



TAPIESTRY

February 2016

The **vision** of the ACSS is: *To create a rich, social fabric for the communities of the Shuswap through engagement in arts and culture.*



Shuswap Lake Festival of the Arts

July 21st to July 24th, 2016

The Shuswap Lake Festival of the Arts, featuring the fabulous works of artists and artisans of the region, will be held July 21st to 24th, 2016. This year's event will be held on both levels of Carlin Hall, now known as the Carlin Community Arts & Cultural Centre.

The four-day festival features something for everyone. Returning will be the popular visual arts exhibit and sale in 2D, 3D, mixed media & fibre art. Workshops in charcoal drawing, painting, fibre art and sculpture will be offered. The popular Artisan's Gift Shop will return this year as will the interactive Kids' Engagement Tent, and on-site Café. A feature concert will take place on Centennial Field by the waterfront in Blind Bay on Saturday July 23rd.

At this time, this is the first **ALL CALL FOR ARTISTS & ARTISANS** to participate in the 2016 festival. Registration forms will be available online and/or for pickup on May 1st. Details TBA. Contact the festival by emailing: sifestarts@gmail.com or calling Rose at **250.675.2690** to get on the contact list. The Shuswap Lake Festival of the Arts is hosted by The Arts Council for the South Shuswap.

FIRST JUNIOR COFFEEHOUSE A GREAT SUCCESS AT CARLIN HALL



Congrats to FACES student Gabe, shown here with his teacher Larry Stephenson, who along with other FACES students Hannah and Carson and Susan Aylard student Liam, performed at the first Junior Coffeehouse at Carlin last Saturday. Look for the next Junior Coffeehouse in April!



The ACSS is located in Tappen on the lower level of Carlin Hall. If you haven't had an opportunity to visit our beautiful new studios, we welcome you to do so soon!

Beyond adult and kids **programming** in art, music, dance & theatre, we also promote arts through the **Shuswap Lake Festival of the Arts** in July & **Music in the Bay** (Thursday nights in July & August at Centennial Field in Blind Bay). There are many **volunteer** opportunities on all of our committees.

Our space consists of a large sprung dance floor 2 music rooms and an art studio. It is also available to rent for birthday parties, meetings and other group functions.

EMAIL US if you have an event you would like us to share on our Facebook page. We'd love to share what else is going on in the Shuswap!
e: admin@shuswaparts.com

Warm Regards,
The Board of Directors

Adult Workshops (ages 16+)

Here is our new offering of workshops for February & March...it's a full slate so hang onto your hats ! Contact the Arts Council at 250.515.3276 to pre-register !

Saturday February 13th 10:00 am – FAT PAINT BASICS

Instructor: Debbie Reeves \$55



Join us at the FACES Studio (lower level) @ Carlin Hall to learn the basics of FAT chalk paint & waxing techniques as well as create some raised stencils using Extra FAT. Debbie will supply practice boards, mason jars, stencils, waxes & Extra FAT. You bring (your choice of size & color) of FAT paint available at Intwined Fibre Arts on Hudson Ave, Salmon Arm, and a light lunch. Coffee/tea will be provided. Max 8 registrants; pre-registration required.

Saturday February 20th 10:00 am – NEEDLE FELTING LEAVES

Instructor: Lynn Erin \$45



Join us at the FACES Studio (lower level) @ Carlin Hall to learn the basics of needle felting. Registrants will take home completed leaves and contribute a leaf to our permanent fibre art installation piece "A Journey Begins", led by artists Melissa Nasby and Lynn Erin. Registration includes all supplies. Coffee/tea provided. Max 12 registrants; pre-registration required.

Saturday March 12th 10:00 am – ORGANIC DYEING & PRINTING WORKSHOP Instructor: Melissa Nasby \$49

Join local fibre artist Melissa Nasby and discover the incredible beauty of making prints from nature in this four-hour workshop.

In this class you will learn how to prepare silk and cotton for dyeing, how to extract prints from leaves, extract dyes from nature and how to bundle your fabric to ensure fantastic results. You will take home one completed, eco-printed silk scarf.

Participants are encouraged to bring a pen and notebook, old towel and latex gloves. All supplies included.



The Third House

Member Peter Blacklock has shared the following for contribution to this month's Newsletter....

Ida & Old Baldy's Seniors' Theatre is now in its fourth year of operation at Cedar Heights Centre. This is without doubt the most fun you can have in two hours standing up or sitting down! There is no experience necessary and don't worry if you've never been a ham. The group is built around storytelling, game playing and socialization. They meet every Tuesday from 1:00 to 3:00 pm. You're never too late for Senior's Theatre!

