

Welcome to the Annual General Meeting and Arts Event of the PineRidge Arts Council as we celebrate 'Art from the Heart'. We hope you will enjoy our members art exhibition, bid high and bid often at the Silent Auction tables, buy lots of raffle tickets, enjoy the refreshments and mingle with old and new friends.



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2008 Events

Artfest on the Esplanade, Saturday, May 24

Many PRAC artists and artisans will participate in this 12th annual outdoor art show in Esplanade Park, Pickering. New this year is HANDS ON ART with PRAC teaching artists, Shelley Beach, Judith Jewer and Janice McHaffie.

Opening Reception for 10th Annual Juried Art Show, Thursday, 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 2007 AGM – Ramola Vanderhyden (page 6)

Treasurer's Report – Heather White (page 10)

Elections – Lou Schnippering

New Executive introduced by Lou Schnippering

Introductions

John Beaton, **Durham Youth Orchestra's** Music Director

introduced by Cathy Schnippering

Heartstrings – introduced by John Beaton

Jennifer Fawcett • Violin

Alex Varga • Violin

Michaela Parker • Viola

Ian Turner • Cello

Thanks to Heartstrings – by Gwen Williams

Raffle draw for an original painting by award winning Canadian artist,

Anja Knuuttila, entitled "Old Toronto, Series No. 12"

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 over 350. 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.

Membership for 2007/08: 350 including 74 groups representing over 3000 people.

Newspaper: Our run increased to 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 *9th Juried Art Show* in Ajax resulting in 180 entries. Presented \$4,375 in awards to 19 winning artists.
- Partnered with the City of Pickering for the 11th annual *Artfest on the Esplanade*.
- *Art in Public Places* exhibitions at McLean Community Centre, the Ontario Power Generation Information Centre, Pickering Chiropractic Health Centre and Dentristry on Liverpool.
- Held another successful AGM/Arts Event at Papps. Featured guests were *Members of the Daughters of Temperance* from the Backwoods Players of Pickering Museum Village.
- Were able to give back to the community by sponsoring over \$6,000 to local projects and events – to name a few:
 - Pickering Museum Village Foundation “Rubber Duckie RACE”
 - Durham West Arts Centre
 - Durham Philharmonic Choir
 - City of Pickering “Against the Wall”
 - Durham Youth Orchestra
 - Ajax Creative Arts
 - Visual Arts Centre, Clarington.

- Partnered with Herongate Barn Theatre and the Pickering Green Festival for *Muzic and Arts Night*. Twelve PRAC artists exhibited their work.
- Assisted Ontario Power Generation in obtaining artists for their summer interactive family program *Tuesdays on the Trail*.
- Worked with the Pickering Museum Village and PMV Foundation, carving and judging pumpkins for their *Fall Family Festival*.
- Supplied two judges for the Town of Ajax/Blacks *Photography Contest*.
- Supplied judges for the Chartwell Senior's Housing REIT *Senior Star* competitions.

We Wish to Thank:

- 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 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 4, 2007

LOCATION: PAPPS CASUAL DINING, PICKERING

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

An art exhibit was on display from twenty PineRidge visual art members, along with a piece of artwork donated for the fund-raising raffle from Vice-President, Gwen Williams, entitled "Hill Tribe Generations - Thailand".

The winner of the raffle drawn at the end of the evening was Mike Ruta, News Editor, of the New Advertiser.

The raffle raised \$290.

The meeting was opened by President, Cathy Schnippering at 7:10 p.m., by introducing the Executive and recognized attending dignitaries.

Opening remarks were given by Councillor Colleen Jordan, on behalf of the Town of Ajax Mayor, Steve Parish and The City of Pickering Mayor, Dave Ryan.

Susan Hinnecke was recognized for her past work as PRAC's Treasurer, and was presented with a bouquet of flowers by Past President, April Polak.

Motion: To accept the President's Report (Cathy Schnippering) as printed in the Annual Report

Accepted: April Polak

Seconded: Bob Hives

Motion Carried

Motion: To accept the minutes of the 2006 AGM as printed in the Annual Report

Accepted: Gwen Williams

Seconded: Lou Schnippering

Motion Carried

Motion: To accept the Treasurer's Report as of March 31, 2007 as printed in the Annual Report

Accepted: Susan Hinnecke

Seconded: Ramola Vanderhyden

Motion Carried

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

The elected Executive for PineRidge Arts Council for 2007 are as follows:

President • Cathy Schnippering

1st Vice President • Gwen Williams

2nd Vice President • Robert Hinvies

Treasurer • Position Open

Secretary • Ramola Vanderhyden

The position of Treasurer was announced to the guests as vacant and at the end of the evening, there were no volunteers for this position.

