

Gallery seeks new artists



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The Colborne Art Gallery was founded in 1997 after the old East Northumberland Land Registry Office, a Heritage building in which the Gallery is housed, was sold to the Village of Colborne for \$8, on condition it as used for a cultural activity. Wilhelmina Kennedy realized a life long dream by founding an art gallery there with a group of local artists who built it into the current co-operative of approximately twenty artists.

It now draws visitors, members and guests artists from many locations, and is currently looking for new members. Members are chosen by a democratic process, and are encouraged to participate fully in the gallery's operation and vision. Information can be obtained by going to the gallery website, below.

The Gallery is a vibrant collective of a wide variety of visual arts, and is also a great venue for musical interludes and poetry reading. There are seven shows a year, including the ever popular All Things Bright & Beautiful Show before Christmas. Once a year there is a Juried Show to which all artists who are not currently members are encouraged to enter. This year it is in the summer, and will be juried by the well known James Campbell, Executive Director of the Visual Arts Centre of Clarington.

The Colborne Art Gallery works closely with the village and township to promote ongoing activities for the public and local population. For instance, they invite the public to activities for the annual Culture Days in October, and to other artist chats and demonstrations.

There is an e-mail list which all are encouraged to sign to receive invitations and descriptions for each show. There is also lots more information to be found on their website www.thecolborneartgallery.ca

And there is always a welcoming smile at the door of this beautiful gem of a gallery.

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