



## A dynamic community that celebrates and supports the **Arts**

Red Deer Arts Council is pleased to present

# PHILOSOPHICAL THOUGHTS ACRYLICS BY ASTA DALE



*Love and Hate*  
Acrylic/Canvas, 2017  
Asta Dale



*Respect and Love*  
Acrylic/Canvas, 2020  
Asta Dale

This special pop-up gallery will be held at 4804 50 Avenue (on Little Gaetz, at the former Great Strides Shoe store) in lieu of her exhibit that was to be hosted in the Kiwanis Gallery. Dates for the exhibit are August 2nd to August 31<sup>st</sup>, but closed on the holiday Monday, August the 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2020.

Open to the public on Mondays & Fridays 1:00 to 4:00 pm and Wednesdays 3:30 to 6:30 pm to coincide with the downtown market.

**First Friday Opening: August 7 from 5:30 to 7:30 pm.**

Artist will be in attendance. Please practice social distancing and wear a mask. Individually packaged refreshments will be served.

The Red Deer Arts Council gratefully acknowledges the venue donation by Triumph Roland Plaza LP and Triumph Roland Plaza GP Ltd.



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~Creativity Understood~

## The “In the Neighbourhood” Concert Series is underway!

We are so excited to create this exciting live community-based experience for several neighbourhoods around the city (and a few more organized with the County, too!)

Artist lineup includes Kayla Williams, Mike Szabo & Katy Grant, Paeton Cameron with Lisa Spencer-Cook, Ryan Carnduff, Ancient History, Pits Planet Earth, James Reckseidler and more.

Our first concert is August 8<sup>th</sup> and we'll also be hosting concerts in Waskasoo, Normandeau, Evergreen (a new neighbourhood near River Bend Golf Course,) Riverside Meadows, and the Golden Circle. We do still have a few spots for concerts, so if you want to add you 'hood to the mix, please check out our website:

<https://www.reddeerartscouncil.ca/online-arts-festival/neighbourhood-concert-series>.

And yes, we are being coy by not telling you who/where/when details. We have AHS capacity limits to follow, and the neighbourhood residents come first. But we can always use some volunteers! Get in touch if you're interested – there's a free concert to enjoy while you help out.)



## Pop-Up Art Gallery

Come check out ASTA Dale's art in our special pop-up gallery during the month of August. We'll be open Mondays and Fridays from 1 – 4pm and on Wednesdays from 3:30 – 6:30pm to coincide with the downtown market! Come check out the art. Suzanne will be there and available for conversations and **membership** purchases if you haven't had a chance to renew and prefer an in-person transaction.

We would like to acknowledge Triumph Roland Plaza LP and Triumph Roland Plaza GP Ltd. for their donation of the gallery space. (More exhibition details or previous page.)

## Alberta Culture Days 2020

This year's events are taking place all September long and we are so excited about the ways that COVID-19 has helped us come up with new ways to celebrate. Check out our website, <https://www.reddeerartscouncil.ca/news/alberta-culture-days> for more details about artist, literary, and musician calls for submission for many activities around the downtown and the city!

Mark your calendars for September 26<sup>th</sup> – lots of great fun happening that day!

Red Deer Arts Council acknowledges the City of Red Deer for all its support through Culture Services!  
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## Lacombe Performing Arts group looks to PAC them in this fall

While the wheels might be falling off wagon for arts across the globe this summer, this hub is still spinning. Despite having to apply the brakes in March, the Lacombe Performing Arts Centre has had a fast start to its brief existence, and is ready to accelerate around the next corner when the pandemic slows down. The LPAC was created less than two years ago to become a hub for the city's performing arts community and has already become the centre where different art forms congregate.

"It's a little hard with our programming at the moment," says Executive Director Rosanna Kerekes. The entire summer concert series, Music in the Park, had to be cancelled this year, because meeting pandemic regulations in the outdoor setting was too difficult to manage.



*Eric Brent West & The Evergreens performing at the Lacombe Performing Arts Centre*

"It's just a little too hard for everybody to organize," she says. But the focus is now on the smaller programs that will be housed indoors this fall and winter. With a 150-seat theatre and a couple of large rooms for meetings and classes, there will be room for youth theatre, dance programs, writing workshops, visual art classes and even public speaking, along with the usual musical performances, assuming provincial regulations will allow them.

"We're really excited about our theatre programming," Kerekes says. The Centre has established youth theatre groups under the direction of AnnaMarie Lea of Cow Patti Theatre, and expects to continue those this fall, possibly expanding to adults as well.

Kerekes has only been in her position since January 2019, but she boarded a train that already had momentum because of years of work by the LPAC Foundation. The foundation had started up the Music in the Park series in 2013 and built the Echo Stage on the south side of the Memorial Centre in 2017. Those outdoor concerts have been averaging 200 to 300 people, she says.

When the Trinity Lutheran Church became available, the foundation leased it in October 2018, buying it outright a year later. It not only provided a home for their Homegrown Theatre group and space for numerous other community groups, but also offered a central environment for networking and collaboration of all Lacombe's artists.

The centre produces its own concert series through the colder seasons on weekdays, featuring local favourites and visiting musicians. Other performers book the venue for their own shows, and the Centre helps with promotions and even managing ticket sales. Local institution Tim Tamashiro has booked the space twice for concerts, Kerekes says. While the summer has been slow, it hasn't been a complete write-off. The Centre was overrun by a huge garage sale in July to raise money for the foundation. Monthly draws will also resume soon to offset the costs of their new baby grand piano.

Long-term plans include raising funds for a significant renovation as well, Kerekes says, which would include making the theatre fully accessible.

*For more information, visit [lacombeperformingartscentre.com](http://lacombeperformingartscentre.com).*



*The indoor venue set up for their recent garage sale.*