



township community arts council

January 2015

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Recently, I was asked to assist the BC Arts Council as a juror/adjudicator. It was a tremendous learning experience and I appreciated the opportunity to improve my understanding of granting processes.

I met members of other arts organizations from around the province. It was interesting to discover that Arts Councils come in all shapes and sizes. Some, like ours, are strictly volunteer-driven; others manage centres for performing arts with many employees; others provide regional support through grants or general promotions. Some, like ours, arrange and sponsor events; others do not. There are also groups who are not necessarily formally organized, but operate as more of a community collective.

We are a collection of organizations and groups who function very differently, yet with the same goal – to encourage a sustainable arts culture in our communities. All this gave me a new appreciation of the broad spectrum of the work and dedication of those who promote the arts in so many different ways. We, the members of the TCAC, are part of this larger diverse group of artists, art lovers, musicians, dancers, authors, singers, actors, writers, administrators, and supporters of local arts and culture.

I encourage you to attend our January 22nd Annual General Meeting. Our members and volunteers are the Purple Power of the Township Community Arts Council. We're working to shape our future, promote arts and culture in Esquimalt, and build on our successes of 2014. Please RSVP to townshiparts@gmail.com.

Making a Splash in the Township!

Morlene Tomlinson, Founding President

Attention all TCAC MEMBERS!

This is a reminder to attend our

TCAC Annual General Meeting

MORE THAN JUST A MEETING-IT'S A CELEBRATION!

THURSDAY, JANUARY 22ND

English Inn

7-9 PM

(Don't forget your \$20 membership fee)

The mission of the TCAC is to engage our community and promote Esquimalt as a healthy arts and cultural centre recognized for its excellence by:

- *Partnering with artists and groups to stage events and programs in Esquimalt*
- *Supporting local artists*
- *Promoting the importance of Arts and Culture*

UPCOMING EVENTS

Township Classics

Robert Holliston – Piano
Gwen Thompson – Violin
Bill Fawcett – Base
Alexandra Browning-Moore - Voice

This concert is fully reserved. To go on our waiting list, send an e-mail to townshiparts@gmail.com

Reserve now for the February 22nd Township Classics, our final concert of the season.



TCAC Artist in Residence DIXIE MACUISDIN



23JANUARY - 16MARCH2015

ARTIST-IN-RESIDENCE | ENGLISH INN | 429 LAMPSON, ESQUIMALT

Opening Reception Thurs Jan29 7-9PM



Mark your calendar for JANUARY 29TH to attend Dixie MacUisdin's opening reception at the English Inn. Our continuing commitment to support local artists will see Dixie's work showcased until March 16, 2015. Here are just some of the fun and fabulous things happening as part of this wonderful partnership between the Township Community Arts Council, our member artists and the English Inn:

- February 5th Great English Paint-Inn 7-9 pm
- March 1st Enchanted Garden Café 10:30am-12:00 pm
- March 8th Enchanted Garden Café 10:30 am-12:00 pm

For more details check our website www.townshiparts.org

GETTING IN THE SCULPTURE SWING ON GRAFTON STREET



Congratulations to the Woods and Thompson-Robinow families for starting a public art sensation on Grafton Street.

“The Bird” by Tyler Brownlee, purchased at Sculpture Splash, an Art Extravaganza by the Sea, is now a permanent resident and source of inspiration for our entire community.

Let’s all extend big TCAC kudos to our art-loving residents for supporting the arts and celebrating our community in such a visible way.

Anyone else interested in starting a public art display?

NEW ADDITION TO OUR NEWSLETTER

MEMBER'S CORNER

We’re looking for your input! Please help make our TCAC communications even better. Share your ideas, stories or photos in our monthly newsletter. Do you have upcoming art events, concerts, kudos or celebrations?

Send your submission to townshiparts@gmail.com for inclusion in our next newsletter.

All articles or images must be arts and culture related and will be published at the discretion of the editor.

Memories of Sculpture Splash, an Art Extravaganza by the Sea



“She Left on the South Wind”
By Bev Petow

Winner of the “Our West Coast Future Award” sponsored by members of the Township Community Arts Council