

THE GALLERY

at Casa

FALL EXHIBITIONS

SEPTEMBER 10 – OCTOBER 29, 2022

OPENING NIGHT: SEPTEMBER 10, 7:00PM



THE STOCHASTIC MYSTERY HOTLINE work by Bekk Wells



Also throughout Casa works by: Tanya Wadsworth Luja, Bev Waters, Kaela Murphy, Grace Wirzba, and the Lethbridge Artist Club.

MATERIALIZE: MOOD

work by Nicole Riedmeuller

NOVEMBER 12 – JANUARY 14, 2022

OPENING NIGHT: NOVEMBER 12, 7:00PM



OUR MOODY PLANET

work by Jeanne Kollee



SERENITY
work by Donna Bilyk

Also throughout Casa works by:

Troy Nickle, Bryce Singer, David Knight, Linda Ashe, Mishka Singh, G. Wayne Dowornik, Merri-Ann Ford, Sara Harker, Scott Harker, Jocelyn Lafleche, Susan O'Donnell, Patty Ramage, Charmaine Ross, Donna Whitfield, Jane Williams

THE GALLERY IS ALWAYS FREE TO VISIT

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This edition's cover features the sculpture TOGETHER created by Julia Jamrozik and Coryn Kempster in 2019. TOGETHER fosters community by providing seating elements that may be occupied by passers-by, sparking small conversations and social interactions at this gateway to the Lethbridge downtown. Jamrozik and Kempster are Toronto-based designers, artists and educators who have collaborated since 2003. They create spaces and objects that interrupt everyday situations in critically engaging and playful ways. Together, they have exhibited in galleries, produced temporary outdoor installations, and realized permanent public artworks in Canada, USA, Germany, France, Italy, and South Korea.

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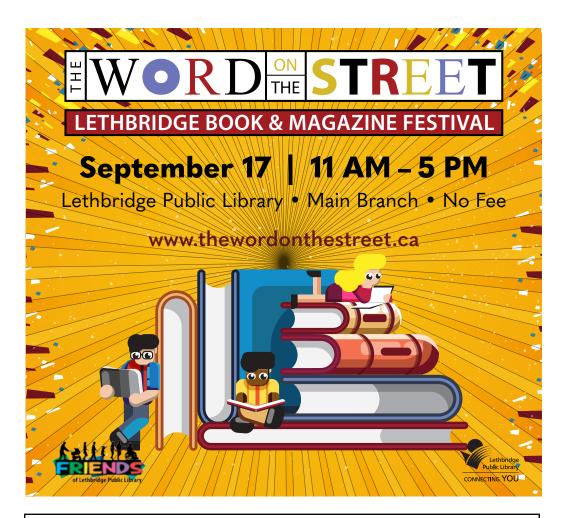
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MONTH OF THE ARTIST

"Artists' work enriches our lives, promotes creativity and innovation and contributes to a more diversified economy. When the arts thrive, Alberta is a better place to live, invest, and do business." Government of Alberta website.

September is the Month of the Artist in Alberta. Originally proclaimed in January 2019 and then moved to September 2020 to align with Alberta Culture Days, the Month of the Artist is an annual celebration of artists in our community. According to the 2020 Survey of Albertans on culture:

- about 83% of Albertans feel that arts activities make an important contribution to their quality of life
- about 87% agree that arts and culture activities make their community a better place to live

September in Lethbridge sees an explosion of arts and culture each year as the weather cools, students return to the city, and artists share the work they have been creating all year. Be sure to visit galleries, experience shows and explore the many artistic and cultural activities that abound in September.

Participate in the Month of the Artist this year by attending Arts Days Lethbridge from September 23 to 30, 2022.

Lethbridge CC CC September 22-30, 2022



ARTISTS AT WORK

Kiosk Visual Arts Project

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 23 & SATURDAY SEPTEMBER 24, throughout the day Two installation projects in the Artist Kiosks on Rotary Square, Casa

MURALS OF LETHBRIDGE

Public Art Walk

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 23, 5PM - 6PM Meet at Casa

ON THE STREETS: Performers and Buskers throughout the downtown!

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 23 – THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 30 Various locations

AAC POPUP GALLERY

Community artists group show

OPENING FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 23, 6PM - 8PM 327 5th Street South On display until September 30 by appointment









DOWNTOWN LENS Window Painting Mural Gallery FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 23 TO SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 25 Artists collaborate with businesses and paint ephemeral murals on windows downtown. Creatvity. BUILD CORE April Matisz at the Owl Acoustic Lounge Danica Dawn at Tweed Claire Moore at Cookie Crimes Tonya Spears at Sill & Soil Dawn Roper at Chef Stella Diner Sheila Shaw at Haptic Dance Arts Tyler Alexander at Faded Barbershop Dorian Mindru at Classique Dancewear April Matisz at AAC Works Sandra Lamouche at Casa

PUBLIC ART BUS TOUR

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 24, 2PM Meet at Casa

FAMILY AFFAIR ON THE SQUARE

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 24, 4PM - 7PM Family-friendly fun and art activities on Rotary Square at Casa

AAC CABARET

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 24, 7PM - 9PM Performances by emerging artists on Rotary Square at Casa. Plus projected live drawing on the outside of the building.

WALK & EMBROIDER with Bekk Wells

SEPTEMBER 24 AT 3PM, SEPTEMBER 25 & 29 AT 1PM, SEPTEMBER 27 AT 6PM Come for a walk and embroider your path on a map of Lethbridge. Participants take home their own embroidered pillow. This event is FREE, but pre-registration is required.

NATIONAL DAY OF TRUTH AND RECONCILIATION FILMS

SEPTEMBER 30, 7PM At Casa. Honouring the Children, Lana Gets Her Talk & Elder in the Making.

FIRE STATION NO. 5 - Hali Heavy Shield



PUBLIC ART ADVENTURES

FIRE STATION NO. 5

By Katie Bruce, Public Art Coordinator

In the past few years, a concerted effort has been made to invite Indigenous voices to the realm of public art in Lethbridge. Looking around downtown, one will notice vinyl wraps on utility boxes around Galt Gardens adding cultural symbols and traditional Blackfoot language into the public sphere. Oki signs wrapped with artwork by local Indigenous artists will begin popping up at prominent locations later this fall - a reminder that all are welcome on traditional Blackfoot and Siksikaitsitapi land. These projects, along with the larger scale projects have been brought from conception into reality by individuals and groups like Perry Stein of Reconciliation Lethbridge, the Public Art Committee, and the Culture and Recreation department with the City of Lethbridge, working with Blackfoot artists who have created the artworks. By being intentional about inclusion, these various entities are asking that both Indigenous and non-Indigenous individuals consider how we make community and who is present for those conversations. While this is certainly only part of a larger discussion taking place in Lethbridge, public art pieces - which by nature are accessible to all - offer a starting point in informing the public and creating a strong sense of community.

