

Saturday, April 6, 2024

Maple Run Art Tour

Date and Time: Saturday, April 6 10:00 am - 5:00 pm

Address: 239 Deer Run Road, Pakenham

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A select group of artists and artisans from the local area, as well as the Ottawa Valley and across Ontario, will present a wide array of artistic expressions. So wide that our advice is to take a deep breath before you read this list aloud! There will be ceramics, wood carving and turning, jewelry, baking, leatherworking, landscape painting, watercolours, photography, weaving, felting, handmade soaps, miniature quilts, mosaics, fabric sculpture, paper art, children's literature, basketry, honey products, clothing design, natural skin care, animal portraiture, textile designs, art glass, and artistic blacksmithing.

Stop 1 is Farmgate Cider with its beautiful reconstructed heritage post and beam cider barn. Located just off the 417 at the Kinburn Side Road, Farmgate hosts the tour's largest group of artists. Here you will find basketmaking, pottery, animal portraiture, natural skin care, watercolours, woodturning, garden sculptures, and artistic blacksmithing. Cider tasting (cold or hot) and sales are a must!

Back in the pretty heritage village of Pakenham with its unique stone bridge, a cluster of 4 tour stops will welcome you. Visit the charming Keepers Coffee Bar, located in the sunshine yellow house and offering eclectic upcycled tea cozies and hats from a local artisan, as well as coffee, pastries and snacks, vintage items and plants. Paddy Mann's clothing design studio, in a heritage stone building, will give you a whole new look, with custom designed clothing from this award-winning designer. The sunny and welcoming Pakenham branch of the Mississippi Mills Library hosts an Ottawa Valley landscape painter, a paper artist, and a children's book author. St. Andrew's United Church, built of local stone in 1897 and featuring a rare sanctuary design, offers a perfect spot for a light lunch, as well as 6 artists presenting miniature quilts, weaving and felting, handmade soaps, artglass jewelry, and fibre art.

Heading west from Pakenham, travel to the base of the Pakenham "Mountain" and visit a ceramic artist and a vibrant tie-dye artist at Cartwright Springs Brewery. While there, you can of course enjoy a tasting – the brewery is known for offering fine craft brews and even bottled maple sap! - as well as pulled pork on a bun and wood-fired pizza

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Vernissage: Two Exhibitions Opening at Sivarulrasa Gallery

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Address: 34 Mill Street, Almonte, ON

Combined Vernissage/Artists Reception: Saturday April 6, 2pm-4pm (Free Admission).

Sivarulrasa Gallery will present two new exhibitions running from April 5 to May 10. MICHAEL PITTMAN: THE HINTERLANDS will run in Galleries I and II. MARY PFAFF: RIVER OF DREAMS will run in Gallery III.

Meet artists Michael Pittman and Mary Pfaff at the combined Artists Reception on Saturday April 6, 2pm-4pm!

For more information and installation photos, visit our Exhibitions page:

<https://sivarulrasa.com/exhibitions/>

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Tuesday, April 9, 2024

MERA Fibre Arts

Date and Time: Tuesday, April 9 6:00 pm - 8:00 pm

Address: 974 Concession 4A Dalhousie

The MERA Fibre Arts group is now meeting on Tuesday nights starting **Jan 2nd** from 6 pm to 8 pm. If you have a project on the go, bring it and share what you are doing. Want to learn how to knit, crochet, rug hook, embroider, spin fibre? We can help you out! The kettle is always on and snacks may show up now and then.... All are welcome to come on out and be a part of a wonderful group of creative people. Looking forward to seeing you there! Email Michele lanarklady1@yahoo.ca for more info.

