

# COMING UP: Celebrations 2010 opens next weekend

## Young artists get chance to shine at downtown gallery

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Original artwork created by some of Whitchurch-Stouffville's young and creative minds will be on display during this year's Celebrations 2010: The Young at Art.

The show runs from April 10 to 24 at the Latcham Gallery.

"It's really, from the gallery's perspective, (a chance) to provide a professional space and to display elementary grade art," said

Maura Broadhurst, curator of the gallery. "It's also) a way to provide the public a place to see what all the schools are doing, not just their children's school."

Some of the work on display this year includes rock paintings inspired by early cave paintings, Japanese landscape scrolls, models of medieval villages and canoes, landscape and pastel art, as well as 3D interior models.

"It's all over the map, which is so wonderful," Ms Broadhurst said, likening the show to a science fair, spelling bee, math competition

or track meet.

"It's a chance to focus on (the artistic) aspect of the curriculum," she said. "It's a real point of pride and it should be. ... It's where that work is being taken seriously and shared. It's being viewed. It's not just a private thing; it's an important side of art creation."

The show is free and open to the public.

The Latcham Gallery is at 6240 Main St. For more information, go to [www.latchamgallery.ca](http://www.latchamgallery.ca)

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## 'Not the next Markham': Candidate

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**JUSTIN ALTMANN:** Mayoral candidate says age should play no role during campaign.

Mr. Altmann has not formalized his platform because "I want to create a platform with the community that appeals to the community."

But what he does know is that it will be 'progressive' and create a synergy between old and new Stouffville. Mr. Altmann also said he will focus on fiscal prudence and rein in development.

"We can't stop development. I don't want to become the next Markham - overgrown and stretched," he said. "We need to have proper infrastructure in place before we grow anymore."

After losing the 2006 election, Mr. Altmann remained politically active.

He joined the federal and provincial association for the Conservatives on the request of Paul Calandra, MP for Oak Ridges-Markham.

"It was a huge eye opener," Mr. Altmann said. "Federal and provincial politics (are) interesting, but not as interesting as the municipal issues."

He attended the University of Guelph, where he earned an associate diploma of agriculture and a bachelor of animal science. Mr. Altmann spent a year as a constituent assistant to Thornhill MPP Peter Shurman.

Mr. Altmann grew up in Whitchurch-Stouffville and still lives on the family farm where he operates his poultry/livestock brokerage business. He is also a fruits, vegetable and egg broker.

Over the past four years, Mr. Altmann has also become involved in the Strawberry Festival - he has been the People's Parade chairperson since 2006 - and he is cur-

rently the president of the Kinsmen Club of Stouffville.

Mr. Altmann is also a livestock evaluator for the area and for the past 16 years, he has been operating the Old MacDonald petting zoo at the Markham Fair.

Mr. Altmann may be one of the youngest candidates to run for local office, but he is confident he can represent everyone in the municipality effectively.

"Age really plays no part," he said. "The only time age plays a part is when you're buying a car ... and when you're buying cheese, you want to know how old it is."

"I represent old Stouffville roots because I've been raised by the older generation and I have the respect and understanding of where they came from and I'm young and I understand that demographic."