FIRE STATION NO.5 FACTS

ARTIST: Hali Heavy Shield

MURAL: Iiyikitapiiyi! be brave, fearless

ARTIST: Rudy Black Plume

FIRETRUCK: Aoahkannaistokawa

LETHBRIDGE PERCENT FOR ART PROGRAM

FIRE STATION NO. 5

At the new Fire Station No.5 – located at 10 Great Bear Boulevard W – the artist Hali Heavy Shield has painted a striking red, white and black mural spanning nearly 35 feet long. The text "liyikítapiiyi," pronounced ee-ya-gi-da-bee-it, is flanked by two large buffaloes frozen in time, rising towards the stars in mid-sprint. "Be Brave" is written under the Blackfoot phrase, a reminder to those visiting the fire station of the courage demonstrated by those protecting the growing west side community. By invoking imagery that would be traditionally found on a lodge or tipi, Heavy Shield extends feelings of home, humanity and strength to the new fire station and those that operate it. Set against the backdrop of late summer fields, *liyikítapiiyi* is a welcome scene visible from the southern end of Metis Trail, as well as from the edges of neighbouring communities spilling into the surrounding area.

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In addition to this stationary piece, be on the lookout for Kainai artist Rudy Black Plume's work, featured on one of Lethbridge's fire trucks. Red and blue painted horses gallop along the vehicle's sides as an homage to the duality of water and fire – each necessary for life and fundamentally balanced in elemental relationship with one another. The painted horses also hold special meaning as a symbol of good fortune and protection, a symbolic protection that references back to Heavy Shield's mural. Black Plume's design was originally intended to wrap one of the Oki signs set to be unveiled later this fall and was ultimately chosen to adorn the fire engine after a request from now-retired Fire Chief Marc Rathwell was received by Indigenous Relations and the Public Art Committee. This mobile piece of public art is also stationed at 10 Great Bear Boulevard, making this location a concentrated space of Indigenous voices. A garden, incorporating Indigenous plants, has also been planted with plans for descriptive educational panels to be installed alongside the living, growing work. These panels, created by Marjie Crop Eared Wolf with the assistance of Bryan Singer, will be highlighted in a future Arts Guide YQL publication.

Lethbridge is a community not solely because of the individuals here, but also by the way we relate to the environment around us. When friends and family visit, we speak about the coulees, and our wind, as much as we boast about the amazing local businesses. These public art pieces help to further secure our relationship to the environment around us, while simultaneously giving voice to an underrepresented demographic of artists who are stewards to the land we reside on.





ONGOING EXHIBITIONS

ULETHBRIDGE ART GALLERY | Qamani'tuaq | June 23 - September 28 Hess Gallery

ULETHBRIDGE ART GALLERY | From the Collection: Mary Shannon Will July 1 - September 23 | Christou Gallery

HELEN SCHULER NATURE CENTRE | Corvid 19 – Sherry Chanin August 7 – September 16 | Community Art Gallery

TREX: SOUTHEAST | STRANGE AND KNOWN PLACES

September 1 – November 2 | Lethbridge Public Library – Main Branch

THE GALLERY AT CASA | September Exhibitions – Bekk Wells, Nicole Reidmeuller, Tanya Wadsworth Luja, Bev Waters, Kaela Murphy, Grace Wirzba, Lethbridge Artist Club | September 10 – October 29 | Casa

SOUTHERN ALBERTA ART GALLERY MAANSIKSIKSITSITAPIITSINIKSSIN

Here Elsewhere Other Hauntings – Jin-Me Yoon, Next World Emissaries – Jude Griebel, Futility Index – Emily Promise Alisson | September 17 – 20 | SAAG

HELEN SCHULER NATURE CENTRE | Inspired by Nature: Youth Art Exhibition | September 19 – October 30

Textile Surface Design Guild & Casa Community Potters | Moving In and Out September 20 – October 1, 10:00AM – 4:00PM | Helen Schuler Nature Centre Roof

ARTS DAYS | Allied Arts Council of Lethbridge | Downtown Lens: Window Mural Gallery | September 22 – 30 | Downtown Lethbridge

ARTS DAYS | Allied Arts Council of Lethbridge | popUP Gallery September 23 – 30 | 327 5 St S

SEPTEMBER

- 1 SOUTHERN ALBERTA ART GALLERY | Bletcher Hour Reading Group Online | 6:00PM
- 2 NIKKA YUKO JAPANESE GARDEN | Minyo Dancing Nikka Yuko Japanese Garden | 5:30PM
- 4 NIKKA YUKO JAPANESE GARDEN | Lethbridge Community Taiko Association - Taiko Performance | Nikka Yuko Japanese Garden 12:30PM/2PM/2:30PM
- 8 ALLIED ARTS COUNCIL OF LETHBRIDGE | ART/WORK: Moving From Artist to Entrepreneur with Shauna Hayward | Online | 6:00PM

NEW WEST THEATRE | Next to Normal | Genevieve E. Yates Memorial Centre | 7:30PM

- **9** NIKKA YUKO JAPANESE GARDEN | Minyo Dancing | Nikka Yuko Japanese Garden | 5:30PM
 - **NEW WEST THEATRE** | Next to Normal | Genevieve E. Yates Memorial Centre | 7:30PM
- **10** ALLIED ARTS COUNCIL OF LETHBRIDGE | Kids in the Parks Legacy Park | Noon 5:00PM

NIKKA YUKO JAPANESE GARDEN | Tad & Tomo Stories Nikka Yuko Japanese Garden | 3:00 PM

THE GALLERY AT CASA | September Exhibition Opening | Throughout Casa | 7:00PM

NEW WEST THEATRE | Next to Normal | Genevieve E. Yates Memorial Centre | 7:30PM

11 NIKKA YUKO JAPANESE GARDEN | Lethbridge Community Taiko Association - Taiko Performance | Nikka Yuko Japanese Garden | 12:30PM/2PM/2:30PM

2022 SEPTEMBER EVENTS

13 NEW WEST THEATRE | Next to Normal
Genevieve E. Yates Memorial Centre | 7:30PM

14 ALLIED ARTS COUNCIL OF LETHBRIDGE | 2022 Mayor's Luncheon for Business & the Arts | Sandman Signature Lethbridge Lodge 11:30AM – 1:30PM

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15 NEW WEST THEATRE | Next to Normal
Genevieve E. Yates Memorial Centre | 7:30PM

SOUTHERN ALBERTA ART GALLERY | SAAG 2022 Arts Writing Prize Reception | Southern Alberta Art Gallery

LETHBRIDGE PUBLIC LIBRARY | Wise Owls Pub Quiz Owl Acoustic Lounge | 8:00PM

16 NIKKA YUKO JAPANESE GARDEN | Minyo Dancing Nikka Yuko Japanese Garden | 5:30PM

NEW WEST THEATRE | Next to Normal Genevieve E. Yates Memorial Centre | 7:30PM

SOUTHERN ALBERTA ART GALLERY

MAANSIKSIKSITSITAPIITSINIKSSIN | Exhibition Opening Reception: Jin-Me Yoon, Jude Griebe, Emily Promise Allison | Southern Alberta Art Gallery | 8:00PM

THE SLICE BAR & GRILL | Daniel Champagne | The Slice Bar & Grill 7:00PM

SEPTEMBER

17 LETHBRIDGE PUBLIC LIBRARY | Word on the Street Festival

Main Branch | 11:00AM - 5:00PM

NIKKA YUKO JAPANESE GARDEN | Aki Matsuri (Fall Festival)

Nikka Yuko Japanese Garden

NEW WEST THEATRE | Next to Normal

Genevieve E. Yates Memorial Centre | 1:00PM & 7:30PM

SOUTHERN ALBERTA ART GALLERY | Articulations Artist Talk feat.

