	
ArtScene Ads	2,118.00	
ArtScene Subsidy	580.00	
Bank Interest	0.00	
Bank Transfer In	2,000.00	
Donation	310.00	
Juried Art Show Entry Fees	2,020.00	
Juried Art Show Sponsor	2,800.00	
Membership	5,203.90	
Sponsorship	2,500.00	
Total Income		\$21,109.26

Income		\$21,109.26
Expense		\$20,881.15
Surplus		\$228.11

Bank

Bank – March 16, 2008		\$34,314.20
Surplus		\$228.11
Total		\$34,542.31

TD Closing Balance for March 14, 2009		\$3,623.62
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Total		\$34,542.31

Expense

AGM	\$ 765.78	
Art Fest	666.73	
Artists Paid	1,313.60	
ArtScene		
ArtScene Mail	\$3960.92	
ArtScene Print	\$3954.30	
ArtScene Other	\$428.45	
Total ArtScene	8,343.67	
Bank Charges	189.64	
Dues	50.00	
Juried Art Show	1,359.24	
Juried Art Show Award	4,400.00	
Mileage	1,022.06	
Office Expenses	1,495.43	
Sponsorship-payment	1,275.00	
Total Expenses		\$20,881.15



Submitted by Heather White, Treasurer • March, 2009

Auction Items

Item	Description	Donated by	Value
1	CD	"Musically Speaking" Toronto Symphony Orchestra Gwen Williams	\$20
2	Perfumes	"Designer Collection" Gwen Williams	\$50
3	Tickets (4)	"Waltzing ... Still" StoneCircle Theatre	\$72
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6	CD	"Wings of the Morning" Durham Philharmonic Choir . . .	\$20
7	CD	"Rise Up and Sing" Young Singers.	\$20
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9	Tickets (4)	"Spring Fling Concert" Pickering Concert Band	\$60
10	Tickets (2)	"Around the World in Disney" Osh. Dur. Symph. Orch.	\$80
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12	Tickets (3)	Summer season shows Capitol Theatre, Port Hope . . .	\$48
13	Tickets (2)	"Merrily We Roll Along" Scarborough Music Theatre . . .	\$48
14	Tickets (2)	Summer season shows Westben Barn Theatre.	\$70
15	Artwork	"Romeo & Juliet" Cheryl Bannister	\$45
16	Jewellery	Floral Pendant Necklace Kirsty Naray	\$60
17	Artwork	"Western Brook Pond, Gros Morne, Nfld." Valerie Russell	\$150
18	Jewellery	Glass Pendant by Don McClennen the Schnipperings	\$30
19	Artwork	"Tom's Reading Room" Bob Hives	\$90
20	Artwork	"Northern Charm" Karen Richardson	\$125
21	Tickets (2)	"15 th Anniversary Concert" Durham Youth Orchestra	\$30
22	Artwork	"Calla Lilies" Diane Huson	\$75
23	CDs (50)	"Piano Masterworks" Don & Betty Anne Hightower, Universal Music, Eaglerock Ent.	\$25

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24	DVD Coll.(3) "World Class Trains"	Don & Betty Anne Hightower, Universal Music, Eaglerock Ent.	\$30
25	DVD Coll. "ABBA Arrival"	Don & Betty Anne Hightower, Universal Music,Eaglerock Ent..	\$25
26	CD "Pavarotti The Duets"	Don & Betty Anne Hightower, Universal Music, Eaglerock Ent.	\$20
27	CD "Andrea Bocelli In Canto"	Don & Betty Anne Hightower, Universal Music, Eaglerock Ent.	\$20
28	Note Cards (5)	Janice Ellis	\$20
29	Artwork "Waiting"	Bob Bourke	\$75
30	Book "Town Called Ajax"	Town of Ajax	\$38
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32	Easter Eggs (2)	Homemade by Dunbarton Fairport United Church Women	\$10
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35	Artwork "PineTrees #12"	Helen McKenna	\$25
36	Tickets (2) Any show until June 30	Herongate Dinner Theatre . . .	\$100
37	Tickets (2) "Whodunit?: <i>The Backroom BackStab</i> ", July 11 performance	Backwoods Players	\$100
38	Artwork "Spring at Harmony Creek, Oshawa"	Pam Auguste	\$60
39	Artwork "Primary Colours #1"	Sharon Steinhaus	\$25
40	Artwork "Primary Colours #2"	Sharon Steinhaus	\$25
41	Note Cards (6)	Sharon Steinhaus	\$20

Please check dates on performance tickets.
 Thank you to our generous auction donors and those who purchase these items.
 We regret we were unable to list gifts received after our printing deadline.

Auction Items

Item	Description	Donated by	Value
42	Movie Package for two	Irene Seetner	priceless
43	Tickets (2) "Steppin Outta the Box"	County Town Singers.	\$25
44	Artwork "Tree Peony"	Hanneke Koonstra.	\$40
45	Jewellery Beaded Bracelet	Shirley Heard	\$60
46	Artwork "Butterflies" Red	Janice McHaffie.	\$60
47	Artwork "Butterflies" Blue	Janice McHaffie.	\$60
48	Artwork "Butterflies" Green	Janice McHaffie.	\$60
49	Artwork "Petunia Pair"	Sheila Masters	\$50
50	Notecards (4)	Mary Solotorow	\$10
51	Notecards (4)	Mary Lumb	\$10
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53	Tickets (2) Missa Gaia (Earth Mass)	Durham Philharmonic Choir. . .	\$50
54	Jewellery Wearable Art-Handcarved from Cocoabolo Wood	Dorsey James	\$200
55	Jewellery Dichroic Glass Necklace	Lis Simpson	\$75
56	Artwork "Somewhere in Scugog"	Phil Wooding	\$165
57	Tickets (2) "Kiss the Moon, Kiss the Sun"	Borealians Comm. Theatre. . .	\$40
58	Artwork "Run"	Nancy Howell.	\$125
59	Artwork "Speyer Path"	Sharon Steinhaus	\$30
60	Artwork "Wolf"	Sharon Steinhaus	\$30
61	Notecards Music Theme	Janice Ellis	\$20
62	Notecard General Theme	Janice Ellis	\$20
63	Heelys Kid's wheeled shoes size 1-6 Spokes & Sports	(Gail Lawlor/Richard Fraser) . . .	\$80
64	Heelys Kid's wheeled shoes size 6½ – 8½ ~ Spokes & Sports	(Gail Lawlor/Richard Fraser) . . .	\$80

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