



AGR

Winter 2023-24
Newsletter

Lunar Waves [detail], Hanna Yokozawa Farquharson, 24" x 24" x 7"
Cotton fabric, pins and cork, 2023. (Photo: Hanna Yokozawa Farquharson)

MAIN GALLERY

EXHIBITIONS

Sharing Space: A Festival of Community and Nonprofit Art Experiences

November 9, 2023 – January 13, 2024



Still Life drawing in the gallery, a partnership with the Royal Saskatchewan Museums. October 2023. Photo: AGR staff.

Over the past year, the AGR has been working to strengthen and expand our partnerships and collaborations with other arts and community organizations, with funding assistance from the Canada Council for the Arts. Our ongoing partnership with Holophon Audio Arts is a prime example of this initiative. We are now pleased to announce *Sharing Space: A Festival of Community and Nonprofit Art Experiences*.

The Art Gallery of Regina is excited to announce a schedule of events developed by arts and community organizations that will activate the AGR's gallery space from November 30 - January 13. We recognize that many organizations don't have publicly accessible spaces to develop and showcase their work. By sharing the valuable resource of our space for activities such as workshops, creation, screenings, and gatherings, we help our partner organizations to support local artists and fortify our arts and cultural community.

See pages 18 & 19 in this newsletter to get involved in free experiences and for event details as they emerge. We can't wait to see you there!

MAIN GALLERY

EXHIBITIONS

If You Prick Me, Do I Not Bleed?

January 25 – March 30, 2024

Opening Reception January 25, 7 PM

Stacey Fayant, Marcy Friesen, Melanie Monique Rose, Mindy Yan Miller, Hanna Yokozawa Farquharson

Curated by Sandee Moore

Through needle-based practices ranging from embroidery to beading and quilting to tattooing, five Saskatchewan artists invite audiences to share in experiences of otherness, pain, and healing. Rather than inflicting harm, artists in the exhibition use needles to draw together and mend.

Cultural tattooist Stacey Fayant invites viewers to understand traditional practices in her work, consisting of a quilt printed with images of smiling women all bearing chin tattoos, photographs and performing a skin stitch tattoo on her daughter. Her works draws an extended community into this vital celebration and caring.

Métis textile artist Melanie Monique Rose combines powerful symbols of identity - traditional Métis floral beadwork and Palestinian Keffiyeh scarves - to highlight the parallel between her family's experiences of being colonized in Canada and her sister-in-law's experience of colonization in Palestine.

Mindy Yan Miller reminds us to keep the Holocaust in public memory through her nearly immaterial work: a Star of David embroidered in human hair, a recording of the artist whispering

600 names of the six million people who were murdered, and a small pile of chalk dust created by writing and erasing these names. The terrible scantness of the chalk dust, so like cremated ash, allows us to understand the loss of so many lives.

Marcy Friesen (Swampy Cree/Welsh) translates her successful commercial beadwork practice to emotionally-charged photography. During the lengthy process of applying the beads in a pattern of flowing tears, Friesen told her daughter about familial experiences of residential school. Friesen's is a powerful acknowledgement of harms perpetrated on Indigenous Canadians, and offers a profound gesture of healing through traditional knowledge and forms.

Self-taught quilter Hanna Yokozawa Farqharon imagines the lunar seas, dark craters mistaken for bodies of water by early astronomers, as teeming with intelligent cetacean life. The fragile and fanciful work reveals a concern about climate change driving many species from their traditional range, causing the artist to imagine whales seeking refuge on the icy sphere of the moon.

Through their stitches, artists in the exhibition mend and heal relationships with the past, the self, others, and the environment, shaping a resilient social fabric.



Six Million Stitches (detail), Mindy Yan Miller, human hair on wool, 2017 (unfinished).



Oh My Heart, Marcy Friesen, photograph, 2022. (Photo courtesy Fazakas Gallery.).



Lunar Waves [detail], Hanna Yokozawa Farquharson, 24" x 24" x 7"
Cotton fabric, pins and cork, 2023. (Photo: Hanna Yokozawa Farquharson)



(Work in progress),
Melanie Monique Rose,
2023.



People with Face Tattoos
Make Me Heal [detail],
Stacey Fayant, 2023.

MEMBERS ' EXHIBITIONS

Call for Submissions from AGR Members:

Members' Show & Sale

April 11 – May 11, 2024

Submissions due by March 18, 2024

Once again, the AGR is delighted to share the skill and diversity of art practices by our members in our main gallery exhibition space from April 11 - May 11, 2024. All members in good standing are welcome to submit pieces to be displayed in the main gallery space, as well as our online store. Please review the Guidelines & Online Submission Form at:

www.artgalleryofregina.ca/members-show-and-sale

A much-anticipated event, the Art Gallery of Regina's Members' Show & Sale is also the gallery's most important fundraising event of the year; a portion of the proceeds support the Art Gallery of Regina's free exhibitions and affordable programming. The AGR is an independent, non-profit, public gallery and a registered charity.

