

Langley

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Council

MAY 1, 2022 - APRIL 30, 2023
ANNUAL REPORT

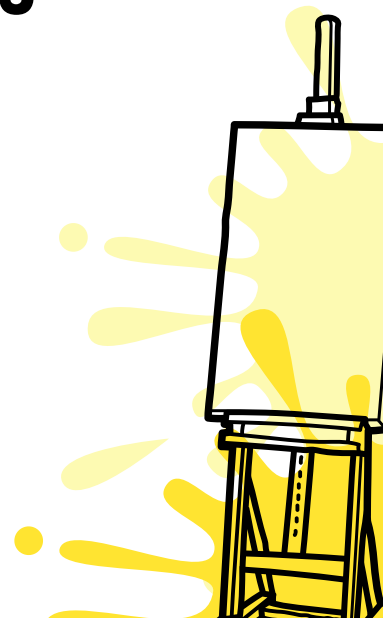
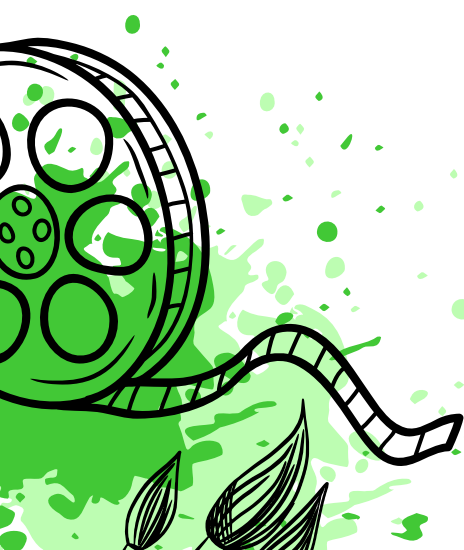


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ABOUT US

The Langley Arts Council (LAC) is a charitable organization that has been serving the residents of the Township and City of Langley since 1968. The LAC attained charitable status in 1996 which gave the Arts Council more opportunity for continued growth and flourishing into the arts and cultural umbrella organization it is today.

OUR MISSION

As a community-based arts organization, the mission of the Langley Arts Council is to *cultivate, sustain, and proliferate artistic activity in the Langleys by offering both monetary and resource support to the community as well as developing new and innovative programs in a variety of artistic disciplines.*

OUR MANDATE

The Langley Art Council's mandate is to *Increase and broaden opportunities for citizens to enjoy and participate in cultural activities; to engage in such activities as will promote the advancement of education in arts, culture, and heritage, or other purposes of charitable nature beneficial to the community, to improve the standards of artistic expression in the community and increase the public's knowledge of, appreciation for, and participation in the arts.*

WHO WE SERVE

The Langley Art Council serves both the Township of Langley and the City of Langley residents to make a combined population of 161,066 (Statistics Canada. Census February 2022). As an organization we serve, artists and creators, arts organizations, community members, educational institutions, tourists and visitors, local businesses, underrepresented and marginalized groups, government and civic entities, donors and philanthropists, and local cultural organizations.



BOARD OF DIRECTORS AND STAFF

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BOARD EXECUTIVE

Lana Hart, President
Shane Rochon, Vice President
Suzanne Erickson, Secretary
Judy Vanderveen, Treasurer

DIRECTORS

Marlo Browne	Erica Grimm (until September 2022)
Alana Evans	Joel Libin (until October 2022)
Diane Gendron	Kathy Neudorf (until April 2023)
David Johnson	
Anita Klein	

STAFF

Claire Sarfeld, Executive Director
Nicole Hutton, Office Manager
Mimi Savyong, Arts Coordinator
Florance Wang, Gallery Coordinator
Neil McNernie, Facility Maintenance

Brahmleen Deol, Gallery Assistant (until: August 20, 2022)
Freda Lombard, Event Coordinator (until: April 28, 2023)
Maia Fairbain, Program Assistant, Gallery Coordinator (until: Jan 4, 2023)

FACILITATORS & INSTRUCTORS

Alex Greghi (Art Instructor)	Eric Hotz (Art Instructor)
Lisa Brooks (Art Instructor)	Laura Krick (Art Instructor)
Patricia Dunphy (Art Instructor)	Freda Lombard (Art/Wellness Instructor)
Julie Epp (Art Instructor)	Linda McRae (Theatre Instructor)
Jessica Fairweather (Art Instructor)	Lauren Trotzuk (Art Instructor)

VOLUNTEERS

Ana Bayona, Graeme Beamiss, Karyna Barros, Wendy Burge, Yaxuan Bo, Diane McNernie, Kerington Franklin, Rebekka Jensen, Alexandra Kim, Sam Li, Minahill Maheen Nasir, Kathy Neudorf, Neha Sandhu, Edgar Sarfeld, Maureen Sinclair, Laiba Tazmeen, Andy Trieu, Toni van der Geest, David Williamson, and Phuc Phan.



