



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



*Red Deer Arts Council  
Visual Arts Members Juried Exhibition  
in the Kiwanis Gallery*

December 4 to December 29, 2013  
Red Deer Arts Council Visual Arts Members  
Juried Exhibition

Join the Red Deer Arts Council Visual Arts Members in this special members' exhibition. The exhibit was open to all RDAC visual arts members and expresses the quality of works of the artists in our membership from emerging to professional and includes Red Deer area and beyond!

20 members showcase everything from oils, watercolours, acrylics, mixed media, photography, ceramics, sculpture, embossed metal works, jewellery and fabric art. Some of the works in the show are for sale and this is your chance to purchase a one-of-a-kind piece of art for your Christmas delight.

Explore our members' artworks and join them for our First Friday Red Deer: Opening December 6 from 6:30 to 8:30 pm in the Snell Auditorium and our gallery. Refreshments will be served and everyone is welcome to attend!

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

Polka Dots & Pink,  
Watercolour, 2013  
Marianne Harris



Applesauce,  
Watercolour, 2013  
Susan Barker



Sip 'N Dip, Clay,  
2013 Issy Covey



Crow with Birch,  
Acrylic, 2013  
Christine Karron





## Patti Morris Interview by Mike Lupul



Patti Morris is an accomplished fibre artist who has resided in Red Deer for the past twenty-six years. Her background includes a career as a trauma nurse, which contributed to her passion for fibre art. After identifying a need for increased awareness of children's safety, Patti designed an original children's clothing line of bright, colourful clothing for children to wear that would increase their visibility to passing motorists. Eventually, Patti founded Tot's Togs, a business through which she was able to provide the children's clothing she designed to the general public. Among the most supportive people in Patti's life is her husband. She also draws inspiration from nature, and this is reflected in her artwork. The main motive driving Patti's passion for her art is that she wishes to make a difference in the world. She says that if you can help or educate someone while having fun, you truly have the best of both worlds.

Much of Patti's artwork is donated to Medecins Sans Frontières (MSF), otherwise known as Doctors Without Borders, an organization that provides humanitarian relief in response to public health emergencies. MSF provides Patti with photos that she then transforms into elaborate pieces of fabric art, which is then gifted by MSF to individuals and organizations that have made a positive impact on MSF.

Some of the more prominent projects Patti has been involved with include:

2010: City of Lacombe purchased a piece which hangs permanently at their community centre.

July 2012: University of Calgary, "The Burgess Shale" permanent exhibit.

October 2013: Patti was commissioned by the Red Deer Centennial Committee to design a permanent piece which now hangs at The Children's Library in Red Deer

If you would like to view Patti's artwork, please visit her website, [www.morrisfabricartdesigns.com](http://www.morrisfabricartdesigns.com).

# Seasons Greetings

## Red Deer Arts Council Membership Drive 2014

Well it's that time of year again, when all our thoughts turn to thinking about helping out the Arts Council by renewing your yearly membership. An RDAC membership has value including reduced rates for professional development workshops, opportunities for networking through events and social activities as well as opportunities to submit art to our Kiwanis Gallery either through group or solo shows. Members receive weekly listings of events in and around our city and may submit as well. Members are also highlighted in our newsletter as a feature item. The Application Form is included in this newsletter for your convenience.



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Membership Application Form 2014

- Individual \$30.00
- Group \$50.00
- Student \$15.00 (from September 1 to August 31 yearly)
- All other memberships are renewable annually in January
- Donations are greatly appreciated. (Tax Receipts over \$10 will be sent.)

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Group Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Representative's name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Postal Code: \_\_\_\_\_

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Website: \_\_\_\_\_

My interests with the Red Deer Arts Council are: please check all that apply

I am / We are

- Performing Artist(s)
- Visual Artist(s)
- Literary Artist(s)
- Cultural

I would like to be / We would like to be

- Board Members
- Visual Arts/Gallery Committee
- Performing Arts Committee
- Literary Arts Committee
- Programming Committee
- Communications Committee
- Scholarship Committee
- Finance Committee
- Volunteer - wherever I am needed!

Please keep a copy for your records and submit form, along with your payment, to the Red Deer Arts Council! Thank You!

Thanks to the generous support of:



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Fee \$	Tax Receipt #
Donation \$	Member #
Cash/Cheque #	

# I am the Arts



Patti Morris in her studio, 2013

I am a wife, mother, and friend.

I enjoy hiking in the mountains, jogging with my dog on the trail system, and listening to CKUA while I do my work.

I am a fibre artist.

I am proud to call Red Deer home.

I am Patti Morris.

Discover the best our City has to offer.

**Upcoming Exhibit 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  
First Friday Red Deer, January 3, 6:30 to 8:30 pm  
Patti Morris is the exhibitions coordinator for this exhibit and has a piece in the show!



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

Give a little, give a lot!

We wish you all a very Merry Christmas, a Happy Holiday Season and a wonderful and prosperous New Year!

**Red Deer Arts Council**

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