

Arts Quinte West ARTSCAST

The purpose of Arts Quinte West is to bring together people of all disciplines of the Arts with a common goal to encourage, promote and showcase their talents by staging appropriate events in Quinte West thereby raising awareness of the Arts and enhancing the quality of life in the community.

A Quarterly Newsletter

Issue No. 6 - September 2011

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Great value - low cost!

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2011 Update

Art was everywhere this summer!

It's been a busy summer with our artists appearing in a variety of events and venues.

Our **May** meeting was well attended and we enjoyed a presentation by Bill Tomlinson, former teacher and co-founder of the Arts program at Centennial Secondary School in Belleville and now an independent artist. Bill's insights into arts education were enlightening and thought-provoking for all of us.

Our collaboration with downtown businesses, **Arts UpFront**, was a great way for us to showcase our artists, with displays in many

shops along Front Street in Trenton and at the Farmers' Market. Rain kept a few visitors away but didn't dampen our spirits and we look forward to this event again in 2012.

In July, we enjoyed another **Canada Day Kids Art** event with art activities for children. Later in the month, we put on a great display at **Downtown Trenton's Festival on the Bay**. This year, our artist village in Compass Court attracted many visitors and gave us the opportunity to introduce residents and visitors to the talents of our members.

Our most recent event was **Trenton Scottish-Irish Festival**, with 10 artists displaying their work. We were pleased to be invited to participate and look forward to future festivals.



Canada Day



AQW Booth at the Scottish-Irish Festival

General Meeting Notice

Our next General Membership Meeting will be held on **Thursday, September 29**.

We're doing things a little differently at this meeting. Instead of a guest speaker, six of our members will demonstrate various techniques at stations around the room. Come and try out something new! Get all the details on the [event page](#) on our website.

Thursday, September 29, 2011

7:00 pm – 9:00 pm

CHANGE OF VENUE!

Knights of Columbus Hall

57 Stella Crescent, Trenton

For more information, contact Deanna Bach-Talsma at 613-394-5730.

We appreciate the support of:



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WELCOME FROM THE CHAIR

It is encouraging to see our membership increasing and more members taking part in our events. Your Board of Directors is a dedicated group who have worked hard this year to promote your work and raise the awareness of Arts Quinte West within our community.

We still have several planned events before the end of the year and we need your support either as a participant or a supporter in order to grow and prosper. I am excited with the idea of sharing our November Show with the students of Trenton High School. Our young people need encouragement and involvement in community projects.

We were sorry to lose Susan Sampson, photographer, as a member due to relocation. Susan was a regular participant and her work was extraordinary. However, we have other photographers who have joined to fill the gap and we welcome them wholeheartedly.

Our website continues to expand and there are many links to other sites which allow us to reach a much larger audience.

Yes, we are growing and becoming better known as a viable entity. I'm very much an optimist and somewhat of a philosopher. I love famous quotes; the most recent being, "It's only possible to live happily ever after on a day to day basis" Margaret Bonanno (1950) Writer. I think it means - Live for the day and take the time to smell the roses. In other words "Carpe Diem."

Yours in art,

Christine Pellati

Website Training

We have had over **8000 visitors** to the website since the launch at the end of March! Is your art on the website yet? If you haven't yet added your information and would like some assistance, contact us at communications@artsquintewest.ca and we'll arrange for some training sessions.

Plans for 2011

There are just two more major events this year and they're arguably our two largest. If you haven't yet signed up to be a part of these events, there is still time.

Savour

Arts Quinte West has once again been invited by the Quinte West Chamber of Commerce to set up a booth at their **Savour** event on **Friday, October 14**, a great opportunity to promote our own show later in the month. Savour is a wonderful opportunity to showcase a few of your pieces to the local business community and enjoy some local food and drink as well. Contact Lisa Farrell at fareyre@hotmail.com to participate. Tickets to Savour are available by contacting the Chamber of Commerce at 613-392-7635.

Arts Extravaganza 2011

No longer the Autumn Show & Sale, our major show of the year has grown by leaps and bounds. We're teaming up with Trenton High School's Arts Program on **Saturday, November 12** from **10am - 4pm** to present the *current and future artists of Quinte West*. In addition to twenty-four professional artists, we'll be showcasing the work of THS's most talented young creators.

