

ARTS & ENTERTAINMENT



SUSAN HARLANDER was at the Station Gallery Sunday to discuss the ceramic works by

she and late husband Theo. The exhibition continues until the end of October.

Photo by Mark Reesor, Whitby Free Press

LONGTIME BROOKLIN ARTISTS

Harlanders' ceramics on view at gallery

An exhibition of ceramics by former Brooklin artists Theo and Susan Harlander has begun at The Station Gallery.

Susan (Theo died in 1990), now a resident of Mexico, was at the gallery Sept. 10 to show the works produced by she and her husband at their Brooklin studio for 35 years.

Form and Fantasy is the name of the exhibition that continues until Oct. 29.

The Harlanders both graduated as master potters from the College of Ceramics in Landshut,

Germany in the 1940s.

As ceramists, they worked on pieces as a team, each drawing on their individual strengths.

Once the works were thrown and leather-hard, Theo covered the exteriors using a process known as engobe or clay slip (non-colour clay mixture poured over the work and left to dry).

When the coating was sufficiently set, Susan would incise a design into the engobe that revealed the clay body's colour - a process of Italian origin called sgraffito, meaning to scratch.

Without sketches or guides, Susan free-formed every design, inspired by the shape before her. After sgraffito, she enhanced the decorative surface by brushing or rubbing on various oxides, producing splendid colours.

The work was then ready for a bisque firing in an electric kiln. The final process was the application of an overall transparent matte glaze before the work entered the kiln for a final glaze firing.

The Harlanders were commissioned to create several sculptures and tile works for various public and private collections. They closed their Brooklin studio in 1987.

Susan now writes poetry and paints.

RADIO IN DURHAM

Over the Edge, Magic on the air

By Mark Reesor

Oshawa has lost *The Edge* but picked up a little *Magic* to take its place.

But whether it's *The Edge* or *Magic 94.9 FM*, the Oshawa radio station will be playing the same music as always, the best of the '70s, '80s and '90s, according to vice-president and general manager Lee Sterry.

"It's the same great radio station, just a new name," says Sterry. "If you listened to us before, you'll still love us." The station decided to change its name after Toronto radio station CFNY began calling itself *The Edge*, he says, which caused some confusion.

The situation worsened when a Buffalo station adopted the name, says Sterry, and research showed people tended to think of cutting edge, new wave or alternative music when they heard the name.

"We could certainly fight to maintain exclusivity of the name because we had it first but we were told it would probably cost us \$50,000 to \$70,000 to fight it," says Sterry.

"Considering that the name might not accurately reflect the format anyway, we thought we'd rather take that money, change the name and put it into promotion - which is what we did."

Hal Blackadar, general manager of 102.1 *The Edge*, says there's no question over who owns the name.

"We happen to own the copyright - the trademark -- for *The Edge* in Canada for radio broadcasting..."

"We simply asked Power Corp.,

which is the owner of the station, to cease and desist from the use of the word *Edge* over a period of time and they were very understanding and they regretted their sort of intrusion and they certainly have complied."

Blackadar believes his station

first began using the name in the early 1990s but adds "it really doesn't matter whether they (Power) claim to have used it first."

"You have to apply in Canada to copyright use of it... I forget the date that they claimed use of it but as I recall, it was after our use."

Greek dance event Sunday

On Sunday, Sept. 17, the Greek Community of Oshawa and District (Durham Region), in cooperation with the Hellenic-Canadian Congress, will host the annual Hellenic Dance competition, the first time the prestigious event will be held in Durham Region.

The best dance groups from throughout Ontario will be competing for the President's Cup. The Athens/Acropolis Dancers, whose members are from Durham Region and Northumberland County, will be vying for the cup as well.

Admission is free. The dance competition will take place in the auditorium of Eastdale CVI, 265

Harmony Rd. N., Oshawa, at 6:30 p.m.

For further information, contact Susan Andrews at (905) 668-7600.

A Showcase

On Sunday, Sept. 17, from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m., at the Jubilee Pavilion in Lakeview Park, Oshawa, the Oshawa Historical Society will host a Heritage Showcase.

The showcase will include heritage demonstrations and displays as well as crafts and collectibles for sale.

All proceeds will go the Oshawa Historical Society. For more information, call 436-7624.

Clarification

Registration for the Whitby Public Library's Tales for Tots and Preschool Storytime programs starting in November will be on Nov. 1.

It may have been inferred, incorrectly, from last week's article about the programs that registration beginning Sept. 13 was for both the September-October and November-December programs. It was for the September-October programs only.

The Free Press wishes to apologize for any misunderstanding which may have resulted from the article.

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