

Edward Falkenberg RCA Sculptor at the Station Gallery

An exhibition titled "The Poetics of Space" opens at the Station Gallery, Whitby, September 9, 2006 with a reception at 1 p.m. DWAC co-founder and Past-Chair Edward Falkenberg is one of the two featured artists. Edward, who recently had a work on display in China, is best known locally for one of his tree house series, "Dreamscape" at the eastern side of the Pickering Town Centre and his "Big O" on the Durham College/University of Ontario Institute

of Technology (UOIT) campus. Edward's commissioned works are widely found in Toronto and he continues to create new and inspiring works one of which "The Forest Within", 2006, is featured on the invitation for the exhibition. As Past Chair of DWAC Edward Falkenberg still leads the advocacy for a permanent performing and visual arts centre for west Durham.



Right: Edward Falkenberg and the "Big O"
Photography by Mary Cook

Broadway Glitter, An Evening of Music and Art

Saturday, October 21, 2006
7:00 p.m. Exhibition of the art
7:30 p.m. Concert
at St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church
This is a fundraiser for the hospital and DWAC
Tickets \$15 - call 905-686-1325

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UPCOMING

No. 4

Stepping Stones to the Arts: landscape design competition

2006 kicks off in September and occurs tentatively scheduled for fall 2006 in partnership with UOIT and Durham College

JAZZ IT UP: DWAC Annual General Meeting,

Thursday, October 19, 2006
Social hour 6:30 P.M., Meeting 7:30 P.M.

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PineRidge Arts Council's 8th Annual Juried Art Show

Opening Reception Friday, November 3 at 7 P.M., McLean Community Centre, Ajax, show closes December 3.

Municipal Election Voting Day,

November 13, 2006

The Mayor of Pickering's Gala:

November 25, 2006

The launch of the Durham West Arts Centre Capital Campaign

to be determined

Membership Fees:

Individual	\$ 20.00
Family	\$ 25.00
Student/Senior	\$ 15.00

Saturday Morning Music Madness – Six concerts, six guest emcees, 50 great youth performers! Thanks to organizers Judy Scott-Jacobs and Jane Stone.

FROM THE CENTRE

Paeans for PineRidge Arts Council!!

Autumn 2006



From Left: Tony Doyle, Cathy Schippering and Mike Ruta at Mystery Masterpiece. Photo by Lou Schippering

PineRidge Arts Council has been in support of DWAC right from the beginning when they provided seed money. They were a DWAC Trillium Collaborative partner for two years and they've generously supported DWAC with a full page of news and reviews in all editions of ArtScene since DWAC opened its doors in April 2004. This volunteer organization, dedicated to enhancing the quality of life within the community by developing widespread appreciation, support and involvement in the arts, has the best arts newsletter in Durham Region! Their website www.pineridgearts.org is equally powerful. PRAC's community art displays, their annual juried art show

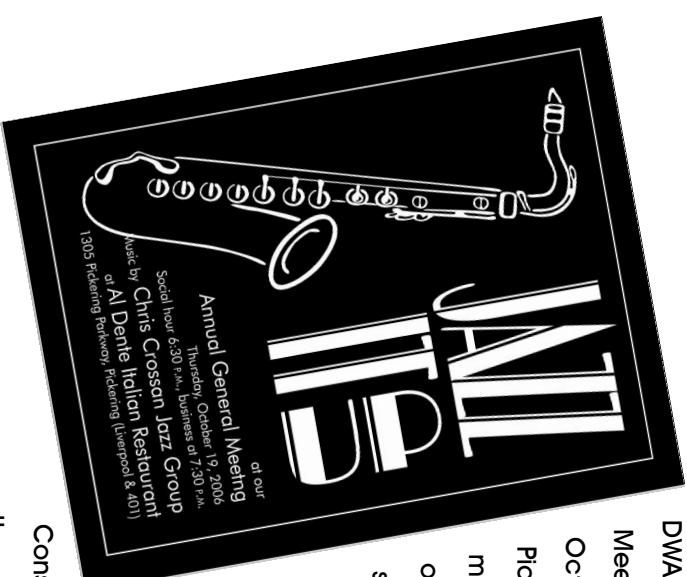
and their wonderful entertainment mission. Cathy and Lou Schippering continue to go everywhere in Durham and beyond to search out and support performing and visual artists and arts groups. "Cathy and Lou are the glue that holds PRAC together and DWAC is proud to be able to continue working together with them for a joint arts future," says Executive Director Angie Littlefield. "DWAC's vision is to create and manage a performing and visual arts centre; PRAC will always be there to enhance the local arts scene. Arts groups need to work together to make sure that all needs are met." So, Paeans to PRAC!