- ★ Vote for a student artist in the People's Choice Award.
- ★ Enjoy the creations of the Culinary program - yes, food is one of the arts, too!
- ★ Enjoy musical entertainment from some of our musical business members.
- ★ And best of all, you can knock off some items on your Christmas list by purchasing a piece of art from one of our talented local artists!

We hope to see all our non-participating members come out to support the exhibitors. Make sure to share the event on your Facebook page and get all your friends to come!

To participate or volunteer, please contact Mandy Bing at mandybing@sympatico.ca.

Help us plan 2012!

Do you have a great idea for an arts event that we could plan for next year? If so, let us know as we start looking forward to 2012. We're eager to showcase as many different art forms as we can and we need your assistance to promote your special talent. Talk to a Board member at one of our meetings or events, or contact Christine Pellati at c.pellati@acn.net to share your ideas.

AQW Business Members

We value our business members for their support of the arts in Quinte West. Use your membership card for members-only discounts while supporting local businesses.



Professional, Affordable Framing!
25% Discount to AQW Members.



Let's Talk Music!
15% Discount to AQW Members on selected instruments and accessories.



Old Church Theatre

RIVERSIDE MUSIC We've got your instrument

10% Discount to AQW Members on various instruments and accessories.



Drama
Comedy
Musical Theatre



Alignment is Everything
Free initial consultation for AQW members (value \$65).



10% Discount on printing to AQW Members.



10% discount on ski passes, Sunday Brunch, food, clothing and summer camp registration.



Great Food, Great Atmosphere, Great River View!

Get info on AQW events:
www.artsquintewest.ca

Suso Bach

Acrylic landscape artist, Suso Bach, was born in Germany. Today he lives in Trenton, Ontario with his wife Alice, and their four grown children, who also live in the area.

Suso didn't start painting until his 30's and he is completely self-taught. He began with charcoal sketches and then oil painting and has since switched to acrylic.

Suso loves to paint nature in all its magnificent glory, be it the snow capped mountains, or the tiny stream. He is celebrated for painting nostalgic country and landscape scenes that are very familiar and relatable.

Contact Suso at su292003@yahoo.com



Gerry and Sheila Guay

Designing and making Tinware since 1989

A visit to the Tinsmith Shop at Upper Canada Village inspired us to pursue this venture. Each piece of Tinware is handmade, hand punched and hand painted.



In our work we use the three basic rules of design:

- Function
- Mood
- Harmony

We have gone beyond traditional tinware in the sense that our pieces are suitable for new homes, century homes, log homes, condos, apartments, cottages and gardens. We are proud to say our Tinware is now in many countries.



Penny Olorenshaw

Growing up in Canmore, Alberta, Penny was introduced to the arts at the nearby Banff Centre. Many years of dance study turned into an 18-year career backstage as a stage manager for several of Canada's finest modern dance companies and schools. International dance tours gave Penny the opportunity to photograph many different subjects, from markets in Macedonia to villagers in India to architecture in Italy.



Penny completed several photography courses at George Brown College. In 2005, the purchase of a digital SLR allowed her to experiment freely and shortly after, she and her partner left Toronto for a beautiful farm in Quinte West. Their garden (and its animal and insect population) has featured in many of Penny's images, as have local scenes in the Quinte region. One of her winter photos of Presqu'île Provincial Park placed first in the 2006 Ontario Parks Photo Contest and was published in Harrowsmith Magazine.

With her partner Eric, Penny operates poloDesign, developing custom websites and providing a variety of graphic design and web services. Penny is the Director of Communications for Arts Quinte West.



455 Dundas St West, Trenton
613-392-4008

Dr. Craig Cocek of the Chiropractic Centre has been providing chiropractic care to the community for the past 10 years. The vision of the centre is to provide the community with quality care, improving health by focusing treatment on the spine and nervous system. Patients of all ages come to our centre with different health issues such as headaches, low back pain, sciatica, colic, and immune suppression to name a few. Our centre is family focused, ensuring that all members are in optimum health.