IMPORTANT DATES TO

REMEMBER:

FEBRUARY 15 Submissions Open

MARCH 18 Entry Deadline

APRIL 4 Artwork Drop Off

APRIL 13 Opening Reception
1- 4 pm

MAY 11 Show Closes

MAY 12 Artwork Pickup, 12 - 5

**Submissions are
online only.
Don't have an email
address or access to
a computer?
Call the Gallery at
306.522.5940 and
staff will complete
the online entry
form on your behalf!**

MEMBERS ' EXHIBITIONS

New!

**JAGR Display Case
Jewellery Artists' Guild of
Regina**

Deck The Halls

November 23 – January 4



Image: *Silver Bell*, Kyla Clincke, 2023.

Deck the Halls is a cheerful and beautiful display of ornaments handcrafted by JAG Regina members inspired by, and created for, the holidays. Don't miss this opportunity to bring a unique handmade bit of holiday spirit home with you!

**Outside the Box
Display Case Exhibition
Jewellery Artists Guild of
Regina**

Under the Prairie Sky

December 2 – January 4

We live in the land of living prairie skies that are ever changing. Sometimes happy and bright, only to turn angry and stormy without notice, the prairie sky always makes a statement.

Members of the Jewellery Artists Guild of Regina have listened to



Image: *Stormy Nights on the Killdeer Badlands*,
Roxanne Brown, 2023.

our prairie skies' statements. They speak in vibrant colours that turn to moody hues, in angry thunder that predicts bright lightning and in the laughter of raindrops. We have accepted the mood of the sky in our daily lives and used its direction to inspire this work.

**Outside the Box
Hallway Gallery Exhibition
Spencer Atkins
Land, Space & Place
December 2, – January 4,**

For the past 2 years, Spencer Atkins has been sourcing wood found around Swift Current and the north Qu'Appelle area. Some of it comes from granaries that are over 100 years old, and each piece carries distinct characteristics and histories along with it.

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Atkins' current exhibition *Land, Space, & Place* features a series of naturally formed compositions framed in wood found on the same site. The ethereal nature of these compositions lends itself to meditation on the specific places, stories, and land that inspired their creation.



Image: *Light Brush*, Spencer Atkins, 2023 .

Outside the Box
Hallway Gallery Exhibition
Tavleen Jassal
January 6, – January 30

Outside the Box
Display Case exhibition
Tea Gerbez
A Cue from the Leaves
January 6, – January 30

Outside the Box
Display Case
Regina Art Collective
February 2, – February 28

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Outside the Box
Hallway Gallery Exhibition
Gerry Ruecker
Un/Discard:Re/Form
February 2, – February 28



Image: *Untitled Construction With Rectangle*, Gerry Ruecker, 2021.

Gerry Ruecker's exhibition, *Un/Discard:Re/Form* challenges the perception of what is commonly considered trash. His assemblage artworks combine reclaimed treasures with cheap, decorative baroque-influenced picture frames, questioning the customary confines of shape and design associated with classical objects. The resulting pieces highlight the contradictions inherent in life while functioning as both an homage and caricature of a tired style still viewed as "classy."

WORKSHOPS

Sculpting Memory: Poetry and Paper Quilling
with Tea Gerbeza

DATE February 4

TIME 2:00 – 4:00 PM

PLACE Art Gallery of Regina

NO COST

Register in advance through Eventbrite



Photo of Tea Gerbera by Ali Lauren

How do you remember? How have you healed your relationship with yourself, your past? Are there memories, knowledge that you are trying to reach, uncover?

Guided by poet and paper artist Tea Gerbeza, this workshop will provide an

inclusive space for participants to explore their personal experiences through poetry and paper quilling. Participants will learn basic quilling shapes and reflect on memory, culture, family, and selfhood through poetry.

Participants will write lines of poetry on strips of paper, which will then be used to create a paper-quilled “memory-sculpture.” This workshop is free and all levels of experience in poetry and/or paper quilling are welcome. All materials will be provided by the Art Gallery of Regina.

Masks are highly encouraged. A note on accessibility: Paper quilling is a dexterous art form, which may be inaccessible for some folks.

A potential way to make it accessible is to invite someone along to collaborate in the creation of a paper sculpture.



