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Your membership in the CVA and one or more of the guilds, is the deal of the century.  We are extremely fortunate to have access to a wonderful facility, a great atmosphere and many members to share ideas. We have courses representing all the guilds being offered this fall. If one happens to tickle your fancy or you would like to try something new, then check them out.  We have also had successful days at the Farmer’s Market. Many people have stopped by to chat and to take home a new treasure.  This is also an election year. **Elections will take place at our AGM, which will take place on Thursday October 26 at 7pm at the cottage.** The current executive will be ending their 2 year term. Please consider volunteering your time and giving back to the guild. Positions available below with job descriptions at attached [link here.](https://mcusercontent.com/d1645ab04ffe03f6f9c1b7e2a/files/67fee3e8-4f45-0a9b-b961-6b1344a0fe70/job_descriptions.pdf)  President Vice president Treasurer Membership Co-ordinator Course Director Newsletter editor Web manager   Be mindful that our Christmas Sale will be upon us before we know it. Start planning now to give yourself enough time to create your wonderful items.  Yours truly  **Cynthia Andreychuk** CVA President  **VOLUNTEERS NEEDED ...**  **Farmer's Market**  As many of you know, we have a spot at the Farmer’s Market every Saturday.  Please take a look at it to see if there are spaces where you can volunteer. You can sign up online [**HERE**.](https://www.signupgenius.com/go/70A0848A9AC2AA1FE3-2023)  This provides an opportunity to promote the CVA, classes and sell our art. Even if you don’t have anything to sell, it is great fun to participate and visit with other vendors and the community.  https://mcusercontent.com/d1645ab04ffe03f6f9c1b7e2a/images/f1cfc76e-7fca-0b57-6215-e3a605f108dd.jpg   https://mcusercontent.com/d1645ab04ffe03f6f9c1b7e2a/images/1ccec9c8-244d-5db4-606e-c1c460d4b067.jpg      **First Market of the 2023 Season                               From 2022  Market Season**  **Oversight Volunteers for Constitution and Bylaws Review** In 2010 Ontario proposed the Not-For-Profit Corporations Act: ONCA. It was enacted into law in 2021 and Non-Profits groups were given three years to ensure that their constitutions and by-laws were compliant with the Act.  Shortly after the Act was passed, a note was sent out to members asking for volunteers who would review our constitution and by-laws in conjunction with the ONCA act and make any necessary changes. To date, only one person has come forward.  https://gallery.mailchimp.com/d1645ab04ffe03f6f9c1b7e2a/images/af77ad9e-5629-4f0c-b917-7df0b4a8c8db.jpg  As we approach the three-year time limit, we need to take on this task. To volunteer please contact:  Cynthia Andreychuk: [cynderchuk@gmail.com](mailto:cynderchuk@gmail.com) or Merry Little [merry.j.little@gmail.com](mailto:merry.j.little@gmail.com)  **2023 Membership Report & Registration**  **Milly Tseng** Membership  The Membership Report will be updated for the Annual General Meeting after the current renewal period has closed.  So the current report from 8 June, 2023 of CVA members stands as stated below: 135 registered members with 19 members enrolled in more than one guild.  The total number of members for each of the Guilds are: Palette & Pencil Plus – 42 Weaver & Spinners – 16 Potter & Sculptor – 65 Stained Glass - 31  **If you have not yet registered, you may click** [www.creditvalleyartisans.ca/Registration.html](http://www.creditvalleyartisans.ca/Registration.html)   or  <https://form.jotform.com/81766938084269> to register on-line.  **Membership Benefits include ...