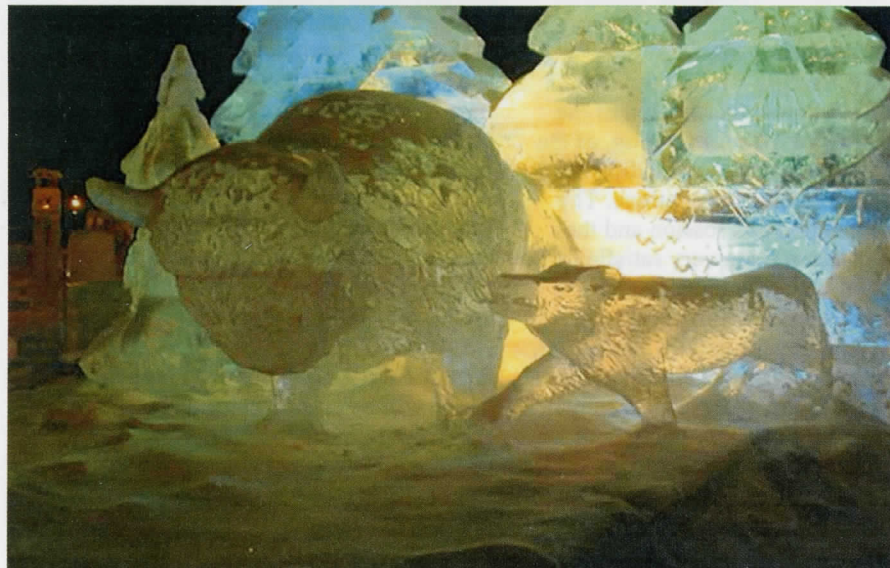


## 2004 Northern Lights Festival Ice Sculpting Workshop



Survival of the Fittest, Peter Vogelaar

## BC Arts & Culture Week

April 25 - May 1, 2004

To celebrate the richness and diversity of the arts in Fort St. John and area, member groups will have information displays in the foyer of the North Peace Cultural Centre on April 24, 2004 at the Honours Concert, part of the Peace River North Performing Arts Festival. The Arts Council is also very excited to be launching their new website at [www.fsjarts.org](http://www.fsjarts.org)

## Festivals to look forward to:

**Peace River North Performing Arts Festival - April 15-24**

**Peace River Zone Theatre Zone Festival - May 6-8**

May 6 - "Toyer" directed by Dave Eaton Stage North, Fort St. John

May 7 - "Blowfish" directed by Susan Lovell, Out of the Box Theatre, Dawson Creek

May 8 - "Krapp's Last Tape" directed by Jeremy Beaulne Out of the Box Theatre, DC



People's Favourite Choice  
 'Dragon Gargoyle'  
 by Sonja Butts & Julie Foster



## Flower Pot Project Fundraiser

Ecole Central School of the Arts in partnership with the Arts Council are preparing for the upcoming Flower Pot Project fundraiser. This year will see 125 flower pots adorning 100th Street and 100th Avenue, an additional 25 pots from last year. The artist painting day will be on March 27 and the annual flower pot auction will be part of the May planting day activities at Centennial Park with 50 pots going up for bid. For more information contact Eliza at 785-0973.

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## Upcoming Events

**All That Jazz Dance Association:** Competition, April 9-11, Red Deer, AB

**Northern Dance Theatre Society:** Warm-up show, February 27, Fort Nelson. Dance Extravaganza, March 27, North Peace Cultural Centre

**North Peace Gymnastics Association:** In-service day camp, Feb 20, with a half day, from 9 am-noon or 1-4pm.

**Slainte Irish Dance Society:** St. Patrick's Day Ceilidh, March 13, 7 pm, Immaculata Hall.

**Peace Arts Gallery Society:** Don Pettit's opening of 'Four Glorious Seasons' at the Peace Gallery North, Feb 20 from 7-9 pm.

**Fort St. John Film Society:** Elephant, March 8; The Station Agent, April 12; Barbarian Invasions, May 10. Movies show at 7pm at the Aurora Cinema Centre

**Fort St. John Literacy Society:** Tutor Training in February. Call Tanya for more information: 785-2110.

**North Peace Historical Society:** Dinner/AGM, 6:30pm, Peace Lutheran Church, tickets available at the North Peace Museum.

**Stage North Theatre Society:** "One Flew Over the Cuckoo's Nest" opens on February 20<sup>th</sup> and runs Feb. 21, 26, 27 and 28 at the North Peace Cultural Centre. "Toyer", a psycho-thriller, April 29, 30, May 1, 6, 8 pm, North Peace Cultural Centre.. Stage North Dinner Theatre, May 15, Quality Inn Northern Grand Hotel.

