

The ACCOB Newsletter

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CALENDAR

March...

BACF grants determined

April...

ACCOB Board meeting

May...

ACCOB Board meeting

June...

ACCOB Board meeting

**Please stay tuned for
future events**

The Arts & Culture Council of Burlington [ACCOB]

is a not-for-profit arts and cultural organization dedicated to creating a vibrant, diverse artistic and cultural community

EVENTS & HIGHLIGHTS

Events which we hope help you as members:

- **Burlington Arts and Culture Fund** - The jury for the BACF was selected and they are currently in the process of assessing applications.
- **AGM** - ACCOB's ABM was held on February 10, 2020 at 7.00 pm in the Rotary Lakeshore Room at the AGB, guest speaker Angela Paparizo. ACCOB members Andy Griffiths brought his music and some artwork by Helen Griffiths, Craig McNicoll, a videographer, brought examples of his services, and Leah Verrall brought some of her artwork. It was well attended. Tim Park remains the ACCOB President, Charles Cozens is Vice President and Kim Verrall will remain as Secretary. ACCOB continues to seek a Treasurer. If you or someone you know is interested in holding this position, please contact us at info@artscultureburlington.ca. We thank Robert Steven and all of his staff and volunteers for helping with the AGM and hosting us for our meetings and other events throughout the year.
- **Summary of the President's Message** - 2019 was transitional year as we develop and continue completing a Strategic plan for 2020 and beyond. Once again we were happy to help with the Burlington Arts and Culture Fund. Funding increased from \$50000 to \$75000 in 2019, enabling over 25 different local groups and artists to put on shows and experiences for Burlington. In partnership with the City of Burlington, ACCOB helped to develop this grants program, which took several years to gain approval. ACCOB's current role in this program is to select the jury to choose the grant applicants that best present a viable artistic or cultural project which will enrich the life of the community. Once again this year, ACCOB has selected the jury to help determine the grants for the 2020-21 season. Applications for these grants were available on the City of Burlington website.

- ACCOB started a quarterly newsletter in 2019. If members have anything to promote please send the information to info@artscultureburlington.ca.

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- Thanks to funding for honorariums and publicity from Angela Paparizo and Adam Belovari from the City and the generosity of Robert Steven at the Art Gallery of Burlington, we were able to hold Culture Days performances and art demonstrations featuring over 25 groups/individuals in various areas of the art gallery. The theme of this years Culture Days was “Creativity, the Arts and well-being” and we thank all of our members for participating and entertaining the community.
- ACCOB along with Queen Elizabeth Park Community and Cultural Centre tied as the Best Hub runners- up, for producing a diversity of programs for all ages to explore. Many thanks to Andrea Battista and her Culture Days committee for all of your hard work.
- We say good-bye to four board members who have worked hard over the past year, and many years on the ACCOB board: Carol Rame , Daphne Dooling, Ancilla Ho-Young and Andrea Battista
- In 2020 we hope to complete our strategic plan and once again organize a Culture Days event, run a fundraising event for ACCOB and also a workshop to help educate our members and residents.
- As always we could use your help with these projects so please come and see us later tonight if you have some interest on being a volunteer or maybe you would like to be on our Board. As a Board we meet once a month at the AGB and we also work on various things throughout the year.



(l-r) Diana Zimmer, Tim Park, Kim Verrall, Leah Verrall





(l-r) Lily Hudson, Angela Paparizo



(top l-r)
(bottom l-r) Cathy Disbrow, Janet Jardine, Anne More, Cheryl Goldring



Craig McNicholl



Andy Griffiths



Leah Verrall

- **ACCOB Fundraiser** – ACCOB is a self reliant arts and culture council, receiving funds through membership and fundraising. For this reason, it is important that you renew your membership and tell others about membership. It is also important to attend fundraisers as the funds help us help you. ACCOB hopes to plan some fundraisers and workshops in the future. We would love to hear your ideas and would love for you to be involved either as a participant or as a volunteer!
- **Culture Days** – As noted in our January 2020 newsletter, ACCOB received the Ontario Culture Days 2019 Spotlight Runner-Up award for Best Hub. ACCOB will again host a Culture Days event. The theme is Unexpected Intersections so we hope to have some interesting events/performances related to the theme. Stay tuned for more information. We welcome volunteers to assist on the days of the events. If you or your group are ACCOB members and would like to participate in Culture Days please contact us at info@artscultureburlington.ca. We cannot guarantee a spot in the event but you will certainly receive equal consideration.

SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENTS: (see MEMBER EVENTS for more details)

- Epilogue Productions – Burlington Artist Stories – NOW
- Burlington Performing Arts Centre – The Dreamboats – April 3, 2020
- Burlington Symphony Orchestra – Club 54 Fundraiser – April 3, 2020
- Burlington Performing Arts Centre – Cirque Eloize: Hotel – April 10 & 11, 2020
- Burlington Storytellers Guild – Burlington Storytelling Circle – April 13, 2020
- Burlington Storytellers Guild – Spring Coming to Life – April 19, 2020
- Drury Lane Theatrical Productions – Last Resort – May 8-31, 2020
 - Sultans of String – Refuge CD Release – May 22, 2020
 - SOLO's Requiem – May 23, 2020

MEMBER REFLECTIONS

- It's been a busy New Year for **Charles Cozens**, Vice President of ACCOB.

Acclaimed as an arranger, composer and conductor, Maestro Cozens recently conducted and music supervised scintillating performances of the Mozart Effect: Live! In Chicago (Chicago Philharmonic), Cleveland, (The Cleveland Pops Orchestra) and Meridian Hall at the Sony Centre in Toronto with The Ontario Philharmonic.