Readers/Writers Their goal is to provide authors with the opportunity to have a group of readers spend time reading, discussing and responding to a piece, or pieces of their work. This is a voluntary activity. We are not critics, only readers & speak from that perspective. If you are interested in taking part in our next session either as a reader or a contributing author, visit thethirdhouse.ca and check Upcoming Events. Sessions held every 3 months.



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Adult Workshops (continued)

Saturday March 19th 10:00 am – WINDOW WORKSHOP

Instructor: Debbie Reeves \$45



Learn to make these fabulous glass windows using collected glass pieces such as coasters, small plates, shallow bowls, glass beads.....start picking them up at thrift stores - the hunt is as much fun as completing the project!! They are magical in your window, and so much fun to create.

You will need to bring a clean window (glass must be secure), and as many glass objects to fill the space. Coloured or clear, it's your vision. There will be an exchange table of glass pieces at the workshop.

Please FAT paint your frame prior to the workshop - there just isn't enough time to complete that as well. FAT chalk paint is available at Intwined Fibre Arts on Hudson Ave, Salmon Arm.

Max 8 registrants; pre-registration required.

Watch for the following adult workshops in April:

- **Wet Felting Workshop;**
- **Wooden Hurricane Lantern / FAT Paint;**
- **Sculpture Intensive Weekend**



Our Next KIDS DAY IN THE ART STUDIO

Date: Saturday March 5th, 2016

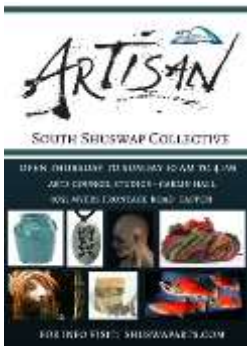
Theme: Bugs on a Board

Instructor: Kristy Schroeder

Cost: \$10 including Supplies

Pre-registration req'd. Email: admin@shuswaparts.com

CALL OUT FOR SOUTH SHUSWAP ARTISAN SUMMER COLLECTIVE



Artists and artisans interested in having their pieces on display and for sale over a ten week period this summer, are encouraged to call the Arts Council. We have room for 20 artists and will be hiring a summer student to help run the Artisan Collective and handle all sales.

Contact Karen Brown at the Arts Council: 250.515.3276 for all particulars including cost.

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South Shuswap Writers Group

Third House, in collaboration with the Okanagan Regional Library invites you to attend a New Writers' Group on the second and fourth Wednesday of every month from 11 am to 1 pm. The meetings will be held at the OK Regional Library South Shuswap Branch in the Blind Bay Marketplace Mall. There is no charge to attend.

For more information on any of the Third House Activities as listed above, contact Joyce or Peter through their website: www.thethirdhouse.ca

REMINDER

The Annual General Meeting of the Arts Council for the South Shuswap Society takes place Monday February 22nd at 6:30 at the ACSS Studio on the lower level of Carlin Hall.



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artist spotlight

The Arts Council for the South Shuswap is proud to promote the works of and raise awareness to the works of our local artists. Each month a local artist will be featured in this monthly newsletter and their works will be on display in the reception area of the Arts Council on the lower level of Carlin Hall. If you are a local artist or know of someone who should be featured in this Artist Spotlight please contact the Arts Council at **250.515.3276** or by email **admin@shuswaparts.com**

We are pleased to feature for February, musician, teacher & songwriter, Sylvain Vallee.

Sylvain Vallee is well-known in the Shuswap music scene. Besides studying and practicing music through private instruction, Sylvain attended formal classes at the Royal Conservatory of Music in Toronto where he was one of 9 chosen out of over 500 participants for the associateship program.

Sylvain also attended classes at the University of Toronto and University of Western Ontario studying many facets of music performance, theory, history, composition and musicianship.

Sylvain has gathered 'real world experience' performing and touring all over North America as a multi-instrumentalist sharing the stage with the likes of Long John Baldry, Jeff Healey, Collin James, Martina McBride and Keith Urban.

These days, you will find Sylvain composing music for TV shows as well as performing solo concerts that show off his virtuosic piano styles and singing.

Sylvain currently teaches a variety of instruments including voice (bel canto method) at FACES in the Arts Council for the South Shuswap studios in Tappen. Students also enroll with Sylvain to study piano, violin, oboe, clarinet, trumpet, flute, cello, mandolin, saxophone, guitar and more.



Sylvain is also the Musical Director for three adult acapella choirs in the South Shuswap, Vernon & Kamloops. In this region, he leads The Coppertones, a pop & contemporary adult acapella choir that meets at the FACES studios every Thursday evening from 7 to 9 pm singing songs by Crosby Still Nash, The Beatles, Coldplay, Sarah McLachlan, Carole King, Abba, Billy Joel, Mamas & Papas and more. If you're interested in The Coppertones, please contact: 250.515.3276.