

A vibrant community celebrating and supporting **Arts, Culture, and Creativity!**
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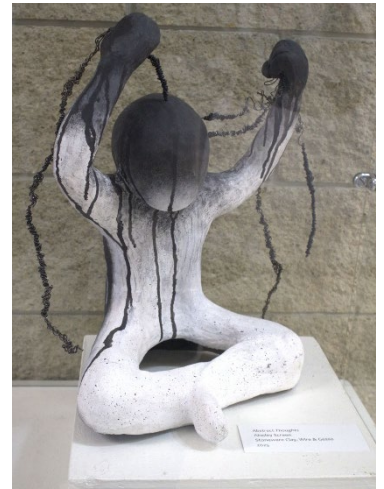


“HangUps and Insights”

The 17th Annual IB and AP Art Show

featuring works by students from Lindsay Thurber Comprehensive High School and Hunting Hills High School running in the Kiwanis Gallery until June 23, 2025

Abstract Thoughts
 Ainsley Screen, 2025
 Stoneware Clay, Wire & Gesso



Cut
 Deneen Hawryszko, 2025
 Watercolour, acrylic paint, acrylic ink on paper

This exhibition showcases the new artistic discoveries of these young artists. From paintings to ceramics, to prints and drawings and beyond, our next generation of young artists is ready to show their creations. Explore their work with them.

Gallery Hours: Mon-Thurs 9am–8pm, Fri 9am–5pm, Sat & Sun 10am–3pm

#FirstFridaysRedDeer Opening reception June 6 from 5:30 to 7:30 pm with the young artists and representation from Red Deer Polytechnic in attendance!

WUNDERKAMMER
 2025 STUDENT ART SHOW

ARTRIBUTE ART SCHOOL

JUNE 6 - 27
 2025

at the
 Red Deer Arts Council Community Gallery

4919 49 St #6
 Red Deer, AB

Opening Reception:
 Friday, June 6
 5 - 7pm

Red Deer Arts Council is pleased to present

Wunderkammer

ARtribute Art School Student Show

at the Red Deer Arts Council’s Community Gallery until June 30, 2025.

Step into a world of wonder! Please join us for Artribute Art School's year end show "Wunderkammer." Inspired by historical cabinets of curiosity, this unique exhibition showcases the incredible work our students have been creating all year, promising a delightful experience for all ages.

#FirstFridaysRedDeer June 6 opening reception from 5 – 7pm

Community Gallery Hours: Mon to Fri 10am – 5pm



~ Celebrating over 50 years of Arts and Creativity in Central Alberta ~

Creative Happenings in June 2025

Join us at these upcoming *In the Neighbourhood Concert Series* shows!



Check out these free concerts around the city! Bring your own lawn chairs and enjoy the show! Tips are gratefully accepted by the artists!

(Alternate rain/storm/heat/smoke dates listed in brackets at the same time as primary date)

- Carmen Winter** at Waskasoo Gazebo June 18 at 6:30 pm (or 25th)
- Memphis Mafia Duo** at 93 Cornett Drive Field June 30 5:00pm
- Mike Roland** at GW Smith School July 22 (or 29th) 7:30pm

Want to host a concert for your neighbourhood? Sign up at RedDeerArtsCouncil.ca/concert-series-register! They're free for your community association!

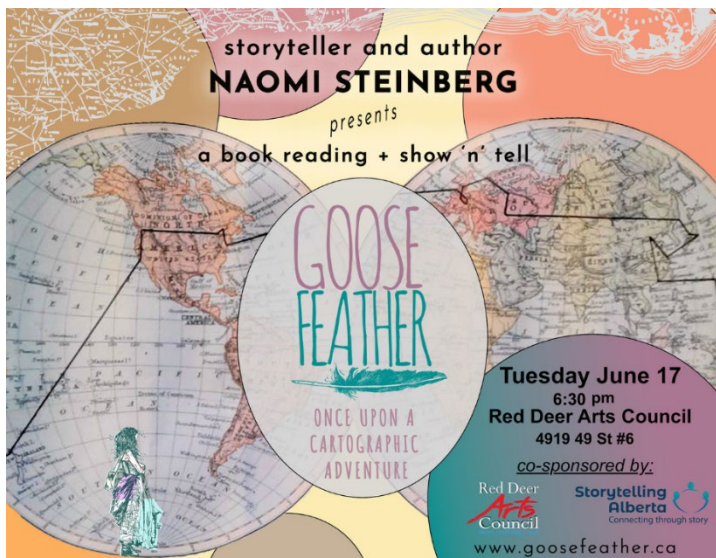
Scholarships & Awards Ceremony –Join us Wednesday, June 25 at our office 7pm to celebrate the many winners of our scholarship and awards throughout the year. Please RSVP!