Anne-Marie St-Jean Aubre | Southern Alberta Art Gallery

SOUTHERN ALBERTA ART GALLERY | 2022 SAAG Arts Writing Prize

Reader Launch | Southern Alberta Art Gallery

18 LETHBRIDGE SYMPHONY | Young Artist Competition

Southminster United Church + Online | 1:30PM

NIKKA YUKO JAPANESE GARDEN | Taiko Drumming

Nikka Yuko Japanese Garden | 12:30PM/2:00PM/2:30PM

20 ALLIED ARTS COUNCIL OF LETHBRIDGE | Casa Artist in Residence –

Artist Talks Casa | 6:00 - 9:00PM

NEW WEST THEATRE | Next to Normal

Genevieve E. Yates Memorial Centre | 7:30PM

21 NEW WEST THEATRE | Next to Normal

Genevieve E. Yates Memorial Centre | 7:30PM

SOUTHERN ALBERTA ART GALLERY | Crafternoon

Southern Alberta Art Gallery

LETHBRIDGE FOLK CLUB | Lennie Gallant | The Cave / Lethbridge

College | 7:00PM

2022 SEPTEMBER EVENTS

22	NEW WEST THEATRE Next to Normal
	Genevieve E. Yates Memorial Centre 7:30PM

23 ARTS DAYS | Allied Arts Council of Lethbridge
Artists at Work – Kiosk Visual Arts Project | Rotary Square, Casa

ARTS DAYS | Allied Arts Council of Lethbridge Downtown Lens – Window Painting Mural Gallery | Downtown core

ARTS DAYS | Allied Arts Council of Lethbridge | On the Streets – Performers & Buskers | Festival Square | 5:00 – 7:00PM

NIKKA YUKO JAPANESE GARDEN | Minyo Dancing Nikka Yuko Japanese Garden | 5:30PM

ARTS DAYS | Allied Arts Council of Lethbridge | AAC popUP Gallery – Opening Night | 327 5 St S | 6:00 – 8:00PM

ARTS DAYS | Allied Arts Council of Lethbridge | Murals of Lethbridge - Public Art Walking Tour | Begin at Casa | 6:00 – 8:00PM

NEW MUSIC L.AB | ÓNIX Ensemble | Casa Community Room | 7:30PM

NEW WEST THEATRE | Next to Normal Genevieve E. Yates Memorial Centre | 7:30PM

NEW CHINOOK ARCH RIDERS | The Gift: A Tribute to Ian Tyson Southminster United Church | 7:30PM

24 ARTS DAYS | Allied Arts Council of Lethbridge | On the Streets – Performers & Buskers | Downtown Lethbridge

ARTS DAYS | Allied Arts Council of Lethbridge | Artists at Work – Kiosk Visual Arts Project | Rotary Square, Casa

SEPTEMBER

24 ARTS DAYS | Allied Arts Council of Lethbridge | Downtown Lens – Window Painting Mural Gallery | Downtown core

TEXTILE SURFACE DESIGN GUILD & CASA COMMUNITY POTTERS

Moving In and Out – Artist Meet & Greet | 1:00 – 3:00PM | Gallery & Roof, Helen Schuler Nature Centre

ARTS DAYS | Allied Arts Council of Lethbridge | Public Art Bus Tour Meet at Casa | 2:00PM

NIKKA YUKO JAPANESE GARDEN | Tad & Tomo Stories Nikka Yuko Japanese Garden | 3:00PM

ARTS DAYS | Allied Arts Council of Lethbridge | Walk & Embroider with Bekk Wells | Casa | 3:00PM

ARTS DAYS | Allied Arts Council of Lethbridge | Family Affair on the Square Rotary Square, Casa | 4:00 - 7:00PM

NEW WEST THEATRE | Next to Normal | Yates Theatre | 1:00PM & 7:30PM

AAC WORKS | Meet the Artists - Mix + Mingle 318 7 Street | 3:00 – 5:00PM

ARTS DAYS | Allied Arts Council of Lethbridge | AAC Cabaret + Projected Live Drawing | Casa | 7:00 – 9:00PM

NEW MUSIC L.AB | The Penderecki String Quartet uLethbridge Recital Hall | 7:30PM

SOUTHERN ALBERTA ART GALLERY MAANSIKSIKSITSITAPIITSINIKSSIN

Art's Birthday | Southern Alberta Art Gallery | 8:00PM

25 ARTS DAYS | Allied Arts Council of Lethbridge | Artists at Work – Kiosk Visual Arts Project | Rotary Square, Casa

ARTS DAYS | Allied Arts Council of Lethbridge | Downtown Lens – Window Painting Mural Gallery | Downtown core

SEPTEMBER

25 ARTS DAYS | Allied Arts Council of Lethbridge | Walk & Embroider with Bekk Wells | Casa | 1:00PM

NIKKA YUKO JAPANESE GARDEN | Lethbridge Community Taiko Association - Taiko Performance | Nikka Yuko Japanese Garden 12:30PM/2PM/2:30PM

- 26 ARTS DAYS | Allied Arts Council of Lethbridge | On the Streets Performers & Buskers | Downtown Lethbridge
- **27** ARTS DAYS | Allied Arts Council of Lethbridge | On the Streets Performers & Buskers | Downtown Lethbridge

ARTS DAYS | Allied Arts Council of Lethbridge | Walk & Embroider with Bekk Wells | Casa | 6:00PM

- **28** ARTS DAYS | Allied Arts Council of Lethbridge | On the Streets Performers & Buskers | Downtown Lethbridge
- 29 SOUTHERN ALBERTA ART GALLERY MAANSIKSIKSITSITAPIITSINIKSSIN
 Tiny Press Workshop #4 Reconciliation Workbooks | SAAG

ARTS DAYS | Allied Arts Council of Lethbridge | Walk & Embroider with Bekk Wells | Casa | 1:00PM

NIKKA YUKO JAPANESE GARDEN | Golden Maple Reception Nikka Yuko Japanese Garden

ARTS DAYS | Allied Arts Council of Lethbridge | On the Streets – Performers & Buskers | Downtown Lethbridge

30 NIKKA YUKO JAPANESE GARDEN | Minyo Dancing Nikka Yuko Japanese Garden | 5:30 PM

ARTS DAYS | Allied Arts Council of Lethbridge | National Day of Truth & Reconciliation Films | Casa Community Room | 7:00PM

We strive to make the event listings as accurate as possible at the time of printing. Please check with the organizer to confirm event information. Some events may require admission, tickets or pre-registration.

