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RBC Emerging Artists' Exhibit

The RBC Emerging Artists Apprenticeship project concluded its 14-week run on August 21 with a reception in the Stollery Gallery. Michelle Docking was on hand from RBC to congratulate the 2014 RBC Apprentices, along with Alberta Culture Minister Heather Klimchuk. Beginning in May, the RBC apprentices each spent a day a week at the Nina Haggerty Centre, working on individual projects alongside the professional team in the studios and taking part in exclusive workshops designed to assist them in their transition from academic art studies toward a professional arts career. The Nina Haggerty Centre thanks RBC for its support of this innovative project and wishes each of these talented apprentices a brilliant career.

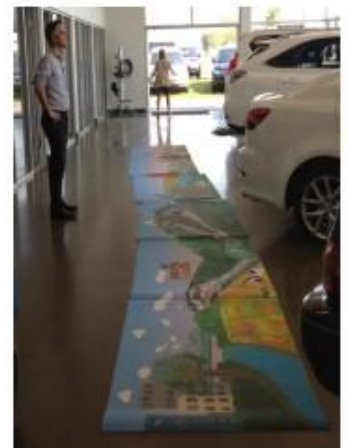


Left to right: Vice President, RBC Commercial Financial Services Michelle Docking, Minister of Culture, Heather Klimchuk, RBC emerging artists Alexander Forsyth (back) and Alysha Creighton, guitarist Marc Beaudin (seated), Nina Director Wendy Hollo, and RBC emerging artists Veronica Frank, Jill Ho-You and Nil Lasqueti. Alysha Creighton is actually staying on at The Nina in a lead artist role, filling in for David Janzen while he prepares for a new exhibition of his own work.

Lexus of Edmonton Commission

Nina artists team up to create Alberta landscape

The showroom for previously owned vehicles at Lexus of Edmonton now sports a commissioned mural created by a team of artists from the Nina Haggerty Collective. The colourful landscape takes you from city to badlands, driving in a late model Lexus of course! The gorgeous new car showroom on 170 Street also features work by Nina artists in its offices and new car bay.



Introducing Telus Family Art Night



Generous support from the Edmonton Telus Community Board means expanded opportunities for families to enjoy some quality time in the Nina studios. Classes are offered at no cost and are open to adults accompanied by school aged children. The class is run by local artist, Lorraine Shulba. Lorraine is excited by the prospect of a bit bigger budget for art supplies and the opportunity to showcase work from the classes in a year-end exhibition.

Lorraine is continually coming up with new ideas for the classes and is amazed by what families can create. She finds that a real sense of community develops, with many families returning and eagerly looking forward to the classes. For many families it is a rare opportunity to spend quality time together, doing something that everyone can enjoy. The classes are offered at no cost to participants.



Telus Family Art Night and the Jubilee Auditoria Community Art Night are offered from mid-September to mid-June in the Nina studios.

Jubilee Auditoria Community Art Night

The Alberta Jubilee Auditoria Society will be partnering with the Nina Haggerty Centre this year to present weekly community art classes in the Nina studios. These classes are open to any interested adult - no previous art experience is needed!

Classes will be offered on Tuesday evenings from mid-September to mid-June and will be taught by Nina lead artist, Susan Seright. Thanks to this generous support, the classes will be offered at no cost to participants.

An exciting new opportunity this year is the chance to exhibit work created during the year in public gallery space at the Northern Jubilee Auditorium! Watch the website for the class schedule and list of art projects.

Local Youth Benefit from 'Urban Spirit'

The Nina Haggerty Centre and Crystal Kids are getting ready to explore some exciting art making projects beginning this fall in the Nina studios thanks to the Edmonton Urban Spirits Rotary Club.

This community based project is designed to give at-risk youth a place to go, cool stuff to do and healthy snacks after school on Thursday afternoons.

Nina lead artist Brittney Roy will be leading these energetic weekly sessions from September to June (32 classes in total).

She will also work with the youth to curate an end of year exhibition in the Stollery Gallery.

The Urban Spirits/Crystal Kids series not only provides a safe place to hang out after school, but also the opportunity to explore a whole new way to express themselves, experience success and maybe even lead to a career in the arts. Participants leave the program with tangible pieces of art to keep, gift, sell or exhibit.