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Saturday, April 13, 2024

Campbell, Fagan, Park Trio - Almonte In Concert

Date and Time: Saturday, April 13 7:30 pm

Address: 14 Bridge St, Almonte

**James Campbell, clarinet,
Leslie Fagan, soprano,
and Angela Park, piano**

The esteemed clarinetist and long-time Artistic Director of the Festival of the Sound in Parry Sound, James Campbell, will join forces with world-renowned soprano Leslie Fagan and Angela Park, one of Canada's most sought-after pianists, for a gala recital of chamber music and song. In addition to works by Debussy, Saint-Saëns, and Schubert's *Shepherd on the Rock*, the illustrious soprano will perform a selection of songs and arias from popular operas and musicals. This one-time-only conjunction of three of Canada's finest concert artists is not to be missed!

Tuesday, April 16, 2024

MEIRA Fibre Arts

Date and Time: Tuesday, April 16 6:00 pm - 8:00 pm

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Saturday, April 20, 2024

2nd Annual EarthFEST

Date and Time: Saturday, April 20 11:00 am - 3:00 pm

Address: 7 Beckwith St, Carleton Place

Fun and educational workshops for all ages, live music, green products market, and presentation by Internationally known diver and National Geographic author, Jill Heinerth.

Carleton Place Earthfest 2024

Date and Time: Saturday, April 20 11:00 am - 3:00 pm

Address: 7 Beckwith St, Carleton Place

EARTHFEST 2024 SCHEDULE: Plan your day at EarthFEST!

2nd Annual

Saturday, April 20th.

presented by the Carleton Place Environmental Advisory Committee.

A free event with things to do for the whole family!

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CARLETON PLACE PUBLIC LIBRARY, just up the road a few blocks from the festival site! Environmental films will be running throughout the day!

MAIN EVENT SITE MARKET SQUARE: 11-3 pm. 7 Beckwith St.,

Note: This area of the festival is accessible.

Learn about: how to reduce your household waste, start a garden, climate & health concerns, what is being done in our region for the environment, how to mend clothing items, how to compost properly, learn about water protection for the Mississippi and how residents can help, Learn the essentials of preserving and canning food, shifting to include more plant-based food in your diet, and more!

Engage with the many Lanark County-based organizations that will be on hand and doing great things to preserve our local environment.

REFRESHMENTS, FOOD:

Several food vendors offering yummy lunch items will be on site for your convenience.

Please bring your own insulated drink container to reduce waste.

The Carleton Place Youth Centre has been invited as a vendor to help with their fundraising efforts.

CIRCULAR MATERIALS who is the organization responsible for Ontario's recycling and change to producer responsibility will be there to teach how to recycle properly and answer the many questions you may have about recycling in Ontario.

EV TEST DRIVES!! EVCO will have several models of EV's on hand for test drives!

We recommend you pre-register for a test drive to ensure you get an opportunity:

<https://evexperience.ca/events/earthfest-2024/>

WORKSHOPS FOR EVERYONE!

There will be 5 expert facilitated workshops in the circle as was done last year, but new for this year...there will also be a few hands-on workshops for adults and youth this year!

Sunday, April 21, 2024

The Bells of St. Paul's in Concert

Date and Time: Sunday, April 21 2:00 pm - 3:15 pm

Address: 25 Gore St. W., Perth, ON

The Bells of St. Paul's, Handbell Choir, under the direction of Ann McMahon, will ring out their resonant tones at **2:00 pm, Sunday, April 21st**, in the intimate and acoustically pleasing performance space at St. Paul's United Church, Perth. They will include sure-to-please favourites from a variety of genres.

Adding to the enjoyment of the occasion will be special guests Don McLean, Cello; Brad Mills, Piano; Lynne Morrison, Flute; and 'High Octane', Barbershop Octet.

No admission fee, but freewill offerings accepted with thanks to offset promotional expenses.

Saturday, April 27, 2024

Festival of the Maples

Date and Time: Saturday, April 27 9:00 am - 4:00 pm

Address: 80 Gore Street, Perth

Celebrate Maple Season in the Maple Syrup Capital of Ontario, Lanark County!

