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## **Head Start and Early Start Art**

Nina Partnering with Norwood Child & Family Resource Centre

Nina Haggerty Centre Lead Artist Brenda Kim Christianson gets lots of hugs as 'the art lady' at Norwood Child & Family Resource Centre. At first, only a few children were brave enough to join in, but now they all want to get involved and this week, says Brenda, "they lined up for hugs at the end of class".

Brenda provides a genuine art experience for the children, aged 3 1/2 to 6, bringing new material for projects tied thematically to the season. She began last November by bringing Mountain Ash branches and having the children make berries and snow flakes with their finger prints. (See page 4 for more...).



Brenda Kim Christianson working with a child in the Head Start program at Norwood Child & Family Resource Centre.

### **Celebrating our 8th Anniversary**

Eight on Eight: Painting with Ella, Art Auction and Deep Freeze

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This year Nina celebrates its birthday with EIGHT on EIGHT - our 8th birthday on the 8th of January. It is also kick off day for the 4th annual Deep Freeze, a Byzantine Winter Festival. Join us in the Stollery Gallery between 1:00 and 3:00 p.m. for live music by Painting with Ella, refreshments and an art auction, then take in this amazing winter festival that drew 12,000 people to the Ave last year.

Building on last year's 100 for \$100 art auction, we are expanding the auction to include a wider range of artwork, all by local artists. Work will be priced between \$100 and \$300, with a few silent auction items, including a piece signed by country star, Reba McEntire. All proceeds support our studio program.

Nina is proud to celebrate its birthday with a musical performance by Painting with Ella, winners of the Songwriting Contest at the 2010 Calgary Folk Festival.

This vibrant young acoustic folk jazz trio is sure to go

For more information on Deep Freeze, visit www.artsontheave.org and click on 'Festivals' tab.



The art sale begins at 1:00 with all work sold on a first come, first served basis and continues Sunday between noon and 5:00 p.m. The Centre is also a venue throughout the weekend for Deep Freeze. Don't miss it!

# World STONE Inc Cake Walk 2010 Cake Walk Went GaGa!



The Art of Cake took 1st Place for 3rd Year!

World STONE Inc. Cake Walk 2010 was themed Cake Walk Goes GaGa, celebrating the divas of popular music. Eight teams battled it out in the kitchen and on stage, aided by some of Edmonton's top cake creators and the talents of Guys in Disguise divas, Mr. Terri Stevens and Justyne Time. Thanks go to Darrin Hagen for producing the stage show.

Top place this year went to Lexus of Edmonton with cake by The Art of Cake (top place winner 3 years in a row!) and performance by Pink. SKILLS Society with Bogato Custom Cake Design and Julie Andrews took 2nd place, and in 3rd place was Avenue Magazine with Whimsical Cake Studio and their diva...Lady GaGa.

Pink, Julie Andrews and Lady GaGa were all performed by Justyne Time of Calgary.

The Nina Haggerty Centre thanks Event Sponsors, World Stone Inc. and Canadian Western Bank, along with all of our team sponsors and chefs. Everyone is a winner on our stage. Cake Walk raises enough in one night to supply our studios and 130+ artists with art supplies for an entire year.





(Top left) In 2nd Place was this creation by Bugato Custom Cake Design and in 3rd Place (top right) was Whimsical Cake Studio.





Cheryl's Creations (left) and Fairmont Hotel MacDonald (right) were among the 8 amazing cake creators who took part in this year's event. Also competing were Sutton Place Hotel, Heather Shaw & Tina Evans (freelance) and the Royal Glenora Club.

### **Cake Walk Photo Gallery**



















(Left to right) Host Sheri Somerville, special guest Minister Lindsay Blackett, Co-Host Josh Classen, 1st place Team Lexus of Edmonton, 2nd Place Team SKILLS Society, pianist Jan Randall, Event Sponsors Gordon Oxley (World Stone Inc) and Kristine Penner (Canadian Western Bank), raffle winner Jessica Gillespie, 3rd place Team Avenue Magazine, and (bottom left) our esteemed panel of judges - Vinod Varshney, Sal Caltagirone, John Berry, Sally Vaughan-Johnston and Liane Faulder. Special thanks go to our fabulous Co-hosts, Sheri Somerville and Josh Classen, Honorary Chair, Lynn Mandel and Sponsorship Chair, Trudy Callaghan of Odvod Media and to the Sutton Place Hotel. Odvod Media also provided design and print support.