**A MESSAGE FROM
THE CHAIR AND
THE EXECUTIVE
DIRECTOR**

As we reflect on the past year with the Langley Arts Council, we want to take a moment to express our gratitude. Thank you to our members, community partners, funders, and collaborators for your unwavering support, commitment, and continued effort to work with us to bring accessible arts and cultural activities to the community. Your membership, patronage, and partnership have been integral to the success of our endeavors throughout the 2022 - 2023 calendar year. With this support, we've been able to; present more exhibitions, new offerings of classes and workshops, and additional free community events than ever before. Additionally, the Board worked with staff and our community to create and implement a 5-year Strategic Plan for the Arts Council. Throughout the last year, we achieved remarkable milestones in our mission, mandate, and vision in promoting and enriching arts and culture in our community.

The past year continued to reveal the incredible spirit and adaptability of our arts community. We were thrilled to see our members actively engage in our programming, and we appreciate all of you who worked with us to present offerings to best suit our community's needs. Your ongoing participation and support once again outlined the importance of the arts in our lives.

As we look ahead, we remain committed to our mission, mandate, and vision for the Arts Council. We will continue to nurture creativity, foster cultural inclusivity, and advocate for the arts. We invite you to join us in the upcoming year as we embark on new projects, continue to support our local artists and explore fresh ways to engage our community.

We are truly grateful for the trust and confidence you place in us as an organization, and your involvement and support are a testament to the enduring value of the arts in our lives and our community. We look forward to continuing our journey together, knowing that, together, we can achieve extraordinary things.

Once again, thank you for your unwavering commitment to the arts, the Langley Arts Council, and our shared vision for a culturally vibrant and thriving community.



Lana Hart; President

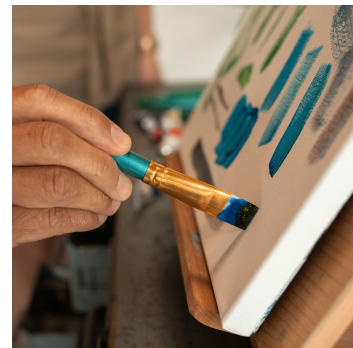


Claire Sarfeld; Executive Director

STRATEGIC PLAN

The purpose of the Arts Council's 2023 - 2028 strategic plan is to provide a structured and comprehensive roadmap that guides the organization in achieving its long-term goals and objectives. It is a forward-looking document that outlines how the Arts Council will allocate its resources, make decisions, and adapt to achieve its mission and vision.

The plan below was created using community feedback from artists, participants, local organizations, community partners, and local government throughout the 2021 - 2022 calendar year. Additionally, an anonymous community survey was actively collecting information and suggestions for 3 months in 2023. The three priorities below were created to serve as a guiding document to chart the course for the Arts Council's future. It ensures that we as an organization remain focused, adaptable, and accountable in its pursuit of its mission and vision. It is a crucial tool for achieving long-term success and sustainability.



BUILDING ORGANIZATIONAL CAPACITY AND STRENGTHENING FINANCIAL STABILITY

PRIORITY #1

OBJECTIVES

- Create a well-balanced funding portfolio that supports our growing role and responsibilities as the umbrella organization for the Township and the City of Langley.
- Continue to foster a welcoming and inclusive environment in the arts community.
- Continue to present an effective and capable organization and a great place for passionate people to work and volunteer.

ACTIONS

- Diversify revenue streams.
- Develop annual fundraising and giving campaigns.
- Develop additional opportunities for donations, sponsorship, and naming opportunities.
- Drive sustainable growth by increasing individual and corporate philanthropic initiatives and earned income.

**BUILD ACCESS TO
ARTS
PROGRAMMING**

PRIORITY #2

OBJECTIVES

- Create greater awareness of the impact of cultural programming in building stronger communities and fostering community engagement.
- Increase the impact of our educational art programming and services by bringing the arts to the people.
- Assist in creating a desirable community enriched by arts and cultural programming.

ACTIONS

- Continue to offer accessible and robust arts programming for all ages and socioeconomic backgrounds providing exposure to local talent.
- Create additional opportunities for residents to participate in arts and cultural programming at a reduced rate or for free.
- Expand our programming to include offerings in each of the Langley boroughs.
- Continue to seek funding to support the LAC's Youth Bursary Program and expand its support to more at-risk youth.

