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HAPPY MOTHER'S DAY TO MOTHERS NEAR AND FAR.

Inuit babies spend much of their early lives tucked into their mother's amauti (traditional parka).

This painting of Wynter and Leighton was a gift for Leighton's grandmother Millie, in the small Hamlet of Kugluktuk, Nunavut. Kugluktuk is the westernmost community in Nunavut, and it is where my mother lives.

Inuit mothers are some of the strongest and most resilient women I have come to know. Historically, Inuit resiliency has referred to their persistence, resourcefulness, adaptability, and ability to survive in one of the harshest climates in the world. However, today their resiliency is now linked to their ability to adapt and navigate through the most rapid social change in Canadian history.

Since my family moved from The Valley to Kugluktuk in 2002, I have spent much of the past 13 years getting to know mothers and their families there. I was then in my undergraduate degree so Christmas and summer holidays were

then spent, not at home in the Annapolis Valley, but at home in Kugluktuk. I recently completed my Master's research project with women in Kugluktuk. We worked together to explore what they think is needed to improve the health of their families. I am now an Interdisciplinary PhD student at Dalhousie University, and my doctoral research will continue to work with women in Kugluktuk.

I often think of how different my life would be, if my mother did not have the courage to go North. This decision has brought me the most absolutely heart wrenching moments of my life, along with the most heart-warming, rewarding and joyful moments, and has, much like my mother, shaped who I am today. I love you Mom. Happy Mother's Day.

Jenny Rand, Wolfville

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LUCKETT DOWN ON LUCK IN WOLFFVILLE

Interviewed and compiled by Jeremy Novak and Genevieve Allen Hearn

By now, we've all heard the news. Pete's grocery store in Wolfville is closing its doors near the end of the May (the date is still undetermined). Pete Lockett spoke to The Grapevine about his foray into the small town market, and what led to his decision to close.

GV: What happened with Pete's grocery store?

Pete: I identified what I felt was a great location – the old building was run down but underneath it was a gem. Once we revealed what was inside – the rafters, the beams, the braces – it was very beautiful. Like anything I do, I can't resist going first class..... I went first class on all the trims, fittings, fixtures and equipment, trying to do it all right. But you don't get it right all the time. For three years we never hit our sales mark that I had anticipated.... like any enthusiastic business entrepreneur, you keep hanging in and you try to turn the corner. You tweak and change things around and apply different strategies. But we never could turn that corner. After analyzing the numbers and really looking at it objectively and removing my emotion of my ownership and love of the store, we came to the decision that we had to close it

GV: Is this a new experience for you?

Pete: Oh yes. Any businessperson has tough decisions, but this is probably the toughest business decision I've had. It was my baby, it's my town and to close it was a big jab to my pride. This is more than my home, I feel very attached to this area. I don't want to delve into the cost of what went into that store, but I think any-

body who understands the food business and costs of the equipment and furnishings would know – it was a very expensive mistake.

GV: How are you going about closing shop?

Pete: We're trying to do it the best way possible. We gave the staff eight weeks working notice and we tried to work with our team in helping them. I've already heard that a lot of the staff got jobs, so that's great news. We're still supplying fresh produce daily as we're running down the rest of the inventory. We don't want it to be a slow and painful death, but running down that inventory is something we need to do. It's a balance, but we're closing it down the right way.

GV: What do you think were some factors that kept you from your anticipated sales?

Pete: I think it was a combination of factors - it wasn't just one thing. A year ago we had the start of the street renovations in Wolfville, which was needed but it was really devastating for businesses. Then we had this winter – which was the worst one I can remember in my life. We had many days closed because of snow storms and we had many days when, even though we were open, we had very little business because people just weren't leaving their homes. Even though I knew going into the business what the parking parameters were, I still felt that if people couldn't get in the parking lot - which is relatively small - that they would find a spot on the street and walk to Pete's. But I know now that people love to park

outside of a store and walk in. Even if they're parking at Walmart and they're 200 meters from the building, they still see the store and the perception is that they're parking outside the door. But if they're parking 200 meters from Pete's store, they're down the street and it appears that it's a trek to the store. I thought I could overcome that, but I don't think I did. People still perceived it as a difficult place to get to.

GV: The buy-local movement seems strong here, but are there simply just not enough customers in and around Wolfville?

Pete: I think that's the bottom line. I knew competition in this area was tough. I knew it was the country – there are many great roadside market stands that are successful. But I still felt that the core of Wolfville, along with the University, had enough of a population that would warrant this store. But I misread it. In the summertime when students go it quiets down a lot, and I didn't expect it to be as quiet as it was.

GV: What about reducing it to half the size and create a Pete's To GoGo?

Pete: Many people have asked that question and we've looked at it. However by the time you put in new walls and reconfigure, it's not a cheap proposition. We looked at the return numbers against the pain of running the business and it wouldn't be worth it. If someone else wants to approach the landlord to do something similar, fill your boots. It's a great opportunity.



GV: So have you thought about what's next?

Pete: Well, no. I'm sure there will be something next. I am my own worst enemy – ask my wife, she will roll her eyeballs and say 'he can't stop himself'. I just love challenges and taking on projects. Right now I'm just recouping from closing the store and getting ready for another season at the winery. But there are always opportunities floating by. Every time I travel I see stuff and am coming back with ideas.

The grocery store will be missed, but we look forward to being a part of what Pete comes up with next. In the meantime, be sure to drop by Lockett Vineyards to show your support for this local entrepreneur. Also, keep an eye for this full interview in the near future by following The Grapevine's facebook page.

LOCAL PROSPERITY CONFERENCE - “RURAL ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT IS A DIY PROCESS”

(sorry, instruction manual not included) – Submitted by Michelle Kulyk

The Local Prosperity Conference was a four-day discussion focused event held in Annapolis Royal from April 9 – 12th. With the overriding theme of developing new models for rural community economic development; the conference hosted over 35 local, national and international speakers and panelists who shared experiences, questions and counsel.

The Local Prosperity's press release quoted



“the conference will focus on how individuals, businesses and communities can design and then implement a future that is cooperative, compassionate and long-term. We intend to provide an innovative and full tool-box of ideas.” Not advocating a return to an historical model of agrarian society, the conference abounded with progressive and inclusive words of innovation, community values, revitalization and local sustainability. It kicked off Thursday with the “Upskilling Festival” which showcased such heritage skills as wooden barrel making, rug hooking, straw hat weaving, wooden tool handle shaving, and spinning yarn.

The Keynote Conversation featured “recognized speakers on new economics” Marq de Villiers and Michael Shuman. Not a fan of the Ivany Report, Shuman interpreted and disputed its recommendations as not encouraging local business development but relying on non-domestic corporate investment with growth achieved through exports, and economic

revitalization provided by employment with non-local companies. Conversely, he espoused three key tenets to local prosperity:

1. increase and place priority on local ownership of business
2. maximize local self-reliance;
3. encourage the adoption of the triple bottom line model of business (people, place, profits)

He pointed to the competitiveness of small local firms, and their ability to adapt to changing economic environments more quickly than large corporate behemoths.

At breakout sessions on Friday and Saturday, panelists presented their unique experiences in sectors of Forestry, Fisheries, Farm and Food Supply, Entrepreneurship, Arts and Culture, Energy Production, and Shared Community Resources. Discussion centred around how these sectors could be rural economic drivers.

The conference wrapped up Sunday with a

plenary session “Governance in the New Economy”. Panelists championed the benefits of citizen involvement in existing municipal governments; this was met afterwards by a flood of conference participant's questions and comments seeking direction. Not the least of which was “how can existing government structures be married to a “new direction” in rural economics?”

So what actionables resulted from these four days? What new ideas did participants leave with?

That will be as individual as the personal agendas they arrived with. One conclusion I can draw is that there is no instruction manual; it is up to citizens of rural communities to set their priorities, to take their own risks, to come up with their solutions, to make their own action plans and to propel their implementation.

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encourage every woman to also nourish one passion of their own throughout this demanding time of life but so worthwhile. Happy Mothers Day to all moms including ladies that may not have had birth experience but who are there emotionally for so many children.

Johanne McInnis

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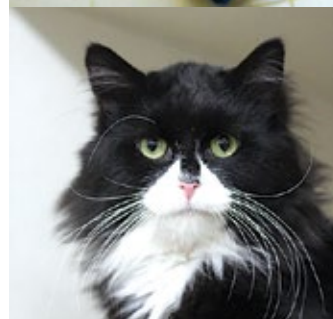
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but those holes keep a comin'
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When I started driving
my father told me "Dear,
always dodge the potholes,
be careful how you steer"

But I hit a hole on Prospect
and I bent my rim,
when I see those holes a comin'
I know to swerve for them

You see the rich folk drivin'
their shiny polished cars,
they joke with their mechanic
"You'll be rich come March!"

Well, we don't think it funny,
we can't afford the fees,
but those holes keep on coming'
– beware of Pleasant Street

If you see a car not swerving
and driving unawares,
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a few too many beers

'Cause sober drivers dodge them,
and drunk ones don't steer clear
of the potholes cursing Wolfville
– if you're smart you'll veer

Jocelyn Hatt



Economic Development Manager Hiring Committee – Call for Volunteers

At a meeting with the Business Community on April 8, the Town was requested to include members of the Business Community to sit on a hiring committee for a new Economic Development Manager. If you are interested in participating on the Committee, please contact Chrystal Fuller at 902-542-8842 or cfuller@wolfville.ca by May 11th, 2015



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AN OPEN LETTER TO THE MEMBERS OF THE WOLFVILLE BUSINESS COMMUNITY:

On February 20th, 2015 Council determined it would not fund the Wolfville Business Development Commission (WBDC) at current levels as of April 2015. I can assure you that we did not take this decision lightly. We support the WBDC as the voice of business. There has been a tremendous amount of good work done by the WBDC and we look forward to that continuing. As one example, we know the Wolfville Magic Winery Bus is a point of pride for the WBDC and the community. It has been extremely successful in increasing visitation to our town and helping to establish our region as the premier food and wine destination in Atlantic Canada and we will work with the WBDC to ensure it continues.

On April 8, we met with members of the Business Community to listen to their concerns and answer questions. While we may not all agree with the decision, I believe we had a respectful and informative discussion and turned the corner on some significant issues. Primarily, the Town understands that the Business Community wants to be consulted on matters that impact them and we commit to doing a better job involving you and communicating with you. We have a number of priorities that you will hear about over the next few months to support and guide economic development.

We are committed to working with the Business Community to ensure clear lines of communication and opportunities for involvement and input at every step along the way. Change is never easy, and it takes time.

We all want Wolfville to be prosperous and that is our common stake in the ground.

*Sincerely,
Mayor Jeff Cantwell*

TOWN OF WOLFVILLE PUBLIC INFORMATION MEETING

TAKE NOTICE at 7:00pm, on Tuesday, May 12th, 2015, the Town of Wolfville will hold a Public Information Meeting in the Council Chambers of Town Hall, 359 Main Street, regarding a development agreement proposal to establish six semi-detached dwellings at Lot No. 2013-3 Gaspereau Avenue (adjacent to 146), PID 55521611, pursuant to MPS policy 8.3.4.

Further information may be obtained by contacting Chrystal Fuller, LPP, MCIP, Director of Planning, 200 Dykeland Street, Wolfville, NS weekdays between 8:30 am and 4:30 pm, by phone at 902-542-8842 or by e-mail at cfuller@wolfville.ca.

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RECIPE

Dutch Potato Soup

Jenny Osburn, Union Street Café

This Dutch Potato Soup was a childhood favourite of mine, a recipe I had memorized by the time I left home. I've made it at home, in makeshift campsite kitchens and at the Café, and it has always hit the spot.

While the ingredients look humble, the flavour is big and comforting. You can even leave out the cheese and it's still very delicious. As always with soup, the key to success is seasoning. Add salt, then taste-taste-taste, adding a little more if you think it needs it. A crusty loaf of bread and a salad of new local greens would be lovely things to serve alongside.

Dutch Potato Soup

Adapted from Anna Thomas' *Vegetarian Epicure*

- 5 medium Potatoes, cubed
- 2 teaspoons Salt
- 1/3 cup Butter
- 2 large Onions, diced
- 2 teaspoons Dill Seed, lightly crushed (or Cumin)
- 2 Bay Leaves
- 3 tablespoons Flour
- 2 cups Milk
- 6 oz. Gouda, grated (about 2 cups, try the Fox Hill Cheese House)
- 1 tablespoon Paprika
- 1 tablespoon Worcestershire Sauce
- Freshly ground Pepper



Put the potatoes in a large saucepan with the salt and just enough water to cover. Bring to a boil, then reduce the heat and simmer until potatoes are just tender, 10-15 minutes depending on size. Leave the potatoes and their water in the pot, but turn off the heat. Meanwhile, in a large frying pan, melt the butter over medium-low heat and add the onions. Stir and cook until onions are clear and tender, about 5 minutes, then add the dill seed and bay leaves. Sprinkle in the flour, and stirring constantly with a whisk or a wooden spoon, slowly add the milk. When the mixture is smooth and thickened, scrape it all into the soup pot with the potatoes. Turn the heat back on to medium low under the soup pot and combine everything. Sprinkle in the cheese, stirring until it melts, then add the paprika and Worcestershire. Salt to taste and add a few grinds of pepper before serving to your delighted family.

ROOTLOCAL.CA:

By Cheri Killam

Cheri Killam is delighted to be married to Michael Caplan; thrilled to be called Mommy by Max, Solomon, and Clara; and proud to be practising law with the good people of Nathanson Seaman Watts in Kentville. Cheri loves to read and run (usually not at the same time) and she loves to blog. Check out her new blog at www.5down.org.

COMMONER NAMES, ROYALTY TASTES: FRAIS CATERING.

I took French in school and I lived in Montreal for 8 years. So it kind of boggles my mind that I thought Stephane Levac had named his catering company after strawberries. It seemed oddly seasonal. He tells me he gets that a lot and that, in fact, Frais Catering means FRESH Catering. Suddenly it all makes sense. Fresh, local, lovingly prepared, the perfect synergy of what good food is meant to be.

I first encountered the wizardry of Frais Catering last summer, when I got to be a judge for Tastes of the Valley. M. Levac may be a genius with food, but his naming practices are strictly utilitarian. His prize-winning dish was Had-dock Stew. He takes the same approach with his weekly offerings at the Wolfville Farmers' Market, which is the only time I am able to sample his wares as Frais is located in Wolfville and I inconveniently work in Kentville. Rather than, say, "The King's Hash Browns," for instance, he labels this fit-for-royalty dish: "Duck Fat Potatoes, Pulled Pork, Sour Cream, and Green Onion." It's almost like a bait-and-switch. Ordinary name, extraordinary dish. The "duck fat" gives away the decadence, but only the explosion of flavour truly fulfills the promise of foodie paradise. I'd forgotten my golden cutlery, but the plastic fork did the trick.

My sons ordered the bagels with lox, which M. Levac usually puts quotation marks around. Why? Because it's not your Bubby's lox, oh no, it's a beet and vodka cured salmon from which M. Levac carves generous slices to place atop cream cheese, red onions, and dill on his hand-made bagels. You read that right: he makes the best bagels this side of Montreal (maybe even better, if I'm allowed to say). Sometimes he even lets me buy one to eat with absolutely no adornments and I need to find a quiet place to fully appreciate the magnitude of the yumminess. Max and Solomon reported that their bagels were "awesome" and "amazing" and "the



best lunch of my life."

Because my eyes are bigger than my stomach, I also decided I needed to have a bagel to accompany the King's Palace Fries. I ordered the goat's milk yogurt, radish, and green onion option. I gave half to my friend who had fortunately happened by and she echoed my appraisal: delightful, tart, tangy, and surprising (the thin slices of radish). I loved the texture combination, too: crisp radish, creamy but light yogurt, and the densely warm richness of the "everything" bagel. I could weep.

In the interest of journalistic integrity, I must tell you that I had one tiny twinge of disappointment. See, M. Levac posts food porn photos on Facebook that frequently require me to restrain myself from attempting to lick the screen of my laptop. One such tease was just a description: Honey Lemon & Vanilla Panna Cotta. I suggested he should bring some to the market. He did not. He has promised to bring me one next week...

M. Levac can be found crafting Frais Catering deliciousness both at the Wolfville Farmers' Market and at the Wool 'n' Tart in Wolfville. You, too, can drool on your computer screen at www.fraiscatering.ca or on Facebook.

PRIVET HOUSE REVIEW

Submitted by Scott Campbell



Fine dining is a term that is often tossed around when describing a certain type of restaurant. Many people assume that it refers to the prices on the menu but true fine dining is so much more. It's a culinary culmination of expertly prepared food, attentive service, and elegant atmosphere.

Last weekend, while in Wolfville, I had a chance to experience true fine dining at the Privet House Restaurant. It was fantastic to feel the restaurant buzzing as excited diners read over their menus and eagerly awaited their meals. Under the careful direction of Chef Jamie Smye, Privet House Restaurant offers a tantalizing array of mouth-watering choices. The evening that I was there Chef Smye was offering two entrée specials – medallions of Elk and a Salmon filet. However tempted, I opted to go for another option that I couldn't resist – the beef tenderloin. From Oulton's Farm this centre cut filet was served with a red wine reduction & demi-glace sauce and accompanied



by vegetables and your choice of rice, butter-milk garlic mash, or confit new potatoes. If the description has your mouth watering you can only imagine how incredible it tasted – especially when paired with a nice, full bodied Côte du Rhône wine.

