



**Creating a vibrant community
that celebrates the *Arts***

Rooted in the Arts II:
The Alberta Foundation for the Arts Collection
in the Kiwanis Gallery
Showcases 46 Central Alberta Artists

Continuing from October 9 to December 1
Rooted in the Arts II: The AFA Collection

This exhibit is the Centennial Project of the
Visual Arts Committee of the Arts Council

Bashaw Garage
Ink on Illustration
Board, 1979
Dwight Arthur



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I am the Dreamer
Mixed Media, 1990
Elyse Eliot-Los

3 Degree Background Radiation I
Mixed Media Collage on
Foamcore, 2007
Jeremy Mayne



Louis Cyr Lift
Ceramic/Glaze/
Epoxy, 2006
Brian McArthur

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



Darcy Guess Edinga Interview by Mike Lupul

Darcy Gusse Edinga is a textile artist who owns and operates Silk Concepts in Red Deer, Alberta. Working primarily with silk, Darcy does hand-painted production work in addition to creating unique, one-of-a-kind pieces. Her art is influenced largely by nature, and she makes use of a wide range of vibrant colours.

Darcy's work is displayed in numerous forms, such as hand-painted silk garments including jackets, ponchos, scarves, and shawls. Her work has also been reproduced into banners, prints, art cards, fridge magnets, and coasters. It is sold in various exhibitions and gift shops around the country, and was most recently accepted to be represented in the gift shop at Parliament Hill. In addition, Darcy's art has been featured in the Smithsonian exhibition, *Alberta at the Smithsonian*, and has been gifted to both national and international dignitaries.

Darcy graduated from the University of Alberta in 1983 with a Bachelor of Science degree in Home Economics, majoring in fashion design. She complimented her degree with additional training at Penland School of Arts and Crafts in North Carolina in 1982. Additionally, Darcy continues to take creative art courses. She currently resides in Red Deer with her husband, with whom she has been married for thirty years, and her three children. In her spare time, Darcy enjoys performing many activities outdoors, including cycling, hiking, gardening, and travelling.

Darcy will be participating in Art Market in Calgary at the TELUS Convention Centre from November 14th to 17th as well as the Butterdome Craft Sale in Edmonton at the University of Alberta from December 5th to 8th. She will also be hosting an open house in her studio at 152 Allwright Close on December 12th from 1:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. which will feature other local artists including Sally Towers-Sybbilis of Red Deer and Two Curls Jewellery of Edmonton. In addition, Darcy offers private instruction and will be teaching at Series 2014 from July 28th to August 1st.

For more information regarding Darcy and her artwork, visit her website www.silkconcepts.ca.

We are pleased to host Susan Barker's artwork in our office art program from October 15 to January 5, 2014. Sue is a member of our Visual Arts Committee and an active volunteer at our First Friday events, along with her pal, Issy Covey.

If you are a Red Deer and area artist and would like to participate in our office art program, simply call Diana at the office or send your information with photos of your artwork via email: 2D only, please.



Dragonfly, Watercolour, 2012
Susan Barker

Red Deer Arts Council Hosts our Centennial Exhibit

Our Artistic Heritage is alive and well in Red Deer!

Red Deer Arts Council and Red Deer Public Library host *Rooted in the Arts II: The Alberta Foundation for the Arts Collection* which runs in the Kiwanis Gallery of the Red Deer Public Library from October 9 to December 1, 2013. Our First Friday Red Deer will be November 1 from 6:30 to 8:30 pm. Refreshments will be served. Musical Entertainment will also highlight this evening.

Rooted in the Arts II: The AFA Collection is the highlight of our exhibits year at the Kiwanis Gallery. We are proud to have been working with the great staff at the Alberta Foundation for the Arts offices in Edmonton to bring this special exhibit to Red Deer. Many of the names listed below are unknown to some and icons to others in our arts community. They deserve the recognition that is granted to them by being part of the prestigious AFA collection.

The Visual Arts Committee has been working for over two years to plan this exhibit and is delighted with the response from the artists in our community who have provided updated artists statements to their works in this collection. We have lost many fine artists over the years, but the present generation of artists living and working in Red Deer can be proud of the artistic heritage left to them by former artists.

This is the second *Rooted in the Arts* exhibit in Red Deer; the first was held at the Harris Warke Gallery during the Lieutenant Governor of Alberta Distinguished Artist Awards Gala held in June of this year. That exhibit helps us tie together this exceptional year of the arts into the Centennial Celebrations as the Arts Council envisioned the exhibit as their centennial project. We hope you all have a chance to see this exceptional exhibit and enjoy Red Deer's visual arts history. Please join us for the opening on November 1 where many of the artists will be in attendance; music and food will help us celebrate this special exhibit.

Artists in the exhibit:

Dwight Arthur	Peggy Johnson	Carol Clark	Pat Matheson
Annie Pearson	Doug Corrigan	Winnie Alford	Edward Meding
Jim Westergard	Ernst Bollhorn	Malcolm Mackenzie	Terry Leonard
Nigel Lawrence	Janice McEwen	Shane Young	Ruth Stewart
Ingrid Plaudis	Elyse Eliot-Los	Jeanette Northey	Chuck Wissinger
Margaret Seelye	Maureen Scott	Dawn Rigby	Theresa Towers-Rickard
Kate More	Fran Slubik	Larry Corsiatto	Ellen Lyons
Pat Pelletier	Tim Van Horn	Mark Spowart	Art Whitehead
Viggo Nielsen	Rick Decore	Elaine MacBeth	Darren Petersen
Dorena Flewwelling	Robert Fleming	David More	Jason Frizzell
Pierre Oberg	Shirley Rimer	Brian MacArthur	Jeremy Mayne
Dawn Deterando	Trudy Golley		

I am the Arts



Darcy Gusse Edinga in her backyard ready to garden, Spring 2013

I am a proud mother of three grown children; Cory, Laura, and Kyle, and live with my husband Kim in Red Deer.

I enjoy gardening, hiking, cycling, and traveling.

I am a fibre artist.

I am proud to call Red Deer home.

I am Darcy Gusse Edinga.

Discover the best our City has to offer.

Upcoming Exhibit in the Kiwanis Gallery:

December 4 to December 29

Red Deer Arts Council Visual Arts Members

Juried Exhibition

First Friday, December 6, 6:30 to 8:30 pm



Lest We Forget

Coming in the New Year

December 31, 2013 to March 2, 2014

The Best of the West Travelling

SAQA Trunk Show

SAQA stands for Studio Art Quilts Associates

First Friday Red Deer, January 3, 6:30 to 8:30 pm

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