



Visual Artists of Welland

Inspiring Local Artists

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Visual Artists of Welland: Tuesday, April 5, 2022

Dear VAW Members!

This e-blast is chock full of information! Please read thoroughly. Any questions, please contact Deedee or Pam.



Astrid Akkerman

Suzanne Pengelly

Ellie Ruddle

***we have 60 members!**

Here are several things for your consideration: **Hazzah!**

1. General Meeting—Sunday, April 10—2 p.m.

- at the Gallery Shop \$5.00 for the draw
- please bring a chair

2. New Horizons for Seniors Grant Committee—

- Thursday, March 24, the Committee members met
- there are three sub-committees:

a) **Marketing and Promotions**

b) **Program Proposal, Planning, and Selection**

c) **Research and Purchasing**

***If you have some time to spare, we would welcome your insight on one of the sub-committees!

- please contact Deedee or Pam
- Monday, April 11 at 11 a.m. is the next meeting
- on Google Meet

many hands make light work!!!

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- please let Deedee or Pat know if you are interested in offering a 3-hour (one Sunday) or 6-hour (two Sundays) program

2. **Ukraine Relief Drive:**

a) **Donations:** in total, the VAW sent a cheque for \$5,000.00 to the Red Cross

Go VAW!!!

- we will continue to raise funds for the Ukraine Relief Drive

b) **Politicians and Media:**

- Frank Campion, Vance Badawey, Mike Belcastro, Skyway Media, TorStar, and the Pelham Voice have all been wonderful supporters of both the Ukraine Relief Drive and the VAW Gallery Shop

3. **St. Cyril and Methodius Ukrainian Church--**

3. **Giving Stand:**

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- at the General Meeting in March, it was announced that we would have a **Giving Stand**—one of the horizontal rolling stands in the Gallery Shop



- there would be three local charities that the VAW would raise money for
- it was **suggested:**

Ukraine Relief Drive, the Hope Centre, and the Welland Humane Society

- at the **April General Meeting**, we will **vote** on the three local charities—please suggest a local charity if you have one in mind—let Deedee or Pam know

100% of the sales of art donated to the **Giving Stand** will go to one of the three designated local charities

- donation cheques will be issued at the end of the year
- this will replace the Mother's Day basket raffle and such

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PROBUS—is a retirement organization in Pelham

- Deedee and Pam

were asked to speak for about 1 hour to the 100+ members on August 25 at the Meridian Centre in Fonthill

- We will bring marketing materials and such to promote the VAW, Gallery Shop, and Seniors' Grant Art Classes

5. **Art Opportunities:**

a) **ART WALL**—Welland Wellness Centre

- recreation@welland.ca
- subject line: Art Wall
- an application form will be emailed to you
- this is free

b) CIRCLE OF ART—

- contact Gayle Martineau: focb.events@gmail.com
- to receive the application
- cost is \$25.00
- June 30—deadline for the application
- July 16—day of the art show



- Wallack’s Art Supplies and Framing (Ottawa)—10% discount
- Great Signs and Graphics (Welland)—10% on orders over \$75
- The European Pantry (Welland)—10% on art supplies—minimum order: \$50.00

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The Visual Artists of Welland 2020-2021 Executive Board:

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Event Planner: Lori Verschoor

Marketing: vacant

Member at Large: Tracy Greening / Liz Bird

Next General Meeting: Sunday, March 20th

Stay safe, sane, healthy, and happy!

Deedee and Pam