**DEEPENING OUR
COMMUNITY
PARTNERSHIPS
AND
COLLABORATION**

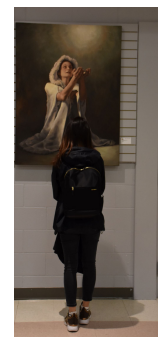
PRIORITY #3

OBJECTIVES

- Foster community and collaboration through maintaining the Langley Arts Councils' active participation in the local and regional arts community.
- Continue to foster new relationships, encourage the development of new partnerships, and continue to be a connector of those in the arts.
- Create a rich art, cultural, and historical dialogue in the Langleys that showcases and supports the array of artistic mediums.

ACTIONS

- Seek opportunities to collaborate and work alongside other value-aligned cultural organizations and encourage a safe space for conversation and collaboration.
- Develop new, and maintain current connections with arts organizations, individual artists, and other members of the arts ecosystem.
- Embody values equity, adaptability, integrity, connection, trust, and service in all of our relationships and provide a welcoming place for artistically diverse individuals, organizations, and communities in our region.



BY THE NUMBERS

LANGLEY ARTS COUNCIL MEMBERS

5 Active Student Memberships
84 Active Senior Memberships
92 Active Regular Memberships
11 Active Organization Memberships
4 Active Family Memberships
196 Total Members

98,892 Total website visits

2022 - 2023 PROGRAMMING ACTUALS

ART IN FOUND SPACES

4 Gallery Spaces
38 exhibitions
487 artists exhibited

CLASSES & WORKSHOPS

3 Class Locations
30 classes offered
10 instructors
185 participants

COMMUNITY INITIATIVES (EVENTS)

Hosted and participated in **39** events
These events were held in **11** locations
7,079 event attendance

COMMUNITY RENTALS

13 societies/charitable organizations used our space over the 2022 - 2023 calendar year.



**ART IN FOUND
SPACES
PROGRAM**

The purpose of the Art in Found Spaces program is to provide the community at large an opportunity to showcase and view original artworks in public spaces around the Township of Langley and the City of Langley.

**SOLO AND DUO
EXHIBITIONS
MAY 1, 2022 -
APRIL 30, 2023**

- Bob Gunning; Solo Exhibition
- Ron Straight; Solo Exhibition
- Lacey Jane Wilburn; Solo Exhibition
- Molly Gray; Solo Exhibition
- Gabrielle Strauss & Victor Gligor; Duo Exhibition
- Colin Mitchell & Annamaria Kardos; Duo Exhibition
- Gary Gillespie; Solo Exhibition
- Trevor Wight; Solo Exhibition
- Gary Gillespie; Solo Exhibition

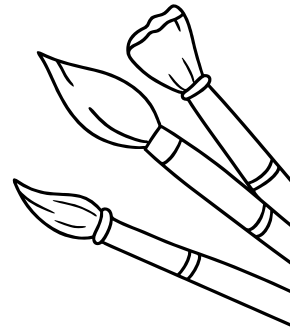
**GROUP
EXHIBITIONS
MAY 1, 2022 -
APRIL 30, 2023**

- One Way Gallery Group Exhibition
- Art Critique Group Exhibition
- Summer Group Exhibition
- My Heritage Group Exhibition
- Beginnings End Group Exhibition
- Beasts of B.C Group Exhibition
- One Way Gallery Group Exhibition
- Seniors Annual Group Exhibition
- One Way Gallery Group Exhibition
- Vancouver Outsider Arts Festival Traveling Exhibition
- Photography Group Exhibition
- Incognito Fundraising Exhibition
- BC-Wide Juried Art Competition artSpacific
- Paint The Train Traveling Exhibition
- New year, New Beginnings
- North Okanagan Chapter of the Federation of Canadian Artists Group Exhibition
- Portrait Exhibition and Live Painting Competition
- Wonders of the Wild Group Exhibition
- Bring on Spring
- One Way Gallery Group Exhibition 'Spring' Theme
- My Heritage Exhibition
- Tuesday's with Lalita
- Green Exhibition
- Annual Youth Exhibition