All three concerts were very well attended with the Sony Centre being sold out on January 31st (3150 tickets).

In February, Maestro Cozens guest conducted the Winnipeg Symphony Orchestra for 3 concerts over the Valentine's Day weekend with acclaimed Canadian tenor Mark Masri in his captivating symphony show entitled Once Upon A Love Song.

All three performances were very well attended despite the rather cold temperatures!!

Maestro Cozens is a strong advocate for fostering the development of arts and culture here in his hometown of Burlington Ontario. Further to that, he frequently mentors young and upcoming professionals not only in Canada but abroad.

For more information, please visit charlescozens.com

OPPORTUNITIES & COLLABORATIONS

- **Publish your arts and culture events** – Post your upcoming events on the ACCOB website at <https://www.artscultureburlington.ca/events/> or email info@artscultureburlington.ca to post on FB.
- **Send us information** – If you have content for upcoming newsletters please email it to info@artscultureburlington.ca.
- **Website** - ACCOB has updated and improved its website. Please check www.artscultureburlington.ca for information about ACCOB, its board members and member events.

MEMBER EVENTS



Epilogue Productions
Burlington Artist Stories – Happening Now
An online documentary series about artists living and working in the city of Burlington. Each episode will feature an artist telling their story, what sort of art they do, what inspires them, what made them want to become an artist.
Contact Epilogue Productions at <https://epilogueproductions.com/bas/> to find out how you can participate!

NOTICE

As you are aware, many venues have been closed and events postponed/cancelled due to COVID-19. We have made every effort to ensure that the information we are providing is up to date at the time of developing this newsletter. Please check with the venue and/or event organizers to ensure you have the most up to date information.



Burlington Symphony Orchestra
Club 54 Comedy Show Fundraiser
April 3, 2020, 9:30 pm

3345 Harvey St Rd., Burlington, ON L7N 3N2

TICKETS: <http://burlingtonsymphony.ca/fundraising-events/>

POSTPONED



Burlington Performing Arts Centre
The Dreamboats
April 3, 2020, 8:00 pm

440 Leckie St., Burlington, ON L7S 1T7

TICKETS: <http://burlingtonpac.ca/events/cirque-eloize/>

CANCELLED

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Burlington Performing Arts Centre
Cirque Eloize: Hotel
April 10 & 11, 2020, 7:30 pm and 2:00 pm
440 Locust St., Burlington, ON L7S 1T7

TICKETS: <http://www.burlingtonpac.ca/events/cirque-eloize/>

CANCELLED



Burlington Storytellers Guild
Burlington Storytelling Circle
Monday April 13, 2020, 6:30-8:00 pm
Pepperwood Bistro
1455 Lakeshore Rd, Burlington, ON L7S 2J1
and every second Monday of the month

(l-r) Barb Vollick, Sue Ramsay, Marina

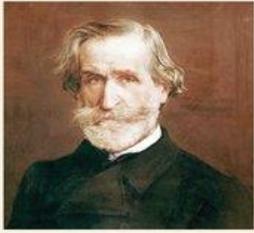


Burlington Storytellers Guild
Spring: Coming to Life
Sunday April 19, 2020, 2-4 pm
A Different Drummer Books
513 Locust St, Burlington, ON L7S 1V3

(l-r) Michael Williams, Sue Ramsay,
Brenda Byers, Suzanne Burchell, Marina
Lloyd, Barb Vollick



Drury Lane Theatrical Productions
The Last Resort
May 8-31, 2020
2269 New St., Burlington, ON L7R 1J4
In this musical comedy/murder mystery taking place in a rural Saskatchewan resort a ridiculous array of characters tries to deal with the fact there is a hit man among them!
TICKETS: www.drurylane.ca



Behold the strength and power of Verdi's *Messa da Requiem*, a memorable choral piece alive with drama one moment and resonating with haunting stillness the next.

SOLO's "Requiem" May 23rd at 7:30 pm

Featuring renowned vocal artists

Soprano - Erin Wall

Mezzo-Soprano - Kristine Dandavino

Tenor - Romulo Delgado

Bass-Baritone - Chad Louwerse

Burlington Performing Arts Centre

905 - 681 - 6000

www.burlingtonpac.ca



www.southernontariolyricopera.com

**Southern Ontario Lyric Opera
Requiem**

May 23, 2020, 7:30 PM

**Burlington Performing Arts Centre
440 Locust St., Burlington, ON L7S 1T7**

TICKETS: <https://burlingtonpac.ca/events/verdis-requiem/>



Rescheduled from May 22, 2020

**Sultans of String
Refuge CD release**

October 16, 2020, 8:00 PM

**Trinity-St Paul's Centre
427 Bloor Street West, Toronto, ON M5S 1X7**

TICKETS: <http://refugetoronto.eventbrite.ca>

CALLING FOR YOUR SUPPORT

Please send us interesting and relevant articles!
Concerns? Questions & Suggestions?
ACCOB is VOLUNTEER run and needs YOUR help!

Please send new contact info or e-mail changes

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Member's ART Works

Western Brook Gorge (Gros Morne National Park)
by Janet Jardine



Janet Jardine was juried into the Ontario Society of Artists' Emerging Artist Exhibition at the Queen Elizabeth Cultural Centre, 2302 Bridge Rd, Oakville. The show took place from Jan 11 to 31, 2020, and the Opening Reception was January 16, 2020.