



Leading a dynamic community that celebrates the *Arts*

Get your groove on with Art Barker's musical stylings in the Kiwanis Gallery!

Red Deer Arts Council is thrilled to present a special First Friday Red Deer Concert Performance of *The Musical Stylings of Arthur Barker* in the Snell Auditorium at the downtown library (4818 - 49 Street, Red Deer). Art will be playing from 6:15 to 6:45 pm and 7:00 to 7:30 pm, so be sure to catch both sets!

With a classic-contemporary approach to musical storytelling, Arthur Samuel Barker gives his listeners' a nostalgic excitement that connects audiences of all generations. Fusing Blues, Folk-Rock and Country, Arthur combines powerful vocal stylings with the mastery of piano, guitar and harmonica.

A Western Canadian songwriter, composer, live performer and a recording artist, Arthur has developed his versatility as a musician over the past four decades. Arthur has a unique way of connecting with diverse audiences and has been played on radio stations in North America, Europe, as well as having performed regularly in Canada and in the Caribbean.

Arthur recently released an eclectic collection of his music that showcases his newest work alongside industry greats like Morgan McKee and Eric Allison. Arthur's album, *Somewhere Under the Radar* is available on CD Baby and the first track, *No Small Change* has been released with a supporting video on YouTube.

Exhibit continuing: *Alberta Community Art Clubs Association Alberta Spirit Show 2017*, which runs in the Kiwanis Gallery until October 15, 2017.

First Friday Red Deer is sponsored by the
Red Deer Downtown Business Association



Art Barker with his guitar



The Hat Shop
Watercolour,
Susan Barker



FRIDAY FAMILY
Dance



CANADA 150
1867-2017

Friday October 20 2017

Festival Hall 4214 58st Red Deer

6:30pm to 11pm

Featuring
Black Velvet
and DJ music by
Lifestyle Audio

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\$20 Family/Household of 4
or \$10 Adult and \$5 Youth
Ages 3 and under are free

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AND AT THE DOOR

Dawn and Brian: Creating ceramics that delight!

Red Deer-raised Brian McArthur met Dawn Detarando, of the Boston, Mass.-area, in graduate school in 1996.

They had taken their own winding paths to end up at the Ohio State University to study ceramics. But both Brian, who'd attended Red Deer College and the University of Regina, and Dawn, who studied at the Massachusetts School of Art in Boston, immediately felt at home within this new "community of ceramicists."

"It was like a family away from home," recalled Dawn, who enjoyed cooking, socializing, and collaborating with her classmates -- including the Canadian Brian.

The two young artists from opposite ends of the continent learned they could work well together, "We both have the patience," said Brian.

"And we can communicate. We know when to give each other space so we're not stepping on each other's toes," added Dawn.

Their creative partnership crossed over from art to life, and the two married in 1998.

After Dawn moved to Red Deer, she and Brian tried different avenues of making a living in art, teaching briefly at the University of Manitoba, then taking artistic residencies at the Moravian Pottery and Tile Works in Doylestown, Penn.

Inspired by their stint in Pennsylvania, the couple returned to Red Deer to start their own studio, Voyager Art and Tile. Their original intent was to make functional tiles for the building industry that were embellished with flora and fauna.

While they couldn't find a market among large building retailers, Dawn and Brian discovered their work was a hit with gift shop and gallery buyers -- so they shifted focus to more purely decorative pieces.

Their work can now be seen in Alberta's most selective fine-craft galleries, including the Alberta Craft Council Gallery and Alberta Branded in Edmonton.

Brian is known for his quirky Canadiana, incorporating explorers, canoes, moose and beavers. Dawn's latest projects have been sparked by her interest in bees and her concern by their declining numbers.

Both nature-loving artists have also produced collaborative works involving birds and other native species. Their large public artworks can also be seen around Alberta. These include the 6,500 tiles created with school children for the Collicutt Centre, the Red Deer mosaic in the G.H. Dawe Centre, and the David Thompson-inspired canoe installation in Edmonton.

Dawn feels they often work from a whimsical perspective to create art that's uplifting. "We want to make something that resonates with people and shares a story," added Brian.

Their works can be viewed at www.voyagertile.ca

I am the Arts



Dawn and Brian at home, 2017

We are avid outdoors people.

We love gardening, travelling, sculpting.

We enjoy hiking in the Rocky Mountains, and spending time with friends.

We are makers.

We are professional artists and partners in Voyager Art and Tile.

We are proud to call Red Deer home.

Join us in discovering the best our city has to offer.

Upcoming Exhibits in the Kiwanis Gallery:

October 17 to November 19

Presentification of Paradise:

Digital Photographs by Jean-René LeBlanc

News from the arts council

We are delighted to announce we have been working on a brand new website to go live on October first! One of the main goals of the Red Deer Arts Council is to promote and market the arts in our community. Toward this end, we developed an Arts Directory. The Arts Directory was designed to be a resource for anyone interested in learning more about the arts in our community and connecting with the various local artists and arts organizations. We hope this helps you find more art in your life!

Create a profile!

As a member, you get a full directory listing including complete contact information, profile photo, summary, and up to 5 additional photos. We also offer a more limited free profile, which includes a profile photo and basic contact information on non-members. Both the arts and the public will be successful in connecting!

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