2nd Annual Summer Solstice Plein Air Paint Out

This exciting event is happening again June 21 & 22 on the trails around Heritage Ranch! We've joined the Come Paint Alberta collective and are on the trail of paint outs across the province! Event details & registration form at: RedDeerArtsCouncil.ca/plein-air.

This *two-day* event will feature an oil painting demonstration by Ariane Kamps, time to paint late into the golden hour on Day 1 and an Art Show and Sale, with adjudication by Larry Reese and prizes on Day 2! Walk the trails and visit with artists at work!

The *Alberta Sports Hall of Fame & Museum* will host the Art Show & Wet Canvas Sale starting at 2pm on June 22, 2025. Bring all your friends and help them select a piece of art celebrating all the natural beauty of Red Deer, the river, and our fantastic trail systems! Buy & See ART!



SPECIAL LITERARY EVENT - Join visiting storyteller Naomi Steinberg at the Red Deer Arts Council's office on Tuesday, June 17th 6:30pm for a special presentation, **Goose Feather: Once Upon a Cartographic Adventure**. Free to attend, book reading, show & tell, friendship, and storytelling!

Poetry Can be a Lifeline, says Red Deer-based Author



Louise Goodfield with her book, *Plant Your Poetry*

Day 292: Ash
The Ash of experience
can give light too
-by Louise Goodfield

Louise Goodfield grapples with overwhelming thoughts and fervent emotions by turning them into poetry.

Putting thoughts down in words helps her to understand her own feelings, said the Red Deer resident, who believes others can likewise benefit. At a time when many people are feeling “burnt out just trying to survive.... poetry saves lives,” she insists.

“We need it to stay in touch with ourselves in a deeper, soul-searching way... You can write down

whatever you are feeling or thinking, and just get it out of your body. In our minds it gets so mixed up with everything else.” The UK native has written a new book that combines a year of her own daily poems, along with an inspirational story and prompts to help others start writing.

On June 7 from noon to 4 p.m., she will be signing copies of *Plant Your Poetry: 365 Poems and Prompts to Grow Your Writing Habit* at the Indigo store in Red Deer. Goodfield was raised in Surrey by an engineer father, who died when she was in her early 20s, and a mother, who is a stickler for proper grammar. She recalled her mom once sent her so-called ‘perfect’ essay back to her teacher marked over with red circles and corrections — and a note saying “don’t tell my daughter that something is perfect when it is not!” She has since come to appreciate these exacting standards.

While Goodfield had always enjoyed writing, she ended up working as an actor in London for a decade. Although she achieved a measure of success, even starting her own theatre company, she was frequently dissatisfied.

Goodfield recalled feeling like she was living somebody else’s dream instead of fully exploring her own. In 2018, she was diagnosed with “general anxiety disorder” and told there was nothing to be done for it. Amid her pain and frustration, she turned to poetry for solace and wrote a poem called *Sick*.

For the first time, Goodfield said, she was able to make some sense of her experiences.

Over the next few years, she began getting published in various literary and health journals. She received mentorship from British poet/educators and delivered poetry workshops for vulnerable adults and youths. Inspired by the poems of Federico Garcia Lorca, Goodfield began writing a poem a day after moving to Spain to teach English in 2022. “It was the best year of my life,” recalled the writer, who grew fond of the colourful culture and people.

She met her future husband, a Red Deer resident, in Spain, and they moved to Alberta in 2024.

The author is now raising their three-month-old daughter and happily adapting to a new country and stage of life. Goodfield, who has immersed herself in the local arts scene through the Red Deer Arts Council, continues to lead the Plant your Poetry group on Facebook, with members from across the globe.

Louise’s book is available for purchase at the Red Deer Arts Council office, too!