Red Door Gallery finds new home

When Red Door Gallery was forced to leave its Mill St. location in December after a successful first year, its future was uncertain. Red Door Gallery also had to withdraw its two-year operational funding application from the Ontario Trillium Foundation until a new location was found.

The gallery's partners, Downtown Georgetown BIA and the Halton Hills Cultural Roundtable, wanted to see the gallery re-open in the downtown core, and two local business owners stepped forward to help.

Ray Johnson from Cooperators Insurance offered the gallery part-time use of a conference room used for business rentals on the upper floor, which overlooks the new Ken Hall tree sculpture and Main St. But there was insufficient space to manoeuvre large works of art up and down the stairs.

A second business owner came forward Doug Pattison of Silvercreek Commercial Builders Inc., developer of The Residences of the McGibbon Hotel. His tenant, Great Expectations, had vacated 69A Main St. to move to Weslyan St., and Pattison was keen to see the space used for community benefit before construction of the adjacent buildings started. The space is bigger than the gallery s former space, and enjoys a Main St. main floor position. There may be space for studios for emerging artists, who gain experience working in the gallery as well as produce their own work.

With this new opportunity, Red Door Gallery's



From left to right, Red Door Gallery manager Kate Mc-Gowan, building owner Doug Pattison and Downtown Georgetown BIA manager Wendy Farrow-Reed celebrate the new location for the downtown art gallery.

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advisory board agreed with the Ontario Trillium Foundation to re-submit a shorter term operating grant application, the results of which will be known in March.

Pattison, who has painted since he was 12, and whose wife and eldest daughter also paint, said I have lived here most of my life. I love this community, and the Red Door brought new vitality to the downtown core, helped emerging young artists, and held great events. Id like to see more of that in our town. Art is integral to having a vibrant and dynamic community and we have great talent here. I have been fortunate enough to find myself in a position where I can help artists promote their work, and I m very happy to help.

Look for further announcements in the near future as the Red Door Gallery plans firm up. Anyone interested in getting involved should visit www. reddoorgallery.ca or see their Facebook page.

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Calling all fans of 1950s Rock & Roll! Don't miss "Legends of Memphis" when it comes to the John Elliott Theatre on Saturday April 2nd at 8pm. This incredible All-Star tribute celebrates the music and lives of four legendary Rock & Roll pioneers: Elvis Presley, Jerry Lee Lewis, Johnny Cash and Carl Perkins. Best known as the "Million Dollar Quartet", these four musicians were all launched into stardom on the influential Sun Record label in Memphis, widely credited as the birthplace of Rock & Roll.

"Legends of Memphis" features a star-studded, international cast including the electrifying Joe Passion as Jerry Lee Lewis; the amazing Jim Yorfido, widely considered the world's #1 Johnny Cash tribute; the multitalented Bill Culp, direct from Australia as Carl Perkins; and the fun loving Danny Fisher as the "King of Rock & Roll" Elvis Presley.

Song highlights include timeless classics such as "Blue Suede Shoes", "Great Balls of Fire", "I Walk The Line", "That's All Right, Mama", "Whole Lotta Shakin" and "Folsom Prison Blues", in addition to later hits such as "Ring of Fire", "Boy Named Sue", "Hound Dog", and "Jail House Rock."

Tickets to see this fun-filled audience interactive show at the John Elliott Theatre on Saturday April 2nd at 8pm are on sale now, value-priced at only \$35 all inclusive. Visit the theatre box office located at 9 Church Street in Georgetown, or phone 905-877-3700 or buy online at www.HaltonHills.ca/Theatre. Get your tickets early to ensure the best seats!

GBC presents classical songs for a Sunday afternoon

Georgetown Bach Chorale presents an afternoon of romantic classical favourites in their Sunday afternoon concert titled, Chiaroscuro.

This concert of vocal duets, art song, piano solos and choral gems takes place this Sunday, Feb. 28 at 2:30 p.m. in the Helson Gallery at the Halton Hills Cultural Centre, 9 Church St.

The program will feature familiar operatic delights such as the Pearl Fishers duet of Bizet and the Flower duet of Delibes, solo piano pieces of Brahms and warm but intense choral selections of Reger, Rachmaninoff and Kodaly.

Artists will include bass Bob Knight, tenor Marcel van Helden, and sopranos Christina Kelly and Jane Potovszky as well as Artistic Director Ron Greidanus on the piano, accompanying the Georgetown Bach Chorale.

Tickets can be purchased at the door: \$30 for general admission/students \$10 or in advance at Foodstuffs in old downtown Georgetown or Pat s Prime Cuts & Deli in Georgetown South. Info: 905-873-9909.

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