

Leduc Art Club News

SEPTEMBER 2023



Artist of the Month

LIZ EKSTROM

Liz was born and raised on a farm near Warburg, Alberta and attended Warburg High School where her art projects were first displayed throughout her tenure. Growing up in a large Hungarian family with nine brothers and sisters made it challenging for her to pursue her dream of hairdressing and being an artist.

Throughout the years, she was always crafting and working on little artsy projects as a fun hobby. At the age of 40, Liz fulfilled her lifelong dream and went to Estelle's Beauty School where she became a licensed hairdresser and had her own shop (Leduc Hair Trends).

After retiring in 2004, she moved onto her next endeavour, painting, Liz started with the Leduc Art Club (Jim McIntyre) painting with Acrylics and weekly Oils at Pros Art with Gene Prokop. Her experiences have come from various classes, workshops, and numerous hours in front of the canvas.

She was fortunate to go to New York with her class to see all the museums and art which inspired the goal of being able to display her art in various galleries.

Liz has since been able to showcase her art at the Alberta Counsel of Ukrainian Arts, Ukrainian Village, Leduc Art Club in the Rec Centre, Leduc Hospital, Whyte Avenue Art Walk, and Black Gold Rodeo to name a few. A dream came true for Liz, and now, her passion.

Her 2023 Artist of the Month Show features abstract art portraying cities across Canada. You are invited to view her art for the month of September at the Leduc Arts Foundry room at the Leduc Recreation Centre. CONGRATULATIONS LIZ!

**FREE COMMUNITY
DROP-IN TUESDAYS**

**9am - 4pm Everyone Welcome
4 - 7pm Teen Drop-in
Open Mic at the Foundry starts Sept. 12th
7-9pm**

Join us at the Leduc Arts Foundry. Bring your supplies of choice and join like-minded artists for a day of fun and creativity.

Free paint day Thursdays!

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Get together with fellow artists at the Leduc Arts Foundry for a day of painting from 9am-4pm.
Paint on!

FREE PAINT DAY FOR LAC MEMBERS ONLY EVERY SECOND MONDAY OF THE MONTH 1 am-7pm

2023 ARTIST OF THE MONTH

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| JANUARY | Annette Russell |
| FEBRUARY | Haley Anderson |
| MARCH | Kristine Anderson |
| APRIL | Spring Fling Member Show |
| MAY | Bruce Whaley |
| JUNE | AYAC Show |
| JULY | Wayne Marr |
| AUGUST | Teresa Dobko |
| SEPTEMBER | Liz Ekstrom |
| OCTOBER | Shirley McIntosh |
| NOVEMBER | Andrés Mendez |
| DECEMBER | Kathy Hicks |

FRONT GALLERY LAC Member Show
(Please note: dates are subject to change)

5 MEMBERS GALLERY (2023)

September: Kristine Anderson, Pat O'Greysik, Bruce Whaley, Angela de Kort, Rose Norby

October: Angela De Kort, Kristine Anderson, Haley Anderson, Rose Norby, *1 spot available*

November: Suzan Bewald, Kristine Anderson, Rose Norby, Angela De Kort, Haley Anderson,

December: Angela De Kort, Kristine Anderson, *3 spots available*

- **Remember all members can hang in our Gallery, we'd love to see what you've painted!**
- **Would you like to show your artwork as the Artist of the Month or the 5 Member Gallery?** Contact Liz Ekstrom at bethjane676@gmail.com to save your spot as it is first come first served. LAC reserves the right to change as needed.

- **Do you want to be on the LAC website in the Meet our Artists section?**

Send 3 good quality photos of your work, a bio, a picture of yourself to Angel at media@leducartclub.com

- **Would you like to submit or revise your bio? Need help to write one?**

Contact Katherine Hicks at membership@leducartclub.com

VOLUNTEER FEST

JOIN US SEPTEMBER 10, 2023 1-4pm at the Stone Barn Garden

Here is what to expect:

- Live entertainment
- Award ceremony for Citizens of Distinction and #Influencers
- Food tent provided by Kosmo's for registered volunteers, award recipients; wristbands available for purchase for community-at-large,
- Food trucks



Volunteers are the lifeblood of our club. They help make these community events happen and go a long way to ensuring grants for our club are possible and exposure for our club and members. Good on you!

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

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ANNOUNCEMENT

Calling all artists & enthusiasts!

Culture Days - Art Exhibit

Friday, September 15, 2023 - Saturday
September 23, 2023

10:00 am – 8 pm at the Leduc Heritage
Grain Elevator, 5209 47 Street Leduc,
AB, Canada ([map](#))

You may still have time to submit a piece for the exhibition. Contact Leduc Downtown District directly.

Art submissions should follow the themes of celebrating, embracing and encouraging culture and what that personally means to the artist.

For more information contact
Leduc Downtown District
info@downtownleduc.ca
780 - 566 - 5454

Culture days at the Leduc Arts Foundry is on October 21, 2023. We have a table and invite you to bring in any art that showcases your cultural heritage for show and sale. Contact Kathy Jackson: director@leducartclub.com

December 2, 2023 is the Christmas Market at the LAF. You can book a table for show and sales on your own or what do you think: should the LAC book a table this year? Let one of the board members know and we can book a table.

Member information as well as Policies, Procedures and Bylaws are all available in the LAC library located next to our storage room. Take a minute to read what is in there.

On September 12, 2023 we are having our club social during community drop in between 10 and 4. Brittany will be doing a presentation on Art History so make sure you come in at 10 for that. We will also be having lunch on the LAC!

Our next Social will be December 16, 2023 from 10 to 2. Samantha Chapelsky will be doing a Golden lecture/demo. Apparently she always has a lot of freebies!

Classes start again this month thanks to our programming volunteers. Cindy Revell starts with her oil painting lessons on September 11, 2023. These classes are always well attended. David Shkolnys children classes start September 13, 2023- always popular with the 8 to 12 year olds. Thank you Patti O for always looking after him and the kids.

Karen Bishop returns with more Watercolour on Yupo classes- last spring there were 16 students in her class, so we are glad she is returning.

Up classes for adults with developmental disabilities will be offered the 2nd Wednesday in October, November and December.

We are also offering a soft Pastel workshop on October 1, 2023 with David and a Watercolour workshop with Willie Wong on October 14, 2023.

For details and registration for classes and workshops see the LAC website and don't forget members get a discount.

UPCOMING EXHIBITIONS

Spring Fling Art Show

April 1-30 2024

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We will be in the Leduc Arts Foundry Front Gallery.

Did you know...

Leduc Art Club Members can apply for grants worth up to \$200/year for classes or workshops that are 5+ days long through the FCSS grant?

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 info contact Kristie O'Hara at FCSS @ 780 980 7109

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DIRECTORSHIPS AVAILABLE

If you are interested in taking an active role in our club please contact Ingrid Shields at pastpresident@leducartclub.com

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.

Do you have any suggestions or comments you would like to share? There is a box on the library shelf where you can submit them. They will be addressed at a Board meeting.

**NEXT BOARD MEETING
SEPTEMBER 11, 2023
3-5PM**

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**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



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