"Net-Work" Exhibit Opening

Date and Time: Saturday, April 27 1:00 pm - 4:00 pm

Address: 3 Rosamond Street East, Almonte

Join the Mississippi Valley Textile Museum (MVTM) on Saturday, April 27 from 1pm - 4pm for the exhibit opening of "Net-Work" by Adrian Baker. The exhibit will be on display from April 27 to July 6. "Net-Work" is a socially-engaged fibre art installation that has drawn both national and international interest and participation. This ongoing collaborative fiber art installation was one of the ten finalists for the 2021 Berlin Social Arts Award. Embodying the vast underground webs of mycorrhizal fungi and roots that enable symbiotic tree interaction, this collaborative project functions as a collective expression of care for our non-human kin.

Baker invited the public to participate in this installation by crafting long, fibrous "strands", using repurposed yarn or textiles as their medium. Over 300 strands have been created by a diverse range of participants including artists, fibre guild members, and amateur crafters. The strands are woven, knitted, crocheted, braided, and stitched using handspun and dyed wool, synthetic yarns, fabric remnants, reeds, fleece, jute, burlap, plastic, wire, shells, and beads, and reach up to 4.5 metres long. Hundreds of these colourful, interwoven strands will encompass the entire MVTM gallery, letting visitors walk among them and suggesting the experience of moving through a huge underground network of roots and fungi.

Baker considers "Net-Work" to be a creative form of environmental activism, and the MVTM is looking forward to bringing it to the Museum and encouraging conversation about the relationships and communication within nature, and between ourselves in this modern world.

Mysteries of the Keyhole House: Unlocked

Date and Time: Saturday, April 27 2:00 pm - 3:30 pm

Address: 11 Old Slys Road, Smiths Falls ON, K7A 3M3

Join Ted and Marion Outerbridge at the Smiths Falls Heritage House Museum on Saturday, April 27 beginning at 2pm for "Mysteries of the Keyhole House: Unlocked". During this talk, Ted and Marion will share some secrets, stories and history surrounding their heritage home in Smiths Falls, Ontario.

Tea and coffee will be served.

Tickets are \$15 for the general public and \$10 for SFHHM members. Please contact the Heritage House at 613-283-6311 or heritagehouse@smithsfalls.ca to reserve your space.

Folkus Concert Series - The Moth Project

Date and Time: Saturday, April 27 7:00 pm

Address: 14 Bridge Street, Almonte

The Moth Project is an original multimedia production from GRAMMY nominated and Ottawa-born musician **Peter Kiesewalter** (East Village Opera Company, Jane Siberry). Kiesewalter is joined by violinist **Whitney La Grange** in front of a large video screen for a set of their own songs and covers, including works by Joni Mitchell, KISS, and J.S. Bach. Weaving music, pictures, and words seamlessly together, the Moth Project explores the mythology behind them and our modern ideas about them. Gorgeous imagery enhances and underscores the storytelling.

Interpretive Naturalist **Tobi Kiesewalter**, of Murphy's Point Provincial Park, will open the evening with a brief talk on the beauty and diversity of moths. His talk features mostly his own photographs of live moths from eastern Ontario, revealing the beauty hiding in our own backyards.

Sunday, April 28, 2024

The Regimental Band of The Governor General's Foot Guards in Concert

Date and Time: Sunday, April 28 2:00 pm - 3:15 pm

Address: 504 Kenyon Rd

Sunday April 28th, at 2:00 pm, the Regimental Band of the Governor General's Foot Guards performs at St. Paul's United Church, Perth! The afternoon's repertoire features music for brass, woodwind and percussion, including military marches, and pieces by Holst, Stan Rogers and a "Disney Favourites" number. Admission to the concert is free and all are welcome. Children (and children at heart) will have the opportunity to have photos taken, wearing a scarlet tunic and bearskin hat. Audience members are invited to stay on after the concert to enjoy light refreshments with the musicians. St. Paul's United Church will accept a free will donation at the door to support the music program at St. Paul's.

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