Anyone who has read any of my earlier reviews will know that I have a weakness for Sticky Toffee Pudding. When I saw that offered on the dessert menu there was no doubt in my mind how I was going to finish off the evening – one of those and a glass of Taylor Fladgate 10 Year Old Tawny Port.

Mother's Day is coming up soon. If you'd like to spoil your mother (or your kids' mother), you really can't go wrong by treating her to a night of exceptional fine dining at Privet House Restaurant in Wolfville.

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Submitted by Emily Mallard, Communications and Media Officer, Brigadoon Village



Runners, walkers, and wine lovers lace up and warm up your taste buds to prepare for a fun afternoon of exercise and sampling some of Nova Scotia’s most delicious wines at the first ever Brigadoon’s Wine & Dash!

Run or walk a ten mile route in the beautiful Gaspereau Valley and visit L’Acadie Vineyards, Lockett Vineyards, Domaine de Grand Pre, and Gaspereau Vineyards along the way. Brigadoon’s Wine & Dash is the perfect reason to rally a group of close friends and family together for an exciting afternoon of experiencing what Gaspereau Valley has to offer and to also give back to Brigadoon Village.

Brigadoon Village is a non-profit recreation and summer camp facility on Aylesford Lake. With its partners, Brigadoon provides camp programming opportunities to Atlantic Canadian children, youth and families who are living with a chronic illness, chronic condition or special need. Throughout the training period during Brigadoon’s Wine & Dash, participants can raise funds to help send chronically ill children and youth to camp.

“I know I will have the most amazing time when I come here. If I could talk to someone who helped make camp possible, I would say thank you from the bottom of my heart, because I actually love it here. I love the campers, counsellors, programming, everything! Thank

you so much,” said one camper in Brigadoon’s 2014 Camp Guts & Glory program, a camp for children and youth living with Crohn’s and Colitis and inflammatory bowel disease.

For a child who lives with a chronic illness, Brigadoon Village is a transformational place. Meeting other children dealing with similar or identical circumstances and sharing experiences provides campers with an increased level of confidence, leadership skills, independence, and simply not feeling alone with their illness. Once campers realize there are other children and youth their age who also have frequent doctor appointments, take medication, and feel the need to explain to others potential limitations or challenges, they don’t feel different anymore. Going to camp at Brigadoon Village, means that they are just like everyone else.

Brigadoon currently offers eleven week-long, overnight camp programs over nine weeks in the summer months. There are camps on bereavement, asthma/anaphylaxis, epilepsy, heart conditions, Crohn’s & Colitis, celiac disease, cancer, arthritis, blind and visual impairment, kidney disease, and facial and craniofacial differences. Staff are currently preparing to welcome more than 550 children to Brigadoon’s 2015 summer programs – a 25% growth from 2014. Since Brigadoon’s first full summer of programming in 2012, the camper population has grown by 250%. The exponential growth in camper attendance year after year demonstrates an ongoing need for programming and funding to support camp operations.

So, get a group together or put on your runners to sample wine and help send kids to camp on your own. Either way, Brigadoon’s Wine & Dash is an event you don’t want to miss! Register and learn more at wineanddash.ca or by phoning 1-888 471-5666. To learn more about Brigadoon Village visit: brigadoonvillage.org

BOX OF DELIGHTS BOOKSHOP TO HOST INAUGURAL AUTHORS FOR INDIES DAY

On Saturday May 2 be sure to drop by the bookshop for an exciting new nation-wide event, Authors for Indies Day. So far more than 600 authors and 200 independent bookshops across Canada have signed up to participate in this unique opportunity to meet local authors, who will be volunteering as guest booksellers as well as showcasing their own work.

Inspired by the hugely successful Indies First campaign in the US, Authors for Indies started out as a BC-based initiative. With new funding, the movement has spread across the country. The goals of Authors for Indies are to raise awareness of the importance of independent bookstores, strengthen relationships between authors and booksellers, and showcase local writers.

Writing for the Authors for Indies website, Anne-Marie MacDonald says: “Independent bookstores enrich our communities. They provide gathering places for discovering new authors, sharing favourite books, and expanding our horizons. Store managers are thoughtful curators, bringing in books they know customers will love. Our neighbourhoods would be much diminished without our local bookstores.”

So if you want to know what Ami McKay, Dean Jobb, Nancy Rose, Jan L. Coates, Ron Lightburn, and Karolyn Smardz Frost would recommend to you, check out the Box of Delights Facebook page or website for event details.

If you’re a local author hearing about Authors for Indies for the first time, don’t let that stop you from celebrating with us. We encourage everyone to drop in any time during the day for coffee, snacks, and good conversation about books and reading. Bring along copies of your books if you have them. You may just meet a new reader. See you there!

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IN REVIEW: Recent Events, Happenings and News

By Emily Leeson

From the Hantsport Twitter feed on April 15: "Children's Parade theme this year is: Captain Canuck...(google him). Superheroes, Super Canada...start your planning!"

April 18 was Al Whittle's last shift at the Wheelock Dining Hall at Acadia. The best part of the job, according to Al: "Meeting the students from all over the world. Its great. It's my second family, big family." Watch a short video interview with Al on the Grapevine facebook page or search 'Al Whittle talks about his last Wheelock Dining Hall shift' on Youtube.

Literacy Nova Scotia celebrated Adult Learners' Week on April 17 by inviting adult learners to share their stories in essays. Samantha Lundrigan, one of the four essay competition winners, summarized the changes returning to school has made on her life: "I no longer see myself just as a street smart girl," she says. "I also see an intelligent book smart woman who can do anything she puts her mind to."

It sounds like the town of Kentville has been somewhat overwhelmed by inquiries about the status of the relocation of the Kentville Public Library. For a Q & A with the town

on April 21 about the issue, visit kentville.ca/2015/04/kentville-public-library-status-update.

Uncommon Common Art is back in Wolfville. Beginning in June, watch for a new installation by Judith Leidl. The installation at 3 Victoria Avenue will expand on her recent series of seascape paintings.

Even the snow today (April 27) can't dampen our hopes for the Apple Blossom season. The festivities are already warming up. The town of Kentville is accepting submissions for the Apple Blossom Festival Temporary Tattoo Contest open to children in grades Primary through Six. For more information, visit kentville.ca/news-events.



Photo: Stephen Wilsack enjoys his first day on the Wolfville Harbour

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April 23, 2015: Number Crafts (Number THREE)... The Three Little Pigs

I teach a weekly class for preschoolers called "123 Learn with Me". Each week, we learn about numbers through a variety of activities and crafts. This week, we had some fun learning about the number three by crafting and playing with the three little pigs...

valleyfamilyfun.ca/index.php/blog

April 22, 2015: Tips for Working From Home

"All mommy does is go on the computer!" The knife goes right into your heart. The trouble is, I work from home. When Daddy is at work you can't see him on the computer. When I'm at work at home, you can...

www.theroamingcurator.com/blog

April 15, 2015: Three Tips for Travelling with Children in Museums

While many museums have excellent outreach programming targeted for families and children, what do you do when your travel plans might not align with the timing of programs? I have put together an accessible list of three tips for travelling with children in museums...

www.confessionsofafitnessinstructor.com

April 23, 2015: Do As I Say, Not As I Do + A New Dance Fitness Video!

Back in January I wrote this post about how I'd gained weight over Christmas and how I wasn't upset about it. And I wasn't. And I'm still not. However, I had thought I would have long since lost those few pounds, but I haven't...

HERE AND AWAY: Film Tax Credits

by Pamela Swanigan

Canada (federal government): Production Services Tax Credit program offers 16% refundable tax credit for labour of Canadian residents. This credit should be added to the provincial amounts cited below to calculate total available tax credits.

Nova Scotia: Until the most recent budget, 50-65% of local labour costs offset as cash refunds. Budget of April 2015 proposed to lower refundable amount to 12.5%, and make the remaining percentage non-refundable credits against future tax liability. (The vast majority of film companies are not resident and do not pay taxes here, hence receive no benefit from non-refundable credits.) After consultation with industry representatives, the McNeil government has proposed a move to the Alberta model, working from a cash fund (the Nova Scotia Film & Television Production Fund) that allows the refund guarantee that productions need to get bank financing. Base funding will be 25% of all production costs, including labour, with an additional 2% for shooting outside of Halifax, 2% for indigenous producers shooting their own work, and 1% for series production. Under the current tentative agreement, the fund will be capped at \$10 million, with a further separate \$4 million for the animation industry. (The government's spending on the previous tax credit, including the animation sector, was \$24 million.)

Alberta: Current system, created in 2001, offers cash grant equivalent to labour-based credit of 45-55% of all expenses. Cap of \$5 million per project. Total fund approximately \$15 million. Previous tax credit eliminated in 1996 by Premier Ralph Klein; within a year, industry shrank from \$150 million to \$50 million.

Saskatchewan: Until 2012, refundable tax credit of up to 50% of labour costs. 2012 budget eliminated tax credit; then, following backlash, changed financing model to a 25% non-refundable credit to be used toward future tax liability. The companies that made Corner Gas and Little Mosque on the Prairie, among others, have relocated to Ontario and BC.

Ontario: Until the April 2015 budget, offered 25% tax credit for Ontario labour, service contracts, and "tangible property." Budget of April 23 proposes to lower the rate to 21.5%, and stipulates that at least 25% of a film production's total expenditures must be for Ontario labour. Current 20% credit for animation and special effects will be lowered to 18%.

Quebec: Until last year's budget, 25% cash back on film productions, 20% on computer animation and green-screen shooting. As of June 4, 2014, 20% cash back for film, 16% for animation.

British Columbia: 33% of labour costs for BC labour; for digital animation or visual effects, 33% (basic rate for BC labour) +17.5% for labour "directly attributable to digital animation or visual effects activities".

Massachusetts: 25% production credit, 25% payroll credit, sales-tax exemption. Any film project spending more than \$50,000 in Massachusetts qualifies for the payroll credit. Credits can be cashed out or transferred at market rates and used for up to five years.

California: California Film & Television Job Retention and Promotion Act signed into law by Governor Jerry Brown in September of 2014. Offers 20-25% credit. Increases funding from \$100 million in 2014 to \$330 million by 2016, and expands eligibility to include big-budget features, TV pilots, and 1-hour TV series.

New Mexico: Cash refund of 25% of costs, with additional 5% available for certain projects.

Louisiana: Tax credit provides a transferable 30% credit on in-state expenditures, and another 5% for in-state labour. A dozen bills are before the state legislature that would restructure the credit program and severely curb the spending on tax credit (currently at \$220 million).

United Kingdom: Cash rebate of 25%.

France: Rebate rate increased in 2015 from 20% to 30%; criteria were changed to make small-budget filmmakers eligible.

Sources: Massachusetts Film Office; Creative BC; Canadian Animation Resources; Government of Ontario; Québec Film and Television Council; *The Carillon*; Vérité Films; *Calgary Herald* editorial: "Alberta model saves day for Nova Scotia film"; Keith Doucette, Canadian Press: "Film industry says deal reached on changes to Nova Scotia film tax credit"; Ameya Charnalia, *The Globe and Mail*: "The Nova Scotia film tax credit—a numbers game"; Alberta Film; *The Queens County Advance*; Alberta Media Production Industries Association; *Edmonton Journal*; *AlbertaViews*; California Film Commission; *The Times-Picayune* (Greater New Orleans); *Variety*; British Film Institute.

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ARIES (March 21-April 19): Chris MoneyMaker was employed as an accountant in Tennessee. On a whim, he paid \$39 to enter an online poker tournament. Although he knew a lot about the game, he had never competed professionally. Nevertheless, he won the tournament. As his award, he received no money, but rather an invitation to participate in the annual World Series of Poker in Las Vegas. Can you guess the storybook ending? The rookie triumphed over 838 pros, taking home \$2.5 million. I don't foresee anything quite as spectacular for you, Aries, but there may be similar elements in your saga. For example, a modest investment on your part could make you eligible for a chance to earn much more. Here's another possible pot twist: You could generate luck for yourself by ramping up a skill that has until now been a hobby.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20): eBay is a multi-billion-dollar e-commerce business that has been around for almost 20 years. But it had an inauspicious beginning. The first item ever sold on the service was a broken laser pointer. Even though the laser pointer didn't work, and the seller informed the buyer it didn't work, it brought in \$14.83. This story might be a useful metaphor for your imminent future, Taurus. While I have faith in the vigor of the long-term trends you are or will soon be setting in motion, your initial steps may be a bit iffy.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20): Poetically speaking, it's time to purify your world of all insanities, profanities, and inanities. It's a perfect moment for that once-in-a-blue-moon Scour-a-Thon, when you have a mandate to purge all clunkiness, junkiness, and gunkiness from your midst. And as you flush away the unease of your hypocrisies and discrepancies, as you dispense with any tendency you might have to make way too much sense, remember that evil is allergic to laughter. Humor is one of the most effective psychospiritual cleansers ever.

CANCER (June 21-July 22): I was in the checkout line at Whole Foods. The shopper ahead me had piled her groceries on the conveyor belt, and it was her turn to be rung up. "How are you doing?" she said cheerfully to the cashier, a crabby-looking hipster whom I happened to know is a Cancerian poet and lead singer in a local rock band. "Oh, I am living my dream," he replied. I guessed he was being sarcastic, although I didn't know for sure. In any case, I had a flash of intuition that his answer should be your mantra in the coming weeks. It's time to redouble your commitment to living your dream! Say it 20 times in a row right now: "I am living my dream."

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22): As I awoke this morning, I remembered the dream I'd just

had. In the dream, I had written a horoscope for you. Here's what it said: "The Kentucky Derby is a famous horse race that takes place on the first Saturday of every May. It's called 'The Run for the Roses' because one of the prizes that goes to the winning horse and jockey is a garland of 554 roses. I suspect that your life may soon bring you an odd treasure like that, Leo. Will it be a good thing, or too much of a good thing? Will it be useful or just kind of weird? Beautiful or a bit ridiculous? The answers to those questions may depend in part on your willingness to adjust your expectations."

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): Don't calm down. Don't retreat into your sanctuary and relax into protective comfort. If you have faith and remain committed to the messy experiment you have stirred up, the stress and agitation you're dealing with will ripen into vitality and excitement. I'm not exaggerating, my dear explorer. You're on the verge of tapping into the catalytic beauty and rejuvenating truth that lurk beneath the frustration. You're close to unlocking the deeper ambitions that are trapped inside the surface-level wishes.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): American author Stephen Crane wrote his celebrated Civil War novel *The Red Badge of Courage* in ten days. Composer George Frideric Handel polished off his famous oratorio *Messiah* in a mere 24 days, and Russian writer Fyodor Dostoyevsky produced his novel *The Gambler* in 16 days. On the other hand, Junot Díaz, who won a Pulitzer Prize for his novel *The Brief Wondrous Life of Oscar Wao*, needed ten years to finish it. As for you, Libra, I think this is — and should be! — a phase more like Díaz's than the other three creators'. Go slowly. Be super extra thorough. What you're working on can't be rushed.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): In her book *A Natural History of the Senses*, Diane Ackerman describes a medieval knight who asked his lady for a strand of her pubic hair: a symbol of her life force. The lady agreed. He placed the talisman in a locket that he wore around his neck, confident that it would protect him and consecrate him in the course of the rough adventures ahead. I recommend that you consider a similar tack in the coming weeks, Scorpio. As you head toward your turning point, arm yourself with a personal blessing from someone you love. Success is most likely if you tincture your fierce determination with magical tenderness.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): "An escalator can never break," mused comedian Mitch Hedberg. "It can only become stairs. You should never see an 'Escalator Temporarily Out Of Order' sign, just 'Escalator Is Temporarily Stairs.'" I think a similar principle applies to you, Sagittarius.

If we were to try to evaluate your current situation with conventional wisdom, we might say that part of your usual array of capacities is not functioning at its usual level. But if we adopted a perspective like Hedberg's, we could rightly say that this part of you is simply serving its purpose in a different way.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19): I've got a tough assignment for you. It won't be easy, but I think you're ready to do a good job. Here it is: Learn to be totally at home with your body. Figure out what you need to do to feel unconditional love for your physical form. To get started on this noble and sacred task, practice feeling compassion for your so-called imperfections. I also suggest you cast a love spell on yourself every night, using a red candle, a mirror, and your favorite creamy beverage. It may also help to go down to the playground and swing on the swings, make loud animal sounds, or engage in unusually uninhibited sex. Do you have any other ideas?

