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Creative Hands On Festival



Sharing the joy of creating by hand.
Friday, Saturday, Sunday, September 13 to 15,
Peterborough Square
360 George St. North, Peterborough
10 am to 4 pm

Friday is a special day for retirees

This festival is free and open to all interested parties. If you haven't already done so, now is the time to register for classes at the Creative Hands On Festival. You can also drop by and take a chance on finding an open spot at one of the many craft stations. This is a good opportunity to try a craft for the first time and come home with your own creation. You may well find that you want to visit the Festival several times! There are introductory classes in Powertex, crochet, pottery, felting, dying, fusing glass, pen turning and many others. Talented artisans are also demonstrating crafts.

**View all the details and register at the website:
www.creativehandsonfestival.ca**

There are still opportunities to volunteer and help make this event a great success. Contact the Artisans Centre at **705-775-1797** leaving a message with your name and phone number or emailing **creativefestival2019@gmail.com**. Refreshments are available throughout the day provided by Catering PLUS in support of CMHA National/ACSM National. Coffee, tea and sweets are available during the day. At lunch time, salads and wraps are on offer. No need to bring a packed lunch or go elsewhere!

Upcoming Classes and Activities

Participating ACP guilds have planned an interesting suite of classes and activities for the fall. Those scheduled for September and early October are described below however the ACP website describes others taking place later in the fall. After trying some new craft at the Creative Hands On Festival, you may want to follow up with a class led by one of our talented artisans. Check out the ACP website for further details and registration:

<http://artisanscentre.ca>

Gourd Art

The innovative courses on offer by our gourding experts during

September are presented below.

Glue Tree on Gourd



Using a hot glue gun, you will create trees and grass on your gourd, and then finish by colouring your gourd using metallic paints and rubs.

September 9, 10:30 to 3:30

Knotless Dream Catcher



September 23, 10:30 to 3:30

Beginner Gourd Art



In this class, you will learn to use both hand and power tools for opening and cleaning gourds. Basic safety of working with gourds and care of tools will be taught, so you will be able to use these tools on your own. You will sand and paint the inside of your gourd before using Adirondack dyes to give a colourful surface to the outside of your gourd. A glued leather rim will complete your gourd. This class is a pre-requisite for many other workshops in Gourd Art.

September 26, 10:30 to 3:30

Coiling for the First Time



This class teaches you how to coil with one colour. Toward the end of the class, the instructor will discuss how to get started to add patterns once you have mastered adding 3 rows of coil. This class positions you for a class in Coiling Patterns in the New Year!

October 7, 10:30 to 3:30

Visit the ACP website for further details about all these gourding classes and register online:

<http://artisanscentre.ca>

Woodturning Arts

Our woodturners have designed an exciting suite of classes and workshops where they'll share their woodturning skills as well as tips and tricks.



Basic Woodturning

September 5 - 26. Four Thursday evening sessions each from 6:30 to 9:30

October 3 to 24. Four Thursday evening sessions each from 6:30 to 9:30

Sharpening Wood Turning Tools

September 9, 6:30 to 9:30

October 7, 6:30 to 9:30

Ornament - Ball & Finial

September 14, 10:00 to 1:00

October 12, 10:00 to 1:00

Basic Pen Turning



September 23, 6:30 to 9:30

October 21, 6:30 to 9:30

Basic Box Turning

September 24, 6:30 to 9:30

Off-Centre Turning

October 9, 6:30 to 9:30

Natural Edge Bowl



September 25, 5:30 to 9:30

Ornament - Inside-Out Turning

September 28, 10:00 to 1:00

Visit our website for further details about these woodturning classes

and register online:

<http://artisanscentre.ca>

Fibre Arts

During August, the Peterborough Weaving and Spinning Guild members continued their Thursday 'open studio' evenings from 5 pm until 8 pm at the Artisans Centre. Typical activities are shown below:



Guild members have been busy planning an interesting series of fibre classes and workshops for the fall season. Continue to visit the ACP website since updates will be added as fall progresses.

The Weavers and Spinner's Guild has been invited to participate in a Community Loom project in the public area of the Peterborough Public Library from September 13 to 22, in connection with Pride Week. A very large tapestry loom is to be set up in the library lobby at which members of the public and the guild can weave a small section on a drop in basis.

Spinning

Beginning Spinning



This series of 4 classes offered in late September on Sunday afternoons continuing into October will teach the basics of spinning and position you to take more advanced spinning classes in the spring.

September 29, October 6, 20, 27

Weaving and Other Fibre Classes

Beginner Tatting



In this series of 6 sessions, you will learn to make lace using a shuttle also called tatting.

September 17 to October 22, 7 to 8:30.

Needle Felted Bauble Necklace



September 25, 1 to 4

Eco-printing on Paper with Natural Dyes



Images of flowers and leaves are printed on paper using a variety of natural dyes to yield beautiful results.

October 10, 5:30 to 9:30

Zig Zag Weaving



October 19, 10 to 4

Introduction to Weaving



This set of 4 classes offered over 2 weekends provides the basics of weaving and will enable you to take more advanced classes in the spring.