44 Dundas Street West, Trenton
613-965-6240

Randall's Office Plus & Copy Depot began serving the Trenton and Quinte West area in 1995. Right from the beginning our focus has been to offer a wide selection of Office supplies and Office furniture. We are capable of reproducing art work upto 42" wide on all types of paper including canvas. Randalls is committed to providing the best possible customer service along with a wide range of quality products and services at a competitive price.



35 Front Street, Trenton
613-392-4333

Tomasso's Casual Dining is an upscale-casual restaurant located on the banks of the Trent River in the heart of downtown Trenton. Built across 3 properties for multi level seating with soaring ceilings, touches of wood and steel, colourful hand painted wall frescos and warm hues of terracotta and a waterfront patio - the setting is a perfect combination of city style and rustic Mediterranean comfort. The Italian influenced menu is sure to offer something for everyone.

Art Displays

Arts Quinte West is responsible for local public art displays in a variety of venues. Mary Britt and Henry Mitchell coordinate the details of location, changeover dates and artists involved.

Some venues only have space for two or three paintings but others can take up to ten, in which case two artists can share in the display if they wish.

Each showing will be for a three month period with the exception being the themed show in the Foyer of City Hall which is for two month periods.

Arts Quinte West does not charge a commission - it's in our mandate to encourage, promote and showcase members' works. Opportunities to exhibit are a benefit of being a member of AQW and a great way to get your name in the community.

We are always looking for more participants in this year-round showcase program. Please contact Mary at gbritt@sympatico.ca to sign up.

Current exhibit locations

Mayor John Williams' Office	Trenton Pharmacy
Lou Rinaldi MPP Office	Quinte West City Hall Display Cabinet (when available)
Rick Norlock MP Office	Quinte West City Hall Arts Showcase (see sidebar)
Riverside Music	The Royal Bank
Quinte West Medical Centre	(currently closed to exhibitors because of renovations)

Quinte West City Hall

In 2010, AQW was honoured to be asked to create a permanent, rotating display in the lobby of City Hall in downtown Trenton.

We have created a series of themes for the two-month exhibits in 2011.

Jan/Feb	Imagination Gone Wild
Mar/Apr	Where We Live and Work
May/June	Butterflies and Things That Fly
July/August	From Sea to Shining Sea
Sept/Oct	Out In The Country
Nov/Dec	Put Your Head in the Clouds

We'll be holding a reception to celebrate each new exhibit. Non-exhibiting members are invited to bring along artwork that fits the chosen theme for display at the reception.

Keep up with Arts Quinte West

Get the latest news on our events and displays by visiting our website at artsquintewest.ca.

Join Arts Quinte West

Membership in Arts Quinte West is very affordable and a great way to have more opportunities to promote your work.

With the launch of our new website, AQW members will have the opportunity to showcase their work, promote their own events and link to their own websites.

Membership is open to artists of all disciplines from Quinte West and the surrounding area. We welcome students 16 years of age and up to join. Arts Quinte West welcomes involvement from arts supporters and patrons, organizations and businesses within Quinte West.

Annual membership fees:

General	\$25
Family	\$40 (2 members)
Student	\$10 (non-voting)
Group	\$40
Business	\$40

Membership fees are deductible from artwork sales income.

All memberships are due for renewal at our AGM in March. For those who join after October 1, renewals will be prorated.

Becoming a member of Arts Quinte West gives you access to the latest information on cultural events in the Quinte region including theatre & music performances, visual art and craft tours and exhibitions. Thanks to our membership in the Quinte Arts Council, all AQW members receive the weekly Arts Calendar by email.

Members also receive, and may be featured in, the AQW newsletter, as well as a variety of valuable membership benefits including promotional and exhibition opportunities, voting privileges at our annual general meeting and the opportunity to display your work and promote your events on our website and blog. Discounts are available from many of our business members as well.

Steering Committee

Chair: Christine Pellati
Co-Chair & Treasurer: Suzanne Andrews
Secretary: Mary Britt
Membership: Deanna Bach-Talsma
Business Membership: Maggie George
Communications: Penny Olorenshaw
 Lisa Farrell
Members-at-large: Mandy Bing, Edith Kliesch, Carryl Postma

Website: artsquintewest.ca

Special Thanks

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