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18): When Aquarian media mogul Oprah Winfrey was born, "Oprah" was not what she was called. Her birth certificate says she is "Orpah," a name her aunt borrowed from a character who appears in the biblical *Book of Ruth*. As Oprah grew up, her friends and relatives had trouble pronouncing "Orpah," and often turned it into "Oprah." The distorted form eventually stuck. But if I were her, I would consider revisiting that old twist sometime soon, maybe even restoring "Orpah." For you Aquarians, it's a favorable time to investigate original intentions or explore primal meanings or play around with the earliest archetypes.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20): What I propose is that you scan your memories and identify everyone who has ever tried to limit your options or dampen your enthusiasm or crush your freedom. Take a piece of paper and write down a list of the times someone insinuated that you will forever be stuck in a shrunken possibility, or made a prediction about what you will supposedly never be capable of, or said you had a problem that was permanently beyond your ability to solve. Once you've compiled all the constricting ideas about yourself that other people have tried to saddle you with, burn that piece of paper and declare yourself exempt from their curses. In the days after you do this ritual, all of life will conspire with you to expand your freedom.

Homework: What's the decision you agonize about? The commitment you can never make? Tell all at FreeWillAstrology.com.



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- Who is the mother of Mother's Day?
- When and where did the modern Mother's Day begin?
- Statistically, in which month are the most babies born?
- Which day of the week is most popular for births?
- What popular crustaceans may produce over 100 million young in a lifetime?

1. Anna Jarvis, 2. 1908, West Virginia, 3. August, 4. Tuesday, 5. Oysters

ANSWERS:

TIDE PREDICTIONS

at Cape Blomidon

Source: Canadian Fisheries & Oceans.
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APR	High	Low
30	** 11:01am	5:08pm
MAY	High	Low
01	11:44am	5:50pm
02	12:25pm	6:29pm
03	1:04pm	7:07pm
04	1:43pm	7:29am
05	2:22pm	8:09am
06	3:04pm	8:50am
07	3:49pm	9:34am
08	4:38pm	10:21am
09	5:31pm	11:12am
10	6:28pm	12:07pm
11	7:28pm	1:07pm
12	7:56am	2:08pm
13	8:58am	3:10pm
14	*9:59am	4:10pm

there are normally two high and low tides a day



THE ACADIA PAGE

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ACADIA FARM DIGS IN FOR ANOTHER SEASON

Submitted by Myah Rach-Sharpe

The Acadia Farm kicked off the 2015 season with a planting party on March 24. About 50 people, ages 5 – 75, got their hands dirty sowing seeds for yet another season of growing food and building community.

The Acadia Community Farm began in 2008 with the vision of providing local, organic produce to the dining hall at Acadia University, while also serving as a community garden. The farm has grown over the years to become a community centre for the exchange of knowledge surrounding gardening, food, and sustainable agriculture.

There are still plots available for interested members of the community as well as volunteer opportunities for anyone looking to get involved. Acadia student, Myah Rach-Sharpe, is this year's farm coordinator and she can be reached by email at: myah@acadiafarm.org

This summer there will also be a new special day camp, "Dig It," offered at the farm from August 17 to 21. This camp, for 11 to 13 year olds, is an opportunity for youth to get involved in gardening, cooking and having fun together — with food.

Contact Alan Warner for more information at: alan.warner@acadiau.ca

WHAT'S GROWING AT THE HARRIET IRVING BOTANICAL GARDENS: *Open Gates and Broken Branches*

Submitted by Melanie Priesnitz, Harriet Irving Botanical Gardens

After a long winter the garden gates are finally open again for the season! Staff members have been busy raking, cleaning up, sharpening our pruners and getting ready for spring. Our resident chipmunks have survived the cold winter and can be found happily foraging in the woods again. The ice on our pond broke just in time to welcome back our pair of Mallard ducks, a sure sign of spring!



they bloom before seed is set will encourage future blooms.

If your young trees and shrubs were damaged beyond repair by this year's heavy snow don't despair, a great selection of new native plant material will be available at the Friends of the Acadian Forest Native Plant Sale on

May 2. Come on out from 9-12 and see what new plants may want to follow you home. The Gardens are open daily from dawn to dusk 7 days a week. We're taking bets on when the last bit of snow will melt from the Gardens, the winner will receive swag from the K.C. Irving Centre Café. Go to our facebook page to place your bet! Facebook.com/HarrietIrvingBotanicalGardens

Melanie Priesnitz
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With our pruners and loppers sharp and clean, we now begin the task of cutting back winter kill and broken branches from young shrubs and trees. Early spring is a great time for pruning many species. Light pruning of woody plants that are cracked or broken can be done now before leaves start to emerge. It's best to wait for major pruning of trees and shrubs that bloom in early spring until after they flower. Pruning spent flowers after



CONGRATULATIONS, CLASS OF 2015

-- Information found on: convocation.acadiau.ca & theasu.ca --

Convocation is a significant event in your academic career, and Convocation weekend activities are planned with you, the graduating student, in mind. We hope you will enjoy this special time. Dates for 2015 are set for Sunday, May 10 and Monday, May 11 at Convocation Hall.

There will be three ceremonies:

- Faculty of Theology and Faculty of Arts on Sunday, May 10, 3pm
- Faculty of Pure and Applied Science on Monday, May 11, 10am
- Faculty of Professional Studies on Monday, May 11, 2:30pm



Reception at the Sheldon L. Fountain Learning Commons immediately following each Convocation ceremony.

Each of the Convocation ceremonies will be live-streamed on Acadia's Alumni Affairs Web site. The broadcast will go live approximately 20 minutes prior to the individual ceremonies on their respective dates.

The 2015 Grad Class Executive plans numerous events for grads and their families during Convocation weekend, including:

Parents Night

Friday May 8, 8pm, \$10, The Axe Lounge

Social Event – Magic Wine Bus Tour

Saturday May 9, Acadia Festival Theatre Parking Lot, SOLD OUT!
Tour times: 10:30am, 11:30am, 12:30pm and 1:30pm

Grad Banquet

Sunday, May 10, 6:30pm, \$45/ticket, Acadia Athletic Complex

Grad Formal

Monday, May 11, \$25/ticket or \$40/two tickets (location not provided)

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The WHO'S WHO:

Sophie Berube: Going in the write Direction!

Mike Butler

Here's a story... of a lovely lady....

Sophie Berube was born in Quebec City and

moved to Wolfville when she was 19. She was driving on the Highway 101 and saw Blomidon for the first time, in that iconic "coming over the hill" image we've all grown to love, and she decided right then and there to spend the rest of her life here. The expression 'Love at First Sight' pertains to nature as well as humans and that was the case with Sophie, and she has never regretted it.

Sophie is a storyteller. She has been collecting and telling stories since before she could write. She used to ask her mother to write down stories and poems for her when she was three. She now works as a professional writer and has published five books: three children's books, a poetry collection and just recently her first adult novel entitled *Car la Nuit est Longue*. Sophie's novel is about the beauty and depth of human relationships and their contrast with the absurdity of violence. Watch for a book launch sometime this spring.

Presently she is working on another novel starring Colonel John Winslow, the man who orchestrated the deportation of the Acadians in Grand Pré. One of the hiccups Sophie faces with her novel is that it is written in French. She says, "I write in French, because it is the language that I know most intimately but living in an English area and writing in French can be isolating because I can't share my own writing with many people living in this area. I am working toward getting published in English one day." And I hope that happens... but for now, I might just have to get my bilingual friend to read it to me!

I am a huge supporter of literature and what drew me to Sophie was her participation in promoting literature and reading to the adults of the Valley and beyond. She is the family literacy facilitator with the Valley Community Learning Association (VCLA) and she loves her work. It allows her to share her passion for stories and for writing with her community. VCLA is an incredibly generous and mindful organization that provides learning support for adults in Kings and Annapolis Counties. The staff is very dedicated, providing adult learners with a safe and supportive environment to expand their horizons.

Sophie says "I was very lucky to start working with VCLA on a pilot project where we supported families at the Cambridge Elementary School to write and self-publish books about their lives and their families. Eight years later, we have published over 1200 books and the



project has taken on many other incarnations. We now write books with people with mental and physical challenges; with clients from Open Arms, a shelter for people in distress in Kentville; and with young families who are experiencing challenges such as low income, low education, addiction issues, and mental and physical health concerns. As a writer, I love the excitement of finalizing a piece of writing and anticipating the life that it will take once printed. It's exciting to watch our new writers experience this too."

As the family literacy facilitator for VCLA, Sophie visits parents in their homes and helps them write books about their children and their lives. If they want, she also helps them find appropriate programs to help upgrade their academic skills. She is profoundly touched that despite some very serious hardships the mothers and fathers with whom she works have such love and hope for their children. It makes Sophie wish for a world where poverty, especially child poverty, no longer exists. And I said Amen to that!

The VCLA is hosting its annual fundraiser on May 9 in Kentville, called "The Literacy Mile". The theme this year is Walk a Mile in Our Shoes. People may see the mascot, the Literacy Mile Sneakers, as they travel around the Valley for the next few weeks (I saw them yesterday at the Box of Delights in Wolfville). The VCLA is a small, under-funded non-profit organization with a small budget but a big heart. If you would like to help them support adult learners and family literacy in our community, you can send donations by mail to VCLA, 49 Cornwallis St., Kentville, NS, B4N 2E3; or call 902-679-5252; or donate online at vcla.ca. The VCLA is always looking for volunteer tutors so get in touch and Walk a Literacy Mile with them by getting involved!

So what about Sophie's family? Well, she was very eager to tell me about her three beautiful daughters and her partner that she adores. They share a very full, interesting, and sometimes also quite humorous, family life. They feel lucky to have many helpful and wonderful friends ready to join them in their adventures. Ten years ago, Sophie decided to take her yoga practice more seriously, so she took yoga teacher training and has been teaching yoga ever since. Sophie says, "I revel in the space that yoga gives me, and I am grateful for the little community of yogis who meet with me in the peaceful Gaspareau Valley to take some deep breaths and expand our practices together."

Sophie's future plans include more novels; hoping one day that one of her novels becomes a screenplay for a film. She'll carry on with her various hobbies and charities and use literature to help those in need. That's one giant literacy step in the WRITE direction! Thank You Sophie!



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Again this year, the Deep Roots Music Coop, in collaboration with the Annapolis Valley Apple Blossom Festival, presents a major concert on "Apple Blossom Saturday".

GYPSOPHILIA and IAN SHERWOOD are long time friends of Deep Roots. We are proud to continue a trend, established in previous years with the likes of Matt Andersen, the Hupman Brothers, Joel Plaskett, and David Myles, of presenting full concerts on Apple Blossom weekend by artists who have previously delighted Deep Roots Music Festival's audiences.

Different musical genres? Sure... but Gypsophilia and Ian Sherwood have much in common. Both can jazz it up and offer superbly entertaining performances filled with passion and humour. And for both Gypsophilia and Ian Sherwood, the May 30 concert is a wonderful occasion to present new music in Wolfville. Gypsophilia will be releasing their new album, "NIGHT SWIMMING" and Ian is presenting his fresh new record, "EVERYWHERE TO GO".

Gypsophilia is seven versatile performers, well established in the jazz, modern classical and world music genres, coming together to create a fusion that is by turns nostalgic, modern, atmospheric and raucous. They are capable of

enchancing a sit-down crowd one moment, and whipping them into a dancing, clapping, singing frenzy the next.

Wolfville will see the live "unveiling" of Night Swimming, a hauntingly beautiful 9-song masterpiece that showcases a more cinematic sound, alongside Gypsophilia's signature ebullient swing. The four-time ECMA winning band features Gina Burgess on violin; Nick Wilkinson on guitar; Sageev Oore on piano, accordion and keys; Alec Frith and Ross Burns on guitar and percussion; Matt Myer on trumpet and organ; and Adam Fine on double bass.

Reaching a pinnacle in Everywhere To Go, Ian Sherwood's imaginative song-writing is full of instantly appealing hooks and sing-along choruses. Ian was named Contemporary Singer of the Year at the 2013 Canadian Folk Music Awards, Best Male Artist by the 2012 International Acoustic Music Awards, and was the 2008 and 2010 Music Nova Scotia Musician Of The Year. A natural performer who will win you over with his wit and charm, he might also leave your jaw agape with a virtuoso sax solo, or by becoming a full band, even a full choir, with seamless live looping. Yes, you could say that Ian Sherwood is more than the sum of his own parts.

DIY Mother's Day Flowers

By Genevieve Allen Hearn, Coastal Events

What better way of saying "Thanks Mom!" than a gift made by the hands, and given from the heart. This Mother's Day, why not try arranging your own flowers? It's easy to do!



Step 1: Choose a selection of focal flowers, secondary flowers and base flowers/foilage at your local flower shop. I chose lisianthus and alstroemeria as my focal flowers, muscaria, craspedia, and dwarf queen aster as my secondary flowers, and aster and honey bracelet as my base flowers and foliage. Select a vase that has a medium sized mouth.

Step 2: Strip the leaves and cut the stems to fit the length of the vase. It's safer to cut the stems too long, and then shorten them if needed. Create a grid at the bottom of the vase by interlocking the base flowers and foliage. This will assist in securing the flowers. Set a third of your base flowers and foliage aside for final touches.

Step 3: Insert the focal flowers. Don't be afraid to play with heights, clusters, and movement. The flowers don't have to look perfectly round-ed.

Step 4: Add the secondary flowers. These can add different texture, colour, and variety to the arrangement. Have fun with it! Consider adding foraged elements like berries, feathers, branches, or wild flowers.

Step 5: Add the remaining base flowers and foliage to fill any gaps or empty space in the arrangement. Spin the vase as you make your final touches so that the arrangement looks full from all angles.

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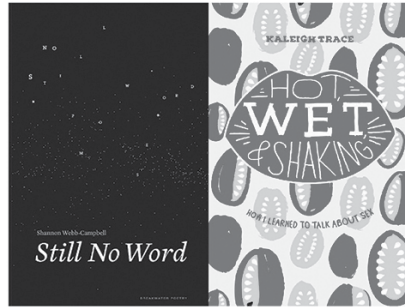
Art in Children's Literature and Picture Books

Everyday Citizenship is a community discussion series exploring diverse perspectives on culture, the environment, politics, economics, gender, and more. Presented by Acadia University's Social and Political Thought Program, the talks are free and everyone is welcome to listen or join the discussion.

This week we welcome **Angela J. Reynolds**, educator, librarian, and member of the Caldecott Award Selection Committee.

Coffee, tea and snacks will be available.

Thursday 7 May, 7:00 – 8:00pm

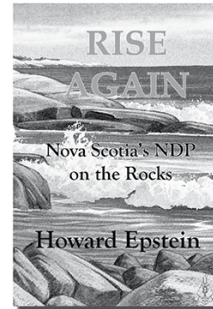


Kaleigh Trace and Shannon Webb-Campbell

Kaleigh Trace is a (dis)abled, queer, feminist sex educator living and writing in Halifax. Her work promotes safe, shame-free and consensual sex for people of all abilities, ethnicities, races, orientations, and gender identities. *Hot, Wet, and Shaking: How I Learned to Talk About Sex* is her first book.

Shannon Webb-Campbell is an award-winning poet, writer, and arts critic living and writing in Halifax. *Still No Word* is her debut poetry collection, for which she won the Egale OUT In Print Literary Award.