**   1. a web page on the CVA website with bio/images of work, which can be used as advertisement or to show family and friends 2. members can take part in the Spring and Christmas Sales 3. learning and growing in your arts practice with other guild members 4. participating in other community activities with Credit Valley Artisans,          Farmers' Market, Culture Days   **Of Culture Days Past & CVA's Link to 2023 Activities September 23**  **BELOW 2022 Culture Days Collage -**[CULTURE DAYS](https://culturedays.ca/en/events/0ebded40-9152-44fd-957a-bda8082233be)**Link to 2023 CVA Listing**  https://mcusercontent.com/d1645ab04ffe03f6f9c1b7e2a/_compresseds/b90b1e50-ee68-bd3e-7336-741d76755644.jpg **Milly Tseng learns to spin, a still life awaits an artist's interpretation, and Edna the Egret [created by Roy Frost] intently observes. Above right is a section of the P & PP Guild's display of members' pieces inspired by Impressionist artists.  Photo Collage Credit: Connie Munson**  **Newsletter Team ... Editor -  Connie Munson:**[ellie73m@gmail.com](mailto:?subject=ellie73m%40gmail.com)  **Proof Readers this issue -  Milly Tseng, Cynthia Andreychuk, John Rutherford, and Isobel Watkinson.**  **Social Media Team ... Instagram - Gillian Blaber**[info@creditvalleyartisans.ca](http://info@creditvalleyartisans.ca/" \t "_blank) **Website -  Candice Turner**  **Thank you to people who contribute pictures for social media and the newsletter.**        **Guild Presidents/Leads**and other members - do continue to document the creative process, your market day experiences, and meetings to share with us and that document the guilds' special moments of camaraderie.   **WANTED -**share your good news, any upcoming shows, awards, new works in progress!       Send jpegs sized 1 - 2 MB, labelled with your name and title of piece/shot. Include a short description, your full name, and phone number in case we have questions. **SEND TO EDITOR [**[ellie73m@gmail.com](mailto:?subject=ellie73m%40gmail.com)**] or your Guild Presidents or Leads with NEWSLETTER in subject line.** | |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | |  | |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | | **Still learning and growing with our Guilds ...**  **Palette & Pencil Plus Guild** **Co-Presidents: Sheila Mitchell and Susan Ying**  **Palette & Pencil Guild Members prepare for 2023 Square Foot Show**  https://mcusercontent.com/d1645ab04ffe03f6f9c1b7e2a/images/7228f9ee-acd5-357b-b47b-6c03d40c4010.jpg  **Square Foot Show - Fall 2022 at the Lower Sisnett Lobby at the Cultural Centre**    Photos below from Sheila Mitchell - some members of the P & PP Guild at one of their themed meetings, "I love art books."  People brought in books of artists' work that inspired or influenced them.  https://mcusercontent.com/d1645ab04ffe03f6f9c1b7e2a/_compresseds/47bf263a-81e1-cc82-a3cf-65bbef6c4de3.jpg     https://mcusercontent.com/d1645ab04ffe03f6f9c1b7e2a/_compresseds/1c2d2b56-ca8a-0f1e-83bc-18a074308a47.jpg  Josh, Donna, Joan,  Elyse , Donna, Hope and Sheila  The P & PP Guild continues to meet on a Tuesday, some members work from morning to afternoon enjoying the space. We have two members who are using the Printing Press to create their exciting prints.   Sheila Mitchell Co-President of P&PP  **Heritage Weavers & Spinners' Guild** **President: Merry Little**    Heritage handweavers and Spinners has continued to meet over the summer for our afternoon working sessions though our evening business meetings were skipped. Our last meeting in June, we had Beth Showalter come and discuss the properties of Alpaca, a fibre that is becoming increasingly popular.    Our Thursday Spinning days were moved to Wednesday to encourage more of our members to come in to the cottage to work and allow some of our less mobile members to join us and not have to worry about driving in the night. While the idea is to work on our projects: we have a table cloth on the big loom and tea towels on one of the small ones, we mostly spin and talk. However, it is a nice social time.    Our Cubist project is somewhat delayed. Member were busy over the summer with other projects so only one is completed. We think we will do a weaving open house in the spring and display our work then. Double weave pick up, the structure we are using is extremely time consuming.  **Norma, Marguerite and Merry at the market**    https://mcusercontent.com/d1645ab04ffe03f6f9c1b7e2a/images/9a1c0d0b-b878-0b6d-b6b9-72936bae3b6a.jpeg       https://mcusercontent.com/d1645ab04ffe03f6f9c1b7e2a/images/7543dccd-cd81-ea72-e405-3ae3b6109a57.jpeg      Photo Credits: Milly Tseng  Our spinning group continues to spin both fiber and a few “yarns” on Thursday afternoons.  **BELOW: left to right, the Thursday Spinners ...** **Photo Credit: Merry Little**  https://mcusercontent.com/d1645ab04ffe03f6f9c1b7e2a/images/670f3951-65e9-74cb-0d8e-941c65da2e01.png **Marguerite Reed, Isobel Watkinson, Nancy Martyniuk, and  Norma Coupland**  Our regular business meetings on the third Wednesday of the month will resume in September.  Merry  **Potters & Sculptors Guild** **President: Cynthia Andreychuk**    The studio has been bustling with activity all summer. We have many new members, and we welcome their enthusiasm and creative energy.  Mark your calendar for our CUP SOCIAL on Sunday September 17 at 2 pm in the cottage. Bring a cup and take a cup. Come out for a time to meet fellow members and go home with a new cup.  Should you want to keep your existing shelf in the studio, please send your payment by September 30, 2023 to cva.psmoney@gmail.com.  Also, please email me at cynderchuk@gmail.com to let me know that you have paid and your shelf number.  If you do not have a shelf space and would like to have one, please let me know.  If you have a shelf and have not paid by September 30, 2023, your items will be removed.  I would like to send out a BIG THANK YOU to our superfantastic team that loads, fires and unloads our kilns and to our glaze team, for all of their time and dedication. It is greatly appreciated.  **Happy Potters and their Finished Pieces**  https://mcusercontent.com/d1645ab04ffe03f6f9c1b7e2a/_compresseds/8e36e6cf-6e41-ac97-71bc-23d4ce79cb57.jpg  **Application of Underglaze Transfers             Margaret Freeman - Wheel Work**  https://mcusercontent.com/d1645ab04ffe03f6f9c1b7e2a/_compresseds/8f99b0b8-f086-eb38-ff16-e92d54676be0.jpg      https://mcusercontent.com/d1645ab04ffe03f6f9c1b7e2a/_compresseds/0476cbb5-4f93-b4a9-ce3d-50478c35d55d.jpg    Cynthia  **Stained Glass Artisans Guild** **President: Roy Frost**  **Featured Member ...**  **John Rutherford**was invited by Susan Kerr to share his story. She liked the idea of people learning more about each other with so many new people joining. He is a long-time member and enthusiast of the Stained Glass Artisans Guild.   "I was born and raised in Toronto. After graduating from U of T, I joined the Toronto Police Service in 1973 and my wife and I moved to the SMALL town of Georgetown in 1974. Over the course of the years, my wife (of 51 years) and I were blessed with 5 children and we now have 6 grandchildren as well. While working in Toronto, I enjoyed all of my different postings, however, my favourite job occurred during my final nine years, working as a dog handler in the canine unit. After more than 35 years with Toronto, I retired and with extra time on my hands, I decided to enrol in the CVA’s Stained Glass course, which was something that I had always been interested in trying. That was about 14 years ago. I particularly like doing abstract pieces with the bright colours that are available in stained glass and I find that doing stained glass work is a very relaxing pastime." **Pieces below by John Rutherford**  https://mcusercontent.com/d1645ab04ffe03f6f9c1b7e2a/images/6b938d38-8fb9-41e9-468d-eae538ebd2ba.jpg      https://mcusercontent.com/d1645ab04ffe03f6f9c1b7e2a/images/e4b2bf1f-7fe5-d764-0533-639dafd7b87d.jpg       https://mcusercontent.com/d1645ab04ffe03f6f9c1b7e2a/images/6ab200bc-5efd-70c4-af9f-d6fb2e1bd2a2.jpg **Stained Glass Abstract               A Colourful Web                  Diamonds in the Rough**    https://mcusercontent.com/d1645ab04ffe03f6f9c1b7e2a/images/d32dc96b-f003-22ad-6f33-813e7880489d.jpg        https://mcusercontent.com/d1645ab04ffe03f6f9c1b7e2a/images/49026dce-bd0f-ffbc-f6e6-851278b055db.jpg        https://mcusercontent.com/d1645ab04ffe03f6f9c1b7e2a/images/8ff8e817-4840-399f-4700-b7070bdd8d10.jpg **The Holy Family                       Crystal Cross                       A Celtic Cross**  **Window Display at Nor Star Dry Cleaners**  https://mcusercontent.com/d1645ab04ffe03f6f9c1b7e2a/_compresseds/b0a13b87-e1c2-2bbe-5be7-237bea976cfe.jpg      https://mcusercontent.com/d1645ab04ffe03f6f9c1b7e2a/_compresseds/cc85976c-599a-2dae-fa4f-12f2e7a7cd6b.jpg **Roy Frost installed this display with some of his pieces and other work from CVA members.