Photo courtesy of Tea Gerbeza

WORKSHOPS



Healing Through Tattoos: A Conversation with Tattoo Artist Arielle Racette

DATE February 24

TIME 12 – 1 PM

PLACE Art Gallery of Regina

NO COST

Register in advance through Eventbrite

This event will take place in the gallery as a complimentary experience to the exhibition *If You Prick Me Do, I Not Bleed?*

Tattoo artist Arielle Racette will lead a discussion around accessibility practices and techniques in tattooing. The number of participants will be limited to ensure a safe, confidential, and intimate discussion.

Although to some, it may seem ironic to claim that tattoos can heal, Racette has witnessed how tattooing can give clients confidence, the ability to recover from or cope with trauma, or an avenue to process loss and grief. In addition, Racette will discuss how artists try to make their spaces welcoming to reduce clients' anxieties, as well as how to support those with different needs and concerns through thoughtful language.

LIVE EVENTS

Live Tattooing Performance

DATE Saturday, February 10, 2024

TIME 2–4 PM

LOCATION Art Gallery of Regina (2420 Elphinstone St.)

NO COST



Stacey Fayant performing a skin-stitch tattoo.
Photo: Jason Hipfner.

Artist Stacey Fayant will conduct a live skin-stitch tattooing performance in conjunction with the exhibition *If You Prick Me, Do I Not Bleed?* inviting family, community, and the public to understand Indigenous Cultural Tattooing traditions as acts of healing and care.

Fayant will bestow traditional marks on her daughter in accordance with safety guidelines and traditional protocols.

The event aims to heal historical rifts for Indigenous people and shift attitudes about tattoos. The artist notes that tattooing was traditionally a community event, and invites the public to acknowledge the emotional, spiritual, and physical vulnerability of the artist and her daughter. The event is free and open to all interested people, and includes an intercultural panel discussion of traditional tattooing practices with local and international tattooists.

LIVE EVENTS

Six Million Stitches: Responsive Holocaust Memorial

DATE Saturday, January 27, 2024

TIME 2-4 PM

LOCATION Art Gallery of Regina (2420 Elphinstone St.)

NO COST

A live performance of Mindy Yan Miller's *Six Million Stitches* on International Holocaust Remembrance Day provides a visceral experience that allows people to reflect on the enormity of lives lost and to mourn and remember. *Six Million Stitches* intersects with all marginalized communities. A trigger warning will invite participants to retire to a reserved space if they are overwhelmed.

PRESENTED IN PARTNERSHIP WITH REGINA MULTIFAITH COUNCIL

YOUR MEMBERSHIP MATTERS

As a free-admission charitable non-profit, we rely on our amazing membership base to help keep our exhibitions and programs free and accessible. Renewing your AGR membership provides this invaluable support as well as these unique member benefits:

- exhibition opportunities (participate in annual Members' Show & Sale, Outside the Box exhibitions, and other opportunities)
- receive our e-newsletter
- support artists and culture in Saskatchewan
- Discounts on AGR workshops and select stores around Regina

\$40/YEAR + PST

Renew your membership online, by calling 306.522.5940, or visiting us in person.

PARTNER PROGRAMMING



The Listening Station: *Seasons*
in partnership with Holophon Audio Arts
Fall October 5 – January 5
Winter January 10 – April 10

Curated by members of Holophon, the Listening Station is a year-long program that will host four sound art exhibitions, each one featuring two artists and inspired by one of the seasons.

Autumn features Holophon member **Hilarey Cowan** and guest artist **Cat Haines**, and *Winter* will bring member **Cameron Wiest** and guest **Garry Wasyliv**.

We would love for you to visit! The Listening Station is located in the hallway of the Neil Balkwill Civic Arts Centre, and is free and accessible seven days a week during the Centre's operational hours.

For bios of the exhibiting artists, the schedule of exhibitions, and more, please visit our dedicated Listening Station page:
<https://www.artgalleryofregina.ca/partner-exhibitions>

PARTNER PROGRAMMING

Holophon programs continued:

The Art Gallery of Regina is proud to partner with Holophon Audio Arts, a non-profit organization supporting sound art and experimental music in Saskatchewan since 2008. We are grateful for the support of the Canada Council for the Arts to build this partnership, and for the City of Regina for funding the Listening Station programming.



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REGINA
Infinite Horizons



Rest (15:13) by Cat Haines

Autumn is a time of slow down and rest as we move out of summer and begin to prepare for winter. This drone uses rhythm and beat to explore the often unsustainable pace and beat of capitalism, and what shifts when we stop or slow down that beat, and focus on, instead, the self-as mediated through self resonating filters and delays in this piece. This piece was composed using a Moog DFAM, Baringer Neutron, and Volca Keys.