Thursday 14 May, 6:00 – 7.30pm



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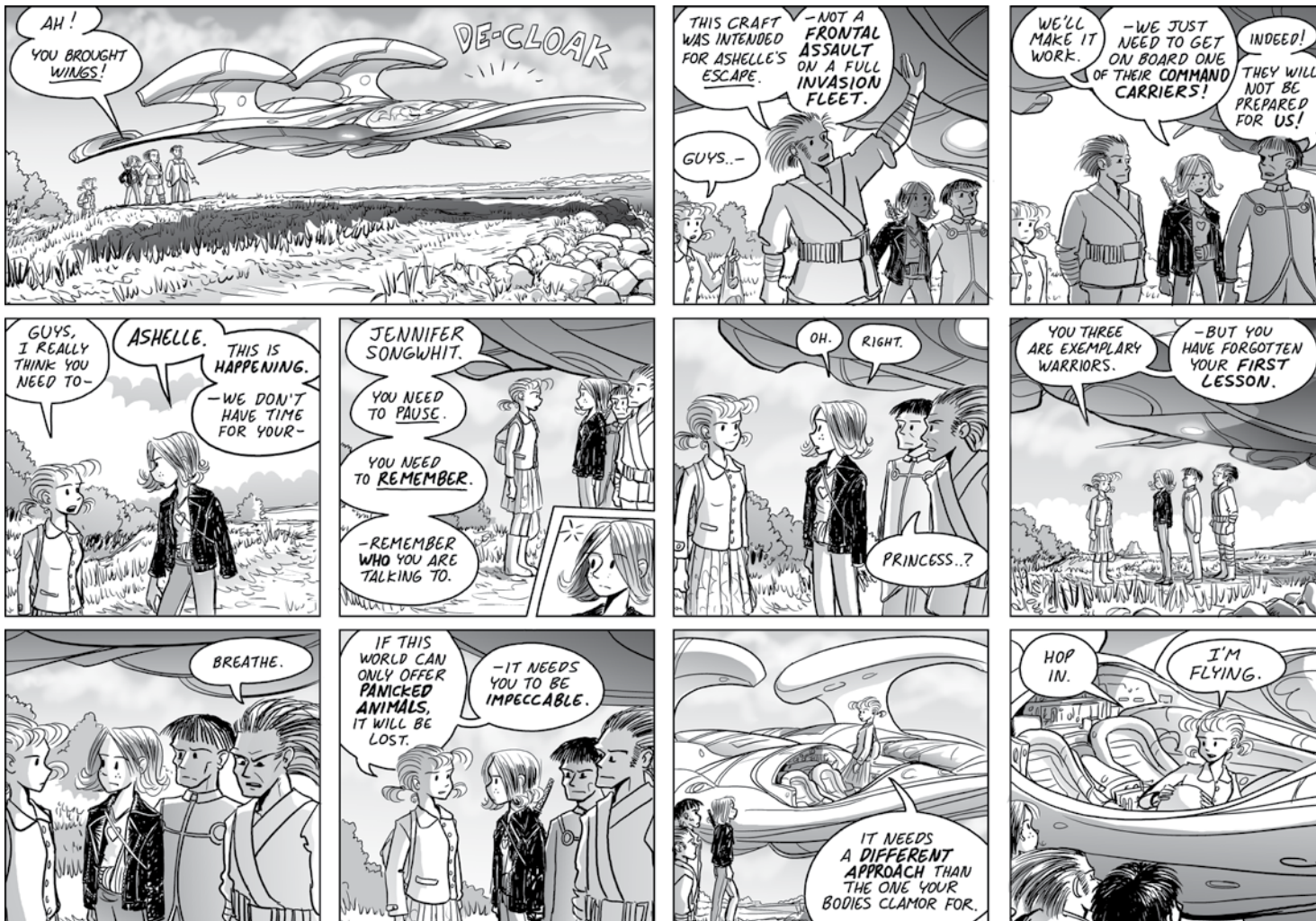
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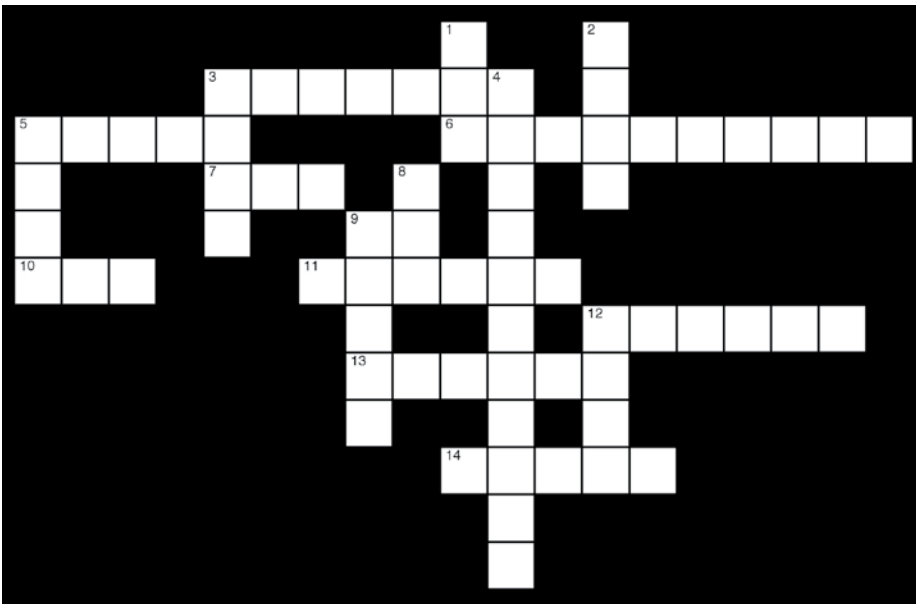
OH MOTHER by Donna Holmes

Across

3. Daffynition: The smallest mother?
5. What do you call a group of gansters made up of mothers? The ____.
6. Some Canadians refer to their ancestors' homeland as the ____ (rather than fatherland).
7. What did the baby missile say to the mom-my missile? "You da ____!"
9. What did the digital clock say to its mother? "Look ____! No hands!"
10. Maori word for Mother or English word for female sheep.
11. German word for Mother or English word meaning mumble.
12. It's not nice to fool ____ Nature.
13. When in doubt, ____ (aka mutter)
14. Latin word for Mother; also name of the tow-truck character in the Disney film "Cars".

Down

1. ____'s the word (and also the name that some Brit's call their Mom).
2. The formal Japanese word for Mother is Okaasan but this informal Japanese term for Mother sounds like laughter in English.
3. 1/4 of a popular 1960's folk-rock group (hint: it's not a Papa).
4. Why is a computer so smart? It listens to its ____.
5. Venetian word for Mother, or English word for female horse.
8. Formal Russian word for mother or the English word for a small rug to wipe your feet on.
9. What did Cleopatra say when the asp bit her? "I want my ____!"
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Troy Restaurant (Wolfville): Ian Brownstein & Friends (30th, 7th, 14th) 7pm

Spitfire Arms Alehouse (Windsor): Jam Session (30th, 7th, 14th) 7-11pm

Tommy Gun's (Windsor): Meredith McCulloch (30th) 7-11pm

Dooley's (New Minas): Dooley's Karaoke "Molson Idol" w/ Margie Brown Duo (30th, 7th, 14th) 8pm

Paddy's Pub (Kentville): The Hupman Brothers (30th, 7th, 14th) 9pm

Paddy's Pub (Wolfville): Trivia Night (30th, 7th, 14th) 9pm

Library Pub (Wolfville): Alex and Riley (30th, 7th, 14th) 9pm

Anvil (Wolfville): Top 40 DJ C-Bomb (30th, 7th, 14th) 10pm

FRIDAYS:

Edible Art Cafe (New Minas): Carl Boutilier (1st, 8th) 12-2pm

King's Arms Pub by Lew Murphy's (Kentville): Shawn Hebb (1st), GuyPaul Thibault (8th) 5:30pm

Blomidon Inn (Wolfville): Jazz Mannequins (1st, 8th) 6:30-9:30pm

Spitfire Arms Alehouse (Windsor): The Mark Riley Project (1st, Appaloosa (8th) 8pm

Joe's Food Emporium

(Wolfville): Margie Brown Duo (1st), Mark Riley & Bernie Zinck Acoustic Duo (8th) 8pm

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(Berwick): Open Mic w/Darrell Skinner (1st), w/Broke With Money (8th) 8pm

The Port Pub (Port Williams): Live Music w/Freddie (8th) 8pm

West Side Charlie's (New Minas): DJ Lethal Noize (1st, 8th) 10pm

SATURDAYS:

Farmers Market

(Wolfville): Big Country (2nd), Wide Open Spaces (9th) 10am

Edible Art Cafe (New Minas): John Tetrault (2nd, 9th) 12pm-2pm

The Noodle Guy (Port Williams): Big Country Jam w/Alex Hastie (2nd, 9th) 1:30pm

Spitfire Arms Alehouse (Windsor): Jon Duggan (2nd), Rip Tide (9th) 8pm

Union Street Cafe (Berwick): Shadow River (2nd), Tim Chaisson (9th) 8pm

King's Arms Pub by Lew Murphy's (Kentville): The Tony & Lenny Show - downstairs (2nd) 8:30pm, Kevin Davison CD Release Party (2nd) 9pm, Mark Bezanson & The Idle Threats (9th) 8:30pm

West Side Charlie's (New Minas): Ted & Brandon (2nd) 3-7pm, DJ Billy T (2nd) 10pm, Tony & Lenny (9th) 3pm, Broken Circuit (9th) 9pm

Paddy's Pub (Kentville): Buffy & Larry (9th) 9pm

Library Pub (Wolfville): Dan McFadyen (2nd, 9th) 9pm

Tommy Gun's (Windsor): Music Video Dance Party (2nd, 9th) 9:30pm-1:30am

SUNDAYS:

Stem's Cafe (Greenwich): Johanne McInnis Trio w/Kory Bayer & Alex Porter (10th) 11-2pm

Tommy Gun's (Windsor): Open Mic Jam Session (3rd, 10th) 3-6pm

Paddy's Pub (Wolfville): Paddy's Irish Session (3rd, 10th) 8pm

MONDAYS:

Edible Art Cafe (New Minas): Carl Boutilier (4th, 11th) 12pm-2pm

Paddy's Pub (Wolfville): Open Mic w/Heather Kelday (4th), w/Caleb Miles (11th) 8pm

TUESDAYS:

Edible Art Cafe (New Minas): Carl Boutilier (5th, 12th) 12pm-3pm

Spitfire Arms Alehouse (Windsor): Trivia Nights, \$2 (5th, 12th) 7pm

Paddy's Pub (Kentville): Irish Jam Session (5th, 12th) 8pm

T.A.N. Coffee (Wolfville): Open Mic w/Donna Holmes (5th, 12th) 8-10pm

WEDNESDAYS:

Edible Art Cafe (New Minas): Steve Lee & Ian Brownstein (6th, 13th) 12pm-3pm

West Side Charlie's (New Minas): Billy T's Karaoke (6th, 13th) 10pm

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Submitted by Donna Holmes

Tattoo Artist: Elissa Veinot, Pearl Harbour Gift Shop in Toronto, ON
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Just before leaving Ontario to come to Acadia University, Ellen got this tattoo designed by her dear friend and visual artist Meta Homme. For Ellen, the tattoo symbolizes the relationship she has with the lake in her hometown of Cobourg, ON. The lighthouse was always a sanctuary for her and Ellen wanted to take it with her as she moved on to new places. It's situated on the back of Ellen's arm to symbolize that although it is now behind her, it will always be a part of her.

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Thursdays

Babies & Books — Wolfville Memorial Library 10–11am. Newborn to 2 years. *INFO:* 542-5760 / valleylibrary.ca

In the Round Knitting Group — Gaspereau Valley Fibres 1–4:30pm. Also Tuesdays 6–9pm. *INFO:* 542-2656 / gaspereauvalleyfibres.ca

Seniors' Afternoon Out — Wickwire Place, Wolfville 1:30–4:30pm. Social afternoon with peers. Also Tuesdays 1:30–4:30pm. *FEE:* \$5 *INFO:* Robin, 698-6309

Yoga — White Rock Community Centre, 6:30–7:30pm. *FEE:* \$2 *INFO:* 542-3109 / dianneandjohn@eastlink.ca

Introductions – An Open Mic — Just Us! Cafe, Wolfville, 6:60–8pm. Come listen to or share songs, slams, or stories. *FEE:* no charge *INFO:* kathy@justuscoffee.com

AVD Clubhouse: Walking Club — Wolfville based, locations vary, 6:30–8pm. Offered through the Canadian Mental Health Association, Kings Branch. *FEE:* no charge *INFO:* 670-4103 / club@cmhaskings.ns.ca

Boardgame Night — C@P Lab, Wolfville Public Library, 7pm. Bring your games! Ages 12+ *FEE:* no charge. *INFO:* 790-4536 / turpin56@gmail.com

Adult Ceilidh Fitness — Community Hall, Greenwich 7–8pm • A fun hour of simple steps and sensational music, 16 participants only. *TIX:* \$50 for 8 weeks, \$10 drop-in *INFO:* 582-1786 / info@webstersdance.com

Fridays

Bookworms Storytime — Port Williams Library, 10:30am. Stories, games, songs and fun for kids aged 3–5. *TIX:* no charge *INFO:* 542-3005 / valleylibrary.ca

AVD Clubhouse: Arts Program — CMHA-Kings, Coldbrook 1–4pm. Offered through the Canadian Mental Health Association, Kings Branch. *FEE:* no charge, but please pre-register. *INFO:* 670-4103 / club@cmhaskings.ns.ca

Chase the Ace — Royal Canadian Legion, Berwick 5pm. Chase the Ace drawn at 7:15pm, light supper served 5–7pm *TIX:* \$5 per person, \$5 supper *INFO:* 375-2021 / rubyl@eastlink.ca

Fun Night — Legion (downstairs), Kentville, 7pm. Variety of music. 50/50 tickets available. *FEE:* \$2 *INFO:* kentvillelegion@eastlink.ca

Saturdays

Wolfville Farmers' Market — DeWolfe Building, Elm Ave., Wolfville 8:30am–1pm

May 2 Music: Big Country

May 9 Music: Wide Open Spaces

INFO: wolfvillefarmersmarket.ca

Peace Vigil — Post Office, Wolfville 12–1pm

Drop in and Drum! — Baptist Church, Wolfville 1–2:30pm. W/Bruno Allard. Drop in for a hands-on workshop & jam. Learn to play the djembe with rhythms & songs from West Africa. Everyone welcome. Drums provided. *FEE:* \$5 *INFO:* facebook: Djembes and Duns Wolfville

Valley Game Night — Gametronics, New Minas 6pm. Board game/card game group. Yu Gi Oh –Thursdays, 6pm. Friday Night Magic (Magic: The Gathering) – Fridays, 6pm *FEE:* no charge. *INFO:* facebook.com/GameTronics

Sundays

Family & Community Flea Market — Port Williams, former Stage 2 building. 8am–1pm. *INFO:* exidus36@gmail.com

Flea Market — Kentville Legion 8am. Until May 9. 50/50, kitchen open, everyone welcome. *FEE:* Tables \$5 *INFO:* 678-8935

Social Ballroom Dancing — Community Centre, Port Williams 3–5pm. Practice your existing dance skills and learn new group dances. *FEE:* \$30 per couple per semester, or

\$5 per session drop-in fee per couple. *INFO:* 698-2806 / DanceTime_PortWilliams@hotmail.com

Mondays

Free Community Walking/Running — Acadia Athletic Complex, Wolfville 6–9am & 6–9pm (Mon. to Fri.). On the indoor & outdoor track. *FEE:* no charge *INFO:* 542-0368 / KOuterleys@wolfville.ca

Painting Morning — Recreation Centre, Wolfville 9:30am–12pm. W/Evangeline Artist Cooperative. Bring your own projects to work on & be inspired by like-minded artists. *FEE:* \$2, *INFO:* Susan, 542-4448

Harmonica Jams — Sobey's Community Room, New Minas 10–11:30pm. We play light music, including country, waltzes, jigs and reels. All levels welcome! *FEE:* no charge *INFO:* Lloyd, 681-3711 / Ed, 678-4591.

Fitness Classes — White Rock Community Centre, 10:30–11:30am. Also Tuesdays. *FEE:* \$2 *INFO:* 542-3109 / dianneandjohn@eastlink.ca

Windsor Game Night — Library, Windsor 6pm. Board game group. New players welcome! *FEE:* no charge *INFO:* meetup.com/valleygames

Toastmasters — 2nd Floor, Irving Centre, Acadia 6:30–8pm. Communicative skills to enhance peaceful and effective dialogue. *INFO:* Chris, 691-3550 / vppr.wolfville.tm@gmail.com

Darts (mixed league) — White Rock Community Center, 7pm. *INFO:* 542-7073

Insight (Vipassana) Meditation — Manning Memorial Chapel, Acadia, downstairs, 7:30–9pm. W/Laura Bourassa. Suitable for beginner and experienced meditators. Instructions, short talk, discussion. *FEE:* free-will offering. *INFO:* 365-2409

Tuesdays

Book in the Nook — Wolfville Memorial Library 10–10:30am. Suggested age range: 3–5. *INFO:* 542-5760 / valleylibrary.ca

Friends in Bereavement — Western Kings Mem. Health Centre, Berwick 10am–12pm. 1st & 3rd Tues. each month (next: May 5). VON Adult Day Program Room (main floor). *INFO:* 681-8239 / friendsinbereavement@gmail.com

Rug Hooking — 57 Eden Row, Greenwich 1–3:30pm. Drop-in rug hooking. *FEE:* donation *INFO:* Kay, 697-2850

Friends in Bereavement — Kentville Baptist Church 2–4pm. 1st & 3rd Tues. each month (next: May 5). Left parking lot entrance, sponsored by Careforce. *INFO:* 681-8239 / friendsinbereavement@gmail.com

Dukes of Kent Barbershop Chorus — Bethany Memorial Baptist Church (gym), Aldershot 7pm. We sing four-part harmony. *INFO:* dukesofkent.ca

Learn Irish Music — Paddy's Pub (upstairs), Kentville 7–8pm. Bring your instrument & learn to play traditional music in a relaxed, convivial setting. *FEE:* no charge *INFO:* 697-2148 / slowsession@outlook.com

Valley Scottish Country Dancers — 125 Webster St., Kentville, 7:30–9:30pm. Second term: Started Feb. 10 – May 12. All levels, no partners needed. *FEE:* \$6/class, \$60/term. *INFO:* keppie@eastlink.ca / vscd.info

International Folk Dance — Wolfville Curling Club (upstairs), 7:30–10pm. Until June. Traditional circle & line dances from the Balkans & the Middle East. Expert instruction. No previous experience necessary. *FEE:* \$5 regular, \$3 students *INFO:* 690-7897

Board Game Night — Paddy's Pub, Wolfville 8pm–12am *TIX:* no charge *INFO:* 542-0059

