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A Gift from Chengdu China

Artists from sister city Chengdu in China Visit Nina studios

Visiting artists from Chengdu, China were interested in seeing unique cultural places in the Edmonton area and experiencing Canadian artists at work. Their host in Edmonton, Chris Carson of Visual Arts Alberta, immediately thought of the Nina Haggerty Centre for the Arts. "The diversity of work and variety of media that comes from this one centre is astonishing," says Carson, pointing to the glass, clay, fibre, painting, drawing, sculpture, print and animation produced in the Nina studios. Professional artists Yao Yehong, Wu Chenjin, Chen Dengmu and Guo Ruyu wowed artists in the studio, completing a beautiful, collaborative painting in traditional style on rice paper. The artists and accompanying Chief of Liaison from our sister city presented the finished work as a gift to the Nina Haggerty Centre.







Glass Sculpture Installed at EEHC

East Edmonton Health Centre now home to Nina glasswork

With generous support from the Alberta Foundation for the Arts (project grant), two artists from the Nina Haggerty Collective had the experience of a lifetime, working weekly at Blow in the Dark Glassworks hot glass studio alongside professional glass artist Keith Walker and Nina's Artistic Director Paul Freeman. Over the course of several months they gained a practical understanding of how to design, execute and embellish finished blown glass artworks. Initially expected to produce a single exhibition, the project took on new prominence when the opportunity arose to create a permanent public art piece for the new East Edmonton Health Centre. Already commissioned by Alberta Health Services to create a 3D seascape themed mural for a children's waiting area, project artists took on the challenge of creating blown glass sea urchins, fish and sea grasses. The result is a stunning glass chandelier-style installation now installed in the entry to the new Health Centre. A public open house is planned for fall 2012.



Glass artist Keith Walker (left) and Nina Haggerty Artistic Director Paul Freeman installed the 94-piece glass sculpture, Jaylene's Gyre, with the aid of a scissor lift donated by 4-Way Equipment Rentals. Artists Jamie L'Aventure and Roy Skoreyko created the glass pieces with support from Walker, Freeman and Jade Wetter.



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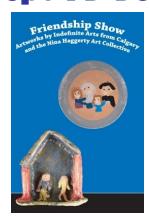
AFA Acquisition to tour province

The Alberta Foundation for the Arts (AFA) recently acquired this piece by Nina Haggerty Centre artist Mark Traficante for their permanent art collection. The piece has now been accepted to the AFA's TREX (Travelling Exhibition program) administered by the Art Gallery of Alberta. It will tour the province for the next two years.

IN THE GALLERY Friendship Show Sept 13-30

New in the Stollery Gallery this month is a collaboration between artists from the Nina Haggerty Collective and artists from Indefinite Arts in Calgary. Themed around friendship, these urban artists work in ceramics, fabric, paint on paper and fabric, quilting and print making to explore the many facets of relationship.

Please plan to join the artists for a closing reception on Thursday, Sept. 27 between 5:00 and 7:00 p.m. in the Stollery Gallery. Enjoy refreshments and live music.



Gallery Hours:

Mon-Fri: 10:00 am - 2:00 pm Thursdays: 4:30 - 8:00 pm Saturdays: 1 - 3 pm For more information: Call 474-7611 or visit www.ninahaggertyart.ca

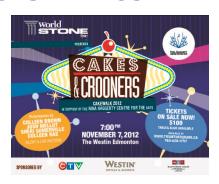
Cakes & Crooners at Westin

A great team has come together to produce this year's annual fundraising event, the World Stone Inc. Cake Walk. Returning event sponsors World Stone Inc. and MLT Lawyers welcome ten teams to the catwalk this year to compete for best cake creation, featuring Edmonton's top pastry chefs and cake makers.

Team sponsors include past cake champions Lexus of Edmonton and Latium Fleet Management, Canadian Dewatering Fluid Management Systems and new sponsors Edmonton Realtors Foundation, CPI Construction, Wegner Consulting, Pace Setter Homes and the Westin Hotel.

A fabulous stage show celebrates the Rat Pack era of Las Vegas, crooned by local singing sensations Colleen Brown, Sheri Somerville and Josh Mellot. Colleen Brown stole the show at this year's Mayor's Celebration of the Arts at the Winspear Centre and can be heard on CBC radio.

In addition to a great night of musical entertainment and amazing cake creations, Cake Walk includes great silent and live auction experience packages and a chance to win a fabulous night at River Cree Hotel and Casino (overnight stay, dinner at Sage and show tickets to any performance) in the raffle draw. Buy your raffle tickets from our lovely showgirls, aka Guys in Disguise!



This year's auction includes a 2 - 3 night stay at Oswego Boutique Hotel in the heart of Victoria's waterfront with Budget Rental Car, a coveted fly along in the Edmonton Police Services helicopter and wine tasting at Crestwood Wines. Check the Nina Haggerty Centre website closer to the event for a complete list of auction packages.

Individual tickets are on sale now at Tixon-the-Square and the Nina Haggerty Centre. This year's event also offers the opportunity to purchase a table for 8. Treat your star employees, friends, colleagues or clients to a .terrific evening and enjoy extra perks and recognition at the event! To find out more, contact Wendy Hollo (whollo@telus.net) or Rona Fraser (eventenergy@shaw.ca).

Cakes and Crooners (November 7, 2012 in the Westin Hotel Ballroom) features live vocal performances by Colleen Brown, Josh Mellot and Sheri Somerville. Colleen Brown and band perform during cocktails and pre-stage show silent auction.

Kelly's Dark Side - acrylic on canvas