Shiftover I & II (8:03 & 8:25) by Hilarey Cowan

Fresh autumnal field recordings coupled with the last dregs of summer are woven together to form a sonic moment of transition, and the temperature & leaves drop.



SHARING SPACE

Holophon Audio Arts: Sound Art + Visual Art

November 30, 2023

7:00 – 10:00 PM

NO COST



The first event in our Sharing Space: A Festival of Community and Nonprofit Art Experiences features our partnership with Holophon Audio Arts. We invite you to enjoy two great arts that go great together: Visual Art + Sound Art.

Gather in the AGR's gallery on November 30 to waken mindfulness, overcome anxiety and fight boredom through visual and auditory senses.

Members of Holophon Audio Arts will craft a soothing sonic atmosphere that promotes focus and creativity while AGR staff invite participants to create a communal drawing responding to the auditory stimulus on a large roll of paper.

SHARING SPACE



SK Printmakers: Lino Cut Holiday Card Workshop

December 8, 2023

7:00 – 9:00 PM

NO COST

Join us at the Art Gallery of Regina for a new art-making experience! Learn to make beautiful holiday cards using the technique of lino-cut printing in this beginner-friendly workshop. Don't miss out on this free opportunity to create unique and personalized cards for your loved ones. Sign up now for free, and create something new!

Common Weal Community Arts: Burnt Sienna Blueprint sowing the seeds of love

December 11, 2023

10:00 AM – 4:00 PM

NO COST

In this brand-new hybrid of performance and workshop, we will get comfortable in our seats as audience then dive into candid conversations and playfully creative activities. The experience intends to share and practice community-building skills, and grow our empathy, and cross-cultural understanding of how to serve communities in genuine, kind, inclusive, and joyful ways.

Lunch provided.

SHARING SPACE

Curtain Razors: 4 Days of Awareness Through Movement for Sectoral Burnout

December 18 , 19 , 20, 21, 2023

11:00 AM – 12:00 PM

NO COST

Join Johanna Bundon in this restful learning environment to replenish and restore pleasure in the small movements of life. Participants can expect to lie down, make small movements, and notice distinctions in effort and sensation. Together we will orient to ease and pleasure.

This practice prioritizes ideas like 'Slowing down' and 'Doing less than we can'. Each 40-45 minute lesson will be followed by tea, seasonal treats and chats.

Curtain Razors: Seasonal Cheer for Sectoral Burnout with Curtain Razors

December 21, 2023

12:00 – 3:00 PM

NO COST

We work so hard - let's pause and be merry.

Join Curtain Razors and Friends for a drop-in afternoon of low key activities.

Pop by the Art Gallery of Regina to say a quick hello, or spend the afternoon with us. Be nourished by warm food, savor a seasonal story, or lift your voice in song with friends and colleagues.

GALLERY NEWS

STAFF UPDATES



Exciting news from The Art Gallery of Regina! Our dedicated staff have taken on expanded roles to better serve our community. Congratulations to our Partnership Manager, Madeleine Greenway, who is now the Partnership and Community Engagement Manager, and our Curator of Exhibitions and Programming, Sandee Moore, who will also be filling the role of Interim Director. We look forward to continuing to share engaging and revealing experiences of art and events that animate our community!

DONATION REQUESTS

The AGR is accepting donations of the following items in clean, good working condition:

- Keurig coffee maker
- Digital picture frame (plays a slide show of digital photos)
- Rubbermaid storage totes

THANK YOU TO OUR SPONSORS, FUNDERS, AND PARTNERS



Event sponsors and partners



GUILD MEMBERS ' INFORMATION

Regina's art guilds have been long-time supporters of the AGR and valued members of our community. We are delighted to share opportunities to get involved with these engaging groups that are key members of our arts ecology.

Brushworks Art Guild of Regina

Brushworks Art Guild of Regina is a mutually supportive group of artists. They facilitate enhanced creativity and bring a sense of community to the individual artist who works in an isolated environment. Interested artists of all levels are invited to contact them.

www.brushworksartguild.ca

HeARTland Artist Guild

HeARTland Artists Guild (formerly Regina North Artists Guild) was established in 1980 by 16 local artists. They formed to meet the needs of local artists wanting an avenue to encourage and foster their talents. The Guild's name was changed in 2010 to HeARTland Artists Guild. The Guild continues to create an atmosphere that promotes and encourages its members. Please contact Sheila Banga, s.b@sasktel.net, for more information. We welcome new members!