ARTS DAYS 2022

PUBLIC ART Bus Tour - Explore Lethbridge's extensive public art collection with a guide September 24, 2PM - Meet at Casa (Approx. a 3 hr. tour)

free cultural connector



SEPTEMBER 16, 5:30 - 8:30PM THROUGH OUT CASA - TIX \$10 - AT THE DOOR



Season at a Glance 2022-2023

Symphony Series Concerts

October 17-7: 30 PM Series I-Drawn to Music Eric Dyck, visual artist February 6-7:30 PM Series IV-Centennial Organ Concerto Neil Cockburn, organ

November 21-7:30 PM Series Il-Triple Play with Opus 3 March 20-7:30 PM Series V-French Connection U of L Opera Workshop

December 11 3:00 PM & December 12-7:30 PM Series III-Holiday Magic Michael Hope, baritone May 8-7:30 PM Series VI-Brilliance of the Bard Lethbridge Shakespeare Performance Society

Intima Concerts

October 1-7:30 PM Intima -Medieval Melodies Janet Youngdahl, soprano

January 28-7:30 PM Intima II - Celebrating Diversity Joan Rogers, clarinet

April 22-7:30 PM Intima III-Composers Who Happen to Be Women Deanna Oye, piano

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BARVINOK:

NEW WEST THEATRE BRINGS UKRAINIAN INSPIRED PLAY TO TOWN

By Jana Mackenzie, AAC Editorial Assistant

Renowned for their entertaining and energetic musical revues, New West Theatre also presents contemporary Canadian plays that bring unique, and sometimes challenging stories to local audiences. This year, one of those productions is *Barvinok*, a play inspired by true stories and personal accounts from those affected by the ongoing conflict within Ukraine's borders. *Barvinok* is produced by Pyretic Productions, a Canadian independent theatre company dedicated to pushing the boundaries and raising awareness about political and social issues affecting Canadians.

The playwright, Lianna Makuch, is a second-generation Ukrainian-Canadian with a diverse career as an actor, creator, and theatre instructor. She is a graduate from the University of Alberta theatre program and was the first Canadian artist-in-residence with the Izolyatsia Cultural Institute in Kyiv, Ukraine. In 2020 she was awarded the Reach Grant which provided her the opportunity to expand and develop this story from conception to stage-play.

The artistic director of New West Theatre, Kelly Reay, explained that though this play is very topical, much of the writing, production, and planning for this began before the current conflict in Ukraine erupted. The original material came from stories told to the playwright by her grandparents who fled Ukraine during WWII. She then drew from interviews, conducted in Ukraine throughout 2017 and 2018, of people in conflict zones, veterans, and displaced persons. Reay notes that "the context of the world has changed drastically since they started... it means something different and has a different impact." For New West Theatre it is always about the storytelling. "This is a beautiful story with incredible heart and music and that is where it starts with us."



"These artists have tried to hold the heart of Ukraine in their hands and share it. We are all richer for it." – Gil Garratt, Artistic director, Blyth Festival

SEE BARVINOK!

October 6 through 22, 2022 Evening shows at 7:30pm, Saturday Matinees at 1:00pm No performances on Sunday



Barvinok is a memory play, where the main character, Hania, speaks directly to the audience, telling the story through her memory of it. Her grandmother in long-term care, is haunted by her past and is holding a secret she had hoped to never reveal. As she ages, her agitation increases and she convinces Hania to return to their Ukrainian homeland to seek out a missing piece of family history. Hania's search for answers places her directly into the conflict within Eastern Ukraine where she sees and hears how war has impacted the Ukrainian people and their communities.

This is a story of war and trauma, and how the impacts of such spans generations. It exposes the struggles that existed in war-torn Ukraine in 1944, the atrocities caused by Stalin and Hitler, and draws parallels to the current regime in Russia. It is a look to the past, as well as a light shining on the current Ukranian conflict, which has resulted in the death of over 10,000 people and displaced millions. As stated by the artistic director of the Blyth Festival, Gil Garratt, this script was built through "grassroots, immersive story building... These artists have tried to hold the heart of Ukraine in their hands and share it. We are all richer for it."

Though the content and subject matter is dark, this story is about family and connections. Music is also a key component of this production, with hauntingly beautiful songs throughout the play. As Reay notes, Lethbridge audiences love music and programming live music is always a draw.

Barvinok runs from October 13 to 22 at the Sterndale Bennett Theatre, which provides a more intimate setting - ideal for a studio show such as this.



ONGOING EXHIBITIONS

TREX: SOUTHEAST | Strange and Known Places | September 1 – November 2 Lethbridge Public Library – Main Branch

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Here Elsewhere Other Hauntings – Jin-Me Yoon, Next World Emissaries – Jude Griebel, Futility Index – Emily Promise Alisson | September 17 – November 20 Southern Alberta Art Gallery

HELEN SCHULER NATURE CENTRE | Inspired by Nature: Youth Art Exhibition September 19 – October 30 | Helen Schuler Nature Centre

TEXTILE SURFACE DESIGN GUILD & CASA COMMUNITY POTTERS | Moving In and Out | September 20 – October 1, 10:00AM – 4:00PM | Helen Schuler Nature Centre Roof

ULETHBRIDGE ART GALLERY | Every Possible Future is Multispecies October 6 – January 13 | Hess Gallery

ULETHBRIDGE ART GALLERY | Caring for the Collection | October 6 – January 13 Christou Gallery

OCTOBER

1	LETHBRIDGE SYMPHONY Intima – Medieval Melodies Musaeus String
·	Quartet & Janet Youngdahl, soprano Casa 7:30PM
	THE GEOMATIC ATTIC Serena Ryder: The Art of Falling Apart Tour 2022 with Desirée Dawson Southminster United Church 8:00PM
3	LETHBRIDGE PUBLIC LIBRARY Drum Making Workshop with Brenda Mercer Main Branch – Community Meeting Room 6:00 – 8:00PM
6	ALLIED ARTS COUNCIL OF LETHBRIDGE ART/WORK: How to Maintain a Studio Practice with Arianna Richardson Online 6:00PM
	SOUTHERN ALBERTA ART GALLERY Bletcher Hour Reading Group Online 6:00PM
7	NIKKA YUKO JAPANESE GARDEN Anime Night at the Garden: Spirited Away Bunka Centre 7:00PM
13	NEW WEST THEATRE Barvinok Sterndale Bennett Theatre 7:30PM
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15	AAC WORKS Loom Demo with Karla Mather-Cocks 318 7 St. S 11:00AM
	NEW WEST THEATRE Barvinok Sterndale Bennett Theatre 1:00PM & 7:30PM
	SOUTHERN ALBERTA ART GALLERY Listening To Land, Peoples and Plants #1: with Francis First Charger Southern Alberta Art Gallery 2:00PM
16	NEW WEST THEATRE Barvinok Sterndale Bennett Theatre 7:30PM
17	LETHBRIDGE SYMPHONY Series I – Drawn to Music with guest Eric Dyck, visual artist Southminster United Church 7:30PM

OCTOBER

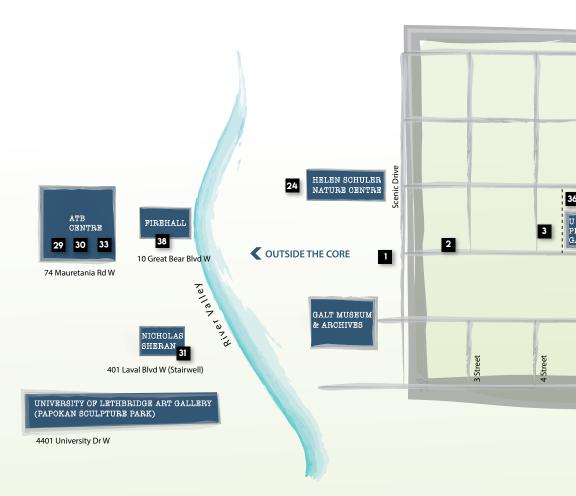
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	LETHBRIDGE PUBLIC LIBRARY Wise Owls Pub Quiz Owl Acoustic Lounge 8:00PM
21	NEW WEST THEATRE Barvinok Sterndale Bennett Theatre 7:30PM
22	LETHBRIDGE HANDMADE MARKET October Show Exhibition Park 9:00AM - 4:00PM
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ARTIST TALK/SEMINAR

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Lethbridge has a **diverse and growing collection of public art**, much of which is easily accessible by foot in the downtown core. Explore the city's collection of **kinetic works**, **murals**, **and sculptures** by using this map to create your own public art walking tour.