Wednesdays

AVD Clubhouse: Music Jam Session — Louis Millett Community Complex, New Minas 10am–12pm. Offered through the Canadian Mental Health Association, Kings Branch. *FEE:* no charge *INFO:* 670-4103 / club@cmhaskings.ns.ca

Brain Injury Support Group Drop-In — Baptist Church, Kentville 10am–12pm. 2nd & 4th Wednesdays of the month (next: May 13). For brain injury survivors, their families and/or caregivers. Drop in for a coffee! *INFO:* valley@braininjuryrns.com / BrainInjuryNS.com

Kentville Farmers' Market — Town Hall Recreation Centre, 350 Main Street, Kentville 10am–2pm. Open year-round. *INFO:* marketmanager@kentville.ca / kentvillefarmersmarket.ca

Toddler Rhyme Time — Kings County Family Resource Centre, 503A Main St., Kentville 9:30–10:30am. Please register. *FEE:* no charge. *INFO:* 678-5760 / kcfrc.ca

Wolfville Breastfeeding Support Group — Anglican Church, Wolfville 10am–12pm. 1st & 3rd Wednesdays of the month (next: May 6). *INFO:* facebook.com/AnnapolisValleyBreastfeedingSupportGroups

Recreational Pick-Up Indoor Soccer — Indoor Soccer Facility, Kentville 11am–1pm. Co-Ed & all ages. Bring both a dark & white shirt. *FEE:* \$5 *INFO:* 678-2426

Wolfville Community Chorus — 30 Wickwire Ave., Wolfville 5:30–7pm. New members welcome! *FEE:* \$180 yearly membership, no charge for first-time drop-in. *INFO:* 542-0649 / susan_dworkin@hotmail.com

Valley Youth Project — Louis Millett Community Complex, Rm 128, New Minas 6:30–8:30pm. 1st & 3rd Wednesdays of the month (next: May 6). Social drop-in for LGBTQ+ youth and allies, 25 years & under. Conversation, snacks, activities, & good company. *INFO:* valleyyouthproject@gmail.com / valleyyouthproject.wordpress.com

New Horizons Band — Festival Theatre, Wolfville 7pm. Fun, informal community band under the direction of Brian Johnston. *INFO:* Donna, 542-7557 / macdonaldwilson@accesswave.ca

Short Track Series — Reservoir Park, Wolfville Wednesdays, May 6–June 24, 6pm. A fun, high paced mountain bike race format for riders of all ages (6 to adult) and abilities. *FEE:* 8 weeks for \$60 adult, \$40 youth. Drop in: \$15 adult, \$10 youth *INFO:* race@trailflow.ca

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Shakespeare On Trial — Hantsport School, Hantsport, May 3, 2pm • Bill Shakespeare must defend his writing to four of his famous characters who argue that he should write in a more modern way since no-one understands them anymore. Family friendly. Free will offering to support the Friends of the Hantsport Library and for the Hantsport School Community Playground Fund. *TIX:* donation *INFO:* 684-4005 / offtheleash.ca

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Mary Poppins — Festival Theatre, Wolfville, May 14, 15, 16, 17, 7pm, May 16, 17, 1:30pm • Stage Prophets is presenting Disney's full stage production of Mary Poppins, one of the most beloved family and longest-running musicals of all time. Enjoy talented actors, captivating costumes, magical flights, creative set designs and hundreds of hours of dedication from the cast, crew and volunteers. See poster page 14. *TIX:* \$20 @ Box of Delights (Wolfville), Acadia Box Office (542-5500), M&M Meat Shops (New Minas), Occasions Gifts & Décor (Kentville), Inside Story (Greenwood) *INFO:* anngreener76@gmail.com

Alice in Wonderland — Horton High School, Greenwich, May 7, 8, 9, 7pm, May 9, 2pm • Wolfville Middle School presents Alice in Wonderland. *TIX:* \$5 @ Box of Delights (Wolfville), School Office, email, or at the door. *INFO/Reservations:* aliceinwolfville2015@gmail.com

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Creative Connections: Independent Study Work — Jack's Gallery, Just Us!, Wolfville. Until May 3 • Group exhibition by Acadia University students enrolled in independent study. Various themes/media. *INFO:* judith.leidl@acadiau.ca / jacksgallerywolfville@gmail.com

Wayne Boucher — Harvest Gallery, Wolfville, Until May 17 • "Holding Spring." Boucher's work deals with the luminosity of light and the radiance of colour. *INFO:* 542-7093 / harvestgallery.ca

Capture 2014: Nova Scotian Realism — Acadia University Art Gallery, Wolfville, May 2–June 28 • This exhibition, initiated by Professional Living Artists of Nova Scotia (PLANS) explores realism as part of the diverse history of Nova Scotian art. Opening reception with PLANS artists on Sat., May 2, 7pm. *INFO:* artgallery@acadiau.ca

Bobbie Mortensen — CentreStage Theatre, Kentville • Scenery, seascapes, still life, animals and flowers in oil, acrylic & watercolour. *INFO:* 678-3502 / centrestagetheatre.ca

Apple Bin Art Gallery — Valley Regional Hospital, Kentville • Approximately 100 pieces of affordable original art created by local Valley artists. Part proceeds go towards hospital equipment and to help support Annapolis Valley health care programs.

Along the Avon — Phoenix Hollow B&B, Windsor, May 3, 12–5pm • Join us and Avondale Sky Winery for an afternoon of art and charity. Iron sculpture, wood carvings, glasswork and knife paintings. Part proceeds to the Canadian Breast Cancer Foundation. See page 2. *INFO:* 1-866-900-6910 / me@kellymitchellmore.ca

17th Annual Great Little Art Show — Newport Landing, see 4-page middle pop-up this issue • 10am–5pm every Saturday & Sunday, May 8–May 31. Opening reception Friday, May 8, 7–9pm. Significant fundraiser for the Avon River Heritage Museum and Avon Spirit Shipyard. *INFO:* hcacartsdigest@gmail.com



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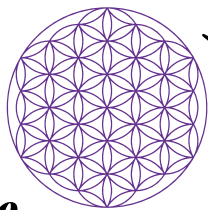
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THURSDAY, 30

April Flavours Dinner and Auction – *Louis Millet Community Complex, New Minas 6–9pm* • Sit-down dinner prepared by Chef Jake Wright and others. Wine sampling, silent auction, live auction, followed by dessert. Over \$6,000 worth of fabulous auction items. Fundraiser for the Friends of Agriculture in Nova Scotia. **TIX:** \$40 @ Box of Delights (Wolfville), Blomidon Nurseries (Greenwich), Henny Penny's Farm Market (New Minas) **INFO:** 542-3442 / lbest@ns.sympatico.ca

Music Jam – *Community Center, Cambridge 7–10pm* • Free will offering, 50/50 draw. Donations for the refreshment table greatly appreciated. Everyone welcome. **TIX:** donation **INFO:** 538-9957 / gands@xcountry.tv

Concert: Don Amero REFINED Tour – *Al Whittle Theatre, Wolfville 7:30–10pm* • An incredible guitar player and singer from Winnipeg, MB. Wolfville band, The Chimney Swifts open the show. **TIX:** \$10 @ Box Of Delights (Wolfville) **INFO:** 542-9511 / boxofdelights@ns.aliantzinc.ca

National Association of Federal Retirees – *Huntington Hayes Community Centre, Coldbrook 8pm* • Annual General Meeting 2015 **TIX:** no charge **INFO:** 365-2189 / eric.a@eastlink.ca

FRIDAY, 1

Art For Wellness – *Valley Community Learning Association, Kentville 1–4pm* • A simplified arts experience in a stress-free environment for those who live independently but struggle with mental health issues including stress and anxiety. All materials provided. **TIX:** no charge, but please register so we have enough supplies **INFO:** 670-4103 / club@cmhakings.ns.ca

Film: Shakespeare – The Hidden Truth – *Al Whittle Theatre, Wolfville 7pm* • In 2003 Norwegian Petter Amundsen excavated two sites at the legendary Oak Island in Nova Scotia. This documentary film describes a number of codes he believes to be hidden in several first editions of William Shakespeare's plays and their connection to Oak Island. **TIX:** \$15 @ Box Of Delights (Wolfville), Kings County Museum (Kentville) **INFO:** 678-6237 / info@kingscountymuseum.ca

Concert: Groove Kings – *Ken-Wo Country Club, New Minas 7:30–11:30pm* • Season Opening of Ken Wo Golf Club Dance Members and guests **TIX:** no charge **INFO:** 681-0678 / ken-wo.com

Dance: The Duggans – *Royal Canadian Legion, Windsor 8pm–12am* • Featuring The Duggans (Gordie & Rosie) **TIX:** \$5 **INFO:** 798-2031 / windsorlegion@eastlink.ca

SATURDAY, 2

Lions Breakfast – *St Andrew's Anglican Church Hall, Hantsport 7–10am* • Pancakes, eggs, bacon, hash browns, toast, juice, tea/coffee. Proceeds for Lions Community Service Programs. Accepting donations for local Food Bank. **TIX:** \$6 adult, \$3 children 6–12 years, no charge under age 5 **INFO:** hantsportlionsclub.com

Breakfast – *Lions Club, Berwick 8–10am* • Scrambled or fried eggs, pancakes, sausage, bacon, homemade baked beans, toast (jam & peanut butter), apple juice, coffee/tea. **TIX:** donation **INFO:** 538-0071 / macjac3@bellaliant.net

Black Rock Breakfast – *Jolly Workers Hall, Black Rock 8–10am* • Pancakes, sausage, eggs, hash browns, beans, fruit salad, toast and more! Come join us on

the mountain. **TIX:** free will offering **INFO:** 538-9993 / d.garber@ns.sympatico.ca

Community Yard Sale – *Steeple Café at the Church, Gaspereau 8am–12pm* • Fundraiser for Church steeple repairs. Rain date May 9. **TIX:** no charge **INFO:** 542-2084

Yard Sale – *Northeast Kings Education Centre, Canning 8am–12pm* • Indoor yard sale, silent auction, bake table, plant sale, BBQ. All proceeds to support NKEC Safe Grad 2015 **TIX:** no admission **INFO:** jfaber@staff.ednet.ns.ca

Native Plant Sale – *Harriet Irving Botanical Gardens, Wolfville 9am–12pm* • Help support biodiversity and wildlife by planting native species in your own backyard. A variety of plant vendors will be on location with a great selection of native trees, shrubs and perennials. **TIX:** no admission **INFO:** 585-1916 / botanicalgardens@acadiau.ca

Acadia Dump and Run – *Student Union Building (not the rink this year), Wolfville 9am–3pm* • A large campus-community garage sale. Shop for furniture, toys, clothes, books and more. Proceeds are donated to student and community groups. **TIX:** no admission **INFO:** 585-1311 / dumpandrun@acadiau.ca

Authors for Indies – *The Box of Delights Bookshop, Wolfville 9am–5pm* • Ami McKay, Dean Jobb, Nancy Rose, Ron Lightburn, Karolyn Smardz Frost and Jan L. Coates will be on hand to showcase their work and volunteer as guest booksellers for the inaugural Canadian Authors for Indies day. See page 8. **TIX:** no charge **INFO:** 542-9511 / boxofdelights@ns.aliantzinc.ca / authorsforindies.com

Cheer Nova Scotia Cheerleading Provincials 2015 – *Acadia Athletic Complex, Wolfville 9am–5pm* • **TIX:** \$12 per day, \$20 per weekend **INFO:** 472-4337 / ice-pr@live.ca

Aphasia Association's Expressive Cafe – *Sobeys, New Minas 10am–12pm* • Practice speech and language skills in a safe and supportive setting, learn more about YOUR aphasia, and socialize with families living with aphasia. **TIX:** no charge **INFO:** 445-4960 / nsaa@bellaliant.net

Andrea Beck Author Reading – *Memorial Library, Wolfville 11am–12pm* • Meet author Andrea Beck, author and illustrator. She will talk about her writing and illustrating process, and read aloud a few of her books. Box of Delights Bookshop will be on hand to sell copies of her books as well. **TIX:** no charge **INFO:** 542-5760

Ticket Auction – *Grand View Manor, Berwick 11am–1pm* • Draw starts at 1:15. Canteen available. All proceeds to resident activities. **TIX:** \$1 for 20 tickets **INFO:** 538-3118 ext. 5133 / recreation@grandviewmanor.org

Grow With Art – Children's Workshop – *NSSC Kingstec, Kentville 1–3pm. Register 12:45pm* • W/Cindy Dickie. Ages 6–14. Art works may be rented / exchanged at this time. **FE:** \$2 per child **INFO:** irenehazell@hotmail.com

Merchandise Bingo – *Fire Hall, New Minas 1–4pm* • Jackpot Game – \$50 cash prize, 50/50 games, 20/80 games, mini games, bake sale, canteen. All proceeds go to the New Minas Volunteer Fire Department Auxiliary. **TIX:** door books \$2 each **INFO:** 681-2787 / jwhuntley@eastlink.ca

Road to Recovery Walk/Run – *Robie Tufts Nature Centre, Wolfville 1–4pm* • The Walk, 1 km walk through downtown Wolfville. The Run, two 5 km routes, randomly assigned. Routes start at the same time and place, but then, much like life, things change. People with health challenges, including mental illness, sometimes find that stigma on the road that they must take leaves behind friends and has some steep hills. Pledge sheets for additional fundraising are available through: CMHA-Kings (679-7474,

office@cmhakings.ns.ca) or Kings County Schizophrenia Society (678-8458 or haroldpat@bellaliant.net).

TIX: suggested donation of \$25 for individuals; \$40 for families. **INFO:** 679-7464 / office@cmhakings.ns.ca

Library Book Club – *Library, Hantsport 2–3pm* • Join us for a discussion of The Inconvenient Indian by Thomas King. All are welcome! Drop into the library or call if you need a copy of the book. **TIX:** no charge **INFO:** 684-4005

The Vortex – *Murdoch C. Smith Memorial Library, Port Williams 2–4pm* • A hangout for interesting people aged 10–16. **TIX:** no charge **INFO:** 542-3005 / lcameron@valleylibrary.ca

Opening Show: Quirky Characters, Folk Art Show – *The Bread Gallery, Brooklyn 2–5pm, through June 28* • Al Simm, metalwork; Jim Tracey, art from found objects; Joe Winters. wood carving. Please join us for the opening. **TIX:** no charge **INFO:** 757-3377 / managerbreadgallery@gmail.com

Pork Loin Supper – *Community Hall, North Alton 4:30–6pm* • Pork loin roast, stuffing, mashed potatoes, veggies (turnip, carrot & corn), gravy, applesauce, pickles, coleslaw, tea, coffee, juice and rolls. Large assortment of pies for dessert. Take Out available **TIX:** \$12 adult, \$6 children under 12 **INFO:** 678-3050 / jnanaw62@gmail.com

Roast Beef Dinner and Auction – *Kings Mutual Century Centre, Berwick 5–8pm* • A roast beef dinner and auction in support of the Coldbrook and District School Playground **TIX:** \$25 per person @ Coldbrook School **INFO:** 690-3830

Auction & Turkey Dinner – *Community Hall, Falmouth 6:30pm* • The Hants SnoDusters Snowmobile Club annual end of the season general meeting. Homemade turkey dinner and auction for members, volunteers and supporters of the club. Draw and live auction follows dinner, proceeds for the club. **TIX:** \$20 must be pre-purchased @ NAPA Auto Parts (Windsor) or call. **INFO:** 790-4611 / dougieross@eastlink.ca

Family Dance – *Elementary School, Aldershot 7–9pm* • Family dance hosted by the North Kentville Enhancement Committee with music by DJ Dave. Come out and enjoy an evening of family fun. **TIX:** \$2 per child (if possible), accompanying parents are free. **INFO:** 692-9624

Country Music Special – *Fire Hall, Port Williams 7–10pm* • Featuring: Lynne Crowell, Jason Price, Rob Brown, Jeannle Fraser, Chet Brown/Lois Lutz, Carl Moulaison, Graham Moorehead, Gary Greene, Carl Dalrymple. Sound donated by Gerald Seamone. Proceeds in support of The Nova Scotia Country Music Hall Of Fame. **TIX:** \$10 **INFO:** 542-2717 / nightshade@eastlink.ca

Concert: Shadow River – *Union Street Cafe, Berwick 8pm* • Join us for a fun night of bluegrass! **TIX:** \$17 **INFO:** 538-7787 / contactunionstreet@gmail.com

Bluesmobile Charity Dance – *Fire Hall, Kentville 8–10pm* • Bluesmobile plays music from many musical styles including blues, funk, rock, soul and R&B. Proceeds from the dance will go to Northeast Kings Education Centre. The Kentville Fire hall will be running a bar, with proceeds supporting the local fire department. **TIX:** \$10 each **INFO:** 582-2043 / campbe1i@staff.ednet.ns.ca

Goodnight Kitchen – *Al Whittle Theatre, Wolfville 8–10pm* • We're saying goodnight to Night Kitchen for the summer by featuring two great bands: Young Wanda & The Backseat Bingo, and Alex Silas & The Subterraneans! Plus folks like Kamila Nasr, Pete Adams, the Voodoo Charmers and more! See page 4. **TIX:** \$10, \$5 for students/unwaged @ Just Us Cafe **INFO:** nightkitchenwolfville@gmail.com

Concert: The Stanfields "Acoustic" – *Evergreen Theatre, Margaretsville 8–10:30pm* • SOLD OUT!