**Peace River North Performing Arts Festival:** April 15-24, Honours Concert, April 24, 7 pm, NPCC

**Peace River Zone Theatre Festival:** May 6-8, NPCC

**Regional Arts Council:** meeting, March 27, NPCC, 10am

The Reflection is a look at local arts news and will be distributed quarterly.



# Member Activities & Upcoming Events

## Fort St. John Irish Dancers

Four dancers are entered to compete in the All Irelands the first week of February which is an international competition of world caliber and seven dancers qualified at the Western Canadian Oireachtas to attend the World Irish Dance Championships in Belfast, Ireland in April. In April our three dancers (Ciara Watt, Amanda O'Toole & Aisling Watt) from Lord of the Dance will be doing a Canadian Tour starting in Kelowna with performances tentatively scheduled in Grande Prairie and Edmonton.

## Peace Arts Gallery Society

'Four Glorious Seasons' a display of Peace Region photographs by Donald A. Pettit will be opening at the Peace Gallery North, Friday, February 20, from 7-9pm. The evening will include live music, a slide show and refreshments.

## North Peace Music Teachers Association

Several recitals planned to help students prepare for the festival.

## FSJ Film Society

'Monday Night at the Movies' film showings have been very well received by audience members this season. The upcoming movies which show on the 2<sup>nd</sup> 'Monday of the month at 7pm at Aurora Cinema Centre are: *Elephant*, March 8; *The Station Agent*, April 12 and *Barbarian Invasions*, May 10.

## North Peace Historical Society

Dinner and AGM planned for Feb 25 at the Peace Lutheran Church. Evening includes dinner with guest speakers. Tickets available at the North Peace Museum.

## Stage North

"One Flew Over the Cuckoo's Nest" opens on February 20<sup>th</sup> and runs Feb. 21, 26, 27 and 28. "Toyer" is scheduled to play April 23, April 30 and May 1. The Theatre BC Festival (Peace River Zone) will run from May 6-8.

## Fort St John Literacy Society

The CHOOSE Success family literacy program had to shorten this session of the program in order to look for funding, as the extended program that started in 2000 needs additional funds in order to continue. The program is full again this session and the parents and children seem very satisfied with the program and the new location. The Family Stories journal writing program, funded by the National Literacy Secretariat, is under way. Adult learners are busy journal writing, and will soon take part in a retreat, in order to choose stories for publishing. Look for the chapbook, which will be finished by the spring. We still have a few of the 'Icons of the Oilfield' Calendars left, selling for \$15 each. These calendars, focussing on workplace literacy, have been very popular, and we appreciated all the work Eliza Stanford put into the photography! Tutor Training is coming again in February. Anyone interesting in volunteering some time to a learner is encouraged to take this free 16-hour training session. Call Tanya: 785-2110.

## Peace River North Performing Arts Festival

Runs April 15-24 with the Honours Concert scheduled for April 24 at 7pm at the NPCC.

## FSJ Poetics Research Group

Group is planning a fund-raiser, possibly a Shakespeare night with everyone dressed up as their favourite Shakespearean character. More information on this to come.

## Slainte Irish Dance Society

Dancers are practising their fancy footwork and are busy fundraising for upcoming shows in the spring. On March 13<sup>th</sup> they are hosting their first St. Patrick's Day Ceilidh along with the Highland dancers. This will be held at the Immaculata Hall at 7:00 p.m. and will be a light-hearted evening for all. The dancers will also be presenting an evening performance along with the Highland School of Dance in June. In the spring they hope to attend several dance festivals.

## North Peace Gymnastics Association

There will be an in-service day camp on February 20<sup>th</sup>, with a half day, from 9:00am-noon or 1:00-4:00pm costing \$15.00, and a full day, from 9:00 4:00pm costing \$25.00. Many gymnasts will be travelling to Quesnel for a competition on February 21<sup>st</sup>.

## Northern Dance Theatre Society

They are practising hard for the upcoming festival season, which kicks off with a warm up show in Fort Nelson on February 27<sup>th</sup>. Parents are equally busy at costume work bees and will wrap up the year's fund-raising with another phone book delivery February. Watch for the Dance Extravaganza on March 27, 7 pm at the North Peace Cultural Centre.