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## Canada World Youth Mural Project

Ana Beatriz from Esteli, Nicaragua and Zane Barratt from Vancouver are sharing an adventure in our city. They are part of a Canada World Youth program that provides unique learning opportunities for youth aged 17 to 24, with a focus on volunteer work and community development in a cross-cultural setting. The program has partnered with more than 76 countries.

This year's project in Edmonton has partnered with FUNARTE, a group in Nicaragua that specializes in building leadership capacity in youth through mural art.

The team, in Edmonton since September, will head home in mid-December, but they leave behind a number of projects, including a colourful mural that will brighten the east exterior wall of our building.

The Nina Haggerty Centre has been pleased to provide space to the group for their welcome orientation, and to host two of the project participants, Ana and Zane. The two have split their time between the Centre and ABC Head Start.

The mural panels use bright and playful colours with ethnically neutral figures engaged in learning and mentorship, practicing and developing mastery and finally, performance and recognition for achievement. A fourth panel, to be installed at a later date, incorporates acrobatic figures in wood created by Nina artists, representing the many roles we play as part of community.







Four mural panels are now almost complete and will be installed on the exterior east wall of the ArtsHub118 building that houses the Nina Haggerty Centre.

## **Guys in Disguise & Some Real Live Divas Too**





















'Swinging Sisters' and real life divas Bridget Ryan, (City TV) Kate Ryan and Beth Portman also lit up the stage with their medley of 40's hits.

(Left to right) Performing for their teams, our divas: Pink (Justyne Time) for Lexus of Edmonton, Lady Gaga (Justyne Time) for Avenue Magazine, Cher (Mr. Terri Stevens) for Sutton Place Hotel, Julie Andrews (nice and naughty Julie, Mr. Terri Stevens), Judy Garland (Mr. Terri Stevens) for Latium Custom Fleet Management, Reba McEntire (fffd) for Mohawk Fuel Products MFP, Barbra Streisand (Mr. Terri Stevens) for MacPherson Leslie Tyerman MLT Lawyers, and Annie Lennox (Mr. Terri Stevens) for ARS Trucking and Welding. (Bottom middle) Cher introduces Lady GaGa with hosts Sheri Somerville and Josh Classen, Pink ventures into the very appreciative audience and (bottom right), the Swinging Sisters (Bridget Ryan, Beth Portman and Kate Ryan) perform while the judges finalized their scores. Special thanks to Bridget Ryan for hosting the live auction.



#### Norward Art con't

Based on the success of last year's art experiences, Norwood Child & Development Centre asked the Nina Haggerty Centre to expand its outreach to include an After School program for older children. Lorraine Shulba, who teaches ECALA-supported Family Art classes at the Nina Haggerty Centre, will teach these classes beginning in early December.















Totemic Manifesto celebrates the progress of artists from the Nina Haggerty Collective as they continue to expand their boundaries and explore new media. Work in clay is enhanced by fabric, found art objects and personal artifacts. Inventive, fun, surprising and sure to delight. Please join the artists in celebration of their new work throughout December, and plan to attend the opening reception on December 9 between 5:00 and 7:00 p.m.

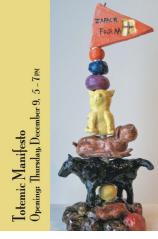
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IN THE GALLERY

Totem [toh-tuh m] - noun

Anything serving as a distinctive, often venerated, emblem or symbol.

The Totem as art...personal emblems manifest. An object becomes a representation of internal phenomena.



Please join us for a free reception with live music, refreshments:

Thurs., Dec. 9, 5-7 PM

#### **Extended Gallery Hours:**

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

### Thank You to our Funding Partners and Donors

As we near the end of 2010, the Board, Staff and Collective of artists at the Nina Haggerty Centre for the Arts wish to extend sincere thanks to our funding partners (below), donors and grantors for their support of operations and programming.

We would also like to thank the Stollery Charitable Foundation, EAC, Mile Zero Dance and ECALA for their support of special arts projects, as well as the Butler and Poole Family Foundations and Golden Gate Lions Club for their support of facility-related projects.