INFO: 825-6834 / evergreentheatre@gmail.com

Hupman Brothers Band Spring Dance – *Community Centre, Gaspereau 9pm–1am* • Bring some refreshments and come enjoy the music. 19+, see poster page 12. **TIX:** \$15 @The Rolled Oat Cafe (Wolfville) **INFO:** 542-9884

Stephen LeBlanc Memorial Award Fund – *Michelin Sports and Social Club, Waterville 9pm–1am* • An evening of fun and dancing, 50/50 draw and other draws. **TIX:** \$10, please email **INFO:** 698-1347 / soccerbev@hotmail.com / hpsj@live.com

SUNDAY, 3

Reason to Run/Walk 5k – *War Memorial Community Centre, Windsor 9–10:30am* • Windsor Wrecks Relay For Life Fundraiser Reason to Run / Walk 5k. Pre-register at Town Hall (100 King St.) or 8am on event day. **TIX:** \$10 **INFO:** pam.relayforlife@gmail.com

Ticket Auction – *Royal Canadian Legion, Berwick 11am–2pm* • Ticket auction, canteen, 50-50 for Furs to Feathers. Lots of new items, Baskets, items for men, children, women, and animals. Draw at 2pm. **TIX:** no charge **INFO:** 538-8618 / janelloydperry@hotmail.com

Along The Avon – *Phoenix Hollow B&B, Windsor 12–5pm* • Kelly Mitchelmore's 6th annual art show at Phoenix Hollow B&B in support of the Canadian Breast Cancer Foundation. Enjoy art, charity and wine with guest artists Al Simm, Elizabeth Brown and School Street Glass Studio. See poster page 2. **TIX:** no charge **INFO:** 1-866-900-6910 / me@kellymitchelmore.ca

Hike for Hospice – *KCA School, Kentville 12:30pm* • A non-competitive, family event, starting with a BBQ and live Music at 12:30pm. The hike will start at 2pm along the historical rail bed. Hikers are encouraged to register and to use the on-line fundraising tools to help the Valley Hospice Foundation. **TIX:** donation **INFO:** 679-3471 / dsanford@avdha.nshealth.ca / valleyhospice.ca

Everyday Citizenship – *The Box of Delights Bookshop, Wolfville 1–2pm* • Caldecott Committee member Angela J. Reynolds will discuss Art in Children's Literature and Picture Books. See page 15. **TIX:** no charge **INFO:** 542-9511 / boxofdelights@ns.aliantzinc.ca

Musical Benefit Auction For Wayne Bennett – *Lions Club, Canning 1:30–4:30pm* • Dave Arenburg, Basil Davidson, Connie Monroe, and lots more. Auction, 50/50, Canteen available. Enjoy some music and fun with us! **TIX:** donation **INFO:** 678-4803

Steps for Life Walk – *Pisiquid Canoe Club, Windsor, 2–4pm* • A fun 5K family walk to raise awareness about injury prevention in the workplace **TIX:** donation **INFO:** 757-2958 / barblbeck@hotmail.com

An Evening of Great Performances! – *Canard Community Church, Upper Canard 7–8:30pm* • Performances by various local musical artists & choirs, including The Rand Brass Band, Wayne and Beth Ward, Larry Knowles and more. Fellowship and light refreshments to follow. All are welcome! **TIX:** no charge **INFO:** lamontlarkin@gmail.com

Concert: Matt Balsor – *Horton High School, Greenwich 7–9:30pm* • Matt Balsor hosts a fundraising concert for Horton High School Safe Grad. Performances by: Rob Brown, Ruth Manning, Matt Lunn, Bob Gerard, and Graham Moorehead. **TIX:** \$12 @ Valley Credit Union (New Minas & Hantsport) **INFO:** 300-0375 / info@mattbalsor.com

Fundy Film screens STILL ALICE – *Al Whittle Theatre, 8pm only* • Alice (Julianne Moore's Oscar-winning performance), happily married with three grown children, is a renowned Harvard linguistics professor who starts to forget words. When she receives a



VALLEY EVENT TICKET GIVEAWAY: CHANCE TO WIN 2 TICKETS TO: St. Joseph's Stage Prophets present – Mary Poppins, New Minas. Thursday May 14, 7pm, Festival Theatre, Wolfville Draw date: Saturday, May 9 Enter all draws: valleyevents.ca/win

diagnosis of Early-Onset Alzheimer's Disease, Alice and her family find their bonds thoroughly tested. Her struggle is frightening, heartbreaking and inspiring. See ad p.15. **TIX:** \$9 **INFO:** 542-5157 / fundyfilm.ca

MONDAY, 4

Important Issues with Michelle Parker – Library, Berwick 10-11:30am • Learn about personal directive and power of attorney. **TIX:** no charge **INFO:** 538-4030 / berwick@valleylibrary.ca

Living Well With Chronic Pain – West Kings Memorial Health Centre, Berwick 7-8pm • Dr. Crystal Todd discusses "Living Well With Chronic Pain." Everyone welcome. **TIX:** no charge **INFO:** 538-3111 / mardi.burton@nshealth.ca

TUESDAY, 5

Committee of the Whole Meeting – Town Hall, Wolfville 9am • **TIX:** no charge **INFO:** wolfville.ca

Painting Circle – The Bread Gallery, Brooklyn 10am-2pm. Also May 12 • The Hants County Arts Council is happy to announce the re-launch of their weekly Painting and Fibre/Knitting Circles. These drop-in sessions are open to the public. **TIX:** no charge **INFO:** 757-3377 / hcacinfo@gmail.com

Soup Luncheon – Orchard Valley United Church, New Minas 11:45am-1:15pm • Italian sausage or spring vegetable soup, biscuits/rolls, tea/coffee and gingerbread with lemon sauce and whipped cream. Take-outs available (please contact to order by noon of May 1) **TIX:** \$8 **INFO:** 681-0366 / office@orchardvalleyunited.ca

Municipal Council Meeting – County of Kings Municipal Complex, Kentville 6pm • **TIX:** no charge **INFO:** 1-888-337-2999

AV Archaeology Society Talk on Black Refugees of War of 1812 – K.C. Irving Centre, Acadia 7-8:30pm • The community of Beechville, Nova Scotia was founded by Black refugees in the years following the War of 1812. Recent archival research and archaeological investigations have identified the location of a number of archaeological features related to their habitations. **TIX:** no charge **INFO:** 670-2585 / c.aarontaylor@gmail.com

WEDNESDAY, 6

Cozy Corner Storytime – Library, Hantsport 10:30-11:30am. Also May 13 • A fun filled hour of stories, rhymes, games and crafts. For preschool aged children and their caregivers. **TIX:** no charge **INFO:** 684-4005

Mother's Day Dessert Tea – Fire Hall, Hantsport 6-8pm • Celebrate spring with your Mom or a friend! Dessert buffet, including tea/coffee/punch! **TIX:** \$7 **INFO:** 684-4000 / mdoucett@gnsps.ca

Ai Ripples – Community Centre, Port Williams 7-9pm • Spiritual development, empowerment. Group toning, guided meditation, presentation. Spring theme is healing for ourselves and others. **TIX:** donation **INFO:** ai.ripples@gmail.com / Facebook: Ai Ripples

How to Grab a Better Life – The Booker School, Port Williams 7-9pm • Talk Life Community Presents.... GRAB a Better Life, w/entrepreneur, business coach and life-long learner, Robin Hennigar. Have you given much thought to what factors contribute to living more successfully? **TIX:** \$20, please RSVP. **INFO:** 678-1562 / talklifecommunity@gmail.com

THURSDAY, 7

Sip.Chat.Connect. – T.A.N. Coffee, Kentville 8:30-9:30am • Join us for business networking. **TIX:** no

charge **INFO:** 454-4646 / info@sipchatconnect.org

Healthy Aging Clinic – Eastern Kings Memorial Health Centre, Wolfville 9am-2pm • Information on medications, mobility, home adaptations and other topics related to healthy aging. Professionals available to provide one-on-one advice include: physiotherapist, occupational therapist, pharmacist, dietitian, registered nurse and social worker. Appointments required. **TIX:** no charge **INFO:** 542-2266.

Knitting/Fibre Circle – The Bread Gallery, Brooklyn 10am-2pm • These drop-in sessions are open to the public. **TIX:** no charge **INFO:** 757-3377 / hcacinfo@gmail.com

Kaleigh Trace and Shannon Webb-Campbell – The Box of Delights Bookshop, Wolfville 7-8pm • The authors of Hot, Wet, and Shaking: How I Learned to Talk About Sex (Trace) and Still No Word (Webb-Campbell) will read from and discuss their work. All are welcome! See page 15. **TIX:** no charge **INFO:** 542-9511 / boxofdelights@ns.aliantzinc.ca

Alive Inside: Alzheimer's Documentary and Panel – Al Whittle Theatre, Wolfville 7-9pm • Filmmaker Michael Rossato-Bennett chronicles the astonishing experiences of individuals with Alzheimer's and dementia who have been revitalized through the simple experience of listening to music. See poster page 2. **TIX:** \$5, call or email for tickets. Remaining tickets available at door. **INFO:** 365-3155 / joel@careforce.ca

4Guitars – Manning Memorial Chapel, Wolfville 7:30-10pm • A jazz, classical and Brazilian guitar extravaganza featuring four Canadian guitarists: Sylvie Proulx, Amy Brandon, Emily Shaw and Joanne Hatfield. **TIX:** \$20 **INFO:** 986-5299 / amygbrandon@gmail.com / facebook.com/4GuitarsNS

FRIDAY, 8

Quilt and Rug Hooking Show – United Baptist Church, Centreville 10am-8pm. Also Sat. May 9, 10am-3:30pm • Lunches and supper available. **TIX:** donation **INFO:** ruthbentley@xcountry.tv

Great Little Art Show – Avon River Heritage Museum, Newport Landing 7-9pm • Every Saturday and Sunday throughout the month of May. Opening Friday, May 8, from 7-9pm with a reception where we will open the silent auction for a rug hooking created by local artists Rose Marie MacDonald and Tacha Reed. See middle pop-up. **TIX:** \$8 adults, no charge under 12 **INFO:** 757-1718 / infoavonriver@gmail.com

Girl Power – Memorial Library, Wolfville 7:30-9:30pm • For girls ages 10-15. Play games, make a craft, have a snack, hang out together, and write in your GP! journal. Please register online or call. **TIX:** no charge **INFO:** 542-5760 / valleylibrary.ca

Lorne Elliott Music & Comedy Theatre – Al Whittle Theatre, Wolfville 7:30-9:30pm • Canadian humourist, storyteller, musician and playwright Lorne Elliott is bringing his show to Wolfville. Combining dry humour with musical parodies and skits. Often self-deprecating, always silly and never profane, Elliott's funny is family friendly. **TIX:** \$25 the door and Box of Delights Book Store (Wolfville) **INFO:** 542-9511 / boxofdelights@ns.aliantzinc.ca

Official CD Release Party for Kevin Davison – Royal Canadian Legion, Canning 8pm-1am • Open to everyone 19+. **TIX:** \$10 single, \$15 per couple @ the Canning Legion or call after 4pm. **INFO:** Emily, 582-7246

SATURDAY, 9

Mother's Day Breakfast – Community Hall, Scotts Bay 8-10am • Pancakes, sausages, scrambled eggs, toast and your choice of coffee, tea or juice. **TIX:** \$6

adult, \$3 children 12 and under **INFO:** 582-7489 / jerrychuntley@hotmail.com

Breakfast – Fire Hall, Kentville 8-11am • Hash browns, scrambled eggs, sausage, bacon, white or whole wheat toast with jam, coffee, tea, juice, water. Proceeds for the Fire Department. **TIX:** donation **INFO:** 678-7798 / kentvillefire.ca

Black Rock Plant Sale – Black Rock Community Centre (AKA The Jolly Workers' Hall), Black Rock 8-11am • It's SPRING again! Forget the ice and snow, it's time for the Black Rock Plant Sale! **TIX:** no admission **INFO:** lrmgard, 538-8714

The Bread Run – Brooklyn Civic Centre, Newport Corner 9am-8pm • The Bread Run was designed to encompass all the favourite aspects of a good run: chip-timed running, donating to a local charity, and of course yummy treats at the end! 5k and 10k race options. May 8, 6:30pm is the Kid's Run Start **TIX:** \$30 **INFO:** facebook.com/runforbread/timeline / BreadRunVolunteer@outlook.com

Spring Shopping Spree – Lions Club, Berwick 10am-4pm • Craft and Vendor show with proceeds being donated to Campaign for Kids. Over 50 exhibits. Canteen on site. **TIX:** \$2 admission **INFO:** kel_lyn_eve@hotmail.com

Mother's Day Coffee Party – Kings Presbyterian Church, New Minas 10am-12pm • Treat your mother or friends to delicious coffee cakes, muffins, scones, jam and cheese, fresh fruit, hot and cold beverages. Browse the bake & craft tables. **TIX:** donation **INFO:** 681-1333 / kingschurch@ns.aliantzinc.ca

Art Show & Tea – 350 Main St., Kentville 1:30-3:30pm • Kentville New Horizons Art Class is holding an Art Show and Tea. Everyone welcome! **TIX:** \$5 **INFO:** Julie, 582-3602

International Migratory Bird Day – Wolfville Ridge Conservation Lands, Wolfville 1-4pm • Join the Nature Trust and partners to welcome back our fine feathered friends. Activities for kids, a guided walk, and help with the identification of birds. Hosted in partnership with the Young Naturalists Club, Nature Canada, and the Nova Scotia Bird Society. Please RSVP. **TIX:** no charge **INFO:** 425-5263 / nature@nsnt.ca

11th Annual Literacy Mile for VCLA – Valley Community Learning Association, Kentville 1-3pm • Walk one mile around Kentville to raise money in support of adult learners and literacy programs in the Annapolis Valley. Live music, BBQ, a bounce kingdom, and a silent auction. Gather pledges for your walk or make a cash or silent auction donation to the Valley Community Learning Association by calling or emailing us. **TIX:** donation **INFO:** 679-5252 / vcla@eastlink.ca

Mother's Day Tea – Community Hall, Canaan 2-4pm • Bake, craft, and plant tables, and a draw for a door prize. Proceeds for hall upkeep. **TIX:** freewill offering **INFO:** 678-8209

Roast Pork Supper – Avon United Church, Hantsport 4-6pm • Takeout available for pick-up only. **TIX:** \$12 adult, \$5 under age 12. **INFO:** bettyandmorris@gmail.com

A Night in White Gala – Old Orchard Inn, Wolfville 7-11:59pm • Art, auction, dinner, drinks, door prizes and dancing with a live band: The Goldblooms. Delicious three course meal with complimentary wine. In support of Free Spirit Therapeutic Riding Association. **TIX:** \$100 single, \$150 couple, \$600 table of 8, \$1000 VIP Package table of 8 Tickets @ Scotiabank (Greenwood), online at fstra.org. Email to order/reserve tickets. **INFO:** 670-8402 / fstra12@gmail.com

Concert: Tim Chaisson – Union Street Cafe, Berwick 8pm • Singer/songwriter and multi-instrumentalist Tim Chaisson performs songs from his new country/folk/pop album Lost in Light.

TIX: \$27 @ Union Street Cafe **INFO:** 538-7787 / contactunionstreet@gmail.com

Spring Dinner & Dance – Community Centre, Port Williams 8pm-12am • An evening of social ballroom dancing w/the members of Dance Time. Help us welcome Princess Port Williams 2015. Dance the night away with great tunes by our own club DJ Kara. **TIX:** \$15, tickets limited, 19+ **INFO:** 670-6910 / 532-5970 / DanceTime_PortWilliams@hotmail.com

Concert: Ben Caplan – Evergreen Theatre, Margaretsville 8-10:30pm • Rugged, raspy, and roaring with charisma, Ben Caplan's voice is to song as smoke is to bourbon: perfectly coupled. A songwriter and performer who is bold in both range and ferocity. The Grapevine gives two thumbs up. **TIX:** \$20 general, \$10 student **INFO:** 825-6834 / evergreentheatre@gmail.com

SUNDAY, 10 – Happy Mother's Day!