Discover some of Lethbridge's hidden and not so hidden public art gems.

How many have you visited?



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THE BALL IS IN YOUR COURT
Jennifer Marman & Daniel Borins



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BOLTS OF CREATIVITY Aaron Hagan



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GIFT GIVING MADE EASY

YOUR LOCAL GUIDE TO HOLIDAY MARKETS

By Jana Mackenzie, Editorial Assistant

Finding unique gifts during the holiday season in-and-amongst the shelves of generic items can be a daunting task. But have no fear, there are numerous holiday markets in Lethbridge that will provide you with one-of-a-kind, high quality, locally made gifts.

The first in the holiday shopping season is the **Lethbridge Handmade Market**, which was created by local artisans for artisans with a mission to promote arts and culture, and to support local creativity. This market showcases over 100 makers, food trucks, workshops, live art, and music. There are five markets scheduled throughout the year, with upcoming dates of October 22 and December 10 both from 9am to 4pm. Markets are held at Exhibition Park (3401 Parkside Drive South). There is a \$5 entry fee, though free for kids under 14.

On November 18 and 19 there are two artisan markets running simultaneously. The first is the **Holiday Market** at the Southern Alberta Art Gallery MAANSIKSIKSITSITAPIITSINIKSSIN (SAAG), showcasing local and regional artists that create unique, quality, handmade goods. Down the road from SAAG, the 10th annual **Christmas at Casa** will be in full swing with an annual market that includes over 100 artisan vendors, as well as food vendors, and live entertainment throughout the building. The hours of operation for both markets are 5pm to 9pm on Friday and 10am to 5pm on Saturday.

The **Oldman River Potters Guild** annual holiday sale runs November 24 to 26 and is held at the guild-ran storefront and studio space (#2, 4416 – 1 Avenue South). Hours of operation are 12 to 8pm on Thursday and Friday, and 10am to 6pm on Saturday. The store is also open year-round from 10am to 2pm every Saturday, excluding long weekends.



Ceramic vessels by Garry Uchikura

Another fabulous vendor-run event is the Hawk + Harvest Holiday Market + Online Market which will be held on November 30. Most vendors are local, though they also host creators from afar. This event is more than just handmade products, art, and fresh produce. It is about gathering and socializing, as well as giving back to the community, with a portion of admission proceeds donated to a local charity or cause.

SHOP LOCAL! SHOP HANDMADE!

OCTOBER 22 - Lethbridge Handmade Market, Exhibition Park*

NOVEMBER 18 & 19 - Holiday Market at the SAAG

NOVEMBER 18 & 19 - Christmas at Casa

NOVEMBER 24 - 26 - Oldman River Potters Guild Holiday Sale

NOVEMBER 30 - Hawk + Harvest Holiday Market & Online Market*

DECEMBER 10 - Lethbridge Handmade Market, Exhibition Park*

*admission will be charged for entry

If you are unable to attend these markets in person, or prefer to shop online, there are still ways to support local artisans and makers. Many local creators have their wares up for sale on their personal website and the popular online platform, Etsy, makes it easy to shop local. By customizing your search to a location or by filtering your search terms, you can find a range of products made in southern Alberta.

As well as these holiday markets there are numerous storefronts that sell locally made goods year-round, including, AAC Works, SAAG, and the Purple Hippo.



ART MARKET SHOPPING TIPS

- Bring change! Some markets have a nominal admission fee.
- Bring reusable shopping bags!
- Bring a combination of cash and cards. Not every location has an ATM but many vendors have a Square reader if there is internet.
- Bring your list of gift recipients to help focus your shopping search.
- Ask for a business card or Instagram handle of the vendors you like, so you can follow their work in the future.



ONGOING EXHIBITIONS

TREX: SOUTHEAST | Strange and Known Places | September 1 – November 2 Lethbridge Public Library – Main Branch

SOUTHERN ALBERTA ART GALLERY MAANSIKSIKSITSITAPIITSINIKSSIN

Here Elsewhere Other Hauntings – Jin-Me Yoon, Next World Emissaries – Jude Griebel, Futility Index – Emily Promise Alisson | September 17 – November 20 Southern Alberta Art Gallery

ULETHBRIDGE ART GALLERY | Every Possible Future is Multispecies October 6 – January 13 | Hess Gallery

ULETHBRIDGE ART GALLERY | Caring for the Collection | October 6 – January 13 Christou Gallery

THE GALLERY AT CASA | November Exhibitions – Jeanne Kollee, Donna Bilyk, Troy Nickle, David Knight, Bryce Singer & Spirit of the Studio Group Exhibition November 12 – January 14 | Casa



3 ALLIED ARTS COUNCIL OF LETHBRIDGE | ART/WORK: Public Art with Catherine Ross | Online | 6:00PM

SOUTHERN ALBERTA ART GALLERY MAANSIKSIKSITSITAPIITSINIKSSINSAAG Social | Southern Alberta Art Gallery

10 SOUTHERN ALBERTA ART GALLERY MAANSIKSIKSITSITAPIITSINIKSSIN Bletcher Hour Reading Group Online I 6:00PM

LETHBRIDGE PUBLIC LIBRARY | Flights of Fantasy Writing Club The Crossings Branch: Friends Place | 6:00PM

12 LETHBRIDGE PUBLIC LIBRARY | The Great Library STEAM Club: Dinosaurs and Fossils | The Crossings Branch: Friends Place | 1:30PM

ALLIED ARTS COUNCIL | Artist in Residence (AiR) Maria Madacky Open House | Casa | 7:00PM

- 17 LETHBRIDGE PUBLIC LIBRARY | Wise Owls Pub Quiz
 The Owl Acoustic Lounge | 8:00PM
- 18 ALLIED ARTS COUNCIL | Christmas at Casa | Casa | 5:00 9:00PM

SOUTHERN ALBERTA ART GALLERY MAANSIKSIKSITSITAPIITSINIKSSIN Holiday Market | Southern Alberta Art Gallery | 5:00 – 9:00PM