Classes explore clay, painting, drawing, puppets, glass fusion, fabric art, animation and more.



Carole Pope ready to rock Stollery gallery

Legendary Genie and Juno Award winning artist Carole Pope will be performing an exclusive concert in the intimate Stollery Gallery at The Nina on Friday, October 17! This event is a fundraiser in support of the Nina Haggerty studio program. There are a very limited number of tickets available.

Tickets are \$125 and include a private wine and cheese reception with the artist. Don't miss out on this rare opportunity, as the original anti-diva rocks the gallery.



Here's Nina! at Chateau Lacombe Nov. 4

You'll love what we've done with Cake Walk! While there will not be cakes this year, there will be a fabulous stage extravaganza produced by award-winning playwright Stewart Lemoine in collaboration with long-time event host, Sheri Somerville.

The show will be tight and the laughs long and loud as the cast of the Varscona Theatre's *That's Terrific* show join celebrity and surprise guests on stage. As always, be prepared to expect the unexpected!

Tickets are on sale now at Tix-on-the-Square (\$100 includes wine, hors d'oeuvres and free indoor parking) or gather your friends and get a table for 10 for \$850. Treat family, friends, colleagues or clients to a sure-to-be-memorable evening.

There are also new sponsorship opportunities with a range of benefits, including tickets to the VIP reception (Miss Sarah Chan on piano!), unlimited wine and recognition from the stage. Visit the website under events to view the full sponsorship package or call Rona at 780-886-6640.



Auction Winners Enjoy Family BBQ

Carl and Madeleine Semashkewich were one of two lucky (and very generous!) winners of a summer BBQ donated to the Nina Haggerty Centre by Ailien Holdis (Heritage Square M&M Meats franchisee) and country artist, Colleen Rae. They had a perfect day to host the party and their guests enjoyed great BBQ, home made perogies and kick-ass entertainment. It was a real family affair, with several budding performers and musicians helping Colleen out on piano and vocals!



Colleen Rae



BBQ by M&M Meats Hermitage location



It was a family affair



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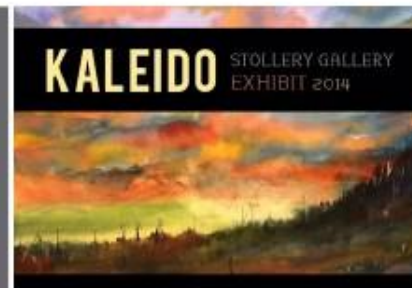
Kaleido Stollery Gallery Sponsored by Rotary Club of Edmonton Northeast

Plan to visit Alberta Avenue for this year's 9th annual Kaleido Family Arts Festival and be sure to drop in to the Stollery Gallery to take in the new work by local artists. This three-day, multi-disciplinary event attracted more than 40,000 people last year and featured more than 300 acts. The Nina is proud to be a venue for this amazing free festival (pay what you can).

Regular Gallery Hours:

M-F: 10:00 am - 2:00 pm
Thursdays: 4:30 - 8:00 pm
Saturdays: 1 - 3 pm

For more information:
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Up Next: CN Where We Work New work by artists in the Nina Collective

Next up in the Stollery Gallery is an exhibition of new work from the Nina Collective, sponsored by CN Rail. The exhibit, *Where We Work*, runs from September 17 to October 4, 2014. Please plan to join the artists for a free reception on Thursday, September 25 between 5:00 and 7:00 p.m.



Artwork by Jonathan Whittaker



Be sure to come to *The Nina Friday evening (Sep 12)* to make a lantern to carry in the lantern parade.

Coming October 15 - 30th

The Artist Inside: Removing Barriers Through Art Synergy presents artwork by adult and young offenders

Exhibit sponsor Synergy Inmate Phone Solutions Inc. and the Nina Haggerty Centre for the Arts are proud to be working with Alberta Justice and Solicitor General, Correctional Services, to present artwork created by adult and young offenders serving sentences in provincial correctional centres.

This new partnership promises to bring much deserved attention to some very talented artists.

Planning is in progress and includes investigation of options for creating a way to document the work (potentially a publication) and ways for the artists to engage with the show. Sales of art and any cards or publications will benefit the artists, inmate programs and the E4C hot lunch program.

Watch the Nina website for details.

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where you start.
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