



A dynamic community that celebrates and supports *Arts and Creativity!*

Red Deer Arts Council and Red Deer Public Library are excited to present

An Improvised Performance

at Seeds of Growth: RDAC Visual Arts Members Juried Exhibit

running in the Kiwanis Gallery from February 21 – April 23, 2023.

We are excited to host a troupe of performers who love growing through onstage games and improvisation. We're still working out some details, so things are 'sketchy' for the moment... get it? Sketch Comedy? We'll announce who's performing when things are solid! Meanwhile, come see the awesome artworks by our local visual artist members! One thing is for sure, it's going to be a fun night!

Behind the Green Door
Mixed Media, 2022
Margriet Hogue



#FirstFridaysRedDeer Opening Reception April 14th from 5:30 to 7:30 pm. Refreshments served. (Moved to 2nd Friday due to the stat on April 7th.)

Gallery Hours:

Mon to Thurs 10am–8pm, Fri 12–5pm, Sat & Sun 10am–3pm

Bloom
where you are
Planted

April 5 - May 31, 2023
First Fridays April 14 and May 13
with Receptions from 5pm - 7pm

The Red Deer Arts Council Community Gallery
6 - 4919 49 Street, Downtown Red Deer

Gallery Hours: Wednesday - Friday, 10am - 4pm
and by Appointment Monday and Tuesday

The Red Deer Arts Council is pleased to present:

Bloom Where You Are Planted

Ceramic Works by the Red Deer Pottery Club
in the Red Deer Arts Council's Community Gallery.

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RED DEER & DISTRICT
COMMUNITY
FOUNDATION
all for community.

~Creativity Understood~

What's Happening in April 2023

A MOVIE MATINEE FUNDRAISER

THE PRINCESS BRIDE

SUNDAY APRIL 16, 2023 - 2 PM

NOW SHOWING



TICKETS

FAMILY PACK: \$40
*2 ADULTS + 2 KIDS
ADULTS: \$15
KIDS: \$10

ALL PROCEEDS BENEFIT THE
RED DEER ARTS COUNCIL
BUY YOUR TICKETS



HTTPS://WWW.REDDERARTSCOUNCIL.CA/PROGRAMS-
EVENTS/PRINCESS-BRIDE-FUNDRAISER



Bring a comfy chair or cushion, dress up in your best costume of a Rodent of Unusual Size (R.O.U.S.) or pajamas and watch the Princess Bride with us! Film is Rated PG recommended 9+

DRINK & POPCORN \$6
MORE FOOD FOR SALE

THE FLEX SPACE
5 - 4919 49 STREET

The Princess Bride Film Fundraiser Screening

After a 3-year delay, we're ecstatic to finally host our family-friendly film fundraiser featuring *The Princess Bride*! Join us at the Flex on Sunday, April 16th along with your kids and costumes, to watch this beloved cult classic film in a relaxed setting. Bring along PJs, pillows and blankets for the kids and comfy chairs for the adults, pick up your popcorn, hotdogs, and drinks, and laugh your hearts out with the whole gang! Prizes for best costumes in an adult, kids, and group category. All funds will continue to benefit our scholarships, awards, and other programs of the Red Deer Arts Council! Buy your tickets and refreshments at <https://www.reddeerartscouncil.ca/programs-events/princess-bride-fundraiser>

Renew Your Membership for 2023!

Join the Red Deer Arts Council! Memberships are just \$30 for Individuals, \$50 for Groups/Organizations, and it's FREE for Students in 2023! Join our Creative Community, add your voice to promoting arts and culture in Red Deer & Central Alberta. Visit our website to sign up or visit the office to buy your membership in person!

<https://www.reddeerartscouncil.ca/join-the-arts-council/become-member>

Books for Sale at the Red Deer Arts Council Gallery

We have some amazing authors in our community and we're proud to offer their novels, memoirs, and anthologies for sale in our office and gallery space. Please come down and pick up your next great read from writers like Vonda Peterson, Susan Glasier, Bill Franz, and more! Prices range from \$18 - \$30 and we accept cash, credit, debit, cheque, and more via Square payment systems. Many are also signed!