NOVEMBER

19	ALLIED ARTS COUNCIL Christmas at Casa Casa 10:00AM – 5:00PM
	SOUTHERN ALBERTA ART GALLERY MAANSIKSIKSITSITAPIITSINIKSSIN Holiday Market Southern Alberta Art Gallery 10:00AM – 5:00PM
	AAC WORKS Ceramics Demo with Stacey McRae 318 7 Street S
21	THE LETHBRIDGE SYMPHONY Series II – Triple Play Southminster United Church 7:30PM
23	THE LETHBRIDGE SYMPHONY Kids Choir Southminster United Church 7:00PM
24	OLDMAN RIVER POTTERS GUILD Annual Holiday Sale Guild Storefront #2 – 4416 1 Avenue S Noon – 8:00PM
	THE LETHBRIDGE SYMPHONY Kids Choir Southminster United Church 7:00pm
26	OLDMAN RIVER POTTERS GUILD Annual Holiday Sale Guild Storefront #2 – 4416 1 Avenue S 10:00AM – 6:00PM
	THEATRE OUTRÉ A Very Didi Christmas Carol Sterndale Bennett Theatre
27	THEATRE OUTRÉ A Very Didi Christmas Carol Sterndale Bennett Theatre
30	HAWK + HARVEST Holiday Markey + Online Market

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MAKING SPIRITS BRIGHT

NIKKA YUKO JAPANESE GARDEN WINTER LIGHTS FESTIVAL

By Jana Mackenzie, Editorial Assistant

Nikka Yuko Japanese Gardens (NYJG) is one of our city's most treasured cultural assets. Constructed as part of Canada's Centennial in 1967, this space pays tribute to the contributions that Japanese individuals and families have made to southern Alberta. This four acre garden has provided an opportunity for residents and visitors to experience the peace and serenity of the natural environment as expressed through Japanese garden architecture and culture.

Until 2016 the garden was a seasonal attraction, open May through October. Extending the season and accessibility of the space became a priority for the organization, and so a look to winter programming became a focus. After years of discussion and planning, the Winter Lights Festival was born, bringing illumination to the darkest months of the year.

The gardeners at NYJG begin to set up the lights in October and work for two months to create the magic and wonder of this festival. Running from early December through to the end of January, this event continues to set new attendance records every year. In 2019, the festival of lights brought in over 16,000 attendees and just two years later that number rose to 23,000. During 2020, a time when the initial impacts of COVID-19 were being felt, there was a significant drop in summer attendance at the gardens. However, by December, families and friends were eager to gather, and the outdoor experience provided a perfect venue, making up for the loss of attendance felt by the organization over that summer.

Also increasing in scale over the years are the number of lights on display. In 2019 there were 150,000 light bulbs, but with the addition of a second light tunnel and other features, this number has risen to 170,000 light bulbs. Ice sculptures are also a feature of this winter wonderland, with two sculptures created in December and then, weather dependent, more ice sculptures to be created in January.

A 60-foot dome, built by Wesbridge Construction, will provide guests with a stunning visual experience where they can walk through a 360-degree animation projected across the walls of the space.



An exciting new feature for the 2022/23 season is the 360° dome experience. A 60-foot dome, built by Wesbridge Construction, will provide guests with a stunning visual experience where they can walk through a 360-degree animation projected across the walls of the space. This project is a result of the partnership between NYJG and the Centre for Teaching, Learning, and Innovation at Lethbridge College, which originally began with the creation of a virtual koi pond in the newly constructed Bunka Centre. There are two animation sequences created at the College for the dome, the first is a cherry blossom experience and the second features a northern lights experience.

The Winter Lights Festival delights all ages, and while each year changes and grows; this is sure to become a holiday tradition for the whole family.



TIPS!

Due to the popularity of this event (particularly the week before Christmas) buy tickets online prior to arriving. Avoid any long lineups in the cold and head straight into the gardens by pre-purchasing. General admission costs are \$12.50 for adults and \$9 for kids aged 6-16.

Be sure to check on the weather before you go, extreme cold temperatures and blizzardy days may be cancelled for safety.

Winter Light Kamakura Festival Package is perfect for holiday staff parties and private, group viewings.

Visit nikkayuko.com to learn more!





ONGOING EXHIBITIONS

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ULETHBRIDGE ART GALLERY | Caring for the Collection October 6 – January 13 | Christou Gallery

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SOUTHERN ALBERTA ART GALLERY MAANSIKSIKSITSITAPIITSINIKSSIN

Dagmar Dahle, Barry Doupe, Elizabeth Zvonar, Kasia Sosnowski, Alison Yip, Nick Sikkuark, Raneece Buddan I December 3 – February 12 Southern Alberta Art Gallery

DECEMBER

1	SOUTHERN ALBERTA ART GALLERY Bletcher Hour Reading Group Online 6:00PM
	NIKKA YUKO JAPANESE GARDEN Winter Lights Festival Opening Nikka Yuko Japanese Garden
2	SOUTHERN ALBERTA ART GALLERY MAANSIKSIKSITSITAPIITSINIKSSIN Exhibition Opening Reception Southern Alberta Art Gallery 8:00PM
3	ALLIED ARTS COUNCIL OF LETHBRIDGE ART/WORK: International Society of Experimental Artists Online 6:00PM
	SOUTHERN ALBERTA ART GALLERY MAANSIKSIKSITSITAPIITSINIKSSIN Articulations Artist Talk Southern Alberta Art Gallery
8	SOUTHERN ALBERTA ART GALLERY MAANSIKSIKSITSITAPIITSINIKSSIN Shop at SAAG Feature Artist Reception Southern Alberta Art Gallery
10	AAC WORKS Watercolour Demo with Karina Mak 318 7 St. S 11:00AM
	SOUTHERN ALBERTA ART GALLERY MAANSIKSIKSITSITAPIITSINIKSSIN Crafternoon Youth Workshop Southern Alberta Art Gallery
11	LETHBRIDGE SYMPHONY Series III – Holiday Magic Southminster United Church 3:00PM
12	LETHBRIDGE SYMPHONY Series III – Holiday Magic Southminster United Church 7:30PM
14	NEW WEST THEATRE Blockbuster Genevieve E. Yates Memorial Centre 7:30PM
15	LETHBRIDGE PUBLIC LIBRARY Wise Owls Pub Quiz The Owl Acoustic Lounge 8:00PM
	NEW WEST THEATRE Blockbuster Genevieve E. Yates Memorial Centre 7:30PM



16 AAC WORKS | Crochet Demo with Trish Hoskin (Fat Lady Crochet) 318 7 Street S

NEW WEST THEATRE | The Imagination Factory Sterndale Bennett Theatre | 2:00PM

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DECEMBER

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Holiday Crafts at Casa

FAMILY ORNAMENTS

with Luka de Haan

Commemorate all that you've done as a family this year with a piece of art that will last through the ages. Join us for a morning of handbuilding where you design one-of-a-kind ornaments with the helpful expertise of our wonderful instructor. Families are encouraged to work together to create truly unique pieces. *Materials included*.

Saturday, November 5, 12 & 26 10:00 am – 12:00 pm

\$25 + GST per Adult* | \$15 per child





For more information, please visit casalethbridge.ca or call 403.327.2272

Ignite the Sound



Is it time to re-energize your passion for singing?

Your Spark + 30 Friends + 4 Parts = Captivating Harmony

Southern Accord Chorus is a Lethbridge area award-winning acappella performance chorus and invites you to join us for our Wednesday night rehearsals September 14, 21, 28 from 6:30 pm to 8:30

The first night starts at 6pm in-person at McNally Community Centre or alternatively, join us via Zoom

To get more information on how to join in or to register, email us: contact@southernaccord.org or call Helen (403) 394-4041.



