



Visit Our Latest Exhibit at Walter Baker Sports Centre

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Penultimate Show at Walter Baker — “Baby, It’s Cold Outside!”
— **January 10-March 28, 2015:** Our contract at the Walter Baker Sports Centre is ending in May 2015. The NFAL Gallery will be moving to the theatre galleries at Ben Franklin Place at 101 Centrepointe Drive.

President's Message

Soraya Silvestri, President

Our Fall Sale was a great success. Half of the artists exhibiting sold artworks.

Well, the cold weather is here to stay (at least for a while) and, being an optimist, I see this as a great opportunity to paint! Hope you're keeping busy being creative in your field of expertise too.

The executive team had its first meeting of the year. You'll find the minutes on the web site under the Members' area. Here are some highlights:

1. **Fall Sale:** \$9,000 in sales and 50 percent of artists sold



artworks — a successful show in spite of competition with Black Friday sales and the football game. We had 300–350 people visit the sale.

2. **Spring Sale:** A meeting about Spring Sale will be held January 21 at 1:00 p.m. at Kat's house: 15 Oradea Crescent, Richmond.
3. **Corporate status:** NFAL is no longer a corporation and we expect Revenue Canada to get in touch with us regarding this change.
4. **2015-2016 Galleries and Exhibition Space Directory:** We have been working with community staff to ensure that the NFAL Gallery is properly identified as we move into our new space.
5. **Policies:** Soraya wants to move forward with a Policies and Procedures Manual. Beth is already working on a manual for the gallery and the Annual Awards Exhibition Night so she will help get us started. A meeting on policies will be held on February 2 at 1:00 p.m. at Beth's house.

There are still a number of volunteer positions to be filled. Check out the list. Perhaps one speaks to you.

Volunteers Required:



We have the following openings for your consideration:

- Communications Coordinator (all you need is a computer and you can do this from the comfort of your own home)
- Publicity Coordinator
- Secretary
- Nominating Committee Member
- Newsletter Editor

As stated, we will be working on the Spring Show and Sale (April 24-26, 2015). If you'd like to be involved please let me know (President@nepeanfinearts.com). YOU can direct how much time you can share with us.

Gallery at Walter Baker

If you haven't had a chance to see the latest exhibition at Walter Baker Sports Centre please consider doing so. It is spectacular!

Thank you to all the volunteers that help hang.



Exhibitors and volunteers at the hanging of the new exhibition in the Walter Baker Sports Centre.

Gallery Report

Beth Shepherd, NFAL Gallery

Our last show at the Walter Baker Sports Centre is really worth seeing.

Margaret Lamendeau is the feature artist for the winter show at the NFAL Gallery. Marg's work is representational with lots of charm, and ranges from nature to nostalgia.

Marg is an artist and teacher who lives and works in Arnprior with her husband Ken. She has been a member of NFAL multiple times over the years. Marg's wildlife paintings on our feature wall are really amazing! To get more information about Marg's work, see her web site at <http://www.marglamendeau.com>.

Thanks to all the other artists who also contributed their renditions of "Baby, It's Cold Outside":

- Louise Barker
- Jane Cass
- Jaynie Coulterman
- Melody Duncan
- Margaret Grant
- Kat McClure
- Tina Petrovicz
- Beth Shepherd
- Soraya Silvestri 'Zizi'
- Vera van Baaren
- Sandy Woods

Thanks also to everyone who helped get the show hung: Jane, Garry, Marg and Ken, Tina and Mark, Kat, and Alex. We send our best wishes to Vera who could not make the hanging this time.

For members who have not been to the gallery for a while, it is really worth your while to head out to Barrhaven to see this show.



The next and final show at the NFAL Gallery at WBSC will be held March 28-May 30, 2015. Our farewell show will be themed: "April Showers Bring May Flowers."

Visit the NFAL Gallery page to see pictures of the most recent exhibitions and information about upcoming gallery events: <http://nepeanfinearts.com/permanent-gallery/>

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Pending Move to Ben Franklin Place

Our contract at the Walter Baker Sports Centre is ending in May 2015. The NFAL Gallery will be moving to the theatre galleries at Ben Franklin Place at 101 Centrepointe Drive.

Although the new community exhibition space will be much more luxurious and we will likely attract a more art-savvy audience, it comes with some challenges. The City-determined hanging schedule has required some changes in how we manage our Annual Awards Exhibition (formerly Members' Night), which will run from May 22 to Sept 24, 2015, with Members' Night on June 8.

The NFAL Executive had committed to add a jurying component to the gallery program to encourage the growth and excellence of the member artists and to create broader interest in the NFAL Gallery that will attract more members, a wider public and serious buyers to the gallery. Given that we still have one month at the Atrium Gallery (vs. the four month Annual Awards Show), it was decided that the best use would be to display the winners of a juried process in the Atrium concurrently with the start of the Annual Awards Exhibition. To this end a call for our first juried process was sent out January 15, 2015.



For more information about the gallery and gallery dates, contact Beth Shepherd, the Gallery Coordinator, at nfalgallery@nepeanfinearts.com.



Calendar

Proposals Due for NFAL's Juried Exhibition in the Atrium Gallery, May 22-Jun 24, 2015	February 28, 2015
Penultimate Show at the Walter Baker Gallery Theme: "Baby, It's Cold Outside"	January 10 – March 28, 2015
Spring Sale Meeting At Kat McClure's House, 15 Oradea Crescent, Richmond	January 21 at 1:00 p.m.
Policies Meeting at Beth Shepherd's house	February 2 at 1:00 p.m.
Gallery in Transition Erika Farkas	February 13 – April 20, 2015
Farewell Show at the Walter Baker Sports Centre Gallery (Barrhaven): "April Showers Bring May flowers"	March 28 – May 30th 2015
Spring Show and Sale 2015 at the Ukranian Banquet Hall	April 24-26, 2015
Nepean Fine Arts League Juried Exhibition Atrium Gallery	May 22 – June 24, 2015
Annual Awards Exhibition NFAL Gallery at Ben Franklin Place	May 22 – September 23, 2015
Members' Night Event	June 8, 2015
NFAL Gallery Fall and Winter Exhibition	September 25, 2015 – January 6, 2016
Fall Show and Sale at the Ukranian Banquet Hall	December 4-6, 2015
NFAL Gallery Spring Exhibition	January 8 – April, 2016 (end date TBC)





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NFAL Newsletter Submissions

Remember members are invited to send in their contributions early for inclusion. The deadline for the March/April NFAL Newsletter is March 4, 2015.

Please send submissions by e-mail to newsletter@nepeanfinearts.com