

ARTIST OF THE MONTH:

Kathleen Jackson



Kathleen was born in Chilliwack BC, moved across the country several times with her family, graduated from Queen's University and finally settled in Leduc in 1980, where she raised three children. Her interest in art started as a teenager when she took oil painting lessons. While she continued to sketch as an adult, it wasn't until she retired from a forty year nursing career that she picked up a paint brush and started painting again. This time with watercolours.

Retirement and Covid happened within months of each other so there was lots of time to play with the paint and take lessons online.

Kathy has been an active member of the Leduc Art Club since 2019 and has taken advantage of lessons with Karen Bishop, Willie Wong and David Shkolny (all Edmonton artists).

There is so much to learn about colours, composition, and finding your own artistic expression.

"I look forward to more learning opportunities in 2024."

Call to Member Artists!

Members Gallery

We invite all members to participate in our Members Gallery monthly shows. The artist will be able to hang up to ten paintings on the grey panels walls, be featured in our newsletter as well as an article in the Rep newspaper. **If you would like to be Artist of the Month or hang in the Gallery please contact Linda West lindawest60@gmail.com**

The Artist of the Month will have the option to hold a reception during their show. How to set one up will be added to the Member's Handbook. LAC will pay for half the LAF rental cost and assist with promos.

Need to create a biography? Here is a link to the Bio questionnaire which goes a long way to help you create one. [Bio questionnaire](#)

For help to create it, to tune up an existing one, or to submit your bio contact Katherine Hicks at membership@leucartclub.com **Write on!!**

Next Social

**Saturday, March 23rd 10am-2pm,
Guest Speaker: John from Delta Art & Drafting.
Lunch will be served. Be ready for fun & games!**

ARE YOU READY READY READY?

**Spring Fling Art Show and Sale
April 1-30, 2024**

**This is your opportunity to show your work in
the LAF Front Gallery**

Upcoming...

The Annual Aspiring Young Artist Competition
For the 13th year the LAC is hosting this community building event. Watch for how you can help, many hands make light work.

LAC Members Show & Sale

**June 15-30, 2024
in the LAF Front Gallery**

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Show Your Stuff

The LAC Board decided to initiate the Artist of the Month to promote our many talented local artists and give them an opportunity to show and sell their work. It also allows us to show the public what we have learned in the classes that are offered.

Showing your work is intimidating whether you have been practicing for years or just started your artistic journey. While some, who are further in their career, find this fantastic as it is an excellent opportunity to promote and sell their art, it might cause anxiety for the beginner. Truth be told the advanced artist will also feel trepidation. After all this is the inner self being put out there for all to see.

Creating art is a journey to enjoy and there is much more enjoyment if you can share that journey with other like minded individuals. Creating, talking, not taking yourself too seriously, is great for everyone's mental health.

There are many advantages to showing in our member's gallery, for artists, hobbyists, and crafters alike. These are a few.

- It is a small venue so it is an excellent way to begin and gain confidence.
- Your theme could be a finished product or the journey of that product. Drawing to process paint to completed painting
- You can show class work done
- You can timeline your growth
- Might sell one.
- It would assist with your growth as critiquing is a great teacher.
- The more you do it the easier it becomes
- Visitors to the gallery appreciate the art shown. Seeing our attempt to create gives them the courage to start on their own creative journey.
- Sharing your talents and what you have learnt encourages others to start painting.

Each of us in the Leduc Art Club is on our own journey but also part of the whole. Any growth needs the support of one another, be it personally or as a club.

Be brave! Carpe diem!



PAINT DAYS

Tuesdays

Leduc Arts Foundry (LAF) offers **Free Community Drop-In**
Bring your project of choice and join like-minded artists in the Leduc Arts Foundry for a day of fun and creativity.

9am - 4pm Everyone Welcome
4 - 7pm Teen Drop-in
7-9pm Open Mic

Monthly Mondays

LAC Members can paint every 2nd Monday of the month.

Next one will be on

March 11, 2024

1pm – 7pm

Board Meeting 2:30 - 4:30 p.m.

Open Studio Thursdays

at the Foundry Downtown location on Main Street. The address is 4815 50 Ave Leduc in the old Star Catholic Outreach location

GET YOURS!



Royal blue zip up, comfy hoodies with LAC logo embroidered on the left are available for \$50. Contact Linda West lindawest60@gmail.com or at Tuesday drop-in.

CLASSES & WORKSHOPS

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Reaching for Mastery Intermediate to Advanced Oil Painting with Cindy Revell's session 5 classes start on Feb. 26 and runs for 5 weeks. Have you wanted to move your skills and work farther, do you feel stuck, consider taking this class you won't regret it.

Children Art Classes with David Shkolny are on Thursdays and run for 7 weeks. New session starts on March 7. This is a great gift for your children/grandkids. Thank you Patti O' for always looking after David and the kids. We appreciate you!