FEBRUARY 2004

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
15	16	17	18	19	20 Don Pettit's Opening Gallery, 7-9pm	21 One Flew over the Cuckoo's Nest Opens Feb. 20, 8 pm NPCC
22	23	24	25 Historical Society Dinner / AGM 6:30pm	26 <---One Flew over the Cuckoo's Nest---> 8 pm NPCC	27	28
29	1 MARCH 2004	3	4	5	6	
7	8 FSJ Film Society Elephant 7pm @ Aurora	9	10	11	12	13 Irish Dance Ceilidh 7pm Immaculata Hall
14	15	16	17	18	19	20
21	22	23	24	25	26	27 Dance Extravaganza 7 pm NPCC
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APRIL 2004

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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4	5	6	7	8	9	10
11	12 FSJ Film Society Station Agent 7pm, Aurora	13	14	15 Peace River Festival begins on April 15	16 North Performing Arts until April 24.	17
18	19	20	21	22	23	24 Honours Concert 7 pm NPCC
25	26	27	28	29 'Toyer' Stage North 8 pm NPCC	30 'Toyer' Stage North 8 pm NPCC	

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## The Finch Water Tower Mural and Mentoring Project - Landmark Makeover

The Fort St. John Community Arts Council undertook a project to see the water reservoir in the Finch area of 106<sup>th</sup> Avenue and 106<sup>th</sup> Street painted with murals this summer. Shelley Mowat, Dawson Creek artist, worked with local youth on this project to train these young artists in the art of large mural painting. Christy Burres a college student from Dawson Creek along with Fort St. John artists, Clayton Backus, Joshua Kirschner, Gabrielle Odowichuk and Adam Kirschner worked with Shelley to create a beautiful mural on the water tower, in the concept of a 24-hour clock. The design includes a Spirit of the Olympics element with it's Ionic Columns and is very visual and flattering to the building. It highlights a large open sky design taking the directional layout into consideration. The design features a dawn, morning, day, evening and night sky separated by the columns to give the wall depth. The project was both ambitious and exciting and adds great beauty to the highly visible building creating a lovely City Landmark.



Unveiling celebration is scheduled for September 24th on site at 6:30pm.

Arts Council  
Monthly Meetings  
3rd Wednesday  
12 pm  
North Peace Cultural Centre

Peter Vogelaar  
Hang-On - People's Choice Award  
International Quebec Sand Sculpting Competition



## Upcoming Events

FSJ Film Society - documentary, Super Size Me, Sept 13, 7 p.m., Aurora Cinema  
FSJ Public Library - Reading and Book Signing, *The Tupper Boys* by Walter Schoen,  
Sept. 23, 7:30 pm

### North Peace Cultural Centre

Jason McCoy in concert, Sept 17, 8 p.m.

The Mike Allen Trio in concert, Oct. 1, 8 p.m.

LACE in concert, Oct. 2, 8 p.m.

Stage North - Rocky Horror Show, Oct. 22, 23 (2 shows), 28 and 29

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Spotlight on the Arts

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High on Ice  
Winter Carnival  
BC Ice Sculpting Championships  
&  
Snow Sculpting  
January 21-23, 2005

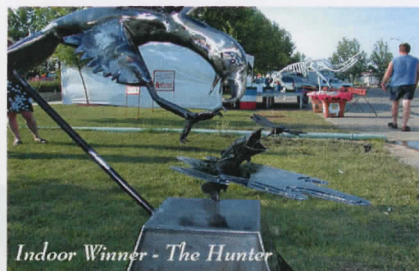
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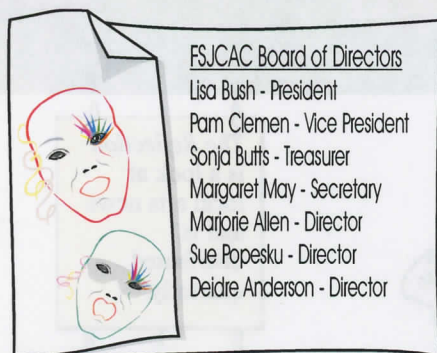
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## Great Canadian Welding Competition



The City of Fort St. John organized the first annual Great Canadian Welding Championship in Fort St. John on August 1-2, 2004. The competition saw local and regional welders create outstanding sculptures in the theme of *The Wild Life*. Over 12 teams participated, with the winning teams receiving \$5000 for the top outdoor piece and \$2000 for the top indoor piece. The winning outdoor piece entitled, *The Bear*, is on permanent display in Centennial Park and the winning indoor piece, *The Hunter*, is housed in City Hall. This wonderful public art event both promotes artistic expression using metal as a medium and celebrates local talent, congratulations to the City of Fort St. John!



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