EXHIBITIONS
FROM
MAY 1, 2023 -
APRIL 30, 2024

- One Way Exhibition theme *Spring*
- Tuesday's wit Lalita Group Exhibition
- Youth Open Call and Group Exhibition
- Gary Gillespie Solo Exhibition
- Lin Maxwell Solo Exhibition
- Karen Johnson Solo Exhibition
- BC-Wide Live Painting Event and Landscape Exhibition
- One Way Gallery Group Exhibition
- Power of Colour Group Exhibition
- Linda Morris Solo Exhibition
- Summer Group Exhibition
- Paramjit Assi Solo Exhibition
- Serena Trinder Solo Exhibition
- Vladimir Kolosov Solo Exhibition
- One Way 07 Group Exhibition
- Fraser Valley Biennale Traveling Exhibition
- Vancouver Outsider Arts Festival Traveling Exhibition
- Inspired by Words
- BC-Wide Prize Winning Exhibition artSpecific
- Point of View Exhibition
- Bahar Mohazabnia solo
- Paul Gravett solo
- Celebration of Culture - My Heritage
- Creating for Change
- Gregory McKinnon solo
- Youth Exhibition
- Canadian Art Preservation Foundation
- Beyond Barriers Group Exhibition
- Paint the Train Traveling Group Exhibition

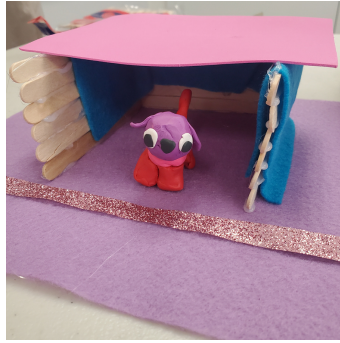


CLASSES & WORKSHOPS

The purpose of the Classes and Workshops Program presented by the Langley Arts Council is to provide accessible and affordable arts, cultural, and heritage programming to all ages, and levels in the City and Township of Langley.

CLASSES OFFERED
MAY 1, 2022 -
APRIL 30, 2023

- Family friendly Art Class at 'Art in the Park'
- Reduce and Reuse Programming (Free programming)
- Youth musical Theatre
- Art Studio Classes with Alex Greggi
- Painting & Watercolour with Eric Hotz
- Family friendly Art Class at 'Art in the Park' (workshop)
- Youth art mix
- Mindful mark making
- Life model drawing
- Children's Theatre: Cue to cute (summer camp)



UPCOMING PROGRAMMING
MAY 1, 2023 -
APRIL 30, 2024

- Life drawing | Sept/Oct 2023
- Youth theatre league | Sept - Nov 2023
- Youth painting Ages 10+ | Oct - Nov 2023
- Watercolour flowers | Oct - Nov 2023
- Christmas Card workshop | Nov 2023
- Free Kids & Youth classes provided by the **Canada Post Foundation** | Jan - March 2024



COMMUNITY INITIATIVES

The purpose of the Community Initiatives Program is to present a wide array of free community arts programming for all ages to the residents of the City and Township of Langley and the surrounding communities.

EVENTS HOSTED
MAY 1, 2022 -
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- Celebration of Culture
- BC-Wide Portrait Competition and Exhibition
- Incognito our Annual Fundraiser
- artSpecific our BC-Wide Painting Competition
- Fall Fest and Open House
- Art in the Park
- Jam and Open Mic Nights

PERFORMERS
MAY 1, 2022 -
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Over 2022 - 2023 the Langley Arts Council presented events that featured the following entertainers;

- Rock Step Swing Dance Society
- Sherry Duggal learning Bollywood Flair
- The Wild Moccasins
- Vancouver InterCultural Orchestra
- Gabriel Regehr
- Edward the Magician
- Patricia Dunphy
- Daryll Klassen



EVENTS
CALENDAR
MAY 1, 2023 -
APRIL 30, 2024

Throughout 2023 - April 2024 the Langley Arts Council looks forward to hosting:

- Outdoor Fine Arts Fair in Langley City
- Art in the Park
- BC-Wide Landscape Painting Competition and Live Painting Event
- Timms Holiday Artisan Market
- Aldergrove Holiday Artisan Market
- Cups and Coffee Fundraiser
- Celebration of Culture
- BC-Wide Portrait Competition and Live Painting Event

And more!



FINANCIAL CONTRIBUTIONS

The Langley Arts Council would like to say a big thank you to those who have supported us financially over the last year. Our patrons and supporters have been instrumental in providing the financial foundation for our work. Your contributions have enabled us to continue providing valuable resources and opportunities to local artists, educators, and audiences.

FUNDERS

BC Arts Council
BC Gaming Grant
City of Langley
Government of British Columbia
Job Creation Program
Telus Friendly Future Foundation
Township of Langley

SPONSORS

Able Auctions
AVS Janitorial Services
Bal's Mobile Dental Hygiene
Deol Lawyers
Vancity

SUPPORTERS & PARTNERS

Arts Council of Surrey
OPUS Art Supplies
Willowbrook Art Gallery
Downtown Langley Business Association
Langley Chamber of Commerce
Kroma Acrylic Paints
Save on Foods
Langley Little Theatre
Mercado Latino Society

MEMBER DONATIONS

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Donations through events, classes, etc.