November 2, 3 ,9, and 10, 10 am to 4 pm

Continue to visit our website to ensure you're up to date with what's on offer for fibre arts.

Register online for all fibre arts classes described at:

<http://artisanscentre.ca>

Pottery

Our friends, the Kawartha Potters Guild, continue to offer courses and operate the Pottery Shop at 993 Talwood. Visit their website and check out their offerings at:

<http://kawarthapottersguild.com>



ARTISANity takes place this year on November 1, 2 and 3 in Peterborough at the Knights of Columbus Hall. The timing of this sale allows you show and sell your high quality work in the competitive local fall and Christmas handcrafted gift market. This event is organized by the Peterborough Artisans Centre at a low cost to you as members of the Centre. The 25% commission charge supports the Artisans Centre and show costs. Commission costs cover debit and credit card sales costs.

The spacious, well lit venue combined with its location central to Peterborough also make this an attractive option for the craft sale.

The **early bird registration fee of \$25 ends on October 15, 2019**. Act now to take advantage of this discounted fee. After this date, the registration fee increases to \$40. You should already have received an email from the show coordinators outlining how to participate. If you did not, contact Penny Boyd at minnehahaotlw@gmail.com. Encourage fellow guild members to participate. Please spread the word about the sale to your family, friends, neighbours and co-workers.

Artisan and Volunteer Recognition

Volunteers are key to the success of the Artisans Centre and the many activities it offers. Special events such as the Creative Hands On Festival and ARTISANity rely heavily on artisans who are willing to give of their time. On an ongoing basis, we must have a knowledgeable resource manning the reception desk whenever the ACP is open to welcome visitors, show the facility, and speak to what is on offer. If you are interested in volunteering, please contact executive@artisanscentre.ca.

A key player is the artisan who willingly volunteers for one of the routine tasks required operationally and who, moreover, is willing to share their expertise and run a class or workshop. One such willing volunteer

and woodturning artisan is **Charles Murphy**.



Charles is a seasoned woodworker, having designed, built and maintained his own cottage since the 1980s. Eighteen years ago, Charles was given a lathe for his birthday to allow him to turn some spindles to repair an antique chair. That was the beginning of his long engagement with woodturning. At present, he particularly enjoys turning bowls. In Burlington, Charles joined the Golden Horseshoe Woodturners Guild where he mastered the basics and learned to appreciate the importance of proper training. Since moving to Lakefield in 2005, Charles has been a member of the Kawartha Woodturners Guild and has served on their Board as a Director and Secretary.

Charles has been involved with the ACP since its inception in October 2012. He has served on the Board of the ACP since that time and has just retired as the ACP Board Secretary. He has been integral to the success of the ACP and will be sorely missed in this role.

Charles is of the opinion that strong promotion/communication is

essential to the success of a venture such as the ACP. His experience has proven that good advertising will bring out individuals who are eager and willing to pay for classes. Many individuals who have signed up for woodturning classes at the ACP have subsequently chosen to join the guild and become active ACP members. Charles enjoys the teaching and mentoring opportunities that the ACP provides. For Charles, woodturning is more than a hobby. He loves the teaching aspect and finds it tremendously rewarding when a he sees a student engage with woodturning as he does. He takes pride in appreciating each student's level of understanding and gearing his approach accordingly. He has been surprised to learn that many join the woodturning group for the companionship and social interaction it affords. For Charles, the ACP provides an opportunity for cross-pollination between Guilds. He sees tremendous benefit in the preservation of manual crafts whereby one can take a raw material be it wood, clay, a gourd or fibre and shape from it a functional piece.

Charles, you have been a strong mainstay of the ACP to date and your contribution to its success is much appreciated. We look forward to many years ahead where you will continue to share your expertise and enthusiasm with other members. Thanks!

Help Us Get Social!

Please help us promote the Creative Hands On Festival by completing the following:

- Go to the Creative Hands On Festival Facebook page and like us. Ask your friends and fellow guild members to do likewise.
- Follow the Creative Hands On Festival on Instagram.
- Go to the Artisans Centre Peterborough Facebook page and share the event Creative Hands On Festival.

ACP Membership

Our classes are open to any adult member of the community ...AND... all members of our founding guilds are entitled to take courses at the reduced member rate. Individual memberships are available for \$50/yr. September to August or \$30/yr. for students. This fee enables also you to

be a vendor at the upcoming ARTISANity sale.

By belonging to the ACP, you benefit from collaboration with members from the other participating guilds and may find techniques within another medium will enrich your own experience.

Comments and Information

Very important! As of September, the ACP is now closed on Tuesdays and Sundays. This change is a result of difficulties in recruiting willing volunteers to man the ACP reception desk. There is a serious shortage of volunteers! If you can help out in this way, please contact us at [http://executive@artisanscentre.ca](mailto:executive@artisanscentre.ca) or phone 705-775-1797 and leave a message. We will get back to you.

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