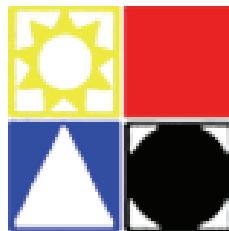


*Artists, Students,
Alumni &
Friends of the Forum*



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Our Art Community is Growing!

We are delighted to have some new artists at the Forum Art facility. The Winnipeg Sketch Club has a new home with us in the basement studio space. They are also a non-profit art organization with a very illustrious history in Winnipeg. You can visit their website at: www.wpgsketch.tripod.com for more information. We can already see many benefits for both organizations & hope that this common use of our facility will offer many advantages for the art community.

Some of the space will be shared due to varying activity schedules as a studio for artist - Musa Hazara. Musa is a musician, sculptor & hand carver of concrete & plaster. Our other studio artist – Jim Corbett has been in our facility for 2 years now & will have some adjusting to all the new activity. Jim is an acrylic & airbrushing artist who also instructs our Composition & Perspective class.

We will miss Sheldon Chartier – a stage manager for musical & theatrical productions, a skilled handyman & artist who has been downstairs for over a year. He will still teach Calligraphy as an instructor for the Forum Art if the interest in registration is there.



‘Getting to Know’ our Art Instructors – Dan Gregg

1) How long have you been an instructor at the Forum Art Institute? Who or how did we find you?

I began my serious art career in the Fall of 1978. At that time I studied under Nik for the next 13 years. His influence opened me up to the vast and diverse world of art. He encouraged me to work toward my Bachelor of Fine Arts, which I received in 1996. I started instructing art at the Forum in the Fall of 1995. Starting out with 4 students the “0”. I now instruct 3 classes each session with about 12 to 24 people.

2) We know you are an active artist as well. What else are you working on right now?

Presently I’m working on a town scene with a stylized treatment of the buildings & trees. On the drawing table I am working on an impressionist treatment of my cottage and lake. Never stuck for ideas, only time to do everything.

3) We’d like to think we are a great place for art instructors. What’s the part you like the best about teaching at the Forum?

Biggest challenge instructing is trying to interpret the varied personalities and get a grasp on their expectations. It is interesting to see people struggle with the concepts of creating art, but when the light “comes on” they are thrilled.

Dan’s website is: www.danielgregg.com

'Creators of the Future' Art Show & The Forum Art Institute Bursary

Plan on attending this fast & exciting showcase of talent - our young artists. About 24 students aged 7 to 15 will be at the Forum Art Institute on

Saturday, March 17 from 1 to 3
eager to show us their artwork.

Our bursary students will receive their gift from our sponsor Artist's Emporium at a short presentation at about 1:30. We are thrilled with their generosity & will continue to support them with our patronage.

This session's bursary students were: Daseul Han from Ecole John Henderson & Samantha Lee Rosky from Ecole John Henderson & Tehgan Martin from John W. Gunn Middle School

Thanks to our Bursary Administrator Chairman Dale Turner for getting our bursary opportunity out to the school division contacts & the donors who support this special project of the Forum. All of the students & their instructors Carla Koop Oliphant, Bill Shoup & Kristin Ching organize, present, & run the show. We enjoy the great turnout of family & friends & welcome all!

Come out & see what these creative artists have done this winter!

"Portraits in Watercolour Workshop"



Artist instructor:
Ray Dirks

When: Sunday, April 1
Time: 10:30 a.m. – 3:30 p.m.
Where: at the Forum Art
Fee: \$65.00

Ray is the curator of the Mennonite Heritage Centre Gallery & is well known for his work & portraits with African people. The content includes techniques he uses in working through a quick background to the more detailed main subject – the people.

Come with: a sketch idea (portrait subject – photo, magazine, etc.), watercolour PK5 board or heavier weight watercolour paper, masking fluid, mechanical 2H pencil or similar & your existing paints, brushes, palette.

Call 235-1069 to register!



' Nik would be pleased...'

Our Nik Bjelajac has been gone a year now & he would be glad to see that we have turned his room into a busy workshop. The workshop is equipped with a table saw & miter saw, a power vacuum & some tools used for building painting stretchers & stretched canvas'. This equipment was purchased thanks to a grant from the Winnipeg Foundation.