Cathy introduced the evening's guest artists, The Backwoods Players - Daughters of Temperance with the following remarks:

"It is with much happiness and anticipation that I introduce our featured guests: The Duffins Creek Daughters of Temperance who are with us tonight with the blessings of the Backwoods Players. The Backwoods Players are a talented group of thespians, based at the Pickering Museum Village who perform five to six times per year.

I am delighted that the Daughters of Temperance are able to hold Round Two of their auditions here and that they have graciously allowed you to stay and watch them.

Please welcome Mrs. Eliezar Pickle and Dr Josephine Pickle, two pillars of the village of Duffins Creek, who will be conducting the auditions."

Members of The Backwoods Players performing were: Julie Oakes, Katrina Pyke, Fran Stecyk, Jillian Harris, Betty Dubeau, Aidan Brown, Cameron Penn and Paul Harris.

Gwen Williams thanked the performers and presented a gift certificate to Julie Oakes of the Backwoods Players

A special "Thank You" went out to all exhibiting artists, the Silent Auction Donors (over 50), Papps Casual Dining Restaurant and all guests.

Motion: To adjourn the meeting at 8:05 p.m.

Accepted: Cathy Schnippering

Seconded: Rosemarie Potter

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "R Vanderhyden". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style with a large initial "R".

Respectfully submitted by: Ramola Vanderhyden
Secretary

Exhibiting Artists

ARTIST	TITLE	MEDIUM SIZE	PRICE
Pam Auguste	Sunrise Over the Bay	Pastel 20x24	\$200.00
Cheryl Bannister	Love Those Snow Birds	W/C 24.5x22	350.00
Joan Bontje	River Run	W/C 17x21	500.00
Tiffany Dawe	Fall Turning	W/C 11x14	150.00
Phyllis Desjardin	Porto Fino, Italy	Oil 16x20	450.00
Janice Ellis		Art Cards	20.00
Bob Hinves	The Deck	Mixed Media 22x26	575.00
Anja Knuuttila	Water Lilies	W/C 16x20	165.00
Hanneke Koonstra	Little Emperor	W/C 16 x20	200.00
Janice McHaffie	White Horse	Ink on Canvas 18x24	150.00
Eric Minns		Mixed Media 20x24	300.00
Allan O'Marra	Nasturtiums at Late Night	Oil 16x24	750.00
Michael Semak		Photo 16x20	nfs
Sharon Steinhaus	Rotary Bridge	W/C 16x20	250.00
Karen Welbourn	Winter Wonderland	W/C 16x20	295.00
Ian Winton	On The Lakeshore Trail	ACR 14x18	250.00
Gwen Williams	Duffin's Creek #2	Pastel 20x24	250.00
Phil Wooding	Skootamatta River	ACR 16x20	450.00

Treasurer's Report 1 April 2007 - 16 March 2008

Income

AGM Silent Auction	\$ 1,068.00	
Art Sales	4440.00	
ArtScene Ads	3639.00	
ArtScene Subsidy	380.00	
Bank Interest	798.55	
Bank Transfer In	2,000.00	
Donation	125.00	
Juried Art Show Entry Fees	2,265.00	
Juried Art Show Sponsor	3,200.00	
Membership	7055.00	
Sponsorship	2,000.00	
Total Income		\$26,970.55

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Expense	\$23,646.62
Surplus	\$3,323.93

Bank

Bank – March 31, 2007	\$30,990.27
Surplus	\$3,323.93
Total	\$34,314.20

TD Closing Balance for March 16, 2008	\$2,346.58
ING Closing Balance for March 16, 2008	\$31,967.62
Total	\$34,314.20

Expense

AGM	397.10	
Art Fest	199.50	
Artists Paid	3,552.00	
ArtScene		
ArtScene Mail	\$2,729.66	
ArtScene Print	\$3,436.46	
Total ArtScene	6,166.12	
Bank Charges	59.80	
Bank Transfer Out	4,000.00	
Dues	30.00	
Juried Art Show	2,076.05	
Juried Art Show Award	4,375.00	
Mileage	294.68	
Office Expenses	496.37	
Sponsorship-payment	2000.00	
Total Expenses		\$23,646.62



