



Stephen MacAdams presents Carol Urchenko with a cheque from the Rotary Club for the 1989 Festival of the Arts. The Rotary donates annually to the Festival, which begins on Monday.

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It's not always easy to smile when you're concentrating so hard, but the Irish dancers from the Watt School of Dance did an outstanding job at

the Arts Festival Honors Concert, which took place March 19. They performed a two hand, three hand and ten hand reel.



Carole Urchenko, president of the North Peace Festival of the Arts, currently underway in Fort St. John, happily accepts a donation from the Northern Dance Theatre Society's president, Lona Semeniuk. The donations go towards helping the Festival get set up.

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MAYOR P. D. WALSH

It is official. The North Peace Festival of the Arts has begun, as proclaimed by Mayor Pat Walsh and assisted by Festival president Carol Ur-

chenko (left) and Lona Semeniuk (right), president of the Northern Dance Theatre Society.

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Local talent chosen for provincial arts competition

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Competitive talent will represent Fort St. John at the BC Festival of Arts in Chilliwack from May 23 to 28.

The results of the Peace River Performing Arts Festival identified 24 participants for the provincial festival in music and dance and the Peace River Regional Juried Art Show selected six artists and their works, plus two more from Charlie Lake and Taylor, to compete at the provincial level.

The adjudicator, Barbara Pratt, in the dance section of the Peace River Performing Festival, selected the following local dancers to compete in Chilliwack: Provincial Ballet placements in the junior section are competitor Pamela Barrows, with Shannon Shomody as the alternate and Janelle Urchenko; In the intermediate section, Melanie Cheesman will be the competitor, Kelsie Goddard the alternate and Allyson Herron will be the observer; Andrea van Donselaar will go as competitor in the seniors section,

with Becky Anderson as the alternate and Elizabeth Hannaford as the observer. The junior section Provincial Stage placements: Amber Webster as competitor, Kelly Van Damme as the alternate and Tamara Campbell as observer; Krysta Brown was chosen as competitor for the intermediate section, with alternate Christy Campbell and observer Richelle Moffat; In the senior section, Tanis Semeniuk was chosen as competitor, with Tosha Brown as the alternate.

In the piano competition, Sandra Lindsay of Fort St. John and Karen Lee of Dawson Creek were chosen to compete at the BC Festival of Arts by adjudicator Dr. Lillian Upright. Competitor Joselyn Hannaford and alternate Min Hee Hannaford will compete in Chilliwack in violin and were chosen by adjudicator William H. Street. Competitor Donald Barnetson was also chosen to compete in flute. And adjudicator and classical guitarist Stephen Boswell selected local guitarist

Monty Loberg to compete in the Festival, with Aaron Dehod going as an alternate.

The Fort St. John, Taylor and Charlie Lake artists whose works will be seen in the Images and Objects Provincial Art Show in Chilliwack are Judy Francoeur, Peter Van Tiesenhausen, Elizabeth Harris, Freda Murphy, Audrey Skoreyko, Robert Young, Forrest Hutchinson and Shelley Edey.

All competitors will receive travel and accommodation assistance to attend the BC Festival of Arts. Along with the week-long competition, the participants will be able to take part in numerous workshops in art and performance which will be instructed by professionals in their fields.

The BC Festival of Arts is an annual event in British Columbia and draws thousands of people to the host community. Fort St. John is considering bidding on hosting the Festival sometime in the 1990s.

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