Alberta Media Arts Alliance Society

Sharon Stevens | admin@amaas.ca | amaas.ca | 587.832.2627 Provincial arts service organization that advocates, educates and celebrates media art and artists in Alberta.

Blackfoot Canadian Cultural Society

Mary Ann Crow Healy | mcrowhealy@shaw.ca

Hosting cultural events, International Peace Pow-Wow and Festival, Blackfoot Arts Days.

Blackfoot Culture & Language Program

Dan Fox, Faye Heavy Shield | faye.heavyshield@outlook.com

The Blackfoot Culture and Language program offers ways of cultural connections for Blood Tribe children and youth in care, their caregivers, and caseworkers. Facilitated by the Culture and Language program, Blood Tribe Elders and community members impart their knowledge and areas of expertise at monthly gatherings.

Centric MusicFest

Ryan Kolodziej | centric.festival@gmail.com | facebook.com/centricmusicfest | 514.476.4290

Lethbridge and area's summer classical music festival. The festival showcases professional and up and coming local, Canadian and international musicians in an intimate and accessible concert setting.

Chinook Woodturners Guild

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The Chinook Woodturning Guild provides opportunities for skill enhancement, as well as promotes friendship, support and an exchange of knowledge. The Guild has secured the required equipment to fulfill the organization's goals, and keeps pace with the constantly evolving world of woodturning. Invites nationally and internationally recognized woodturners for demonstrations and workshops.

Empress Theatre

Margaret Ann Bianco | empress@empresstheatre.ab.ca | macleodempress.com | 403.553.4404

Developing and maintaining a cultural life in Fort Macleod. Encouraging the development of the performing arts through staging and organizing musical/theatrical productions. Preserving and continuing to restore the historic Empress Theatre.

Galt Museum and Archives

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Stories of Southwestern Alberta unfold at the Galt with interactive, permanent and special exhibits in the Discovery Hall and community-based exhibits in main and lower level spaces. The stunning Viewing Gallery, available for facility rentals, is adjacent to the Museum Store. Outdoor patio and gardens connect to the Oldman River valley walking trails. Access to Archives and collections research facilities, featuring works by Lethbridge Sketch Club members and Blackfoot artists Two Gun and Gerald Tailfeathers, is free. Hands-on adult workshops and other programs are included in admission.

Lethbridge Artists Club

Denise Savard | info@lethbridgeartistsclub.com | lethbridgeartistsclub.com | 403.942.4805

Artists sharing techniques, exhibiting in the community, enjoying a fellowship and working to further their skills. Welcomes artists of all abilities.

Lethbridge Big Band

Nancy Walker | nancywalker@shaw.ca | 403.315.9666

For over 50 years, the band has played hundreds of dances, balls, weddings, fundraisers, concerts, and many civic celebrations. Provides a rich mentoring environment for young musicians and keeps the Big Band swing music alive and prospering. The band consists of 17 musicians (16 instrumentalists and one vocalist). Please call to book the Big Band for your special event.

Lethbridge Branch of the Alberta Registered Music Teachers Association

Christine Rogers | c4rogers@telus.net | Irmta.com | 403.327.2073

Providing leadership in private music education by encouraging and offering the highest caliber of music instruction possible while promoting high standards of music in our community. Currently, the ARMTA has over 20 members from Lethbridge and the surrounding area who give lessons in piano, theory, pedagogy, compositions, strings, voice, woodwinds, organ, trombone, tuba, euphonium and ear training. The branch presents a number of student recitals each year and organizes workshops and master classes for students and teachers in the community. Awards \$1500 annually for first-class honours marks in practical and theory exams. Monthly meetings.

Lethbridge Chinese Manie Opera Society

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Established 22 years ago, the Lethbridge Chinese Manie Opera Society performs Chinese traditional music and song in locations throughout the city for various occasions, such as Canada Day. The group also performs for celebrations on Chinese New Year and Moon Festival. The society's events have brought Lethbridge and area residents, regardless of their age, fun, enjoyment, and an understanding of Chinese art and ethnicity.

Lethbridge Community Band Society

Lana Antony | info@lcbs.ca | lcbs.ca

A community-minded amateur musicians' organization that has provided superior concert music, performances and learning opportunities for Lethbridge and area musicians for 30 years. The Society has commissioned numerous compositions, performed several premieres and has been recorded. The ensembles have collaborated with feature performers including composer Howard Cable, the Mantini Sisters, Jens Lindermann, Allan Vizzutti, James Campbell, Jeff Nelsen and numerous other acclaimed musicians.

Lethbridge Community Taiko Association (LCTA)

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LCT is a community based Taiko (Japanese drum) group. Supported by the Lethbridge Community Taiko Association, LCT is a not for profit society. The group respects their connections to Japanese Taiko tradition while welcoming the influence of western culture. Drummers of all musical experiences and abilities are included. Two groups have been established to meet the needs of drummers as they gain confidence and skill. Practices are held weekly, year round. The groups perform for a variety of community and private events.

Lethbridge Folk Club

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The Lethbridge Folk Club provides a stage to present touring artists and a venue for new and emerging musical artists. Also provides a venue for local artists to perform in an open stage atmosphere with a full stage set-up. For performers of all ages.

Lethbridge Handicraft Guild (Lethbridge Weavers)

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The Lethbridge Handicraft Guild practices and promotes historic and contemporary weaving techniques as well as other fibre arts such as spinning, felting, and knitting through in-house educational programs, mentoring, and demonstrations at community festivals. We provide continuous and low cost educational opportunities to all who are interested.

Lethbridge Photography Club

Lorelei Hoffarth | contact@lethbridgephotoclub.org | lethbridgephoto.wordpress.com

The Lethbridge Photography Club is a group dedicated to sharing the love of photography. They currently have members from all walks of life, and from all disciplines of photography. The Lethbridge Photography Club gathers for casual meetings, workshops, field trips and seminars for their members as well as the general public. Regular meetings are held the third Thursday every month from September to June at Casa.

Lethbridge PrideFest Society

Lane Sterr, Chair | chair@lethbridgepride.ca | lethbridgepride.com Community based organization providing events for the acceptance and

inclusion of our diverse community. We recognize and celebrate the history, the courage and the future of all Alberta's Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Trans, Two-Spirited, Queer, Questioning, Inter-sexed and Allied (LGBTTQQIA) individuals and communities. We encourage the expression of culture, art and pride throughout all events. Events range from dances, drag performances, and film screenings to a city centre based festival with music and art.

Lethbridge Public Library

questions@lethlib.ca | lethlib.ca | 403.380.7310

The Lethbridge Public Library connects you to ideas at their two community gathering places, the Main Branch in the heart of downtown and The Crossings Branch in West Lethbridge Centre, as well as our Bookmobile or log on to our 24/7 accessible virtual library. Offering print and eResources, speakers, forums, concerts, symposiums, art exhibits, film festivals, The Word on the Street festival, craft programming, handmade fairs showcasing local artisans and craftspeople, as well as public use computers and free Wi-Fi.