Submitted by Heather White, Treasurer • April 2008

Auction Items

Number	Item	Donated by	Value
1.	Jewellery ~ Abalone Bracelet	Cathy & Lou Schnippering	\$60
2.	Book ~ "Pastel Artist's Bible"	Cathy & Lou Schnippering	\$20
3.	Book ~ "Sculpting Techniques Bible"	Cathy & Lou Schnippering	\$20
4.	Book ~ "Sketching & Drawing Bible"	Cathy & Lou Schnippering	\$20
5.	Jewellery ~ "Hand-crafted Wooden Necklace & Earrings"	Brooklin Woodcarvers	\$30
6.	Room Fragrance ~Green Tea Oil	Cathy & Lou Schnippering	\$25
7.	Book ~ "Instructions on Art"	Karen Richardson	\$40
8.	Book ~ "Instructions on Art"	Karen Richardson	\$36
9.	Travel Mug "Van Gogh" (Home Hardware)	Debbie and Tom Mohr	\$26
10.	Travel Mug "Van Gogh" (Home Hardware)	Debbie and Tom Mohr	\$26
11.	Artwork ~ "Pickering Museum Village"	Bob Hinvess	\$100
12.	Jewellery ~ Enamelled silver earrings	Pat Robinson	\$25
13.	Artwork ~ "Rotary Path, Ajax"	Sharon Steinhaus	\$75
14.	Artwork ~ "Ajax Bridge"	Sharon Steinhaus	\$75
15.	Tickets (2) ~ "Ode to Mother Earth" – May 24	Dur.Philharmonic Choir	\$40
16.	CD ~ "Wings of the Morning"	Dur. Philharmonic Choir	\$20
17.	Artwork ~ "Jewel Series #1"	Shirley Heard	\$125
18.	Artwork ~ "Jewel Series #2"	Shirley Heard	\$75

Auction Items

Number	Item	Donated by	Value
19.	Tickets (2) ~ "Whodunit? The Case of the Novel Death" July 12, 13, 19 or 20 performance Pickering Museum Village Foundation	.....	\$90
20.	Artwork ~ "Christmas Card"	Pam Auguste	..... \$60
21.	Artwork ~ "Family Heirlooms"	Shelley Beach	..... \$40
22.	Tickets (2) ~ Summer show of your choice	Capitol Theatre, Port Hope	... \$60
23.	Tickets (2) ~ Summer show of your choice	Westben Barn Theatre	..... \$70
24.	Tickets (4) ~ "WaterShed Moments" May 8 performance StoneCircle Theatre"	\$72
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26.	Tickets (4) ~ "Spring Fling '08" April 27	Pickering Concert Band \$40
27.	Artwork "Red Tulip"	Helen McKenna \$50
28.	Case Pocketknife Collector's Item	Phil Wooding	..... \$75
29.	Artcards (4)	Karen Welbourn	..... \$20
30.	Easter Eggs (2)	homemade by Dunbarton-Fairport United Church Ladies	..... \$10
31.	Artcards (5)	Janice Ellis	..... \$20
32.	Glass Cheeseplatter & Knife	Gwen Williams	..... \$40
33.	Artwork "Foster Memorial"	Hanneke Koonstra	..... \$35
34.	Family Membership	Pickering Museum Village	.... \$45

Auction Items

Number	Item	Donated by	Value
35.	Basketball Steve Nash	Spokes & Sports (Richard Fraser)	\$25
36.	Wine Bottle Opener	Ontario Power Generation	\$35
37.	Tickets (2) "Life is a Highway" May 9 & 10	County Town Singers	\$25
38.	Tickets (2) Dinner Theatre "The Melville Boys" any Thursday or Friday to May 9	Herongate Barn Theatre	\$90
39.	Artwork	Eric Minns	\$80
40.	Easter Eggs (2) ~ homemade by Dunbarton-Fairport United Church Ladies		\$10
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42.	Artwork ~ "My Captains"	Allan O'Marra	\$200
43.	Tickets (4) ~ "Oklahoma" Sing-along performance May 3 at 2 P.M.	Scarborough Music Theatre . . .	\$96
44.	Car Safety and First Aid Kit	Ontario Power Generation	\$90
45.	Tickets (2) ~ "Howard Cable Pops Concert" Scarborough Philharmonic Orchestra	. . . . .	\$60
46.	Artwork ~ "Serenity"	Carolyn Pascoe	\$95
47.	Artwork ~ "Northern Vista"	Carolyn Pascoe	\$95

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.

Executive

PRESIDENT	Cathy Schnippering 905•509•3855
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Seniors	\$15
Students	\$5
Groups	\$30
Special donations	
always welcome.	

Be part of the exciting art scene in Durham.

Members and non-members are invited to attend our monthly planning meetings at Pickering Recreation Centre at 7:00 p.m. on the first Wednesday of the month.