The Last Mystery Solved



Mystery Masterpiece artist Linda Lee Purvis
Photo by Mary Cook

Just when we thought every artist had been recognized for his or her contributions to DWAC's Mystery Masterpiece, we found another mys-



ter artist! The very versatile Linda Lee Purvis—artist, author, photographer and teacher—has designed work for television, magazines, and art galleries, including the Art Gallery of Ontario. Travelling from her home base, Magnolia's Studio in Durham, Linda Lee has conducted seminars for private, corporate and educational purposes. Her passion is deeply rooted in nature as is apparent through her use of organic materials and subjects. Linda Lee offers representative works in cement, clay, fibre, glass mosaic, photography, print and stonework to accompany concoctions of earth grown naturals.

Her 2001 book, *Stone Style*, describes Linda Lee Purvis was one of over 40 mystery artists contributing their talents to DWAC's vision of a performing and visual arts centre for west Durham.

JAZZ IT UP at the AGM!

receive the proposed changes, or if you have questions, contact Chair John Sabean at 905-250-9891. As required by the Constitution only paid up members for 2006 are eligible to vote. For those interested, membership brochures and sales will be available at the door. Before, during and after the business, you will be entertained by the Chris Crossan Jazz Group.

DWAC's third Annual General Meeting takes place Thursday, October 19 at Al Dente's in Pickering. There is an invitation to members and interested members of the public in this newsletter. The social hour starts at 6:30 p.m. with AGM business getting underway shortly after 7:30 p.m. As well as the annual election of Board members, there are five changes to DWAC's Constitution. This mailing includes the proposed Constitutional revisions.

If you are a member and did not

Our thanks to Councillor Rick Johnson for his generous contribution of \$1000 to DWAC's funds. Councillor Johnson has raised millions of dollars over the years for worthy causes through his golf tournaments.

how to bring the unique colours, intriguing surfaces and unusual shapes of stone into your home in functional and inspirational ways.

Linda Lee offers two courses this winter for the Toronto Botanical Garden.

November 26th you may learn how to create your own generous evergreen wreath from scratch and December 7th you learn to create a stunning holiday centerpiece. More information at www.torontobotanicgarden.ca. DWAC is grateful that Linda Lee Purvis was one of over 40 mystery artists contributing their talents to DWAC's vision of a performing and visual arts centre for west Durham.

In 2005 approximately 30,000 students in 110 schools participated in DWAC's project, Reading and Remembrance, by reading, acting, singing or in some way relating their activities to John McCrae's "In Flanders Fields". For 2006, the website will have all of last year's materials PLUS new materials for the sub-themes of Holocaust and Anti-Racism Education. Educators may use either this year's or last year's materials. The anti-racism materials will include familiar things such as the Canadian Charter of Rights and Freedoms and the United Nations Human Rights Code. The emphasis is on human rights and dignity. There

DWAC will ask municipal candidates to answer three questions. We will post answers on the website as they arrive. We encourage you to take these questions to All Candidates' Meetings and to ask them. August 29, 2006 the Mayor of Brampton summoned media outlets from across the GTA to unveil the 1,000 seat Rose Theatre. Mayor Susan Fennell stated, "Why should Brampton residents need to travel to another city to enjoy quality entertainment? ... Trust me, when in 10 years your son or daughter says they're going downtown, how delighted you'll be that they mean downtown Brampton and not, 45 miles and four highways later, downtown Toronto." Use the municipal election as a means to stimulate municipal support for your very own west Durham performing and visual arts centre.

READING AND REMEMBRANCE 2006

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2006

will be poems, newspaper articles, songs and other materials ready for teacher use. The holocaust/genocide parts will feature a broad range of historical materials and references to Armenia, Bosnia, Rwanda, western Sudan as well as to the WW II holocaust. These are the 'cautionary' tales as to what happens when racism takes root. Although not everyone has to read the same thing this year, the idea is to honour veterans with readings to indicate an understanding that veterans fought for important human values which are part of Canada's heritage as a democratic nation. Just as Remembrance Day assemblies or intercommunity programs commemorate the sacrifices made by Canada's veterans, there should be a five to 15 minute reading focus on November 10th, preferably at 2:10 p.m., on *The Values Veterans Protected*. This reading could be one source for the

*28 Durham schools participated in 2005

Municipal Elections and the Arts

1. If elected will you provide financial support in the 2007 budget to ensure the Durham West Arts Centre may continue to work towards the Vision of creating and managing a performing and visual arts centre in west Durham?

REGIONAL AND COMMUNITY BENEFITS:

A performing arts centre within 5-8 years will act as an economic attractor and will benefit the private and corporate taxpayers of this municipality.

2. Do you support the arts as a core value? Please explain why.

CORE VALUE DEFINITION:

Core values are those that receive operational funding support from the municipality. Libraries, seniors' centres and sports facilities are examples of the core values of this municipality.

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The Provincial Project Reading and Remembrance 2006

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Constitutional changes enclosed with this Newsletter.