Lethbridge Scottish Country Dance Club

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Promotes Scottish dancing through social dance classes and with a demonstration dance group that performs at functions. The Lethbridge Scottish County Dance Club was formed in 1981. Under the expert direction of our three qualified teachers, the club hosts weekly classes for all levels of dancers.

Lethbridge Society of Glass Artisans

Kathy Schwarz | Issga@live.com | Isga.ca | 403.942.7636

Promotes glass work of all types including: fused glass, sandblasted glass, stained glass, lampworking and mosaics. Provides a forum for local glass artisans in southern Alberta at all skill levels to work together to enhance, improve and promote glass work. This is accomplished through workshops, seminars, literature and field trips. LSGA provides a studio space and equipment for all local artisans to use.

Lethbridge Society of Independent Dance Artists

Claire Lint | class@lsida.ca | facebook.com/LethSIDA |
Instagram @LSIDAdanceYQL

Our mission is to promote and encourage an inclusive environment for dance artists to connect with one another, create, dance, educate and perform. LSIDA strives to encourage dance in Lethbridge. We hope to foster a community of dance artists who are interested in sharing ideas and spreading their love of dance.

Lethbridge Symphony

hello@lethbridgesymphony.org | lethbridgesymphony.org | 403.328.6808 Since 1960, the Lethbridge Symphony has provided southern Alberta with memorable musical experiences for audiences of all ages. The Symphony produces over a dozen performances every year, ranging from familiar orchestral works to pops, opera, and holiday favourites, as well as, Chamber Music and ever-popular youth programs.

Little Lethbridge Opera Company

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The Little Lethbridge Opera Company strives to re-imagine the endless possibilities of what opera can be in the 21st century. As Lethbridge's only independent opera company, we pride ourselves in showcasing local talent. We are here to say that opera is for everyone!

New Music L.AB

D. Andrew Stewart, President | contact@newmusiclab.ca | newmusiclab.ca | 403.694.0168

New Music L.AB is a collective that promotes diverse forms of live contemporary art music including interactive media, electronics, and new aesthetic philosophies. We provide Lethbridge and southern Alberta with live music by living Canadian composers.

New West Theatre

Sheri Becker | info@newwesttheatre.com | newwesttheatre.com | 403.381.9378

Professional theatre company contributing to the dynamism of the Lethbridge community by offering vibrant cultural experiences for audiences and by generating sustainable opportunities for artists. Produces five productions annually, ranging from high energy music-comedy revues, to contemporary Canadian theatre and theatre for young audiences. Provides educational training for students 6-17 through summer theatre camps, and a year-round theatre School.

Nikka Yuko Japanese Gardens

Michelle Day | info@nikkayuko.com | nikkayuko.com | 403.328.3511

Experience the friendship of Japan and Canada as you immerse yourself in the quiet beauty of Nikka Yuko Japanese Garden. Take a guided tour through the garden, meditate by the dry rock garden, or send a message of friendship to the world as you ring the bell. Guests can enjoy a variety of cultural experiences such as the tea ceremony, watching Japanese folk dancing, or even sumo wrestling. The garden is open May to October and the Bunka Centre is open year-round to enjoy our café and gift shop. Special events and daily programming can be found on our website.

Oldman River Potters Guild

Jody Nicholson, President | orpgmembers@gmail.com | oldmanriverpottersguild.com

Established in 1956, the Oldman River Potters Guild has a mission "to promote the art of ceramics by sharing, learning, and creating together". The guild operates in a beautiful, bright, and spacious studio and strives to promote clay through workshops, sales, and courses, all available to the public. New members are always welcome.

Playgoers of Lethbridge

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Established in 1923, Playgoers is the oldest continually operating amateur theatre group in Canada. Produces plays or dinner theatre each October or February. The club sponsors the regional One-Act Play Festival and participates in the Alberta One-Act Festival each March/April. Playgoers also holds workshops in various aspects of acting, directing and stagecraft. Membership is \$10 a year. Auditions are open to everyone. Follow on Facebook to be informed of upcoming auditions and events.

Southern Accord Chorus

southernaccord.org | facebook.com/southernaccordchorus

Southern Accord Chorus is a vibrant community of over 30 singers from all backgrounds and with all levels of musical experience who love to sing. From students to scientists, business owners to homemakers, we are a community of strong, caring members who believe in the community we create together. We are a safe, accepting, and positive environment where members have the freedom to be themselves, be ambitious, show their strengths, and develop new ones without fear of judgment. By working together every week with the common goal of musical and performance excellence, we build strong bonds that continue beyond the rehearsal.

Southern Alberta Art Gallery MAANSIKSIKSITSITAPIITSINIKSSIN

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Located in the heart of downtown Lethbridge, the Southern Alberta Art Gallery offers a dynamic variety of contemporary art programs and has won international recognition for the quality of its exhibitions. The gallery's park setting and proximity to local cafés and shopping make it an excellent place to drop in during a day's outing. Its many programs include films, family events, courses in art appreciation and much more! The gallery also houses a resource library with information on the visual arts from around the world. Postcards, SAAG's own award-winning publications, Canadian art magazines and unique, affordable gifts are available in The Shop at SAAG.

Southern Alberta Taiko Society (HIBIKIYA)

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We are passionate about sharing our love of and respect for Taiko drumming in Lethbridge and throughout communities in southern Alberta. We perform at many community events as well as in schools. We share our knowledge of Japanese culture as it relates to Taiko drumming. We offer workshops and hands-on drumming experiences to the community. We meet once a week for several hours to practice.

Textile Surface Design Guild

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The Textile Surface Design Guild (TSDG) is a non-profit society of artists in Lethbridge and area who work in a variety of surface design techniques individually and as a group connecting through a passion for art and design. TSDG increases cultural awareness of the textile arts for members and the community and promotes its members' artistic skills and expertise by providing educational programs, resources, and an opportunity to practice our art form in a spirit of cooperation and sharing.

Trianon Gallery

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Located in the historical Hudson's Bay Building in downtown Lethbridge and named for the Trianon Ballroom, which operated from the 1930s – 1960s. The open space and open philosophy of the Trianon have allowed a creative response from the community by hosting workshops, plays, dances, musical events, fundraisers and a wide variety of art exhibitions. Nationally and internationally renowned artists and students of all ages have shown their work and shared their energy to help create a positive celebration of life and art in Lethbridge.

Troyanda Ukrainian Dance Club

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Promoting and preserving the art of Ukrainian Dance in southern Alberta is now more important than ever. Even though many club members are affected by the war in Ukraine and it sometimes feels challenging to keep dancing, they have been emboldened to fight to keep Ukrainian culture alive locally as well as around the world.

University of Lethbridge Conservatory of Music

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University of Lethbridge Faculty of Fine Arts

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Offering theatre productions, concerts, exhibitions, public lectures, workshops and festivals. Visit their website for upcoming event listings and make the University of Lethbridge your destination for the arts!

Windy City Accordions

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Formerly known as Bellows to Brass. Windy City Accordions highlights the versatility of the accordion complimented by various other instruments, notably the trombone, trumpet, and cello.

Look for **ISSUE #3** coming out at the end of December with information about concerts, performances, and exhibitions for the new year in Lethbridge.

Have an arts event you would like to see included? Be sure to send them to info@artslethbridge.org two months prior to printing.

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