Brunch With Friends – Churchill House, Hantsport 11am-1pm • All proceeds to support the Save Hantsport Public Library campaign, limited seating. **TIX:** \$10 **INFO:** 684-4005 / thefhpl@gmail.com

Acadia Convocation: Faculty of Theology and Faculty of Arts – Convocation Hall, Acadia 3pm • Congratulations to all Acadia grads. **INFO:** convocation.acadiau.ca

Acadia Grad Banquet – Acadia Athletic Complex, Wolfville 6:30pm • **TIX:** \$45 **INFO:** acadiau.ca

Fundy Film screens WILD TALES – Al Whittle Theatre, 8pm only • Argentina's Damián Szifrón's latest feature is a collection of outrageously bizarre stories of revenge, each more shocking and hilarious than the last. Blending dark humour with dramatically loaded scenarios, he skilfully weaves together six separate short films. 37 nominations including Best Foreign Language Film at the Oscars. See ad p.15. **TIX:** \$9 **INFO:** 542-5157 / fundyfilm.ca

MONDAY, 11

Acadia Convocation: Faculty of Pure and Applied Science – Convocation Hall, Acadia 10am • Congratulations to all Acadia grads. **INFO:** convocation.acadiau.ca

Council Advisory Committee Meeting – Council Chambers, Kentville 1:30pm • Open to the public. **TIX:** no charge **INFO:** kentville.ca

Acadia Convocation: Faculty of Professional Studies – Convocation Hall, Acadia 2:30pm • Congratulations to all Acadia grads. **INFO:** convocation.acadiau.ca

Valley Gardeners Club – NSCC Kingstec Campus, Kentville 7:30pm • Jamie Ellison will give a talk on "Succulents in the Garden – Tender and Hardy." **TIX:** no charge **INFO:** renanixon@hotmail.com

Fatty Legs – Al Whittle Theatre, Wolfville 7:30-8:45pm • The true story of eight-year-old Margaret, who begs her father to send her to residential school so she can learn to read. When she arrives her long braids are cut off, she is forbidden to speak her language, and she is forced to do chores instead of attend classes. A profound yet accessible story of the suffering created by residential schools while celebrating the deep strength of a young child who refused to be broken by her experiences. **TIX:** \$20 adults, \$10 students/seniors, online or at Box of Delights (Wolfville) **INFO:** 300-9840 / info@xara.ca

Acadia Grad Formal – **TIX:** \$25 per ticket / \$40 two tickets **INFO:** theasu.ca

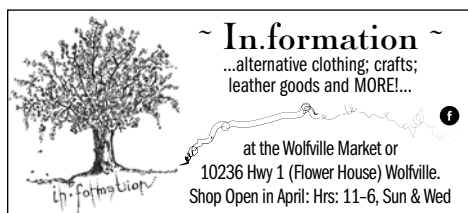
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Taoist Tai Chi™: Lions Hall, 78 River St., Kentville: Tuesdays, 6-8pm. Beginner classes start May 5 and run for four months. **FEE:** \$125 adults, \$110 students/seniors **INFO:** Mary Anne, 678-4609 / kentville@taoist.org

Tai Chi-Chi Kung: This internal dancing Tao exercise is offered Tuesdays 6:30-8pm at Manning Memorial Chapel (AcadiaU). Beginners welcome. **FEE:** \$90 for 10 weeks, \$360 annual. **INFO/Reg:** 697-2661 / yula@centrefortheways.com / centrefortheways.com

After School Art Classes: Wednesdays, through May 27, 3:30-5pm @ Harvest Gallery, Wolfville. W/Terry Drahos. For children grades 2-6. Participants will be exploring creative problem solving through 2D and 3D art. Space limited. **FEE:** \$125, includes all supplies and a light snack **INFO:** 542-7093 / harvestgallery@gmail.com

WORKSHOPS/RETREATS/SESSIONS:

The Good Food Hub Workshops: May 21, 5:30-8pm @ the Wolfville Farmers' Market. Powered With Plant Protein: Choosing plant sources of protein can save you money and improve your health. Learn how to prepare and combine nuts, seeds, legumes, whole grains and market veggies for maximum flavour and nutritional benefit. Please register by 24 hours before. **FEE:** \$57.50 **INFO/Reg:** 697-3344 / wolfvillefarmersmarket.ca/good-food-hub

DONATE/VOLUNTEER:

Kikima Grannies Yard Sale: Donations for June 12 yard sale have started. **INFO:** Barbra, bacain33@gmail.com

Donate Used Clothing: Flowercart creates work and training for people. Donate your used clothing to Flowercart and keep your donation and the resulting money local. Drop off location 9412 Commercial St., New Minas. **INFO:** 681-0120 / lisahammettvaughan@flowercart.ca

Road to Recovery Walk/Run: May 2, 1-4pm @ Robie Tufts Park, Wolfville. Supporting families as partners in mental health care. Suggested \$25 donation for individuals, \$40 for families. Pledge sheets for additional fundraising are available. **INFO:** CMHA-Kings, 679-7474 / office@cmhakings.ns.ca / Kings County Schizophrenia Society, 678-8458 / haroldpat@bellaliant.net

13th Annual Campaign for Kids Charity Golf Tournament: Friday, June 12 @ Eagle Crest Golf Course, Centreville. Funds raised go towards assisting disadvantaged children, supporting families in need and enhancing youth education opportunities in Kings County. Please take advantage of one of many sponsorship opportunities, registering a team, sponsoring a hole or making a cash donation to the charity. **INFO/Reg/Sponsor:** campaignforkids.com / info@campaignforkids.com.

Volunteer with Someone Living With Vision Loss: Make a difference in the life of someone who is blind or partially sighted; join CNIB's Vision Mate program! For two hours a week, you will provide companionship and sighted assistance. If you're interested, email for an application! **INFO:** 453-1480 / jeff.deviller@cnib.ca

Register Now for Brigadoon's Wine & Dash: On June 14, runners, walkers and wine lovers can sample Nova Scotia wines along a beautiful route through Gaspereau Valley, while helping to send kids to Brigadoon Village! To register or to learn more visit us online or see page 8. **INFO/Reg:** winedash2015.kintera.org
VCLA Literacy Mile: Saturday, May 9. Valley Community Learning Association's annual budget is primarily spent on teachers' pay, or honorariums to learners and to volunteers. Looking for tax-deductible cash donations and silent auction items. **INFO:** 679-5252 / vcla@eastlink.ca / vcla.ca

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Volkswagen For Sale: 2005 Volkswagen Passat station wagon, 1.8L Turbo gas engine, 5 speed manual transmission, 246,000km, well maintained, leather

interior, very good condition. Below market value at \$3900. **INFO:** 947-2113

Organic Blueberries: Lazy Brook Farm, Waterville. Frozen, 5 & 10 Lb. Boxes \$20 / \$40 - Call to arrange pickup, or delivery with a charge. **INFO:** call or text, 670-6128

Rooted Landscaping and Firewood: Give your mother or wife the spring clean-up she's been dreaming of. We'll prep her property for a successful season. Pruning, shaping, mulching, clean up. Affordable rates, specialized gift certificates available. **INFO:** Cody Holland, 670-7104 / Rooted.LF@gmail.com

EMPLOYMENT:

Summer Student Position Available: Deep Roots has a summer student position - our Assistant Festival Coordinator. Applicants should be enrolled in post-secondary education and returning to further studies in the fall of 2015. Work focus is on sponsor liaison, office management, communications, and data base management. We will pay \$10.60/hr for 14 weeks work (end of May till end of August). Interested applicants should send a resume and cover letter, plus 3 work-related references. **INFO:** lisa@deeproootsmusic.ca

Grapevine Delivery Team: We need a little help as we grow. Please inquire. **INFO:** info@grapevinepublishing.ca

ACCOMMODATIONS:

House Sitting: 30-something professional able to provide house-sitting arrangements, within Wolfville preferred, car-required if beyond. Available anytime, references available. **INFO:** info@grapevinepublishing.ca

GENERAL:

Open Ghostly Casting Call: Wednesdays, May 6 & 20, 6-7:30pm, Studio Z, Wolfville. Interested in being part of Valley Ghost Walks this year? Come meet us. Various performances in four communities on Thursday & Friday evenings from Apple Blossom to Halloween. We always need back-up ghosts. Paid gig. **INFO:** jerome@valleyghostwalks.com

Healthy Water: Do you use water from a well? We want to know about your drinking water! Please visit ecologyaction.ca/healthywater for more information about our project, and a survey with draw for prizes! **INFO:** ecologyaction.ca

Vote for New Minas Elementary School: NMES is a top ten finalist in a competition to win an outdoor classroom valued at \$20,000. We are holding steady in 2nd place and need everyone to vote each day until May 4 if we hope to win. One lucky voter will win \$10,000. Thank you everyone for your support! **INFO:** majestatreesofknowledge.ca / facebook.com/NewMinasElementaryPTA

Kings SPCA Play for Paws Weekly 50 50 Draw: Only costs a toonie each week to play! Sign up and play instantly at Shur Gain Port Williams, Annapolis Animal Hospital or the Kings SPCA shelter in Waterville. Remember you must play each week to win, pre-payment options available. There will be a special Mother's Day edition of Play for Paws on May 11 with a jackpot of \$500! **INFO:** fundraising@kings.spcans.ca
Childcare Survey: The province is seeking feedback from families on the strengths and challenges related to child care. Please complete the online survey by May 15. **INFO:** novascotia.ca/education

Rent the Community Room or the Whole Building @ The Market: The Wolfville Farmers' Market has a homey and flexible space for large groups and small. Sound system, projector & screen, plates & cutlery, wine glasses, chairs, tables available for use. Fully equipped kitchen. See online for details. **INFO/Book:** Kelly,

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Help Choose the 2016 Apple Blossom Festival Theme: Vote for your favourite and have your say! What's your favourite theme? **INFO/Ask for link:** info@appleblossom.com

Deep Roots Music Cooperative Seeks Sound Providers: We are involved in a number of high-quality music productions and events in the Annapolis Valley. If you are a sound provider and would like to introduce yourself to us please submit a brief summary of your history, your contact information, and references. **INFO:** office@deeproootsmusic.ca

Wanted: Gamers, Game Makers, Artists, & Cosplayers: Join us June 26 & 27 @ the Louis Millet Centre, New Minas, for the first annual GameSpace AV Convention! Prizes, tournaments, competitions, game creating contests, panels & more. Novices & experts alike, ages 8-108! **INFO:** admin@gamespaceav.ca

WHAT'S HAPPENING (CONT'D)

TUESDAY, 12

Health Fair - West Kings Memorial Health Centre, Berwick 11am-8pm • All day events and exhibits, Teddy Bear check-up, Parent/Tot workout with MOMentum, Seniors Fitness class and health panel, Snack and Scavenge for 6-12 year olds, Eco-health for youth 13-17, What's New about NS Health. All welcome! **TIX:** no charge **INFO:** 538-1319 / maldi.burton@nshealth.ca

WEDNESDAY, 13

Accessing Home Care - Sorting Through Your Options - Louis Millet Community Complex, New Minas 6:30-8pm • Join us for a casual presentation that will answer some of your most pressing questions about home care, including cost and availability. Space is limited. **TIX:** no charge, but RSVP requested. **INFO:** 365-3155 / lori@careforce.ca

Fundy Film screens SEYMOUR: AN INTRODUCTION - Al Whittle Theatre, 8pm only • Meet Seymour Bernstein: a virtuoso pianist, composer, author, teacher and sage, a true original who gave up a successful concert career to teach music. In this wonderfully warm, witty, portrait, Seymour shares stories from a remarkable life, and eye-opening words of wisdom, as well as insightful reflections on art, creativity and the search for fulfillment. Ethan Hawke directs this intimate tribute to his friend which is a "poignant guide to life" that will leave audiences uplifted and inspired. See ad p.15. **TIX:** \$9 **INFO:** 542-5157 / fundyfilm.ca

THURSDAY, 14

Chicken BBQ - Fire Hall, New Minas 11am-7pm • Meal includes 1/2 chicken, potato salad, coleslaw, and a roll. All proceeds go to the New Minas Volunteer Fire Department **TIX:** \$10 (for a meal call: 678-9524 / 681-6661) or drop in **INFO:** 681-2787 / jwhuntley@eastlink.ca

Public Hearing & Special Council - County of Kings Municipal Complex, Kentville 6pm • **TIX:** no charge **INFO:** 1-888-337-2999

Book Launch: Howard Epstein - Box of Delights Bookstore, Wolfville, 6-7:30pm • Former NDP MLA Howard Epstein will read from and sign his book, Rise Again: Nova Scotia's NDP on the Rocks. **TIX:** no charge **INFO:** boxofdelightsbooks.com

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For full performance details, visit pas.acadiau.ca or call in person at the Acadia Box Office in the arena complex. You can also order your subscription by calling 1-800-542-TICK(8425).

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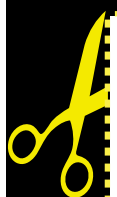
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The Hants County Arts Council's 2015 Arts Digest

Great Little Art Show

Organized by the Hants County Arts Council, the Great Little Art Show is a major attraction in our community and is a significant fundraiser for the Avon River Heritage Museum and Avon Spirit Shipyard. For 2015 we have extended the length of the show from 3 days to every weekend throughout the month of May.



The opening will take place Friday, May 8th, from 7pm to 9pm with a keynote address from impasto painter Kelly Mitchelmore. During the reception we will open the silent auction for a rug hooking created by local artists Rose Marie MacDonald and Tacha Reed. Proceeds from the auction of the framed hooking, which depicts the "Old Stone House" in Poplar Grove that was built in 1699 by the early French settlers, will go towards supplies and programming for the arts council's Artists Landing Gallery. Auction closes May 31st at 5pm.



Artist Landing Studio & Gallery

Last spring we began a collaboration with the ARHS Museum in Newport Landing, which saw them graciously donating to us the use of the majority of the upper area of the museum. We now have an open workspace for our members to gather. In what has become nicknamed the lounge, we are slowly building a collection of art supplies and reference books. Members are welcome to book the space for a low fee to host their own workshops or lectures.

We have also taken over half of the open space, which hosts the Great Little Art Show each May. Here we operate the Artists Landing Gallery June through September, which features artwork by our members.

If you are interested in showing your artwork, contact us at hcacinfo@gmail.com before May 15th, 2015.



Open Studio Days at the Bread Gallery

We are happy to announce the re-launch of our weekly open studio drop-in sessions, a collaboration made possible through support from the ArtsVest program. Taking place in the upper studio of The Bread Gallery every Tuesday and Thursday between 10am and 2pm, these sessions are open to the public and there is no fee to participate. Follow us on Facebook for updates!



Artisans in Action

Our annual summer series Artisans in Action takes place the first Sunday of the Month, June through October at the Avon River Heritage museum. These live demonstrations provide a great opportunity for local artisans who work in historical trades, crafts, and art forms done in both traditional and contemporary manners, to introduce themselves and their craft to a wider audience.



This year we kick-off our Artisans in Action series with a special showcase at the Art & Craft in Agriculture Festival taking place May 23rd & 24th at the O'Brien building, Hants County Exhibition Park in Windsor. In honour of Canada's first agricultural fair held May 21, 1765, the Art & Craft in Agriculture Festival will feature a market, workshops and activities relating to art, craft and agriculture. A painting by Susan Sweet to commemorate the 250th anniversary will be unveiled at a reception Saturday May 23rd. For more information visit www.hantscountyex.com

Paint Avondale

Part of our Artisans in Action series, our 2nd annual Paint Avondale will see visual artists set-up throughout the historic hamlet of Avondale, creating live on-site. Starting at noon on September 6th, 2015, visitors can begin their tour at the Avon Spirit Shipyard in Newport Landing, located along the scenic shores of the Avon River on the site where Planter sloops, The Lydia and Sally, landed in 1760.

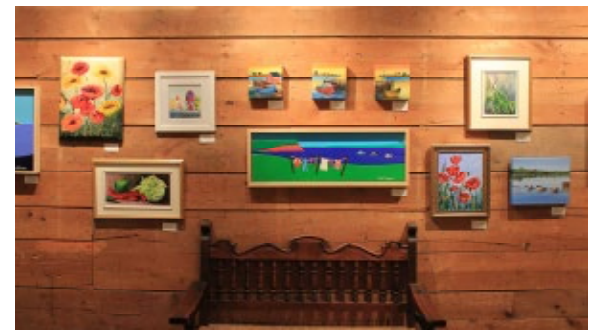
The Avon River area became one of the great square-rigged wooden shipbuilding centers in Nova Scotia in the 19th Century. Where the Avon River Heritage Museum now sits in Newport Landing was once the location of the Harvie and Mosher shipyards. Between them, they built and launched 165 sailing ships during the "Golden Age of Sail". Artist locations include many of the original shipbuilders homes built in the 1860's.

Artists interested in participating in Paint Avondale should contact us by July 25th, 2015. Open to all visual artists, register online at www.hantscountyartscouncil.com



Annual End of Winter Show

This past winter the Bread Gallery in Brooklyn, Hants County, hosted our 4th annual End of Winter Showcase. Our first ever juried show featured a selection of recent works by members of the Hants County Arts Council, which included a variety of paintings, sculpture, fibre art, carvings and folk art.



Artists interested in participating in our 5th annual End of Winter group showcase should contact us by October 30th, 2015. Register at hantscountyartscouncil.com

Festival of Art

Next year will mark the 10th anniversary of our Festival of Art. In these past 10 years our council has evolved a great deal. We have formed many long lasting bonds with other arts and culture groups in the community, which has allowed us to increase our activities and grow from a membership of just 28 artists to 54 and counting in the past 5 years!

To celebrate our achievements we have decided to take the Festival of Art back to the drawing board. We want to make it a true festival that celebrates local artists working in all mediums. We want to incorporate performances, demonstrations and hands-on workshops. To make this a true success we need your help.