Art Speaks: How to Frame and Ship Artwork Andrea Hatch – April 26 6:30pm @ Red Deer Museum + Art Gallery

Attention all artists! Learn best practices in presenting and conserving your artwork. Join Andrea Hatch from Curiosity Art & Framing in her presentation on the importance of framing artwork and how to ship artwork for safety and preservation. Register at <https://reddeermuseum.com/event/how-to-frame-and-ship-artwork-with-andrea-hatch-2/>. \$10 for MAG and RDAC members, \$15 for non-members.

Our 50/50 Raffle Fundraiser Draw Date is extended to June 30

Visit our website RedDeerArtsCouncil.ca to order tickets to our 50/50 Raffle! Buy your chance to win upwards of \$10,000 if we sell out! Tickets are only \$5 each and you can buy from Board Members, Volunteers, Staff, or by sending an E-Transfer to info@reddeerartscouncil.ca in increments of \$5 along with your contact details so we can email you your ticket stubs!

Brave New Words – A Literary Open Stage

Our next event is Friday, April 21st at 7pm, with a chance to share your written creations in front of a supportive and encouraging audience. All ages are welcome. FREE to attend. (Normally held the 2nd Friday of each month, this month is different due to the stat on First Friday and other events.)



The RDSO Makes a Strong Come-back with First Full Season of Live Concerts in Three Years



With live audiences and musicians united once again, 2023 is starting on a tuneful note for the Red Deer Symphony Orchestra. All RDSO performances have been very well attended since in-person shows were relaunched in October following nearly three years of COVID-related shut-downs. Many new, enthusiastic faces can be seen amid the returning loyal subscribers — and this was not a given, admitted Jennette Miller, executive-director for the Red Deer Symphony Orchestra. “Coming out of the pandemic, we had no idea what to expect and no way to predict how our audiences would feel coming back to the concert hall.”

One revelation after two-and-a-half years of digital concerts is that many people were starved for arts and culture, she said. “There’s a lot of hunger for opportunities to enjoy live music... and not just with audiences, but also with musicians,” who have become enlivened by the energy from a receptive crowd. The next chance to hear the RDSO perform is at the April 29 Baroque Delights concert, featuring the Juno Award-nominated Rosa Baroca ensemble, which was founded by RDSO music director Claude Lapalme. The 2022-23 season will wrap in style on May 27, when the RDSO performs the whimsical, yet poignant soundtrack to the original film ‘Wondering with Wonder.’

This collaborative multi-disciplinary project incorporating puppetry and dance brought orchestra musicians together with Indigenous artists, jazz musicians and the Alberta choir Luminous Voices.

“It will be something pretty special,” said Miller, as the film will be screened to live performance of the soundtrack, composed by Chris Andrew and orchestrated by Lapalme.

This project is a first for the RDSO, which was started in 1987 by a group of local music lovers who felt Red Deer needed a symphonic orchestra. Originally semi-professional, the orchestra turned into an all-professional group by the mid 1990s.

In 1990, music director Lapalme was hired as conductor, bringing his bonus talents for arranging and composition, which are now in-demand across Canada.

Over the past decades, the RDSO has become an integral part of this community, with far-reaching programs that give live musical exposure to groups that would otherwise not get the chance.

Miller is looking forward to the relaunch of the Choir Kids program this spring, which gives school choirs the opportunity to perform live with the orchestra.

Similarly the Music for Mental Health was restarted this season. It sets aside concert seats for clients, staff and volunteers of service organizations. Miller said there’s also a Seats for Students program, with tickets dispersed among music teachers at schools and in the community.

As well, Open Rehearsals provide the opportunity to experience RDSO dress rehearsals to families with younger children, seniors with mobility issues, and those that would otherwise not be able to attend an RDSO concert or are interested in seeing how a performance is put together.

A great opportunity to hear RDSO musicians perform in the community will be through Symphony at the Snell on May 13 and June 10 at the Snell auditorium in the downtown Red Deer Public Library.

For more information about the season and to purchase 50/50 raffle tickets in support of the Red Deer Symphony Orchestra, please visit www.rdsoc.ca.