



*Artists
in the Boro*
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~ Report for the Arts Council of New Westminster's AGM ~ November 2019

Artists in the Boro is a group inclusive of all visual art media, which endeavours—through meetings, workshops, public events and other forums—to discover, promote and celebrate the creative talents of artists residing, working or otherwise involved in the unique community of Queensborough in New Westminster, BC.

Formed in 2011—for those creating original work in various visual media, including painting, drawing, photography, textiles, jewelry and more—the group meets regularly at 7 pm on the 3rd Tuesday of the month from January to November in the Poplar Room at Queensborough Community Centre (920 Ewen Avenue, New Westminster).

2019 Events & Activities: We have continued to curate and install exhibits in the Queensborough Community Centre's *Art in the Atrium* gallery space on a rotational basis. Themes over the past year included:

Entitled (*Pieces inspired by Book Titles*)
(Feb 17 to Apr 12))

Cityscapes (May 26 to July 26)

The Sky's the Limit (Sept 3 to Nov 15)



2019 also saw the opening up of the *Art in the Atrium* to proposals and exhibitions by several New West-based guest artists (<https://sites.google.com/view/artistsintheboro/call-for-artists>), including an **Art Squared** display by **New West Artists**, and **Soul Connections** by **Deborah Chaney**, **Tracey Costescu** and **Francis Friesen**. Beginning in mid-November, the New Westminster Horticultural Society's **Garden Gals** will feature **Nature—Larger Than Life**, to run until January 4, 2020.

- We kicked off the year with an excellent **Watercolour Workshop** led by well-known local painter Marney-Rose Edge, and our 4th annual **Arty Afternoon** for local kids at the QCC in February was a great success.
- Jointly hosted once again by AB and the Port Royal Community Garden Society, the **Art in Bloom & Mad Hatter's Tea** New West Cultural Crawl event on August 11th featured artwork galore, a live jazz performance by AJ Wong, and complimentary refreshments and hat decorating for one and all.
- On July 24th we held a **Family Art in the Park** event under the trees at Ryall, with a plenty of art supplies on hand for kids and their parents to experiment with.
- We're busy collecting materials for and look forward to an upcoming hands-on **Assemblage Workshop** before the end of the year.

Planning is well underway for 2020.

For more info, please contact the AB Chair at karenjustice@shaw.ca

**Family Art
in the Park!**

a FREE event for all ages
Wednesday, JULY 24th 6 to 8 pm

See you at the Stage in Ryall Park!
Queensborough Community Centre
- 920 Ewen Avenue -
(In case of rain, come to the Poplar Island Room)