



Fort St. John Community



"Shaping Today, Inspiring Tomorrow"



A Fort St. John Community Arts Council visual arts initiative that will see painted panels displayed on the exterior of City buses for the summer months, starting in April. The panels measure 17" x 66' and will be painted by local artists. The artwork will be in the theme, Our Northern Skies, and will provide a burst of colour to the exterior of the buses. Sponsorship is needed to support this program. Please see details inside.

Climb on Board, It's Art That Moves You!

Art That Moves You is a joint initiative between the FSJ Community Arts Council, City of Fort St. John and BC Transit.

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Peace River Regional District Hospital Art Project

Upon request from Fred Banham of the Peace River Regional District, the Fort St. John Community Arts Council formed a committee to develop a Call for Proposal for commissioned artwork for the main stairwell in the new Fort St. John Regional Hospital. Fred reported that this is the first new hospital in the Province of BC for 40 years so it is unique in BC and is a flagship for BC Government.

Progress Summary on the Process

Oct 25, 2011

Initial meeting with Fred Banham, Sue Popesku, Margaret May.

Nov 4

Margaret, Sue, Fred tour the hospital.

Nov 10

Rosemary, Margaret, Sue, Eliza, Heather discuss call for entry and criteria.

Nov 11- Dec 10

Rosemary (with help from Eliza and Margaret) draft the Call for Entry.

Dec 15

Committee met to finalize call for entry.

Jan, 2012

Eliza creates list of criteria for selection-approved by committee. Call distributed.

Jan 9,

Second visit to the Hospital with interested artists.

Jan 19

First cuts made from the 35 entries with 3 others enquiring but not submitting.

Jan 23

Shortlist of 5 notified to send in proposal of their work.

Feb 15

Deadline for shortlist details to be submitted 4 sent in their proposals.

Feb 20

Selected artist ie creative works of Vancouver.

Mar 8

ie creative works and committee presentation at Peace River Regional District in Dawson Creek.



This handblown twisted glass is a sample of the artwork by ie creative artworks which has been commissioned for the new hospital main stairwell. The artwork will be illuminated by LED lights and dichroic glass.

SELECTED ARTISTS

**Michael Vandermeer and
Cheryl Hamilton**
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Criteria for Selection

- 30% Artistic merit.
- 10% How well artist addresses requirements of the call.
- 20% Sustainability of piece and maintenance needs.
- 20% Safety of public.
- 10% Value for money.
- 10% Artist's ability to complete the piece (similar works, CV).

Other considerations:...Installation requirements

Questions to consider.....Is the artist's work...

- Too big/ too heavy/inappropriate for the space of the stairwell?
- Is it motivational- will people be drawn in to climb the stairs?
- No fabric pieces will be considered due to anti-dust requirements.
- No paper pieces will be considered due to longevity problems.
- No projections on the walls with stairs for safety purposes.
- Is their work (size, content, colour, quality) a good fit for this space?

Extended Benefits of This Process

- Identified the need for a public art policy for the municipalities and Peace River Region.
- Produced positive results of collaboration, discussion and planning.
- Created a current list of BC artists who are interested in working in the Peace Country.
- Presented the evidence that the committee process works in selecting public art.

Hospital Art Committee

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