A planning committee for the 10th annual Festival of Art will be formed during our a monthly board meeting, taking place at 7pm on Wednesday May 20th in the Upper Studio of the Bread Gallery in Brooklyn. Anyone who is interested in volunteering, performing or organizing a workshop is welcome to join us.

For more information on our regular activities, or to become a member, please visit www.hantscountyartscouncil.com or email us at hcacinfo@gmail.com. You can also reach us by snail mail at P.O. Box 905, Windsor, Hants County, NS, B0N 2T0

Supporting the arts in Hants County

The goals of the Hants County Arts Council are...

- * To increase the understanding and appreciation of arts and culture.
- * To promote excellence among artists and to provide encouragement to groups and individuals in the community who are involved in the arts.
- * To create educational and networking opportunities in support of arts and culture.

We are able to meet our goals through our many community collaborations, which include hosting a number of arts and culture related events throughout the year.

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**Annapolis Valley
Decorative Artists**
(902) 798-2192
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We are a group of 30 plus members. The group meets once monthly on the 2nd Thursday of the month at the Greenwich Fire Hall. Once a year we hold an Exhibit, Sale and Tea at the Greenwich Fire Hall on the 3rd Saturday in October.

**Avon River Heritage
Society Museum**
(902) 757-1718
17 Belmont Rd, Newport Landing
www.avonriverheritage.com

Our museum features exhibits on the New England Planters, Acadian settler, Avon River ecology and is home to the Hants County Arts Council. We also operate the Planters Sea Chest Gift Shop, which features handmade products; all crafted by local Artists and Artisans. If you are hungry for a little more than history our Lydia and Sally Café provides a light lunch overlooking the Avon River.



Sandra Aucoin
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Sandra paints in pastels, acrylics, and pen & ink. Her primary subjects are animals, landscapes and seascapes. She is a self-taught artist and has won various art competitions in S.W. Ontario.

Lexie Barkhouse
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Lexi is a painter and photographer living in Belmont, NS.

**Mary Lou Bennett
Damselfly Gifts**
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Mary Lou enjoys the creative experience and has been making Jewellery for over 10 years. She

also paint silk scarves and designs and makes bridal headpieces and veils. Mary Lou likes working with a variety of materials to create one of a kind pieces.



**Terri Lynn Blanchard
Transformed Life Photos**
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Terri Lynn's photographs are a little out of the ordinary. As a photographer she likes to provide her clients with both traditional and unique shots. Whether it be for portraiture, architectural or landscape shots, she loves to show and share her creativity through her work.

The Bread Gallery
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Blair Brown
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As a welder and fabricator of off-shore equipment, Blair has the ability to "see" things in materials, which lead him to discovering a hidden talent for steel art.



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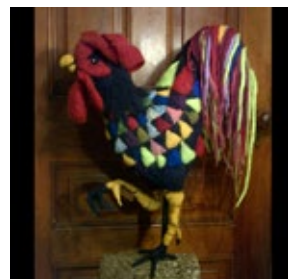
Open since 1994, our gallery has served the Labrador region's Inuit, Innu, Metis and Settler artists who worked in such traditional media as: soapstone, serpentine, labradorite, antler, ivory and whalebone. For three decades, carvers found a ready market for their prized sculptures. The fine art and craft paintings, hangings, teadolls and basketry made the storied Innu teadolls and the sought after saltwater grass baskets popular the world over.

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Sandy Charbonneau
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I paint with wool and use different textiles in my work. I have a studio in Windsor, where the magic happens, and I teach every two weeks weather permitting. My Husband and helper live in a wonderful Victorian house, you are very welcome to pop in especially in warm weather and sit and swing on our veranda



Will Cooper
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Will Cooper was born in Shrewsbury, England, in 1979. He is a

self-taught artist who has developed a unique style of art that he calls "scroll paintings". He creates his art by drawing an image on a panel of wood, cutting the image into segments, sanding, painting and varnishing each segment, then gluing the segments back together on a wooden backboard. His work has been shown at numerous galleries and art fairs in Nova Scotia, including the 26th Nova Scotia Folk Art Festival. He is a member of the Hants County Arts Council, Visual Arts Nova Scotia, and the Nova Scotia Designer Craft Council. He currently resides with his wife and three children in Wolfville.

Gail Davis
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Like her paintings, Gail's life is vivid with colour, movement and a rooted sense of community. She grew up on a wheat farm in Northern Saskatchewan surrounded by open fields, animals, and of course, the 'big sky'. With a style, possibly called contemporary realism, she likes to do plein air painting especially along the coasts of Nova Scotia. Each of her pictures has the unique personality of its location as well as a deeply imbued sense of its integral connection to the human world, even though people are rarely represented.

Claudia Dobson
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A realist painter and nature photographer, Claudia constantly finds inspiration in her surroundings and enjoys capturing the vivid colours that can be found in nature both through the eye of her lens and her brush. Claudia is a co-founder of d'Art club in Cull's Harbour, Newfoundland. Each summer Claudia returns to Newport Station where she grew up, where she plans to build a home in her near future.

Jaki Durocher
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In this day and age when life is getting faster, busier and more complex, it's the simple things in life that keep us grounded and lend perspective on what really matters. My work asks us to re-evaluate what is important to our lives. To slow us down and take notice of the ordinary. My work propels a spiritual effigy to these images.

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Brian Fraser
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Retired after over 30 years in local health care I now spend my time between my new career with EXIT realty and catching up on my paintings. I have been sketching carving and painting for most of my life and am now making the time to satisfy my cravings for creativity. My most recent works are oil on canvas or hardboard.

Full Circle Festival
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www.avonriverheritage.com

We are a homemade non-profit music festival held over the summer solstice weekend in rural Nova Scotia. We love music, good food, friendly friends, dogs, children, and dancing in warm summer air.



Sylvia Fullerton
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Sylvia is a local artist, living in the Annapolis Valley. Retired now, she enjoys painting in a variety of

mediums and styles, often doing decorative painting of chairs, small tables and other items of furniture. She often paints pictorial scenes in acrylics, oils or watercolour

Peter Gordon
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petergordon.ca

Painting and Photography - one influences the other. Landscape and macro images can be either printed and framed, or expressed onto canvas. My vision in abstraction is rooted in the order of nature, with attention to depth, movement, value and composition.

Audrey Goucher-Millet
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Audrey creates works of art in acrylics, watercolours & quilts.

Terrie Greencorn
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As a multi media painter, Terrie often incorporates sculptural textures into her designs, using subjects researched then reinvented with brush and paint. An award winning designer from Dartmouth, she also teaches locally and across Canada, sharing her passion for art.

Nick Haentjens
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Nick is a self-taught painter living in Falmouth, NS.

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In 2015 the Hants County Exhibition will be celebrating its 250th Anniversary as the oldest and longest running agricultural exhibition in North America. EXHIBITION DATES: September 18th, 19th & 20th September 25th, 26th & 27th

Karen Harvie
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Karen paints in watercolour, oil and acrylic. She likes to experiment, working with texture.

Michelle Herx
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Michelle is a painter and a skilled wood-carver, specializing in elaborate and whimsical walking sticks.

She is also founder of Quick as a Wink Theatre Society and maintains an active role with the group.

Louise Hood
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Louise creates intarsia wall art and ornaments from the native woods of this province. Intarsia is an Italian word, meaning wood-inlay. Her speciality is the birds of Nova Scotia.

David Howells
Davis Howells Gallery
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David's paintings are primarily traditional pastoral landscapes and garden scenes in oil on canvas. Though his work is realistic, he calls it 'a tightened form of Impressionism'. His works depict mostly Canadian and English landscapes.

G.A. Jank
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Gerald's work incorporates iron, stainless steel, stone, and sometimes includes crystal. Much of the metal in his work is found or reclaimed. Each piece carries a message about the mechanics and the power of nature, where humanity must live in harmony with the things around them.



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I am a mixed media/collage/assemblage artist with a sharing philosophy when it comes to making art. There are no secrets only exploration, discovery and play. My art is inspired by the design work of the past. I am fascinated with historical ornamentation including medieval illumination and architectural elements. I am greatly influenced by the lives of our ancestors and enjoy telling their stories in visual ways.

Pam Kinsman
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Having painted glass since 2000, Pam's hand-painted art glass pieces have now become art glass collections. Completely functional and washable, her lines include: stem ware, home décor, windows, glass door inserts, tiles, cremation urns and a new line of glass jewellery.

Patricia LeBlanc
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Patricia uses acrylics to paint village and lighthouse scenes on vintage barrel staves and canvas.

Jean Lohnes
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Rose Marie MacDonald
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Marie became interested in all things fibre while living in Labrador City. She worked with 100% wool duffie in constructing Labrador Coats, Mittens and Slippers. She also taught classes in coat construction and crewel embroidery. Her love for seascapes comes from growing up in NL. She enjoys hooking pictorials and is a member of the Gateway Rug Hookers.

Catherine MacDonald
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For Catherine a hobby turned into a "Retirement" business. Sewing with both new and re-loved fabrics, Catherine combines hand sewing and embroidery, following traditional techniques with modern designs.

Jeannine Meehan
Buy the Yard Fabrics
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buytheyard@eastlink.ca

Sewing from the age of 6, hand embroidery has always been a favourite pastime for Jeannine, but sewing is her true passion. As owner and operator of Buy the Yard Fabrics, Jeannine satisfies her urge to serge by bouncing between custom and creative projects. The queen of crewelwork, she enjoys capturing moments that reflect a simple way of life and the beauty of nature.

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Kelly Mitchelmore
Phoenix Hollow B&B Gallery
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Kelly Mitchelmore is a Nova Scotian artist with a flare for the dramatic and a love of saturated colours! Specializing in knife work Kelly is known for her vibrant floral and nature paintings. Her layering technique combined with her love of contrasts result in a textured creation with both depth and luminosity that is distinctly Kelly.



Sharon Ogilvie
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Sharon began her art works in knife and oil painting under the wonderful direction of Donald Scott in the 1970's. She is currently exploring still life and semi-abstract

arts. Also a songwriter, vocalist, and plays guitar and bass and performs at various festivals. Her future passion is in Art Therapy where she has taken some classes at the Nova Scotia College of Art and Design.

Tacha Reed
Woodland Wool
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Inspired by nature, folklore and the landscape of the Avon River Valley, Tacha is a photographer and fibre artist living in Ellershouse. Tacha is devoted to up-cycling in all of its infinite forms and enjoys designing one of a kind hooked rugs and needle felted sculptural pieces. Her desire to make what was old new again led to the creation of Woodland Wool, a line of felted soft sculpture "critters" and three-dimensional "feltscape" wall hangings crafted from natural and re-purposed materials.



Elizabeth Robinson
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Liz has been painting for twenty years and has participated in many group exhibitions. She works primarily with acrylic on canvas while creating, landscapes, stills, portraits and nautical scenes.



Sue Robinson
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Sue works in oils, watercolours, acrylics and coloured pencils. She has been painting for over 20 years and enjoys the painting challenges of nature, maritime scenes and landscapes.



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Workshop for Sculptor, Cara Sawka and Ceramic Artist, Rory MacDonald. Personal visits may be arranged by appointment.



Kristie Sheehy
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Although Kristie's interests are Native and Acadian culture, her sculpture also depicts the interaction of people and animals - Man and his world. Studio visits by appointment.

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The Innocence of the Act Creativity dilutes fear and aggression. It has been said that art is the last luxury. For this painter, the act of painting is the foremost necessity. Painting, for me, enables a re-enchantment with the mystery and magic of a world without cynicism. Then the inner world is the outer world; heaven is earth, and earth is heaven.

Al Simm
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With over 20 years experience working with metal, Al started Avon River Metalworks in 2002 and has been designing and creating artistic sculptures and functional architectural pieces for clients around the Maritimes. Studio visits by appointment.

Louise Stringer Warren
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Louise has studied with a number of local artists including the late Ruth Wainwright, Ron Hazell, Joanne Hunt and most recently Leya Evelyn. After exploring various media and genres, she is now working with acrylics and collage to create abstract, non representational pieces.

Pauline Sullivan
Art with Class
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Pauline has been painting in acrylics for several years. She enjoys the beauty of nature and takes her inspiration from things and places locally, or from travels abroad. She enjoys scenes in vibrant colours as well as scenes of solitude.

James Tracey
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James is a folk artist who carves sculptures and lawn decorations from wood. Please contact him to arrange custom orders.

Dora Warren-Davis
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Dora paints in oil, acrylic and watercolour and enjoys rug hooking and carving sand stone.

John Webb
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John specializes in landscapes, travel and nature photography.

Ann Whalen
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Ann finds joy and pleasure in nature, her gardens and the simple country life. Inspired to paint by what is around her, she has been painting for the past ten years.

Yoko White
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Originally from Japan, Yoko is a maker of embroidered art and jewellery.

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The Hants County Arts Council's 2015 Arts Digest

Along the Avon

Kelly Mitchelmore's 6th annual art show with guest artists **Al Simm, Elizabeth Brown, and School Street Studio Glass**

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Sunday May 3rd 12-5
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Blair Brown

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The 17th Great Little Art Show

Reception
 Friday May 8th, 2015
 7pm - 9pm

Admission: Adults \$8.00
 Children under 12 free!

Show to be officially opened by
Kelly Mitchelmore, Impasto Painter
 Live Music by George & Gail Symonds ♦ Cash Bar
 Appetizers by the Flying Apron Cookery

Viewing times throughout May
 Every Saturday and Sunday from 10am - 5pm
 Admission: Adults \$2.00

Avon River Heritage Museum
www.avonriverheritage.com
 17 Belmont Road, Newport Landing

Where community collects art, friends, stories and memories!

ArtFestival Wolfville

July 25 8:30am - 3:00pm

Local Art, Music, Food
Exhibition of work of 25 artists
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Evangeline Artists' Cooperative

Mary Lou Bennett - Designer



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Open Mic in the Avon Spirit Shipyard

Starts at 7pm Every Friday May thru Oct
 15 Belmont Road, Newport Landing, Avondale

2015 Celebrating 250 Years of AGRI-culture Hants County Exhibition

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AGART FESTIVAL

Fun for the whole family! May 23, Hants County Exhibition Park
 "Going to the Fair" reenactment parade; Art in Agriculture Art & Craft Show; unveiling of the 250th Art Commission; 84th Regiment of Foot historical encampment; vendors market; workshops & demonstrations; antique tractor & engines and more.
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 FREE weekly drop-in sessions for painters, knitters, rug hookers, quilters and anyone else interested. Follow us on Facebook!

Quirky Characters, 2nd annual Folk Art Show
 The Bread Gallery, 7778 Highway 14, Brooklyn
 May 2nd - June 28th, 2015
 Featuring work by Jim Tracey, Joe Winters and Al Simm

ARHS' 17th Annual Great Little Art Show
 ARHS Museum, 17 Belmont Rd, Newport Landing
 May 8th - 31st, 2015
 Annual fundraiser for the Avon River Heritage Society Museum

Experience DRUM!
 Mermaid Imperial Performing Arts Center, 132 Gerrish St, Windsor
 May 21, 22, 23 & 24, 2015
 Electrifying music rhythms and dance; 4 shows in Windsor NS

Art & Craft in Agriculture Show
 Hants County Exhibition Grounds
 221 - 249 Wentworth Rd, Windsor
 May 23 & 24, 2015
 A celebration and showcase of art and craft in agriculture. Events include reenactment parade; historical encampment; vendors market; ARHS' Artisans in Action demonstrations; antique tractor & engines; kid's art area; music; food & fun for the whole family!

Jacob's Landing Book Launch
 ARHS Museum, 17 Belmont Rd, Newport Landing
 May 30th, 1pm - 3pm, 2015
 Join author Daphne Greer for a reading from her latest novel.

Artisans in Action
 ARHS Museum, 17 Belmont Rd, Newport Landing
 The first Sunday of each month, noon until 4pm. June through October.
 Live demonstrations and sale featuring local artists and artisans.

Full Circle Festival
 ARHS Museum, 17 Belmont Rd, Newport Landing
 June 19th 21st, 2015
 A Newfangled Stringband Hootenanny

Summerville Lantern Festival
 Summerville, NS
 September 20, 2015
 Bring or make a lantern and come celebrate the bright colours of autumn in Summerville with an early evening walk down Block Wharf Road to the shore, meeting the sunset at high tide.

4th Annual Avondale ArtFair

Saturday, June 20, 2015 - 10 am to 5 pm
 Food - Fine Art - Music
 Avondale Sky Winery, Avondale, NS
www.avondaleartfair.com

3rd Annual Avondale GarlicFest

Saturday, Sept. 19, 2015 - 10 am to 5 pm
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New Work By Liz Robinson

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Artisans in Action

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June 7th, Wood/Leather/Stone
 July 5th, Metal/Glass/Jewellery
 August 2nd, Fibre/Pottery/Textiles
 September 6th, Paint Avondale
 October 5th, Traditional Nova Scotian Crafts and Techniques

Artists & Artisans currently being accepted. 120 entry fee. Limit of 3 artists per medium.
 Email: info@avonriverheritage.com or Telephone: (902) 757-1718
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