



Creating a vibrant community that celebrates the *Arts*

The Best of the West Travelling SAQA Trunk Show continues in the Kiwanis Gallery

December 31, 2013 to March 2, 2014

*The Best of the West Travelling
SAQA Trunk Show*

SAQA stands for Studio Art Quilts
Associates.

Our next First Friday Red Deer is February 7
from 6:30 to 8:30 pm. In conjunction with
the exhibit, we are featuring a special
presentation by musician Bradford Lawlor
in the Snell Auditorium.

Bradford Lawlor is originally from Prince
Edward Island, but moved to Red Deer in
May of 2006. He is an active member of
the performing arts scene in Red Deer. He
plays a mix of roots and folk music. He
picked up a guitar at the age of nine and
says, " It's been a love affair ever since." He
seriously started to focus on writing his
own songs in the past three years. He is
thrilled to be performing for the Red Deer
Arts Council's First Friday Red Deer.

RDAC is proud to present Kristin Guttridge as part
of our Office Art Project for January 16 to March
10, 2014.

Kristin is a member of our Visual Arts Committee.
As part of Alberta Culture Days in 2013, Kristin
was one of the chalk artists supporting the event.

Her gallery and studio are in her home in Innisfail.
Both her artist statement and biography can be
found on the RDAC website.

You too can be part of this project, call the office
for more information.

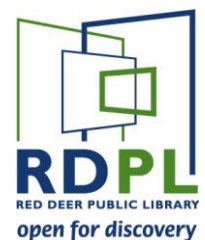


Old Man in Red
Oil on Canvas, 2012
Kristin Guttridge



Owlet
Oil on Canvas, 2013
Kristin Guttridge

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



Upcoming Workshop

The Red Deer Arts Council is pleased to present
Rock the Books II: Small Business Information Seminar for Artists.

Red Deer Arts Council and Culture Services (CoRD) presents **Rock the Books II** with Janis Richards formerly with Canada Revenue Agency on Thursday, February 27, 2014.

When: 6:00 pm to 8:00 pm with a question and answer session following the presentation.

Where: Main Meeting Room at Culture Services Centre, 3827 39 Street, Red Deer

Registration deadline is February 19, 2014. Please confirm your spot by email:

info@reddeerartscouncil.ca or by phoning Diana Anderson at **403-348-2787**. Payment is accepted at the door or in advance at the Red Deer Arts Council office. RDAC members are \$10; non-members are \$20.

Space is limited so call and book your space early.

Have you ever done your taxes and realized that something was wrong, or something was left out, and it ended up costing you more in the end? Janis Richards of JRich Business Services Inc. is here to help you learn how to do it right. This information session on taxes is relevant to artist of all genres and creative practices, Arts administrators, support and technical staff are also welcome.

Janis Richards has 33 years of audit experience with Canada Revenue Agency, 13 years operating a full service entertainment company and is also a shareholder/manager of a family lumber business. She has the experience to assist you in managing your finances for a better bottom line and understanding taxes as they affect your profession.

Janis will provide information on such topics as self-employed vs. employee; record keeping; business income; eligible expenses; GST treatment; inventory; donating services; audits and dispelling tax myths. This presentation will provide you with the information you need to keep your business, your paperwork and taxes up to date and accurate.

Red Deer Arts Council Annual General Meeting and "Where's My Tribe?" Event

Notice is hereby given that the ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING of The Red Deer Arts Council will be held on Thursday, the 20th of March, 2014, from 7:00 – 8:00 p.m. in the Centennial Stage at the Scott Block, located at 4818 – 50th Avenue, Red Deer, Alberta. (Entry from the alley behind the building.)

Immediately following the AGM from 8:00 to 9:00 pm, RDAC will host a "Where's My Tribe?" social event with entertainment and a mix and mingle event to familiarize yourself with fellow RDAC members. Refreshments will be served and everyone is welcome to attend. Memberships may be purchased at the door.

General Public are also invited to attend to see what we have been up to!

Matt Gould By Michael Lupul

Matt Gould is an incredibly diverse artist who calls Red Deer home. He is a textile artist, theatre artist, playwright, director, and singer. In a world of focused specialization, Matt has chosen to channel his creative energies in many areas and devotes himself to the performance of a variety of different types of art at a high level. Matt's formal education was also varied, having enrolled in programs in radio, film, television, animation, and music. Other than a recent course in leather mask making and Ukrainian textiles, Matt is essentially self-taught. Feeling somewhat out of step with the increasing demands of our technologically driven society, Matt has found great, simple pleasure in his work with leather. Rather than employing technology, the traditional hammer and carving tools are used.

The Red Deer Museum & Art Gallery will be hosting Matt's upcoming solo exhibition titled "matt gould: totems of the masculine – personages in leather, wool, wood, and steel." Matt connected with fifteen different men who were primarily tasked with considering what it means to them to be a man. Portraits of each of the men were drawn and transferred to leather, which Matt then sewed to wool. Incorporating other information gleaned from the men, the pieces were then transformed into personal totems, or symbols, and placed on a base.

The exhibition will officially open on March 9th, and will run until May 11th. Matt will be speaking with attendees at 2:30 p.m. on March 9th, and will present additional information about the pieces and the process he went through to create them.

To learn more about Matt and his art, visit his website: www.mattgould.com



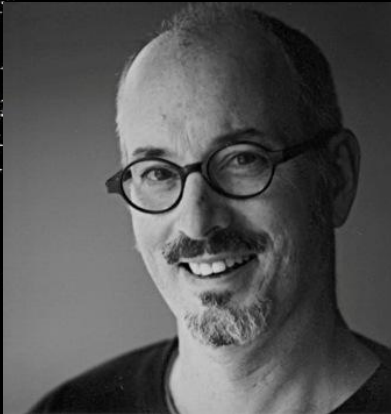
Matt is a member of the Red Deer Arts Council Board and sits on the Performing Arts Committee.

As a member, he participated in the RDAC Members Juried Exhibition in December of 2013. This artwork was his submission to the exhibit:

a common man
fibre/mixed media, 2012
Matt Gould

Matt is also the Artistic Director for Tree House Youth Theatre, as well as sits as a board member for the Alberta Craft Council.

We are the Arts



Matt Gould, Artistic Director of Tree House Youth Theatre and board member for Red Deer Arts Council, 2013

I am a teacher, guide, coach, employer, partner, uncle, brother, son and friend.

I enjoy rambling, reading and resting.

I am a textile artist, theatre director, playwright, designer and singer.

I am Matt Gould.

I am proud to call Red Deer home.

Join me in discovering the best our City has to offer; go see a play, listen to a concert and visit the museum!

Upcoming Exhibit in the Kiwanis Gallery:

March 5 to April 27

Open and Closed: Mixed Media by Wendy Meeres

Keys and doors – they can open, close, be inviting or hindering? What words, stories and images will Wendy's work inspire? First Friday Red Deer, March 7 from 6:30 to 8:30 pm

RDAC is planning a series of workshops that involve the arts community. Watch for details as they evolve.

Become a member of our board or committees and get involved! Give back to the community that you are a part of and find a rewarding volunteer position with the Arts Council.

The Canadian Revenue Agency recognizes our CHARITY Status and enables us to give tax receipts for your donations.

Give a little, give a lot!

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