Bruce Whaley's Beginner Acrylic Painting February 29 - March 28 7 - 9:30pm
Bruce will begin instructing a beginners acrylic painting class on Thursday evenings. Check out our website for more info.

Watercolour for all with Willie Wong
Saturday March 9, 2024 10am - 4pm
Still some spaces available for a one day workshop where you will learn how to transfer an image to paper and paint an old homestead. Visit the website to register.

Pay What You Can Teen Drop-In Workshop
with Kim Legler. The title says it all!
Spread the word.
April 6, 2024 10am - 2pm

Spring Fling Floral Arranging Workshop
with Sarah & Megan of Leduc Florist
April 18, 2024 1-3pm
Register on the LAC website or at the LAF front desk \$50

Spring Fling Paint Party
April 20, 2024
2 - 5pm
Keep tuned in for details!

Is there a class or workshop you would like to see offered? Would you like to teach? Please contact either Jane Piercy Ballard, Kathy Jackson, or Angel Lynch.

Our very own **David Shkolny**, a professional artist with over twenty years teaching experience, is preparing to tutor a course in the heart of

Montelparo, Italy May 10-17, 2024.



David has been a Leduc Art Club instructor for many years, teaching different mediums to multiple ages and ability students.

Congratulations David!

Sounds so exciting with all the studio time, en plein air, lovely location, and golden hours.

Foundry Downtown ArtWorks Store

Hello painter, potter or candlestick maker!
Thank you for your interest in joining ArtWorks! This is a new project created by the Leduc Arts Foundry for our second location on Mainstreet Leduc, The Foundry Downtown. ArtWorks will be a store for makers of all kinds to sell their work in Leduc. We are very excited about this project, and look forward to bringing more attention to artists in Leduc.

<https://www.artsfoundry.ca/art-works>

If you have any questions, please send them to manager@artsfoundry.ca

**CHECK OUT THIS ARTICLE.
VERY INFORMATIVE**



<https://paintspot.ca/how-much-paint-do-i-need>

YOUR LAC BOARD MEMBERS

Leduc Art Club

Are you ready for something special?

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DIRECTORSHIPS AVAILABLE

Many hands make light work and if you are interested in taking an active role to help our club grow please contact Ingrid Shields at pastpresident@leducartclub.com

NEXT BOARD MEETING

March 11, 2024

2:30 - 4pm at the LAF

Next AGM
May 13, 2024
4:30pm at the LAF

ALL LAC MEMBERS ARE WELCOME TO ATTEND BOARD MEETINGS AS A GUEST.

Your opinion is important and should be heard. If you would like to attend please contact one of the Board of Directors to add your name to the agenda.

Did you know...

* Policies, Procedures and Bylaws and Membership information (**great for newbie and seasoned members alike**) are available in the LAC library located next to our storage room. It could answer a question you may have so take a minute or two to read what is in there. Many thanks to those responsible for it

* Do you have an idea to share? Celebration? Concern? There is a box on the library shelf where you can share them. They will be addressed at a Board meeting.

***Have you volunteered?** If so we'd appreciate your recording your hours which goes a long way towards our grants. You can do so online on our website: www.LeducArtClub.com or the binder which hangs on the storage room door in the LAF. That's also where you will find our monthly calendar, newsletter, and other notices.

*Leduc Art Club Members can apply to FCSS for grants worth up to \$200/year towards classes 5+ weeks long.

Guideline link <https://www.leduc.ca/creative-culture-connections-program-guidelines>

Application link

<https://www.leduc.ca/sites/default/files/CCC%20Application%202022.pdf>

For more information please contact Kristie O'Hara at FCSS @ 780 980 7109

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so generous with their time and efforts to ensure the growth of our club

Volunteers are the lifeblood of our club. They help make these community events

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happen and go a long way to ensure grants for our club are possible and exposure for our club and members.

Watch for volunteer opportunities and stay involved. You won't regret it.

Calling all artists and members of the Arts and Culture Council of Strathcona County!



The Arts and Culture Council of Strathcona County is pleased to confirm the annual Creative Conference will take place on

Thursday, March 28th, 2024.

This promises to be a day packed with inspiring keynote speakers in the artistic realm, networking opportunities and artist development workshop.

All are welcome including Visual artists, painters, sculptors, illustrators, and photographers, Graphic designers, industrial designers, fashion designers, interior designers, and UX/UI designers, Musicians, Authors, poets, journalists, and screenwriters, Directors, producers, cinematographers, and editors, Actors, dancers, theatre directors, and choreographers, Innovators and Entrepreneurs, Creative Technologists, Architects and Builders!

Keep your eyes peeled for the invite and registration details. Until then, **SAVE THE DATE, 03/28/2024 March 28, 2024**

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