A waiver form must be filled out for all users of this workroom as requested by our Board of Directors. There is also a booking calendar posted if anyone wants to book a specific date & time to use this facility. The instructors of the Forum Art have this available to them as well as our studio artists in the building. Another great advantage to our art community! Nik would be pleased.

Bulletin Board:

- Artorama 2007– March 30 – April 1– some of our students & instructor you may recognize
- Raku artist Steve Robinson at Piano Nobile Gallery – www.myspace.com/pianonobile
- Carfac – www.carfac.mb.ca – stay tuned for their upcoming fundraiser – we still have some t-shirts for sale “Give a Shirt About Art” for anyone interested.
- Manitoba Society of Artists – summer show – www.msa.mb.ca
- Lots of workshops in the *Watercolour Gazette*
- Please keep your eyes open for interesting ‘garage sale goodies’ we can use at the Forum Art

***We would like to Thank our many Donors
for supporting the Forum Art***



For many things:

- Books &/or magazines from Bill Shoup, Daryl Dumanski, Etta Hyman & her daughter Debbie Silverman, Edythe Martin, Marilyn Pollock, Judy Sutton, Patricia Wallace. If you leave a donation please leave a note so we can thank you.
- For signage done for our display by Jim Corbett
- Art supplies or materials from Sheldon Chartier, David Cooper, Naomi Finkelstein

For Volunteering:

- The Board members & other students who put in a huge amount of volunteer time to prepare & mount the Art Auction fundraiser in December
- Joan Shelton & the kitchen crew who gave us a scrumptious Holiday season luncheon this past December.
- Tom Andrich, Jim Corbett, Daryl Dumanski, Garth Palanuk, Karen Palmer, & Joan Shelton for volunteering at our display at the S.A.G. conference in November at Fort Garry Place.
- Garth Palanuk for continuing to sort our slide collection into usable categories & putting into sleeves in binders – in our library. Can sign out one sheet at a time with your instructor if you have scanning capabilities to use off site.
- Nicole Roch, Chris Schmidt, Daryl Dumanski – for taking home & editing periodicals from our library
- Naomi Finkelstein – putting library catalogue onto a usable database

For financial support:

- From many students, instructors & artist alumni who contributed art to our Auction fundraiser in December. Special thanks to Maxine Boomer, Margaret McCowan, Jim Richtik & Ted Siddall for significant contributions.
- A financial grant from the Winnipeg Foundation for various equipment

Coming Soon!
Our Annual Art Exhibition & Sale
is just around the corner. Start getting those art projects ready for June 16 – 18.

The red carpet will be rolled out this year at the **Artists Emporium** for their annual Artists Open House. They are celebrating their 30th Anniversary & are pulling out all the stops – Hollywood Style.

May 9 & 10
7 – 10 p.m.

We know the food & refreshments & yes even live entertainment will flow but they are also having over **25 art suppliers** there this year.

See you there!
1610 St. James Street
772-2421
www.artistsemporium.net

Any Recycled Goods: please think of our children's classes if you have any goodies such as old jewellery, stickers, buttons, ribbons, hardware such as bolts or washers...whatever may make interesting bits for art.

REGISTRATION & OPEN HOUSE

Saturday, March 17th

1:00 - 4:00 p.m.

May also register by phone or mail from now to March 30, 2007 or download a registration form from our website

2007 Spring Session is April 2 to June 9

Our WEBSITE is:
www.forumartinstitute.ca

Fax/ph: 235-1069
forumart@shaw.ca

Dates To Remember:

March 17 Creators of the Future Art Show
March 17 Registration & Open House
Now Register
April 1 Workshop
April 2 Classes start

Please remember:

We are a registered charity. As a not for profit organization your donations are always appreciated. Please consider adding us to your annual gift giving or donations throughout the year. We do not have a phoning campaign to bother you – we hope you know we depend on financial support just as much as other organizations. Our aim is to continue to provide a place for anyone to come & enjoy the pursuit of art. More about us including our Mission statement & sponsorship suggestions can be found on our website.



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