**    **In Memory of Susan Kerr**  https://mcusercontent.com/d1645ab04ffe03f6f9c1b7e2a/images/47cf2d3f-2d1a-9569-67d5-04c9bb5c735e.jpg   Susan was a loving wife to Dave, a caring mother to Kim and grandson Brad. It is with deep sadness that Credit Valley Artisan members have noted the peaceful passing of Susan Kerr, September 2, 2023 at her home. Cremation will take place and a celebration of her life will be held at a later date.    Susan was a member of Credit Valley Artisan since 1985 and a member of the executive in various positions over those many years.  She was most noted for teaching Stained Glass art classes.  https://mcusercontent.com/d1645ab04ffe03f6f9c1b7e2a/images/5d6f704c-f49a-1d4a-c4c1-1505736f5b75.jpg    Susan had a boisterous laugh and was always willing to lend a hand. She was very involved with summer markets and the annual Christmas sale. Susan, along with her beloved husband Dave, always attended the Christmas Pot Luck dinner.  Both Susan and I served on the CVA Executive team during Covid, where her valuable assistance helped us navigate through some very troubling times.  Susan will be truly missed by all of us at CVA, but especially those closest to her, Dave, Kim and Brad.  Margaret Freeman | |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | |  | |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | | **CVA's Community Presence ...**   * **courses at the cottage** * **displays in local businesses** * **exhibits in town galleries** * **Culture Day Activities** * **Farmers Market** * **annual Norval Plein Air fall event**   **Out and about in the community ...**    **Display at Heather's Bakery Cafe**    **https://mcusercontent.com/d1645ab04ffe03f6f9c1b7e2a/_compresseds/7a5261d1-ba4f-4770-e5f5-171541710a1b.jpg**  **Palette & Pencil Plus Guild July 2023 Solo Show for Sheila Mitchell - hung by Susan Ying and other guild members**  **A Summer of Plein Air** At the Lucy Maud Montgomery Garden Gazebo, Norval July 2023    https://mcusercontent.com/d1645ab04ffe03f6f9c1b7e2a/_compresseds/77b09087-9606-9ac3-8d99-ce684d6c14cb.jpg  https://mcusercontent.com/d1645ab04ffe03f6f9c1b7e2a/_compresseds/ef46d8f5-8453-c724-24f5-9a022c2b8f2d.jpg  https://mcusercontent.com/d1645ab04ffe03f6f9c1b7e2a/_compresseds/58e5c0cc-a7a5-bd7b-712b-32fad91ab81e.jpg  https://mcusercontent.com/d1645ab04ffe03f6f9c1b7e2a/_compresseds/64a40cc5-7022-f8d3-3925-b63a4a8d075a.jpg **The Artists                     The Art                          The Awards               The Audience**  **Inspiration from the 2022 holiday season ...**https://mcusercontent.com/d1645ab04ffe03f6f9c1b7e2a/_compresseds/884bca2c-fe0f-47d3-d7eb-67d31c71b97a.jpg **Christmas Room 2022 Curated by Merry Little and Team**  ***Quotes, Quips, & Quick Tributes ...*** **by E. Connie Munson**    Like a pebble thrown into a pool of water, the question of when did the Credit Valley Artisans come about, has continued to ripple outwards. After chatting with Susan Kerr a few months back, I was directed to Margaret Searle, who then turned to Frank Anthony. And now, now we have a response from Frank who got back to Margaret this August.  "Margaret, A few weeks ago you asked, *when did the CVA begin*? I thought it was before my time and was probably around 1975.  Well, I have come up with an old file of mine which is a piece from the Herald dated May 21, 1975 which may interest you and provide an answer to your question.  Enjoy!"  Frank Anthony  https://mcusercontent.com/d1645ab04ffe03f6f9c1b7e2a/images/809cd8fc-f221-b970-6a38-a9a5273142ac.jpg  Well done and thank you to both Margaret Searle and Frank Anthony for tracking this down.  And, kudos to the new arts, crafts society, aka, Credit Valley Artisans, for *getting ink* in two local papers; the Independent, Georgetown, in March 26, 1975, and the Herald, May 21, 1975.  **Editor** | | | |