Jewellery Artists Guild of Regina

The Jewellery Artists Guild of Regina (JAGoR) is a collaboration of local jewellery designers and artisans ranging from part-time enthusiasts to full-time professionals. Incorporated in 2017 as a non-profit organization, its goals include continuous learning, networking, developing and encouraging the work of its members and conveying the value of handcrafted jewellery to the public. Membership is open to jewellery artists who design and fabricate original handmade items, including metal and glasswork students who wish to advance their skills.

www.jagregina.com

The Regina and Area Potters Guild

The Regina and Area Potters Guild was established in 1987. A non-profit organization, its main objective is to provide fellowship and educational opportunities through classes and workshops. Interest in the guild has grown in the last few years. Members are professional, hobby and student potters. Membership is open to anyone who subscribes to the objectives of the Guild and pays the annual membership fee.

RAPG.YQR@gmail.com

[reginaareapottersgui.wix.com/
reginapottersguild](http://reginaareapottersgui.wix.com/reginapottersguild)

Regina Art Collective

The Regina Art Collective (RAC), established in 2015, is a collaborative group of artists that have come together to promote their work outside of the commercial gallery model. Coming out of the structure of much larger guilds, RAC believes that a smaller collaborative group of practicing artists contributes to each artist's personal growth and professional development, in addition to supporting the exposure of their talents and artistic endeavours.

Contact:

reginaartcollective@gmail.com

www.reginaartcollective.com

GUILD MEMBERS' INFORMATION



THE REGINA AND AREA POTTERS GUILD INVITES YOU TO JOIN US FOR OUR 4TH ANNUAL CHRISTMAS WISHES SALE! YOU'RE SURE TO FIND THE PERFECT GIFT FOR SOMEONE ON YOUR CHRISTMAS LIST!

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 9, 2023

10:00 - 4:00

REGINA SENIOR CITIZENS' CENTRE, 2404 ELPHINSTONE ST
FOLLOW US ON FACEBOOK OR INSTAGRAM FOR UPDATES!

Guild + Collective Memberships

Interested in having your Guild or Art Collective information in our newsletters? Ask us about our new Guild and Collective memberships.

Some benefits include:

- Guild listings in monthly and quarterly newsletters
- Guild listing on our website
- Select advertising opportunities
- & more!

GALLERY INFORMATION

VISIT US!

2420 Elphinstone Street (inside the Neil Balkwill Civic Arts Centre).
Admission is FREE!

Tuesday - Thursday...11 AM - 7 PM
Friday - Saturday.....1 - 5 PM
Sunday - Monday.....CLOSED

MAILING ADDRESS

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NOTE TO MEMBERS:

Complete member roster will now be published once per year in the AGR's Annual Report only. Our next Annual Report will be released September 2024.

MASK & VACCINATION POLICY

Please ask us for a mask and be mindful that many people are still vulnerable to COVID-19 and other infections.

NEW ACCESS OPTIONS

Sensory toys and noise reducing headphones are now available to use for free while you are in the Gallery space. Please return them when you are finished in the Gallery.



STAFF

Interim Director - Sandee Moore
Curator of Exhibitions & Programming - Sandee Moore
Partnership & Community Engagement Manager - Madeleine Greenway

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WINTER CALENDAR OF EVENTS

NOVEMBER 23

JAGR Display Case
Jewellery Artists' Guild
of Regina: *Deck The
Halls*
continues to Jan. 4

NOVEMBER 30

**Sound Art + Visual
Art**
w/ Holophon Audio
Arts
7-10 PM

DECEMBER 2

**Outside the Box
Hallway Gallery
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Spencer Atkins: *Land
Space Place*
continues to Jan. 4

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Tavleen Jassal**
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JANUARY 10

**Holophon Listening
Station: Winter**
continues to April 10

*Due to circumstances, dates may change. Please check our website & social media streams for updates.

WINTER CALENDAR OF EVENTS

JANUARY 25

**Main Gallery
Exhibition: *If You
Prick Me, Do I Not
Bleed?***

continues until March
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JANUARY 27

**Performance
*Six Million Stitches***
Art Gallery of Regina
2-4 PM

FEBRUARY 2

**Outside the Box
Display Case
exhibition**

Gerry Ruecker
Un/Discard:Re/Form
continues to Feb. 28

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Display Case
exhibition**

Regina Art Collective
continues to Feb. 28

FEBRUARY 4

**Sculpting Memory:
Poetry and Paper
Quilling
with Tea Gerbeza**
2 - 4 PM

FEBRUARY 10

**Live Tattooing
Performance**
Stacey Fayant
2-4 PM

FEBRUARY 24

**Healing Through
Tattoos: A
Conversation with
Tattoo Artist Arielle
Racette**

11 AM - 12 PM

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