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In-Definite Arts to Participate in Speak Out 10

The Speak Out 10 Learning Festival is an exciting, week-long festival celebrating disability pride and culture. It is the 10th festival and it's the biggest ever. The week long events have been organized by Scope and the Disability Action Hall and what a lot of work they have put in to make this an exciting week! There will be workshops, a parade, cabaret, an art contest and lots more!

Arts will have a booth at the resource fair and will be inviting all the participants to create artwork with us. The afternoon events run from 1-3 pm.

All IDAS Artists are encouraged to attend. Come to the Calgary Municipal building around noon and look for IDAS Staff and join us as we walk together in the parade to celebrate our PRIDE AS ARTISTS! You can even make a t-shirt at IDAS during the week before the parade and wear it on parade day!

Featured Artwork



"Today's Mood"
by Kim McGowan



"Our Ocean"
by Megan Gilmore

In-Definite Arts has helped with the art contest and 12 of our artists have submitted pieces for it. All of the pieces submitted will be on display for the week of May 26-31 at City Hall. Judging will take place on May 25 and there will be first, second and third place awards presented.

Workshops during the week include Film Making for Beginners; Introduction to Cultural Leadership, Mixed Ability Dance; and Leadership Today. All fees are on a sliding scale so everyone can afford to attend.

In-Definite Arts is also going to be "LOUD AND PROUD" at the Pride Parade and Party on Friday, May 30. The day starts with a rally at the Calgary Municipal building. Guest speakers will join us as we welcome visitors from all over the world to the pride parade. There will be colourful costumes, banners and noisemakers! After the speakers have finished (around 12:30) we will head east on 9th Avenue SE for a 1 km walk to the Alexandra Centre at 922-9 Avenue SE. Refreshments, food and fun will fill the afternoon. In-Definite

The week's events continue on Friday night with a wine and cheese, film screening and panel discussion. The week winds up on Saturday night with a Disability Cabaret. There will be comedy skits, dance performances, live music and presentations from the week-long workshops. Tickets are offered on a sliding scale from \$5-\$30.

For more information about the week, or to purchase tickets, call Scope at 717-7630 or the website www.proudto-bedisabled.com



Dates to mark on your calendar

Monday, May 26
In-Definite Arts AGM

Thursday, June 12
Last day of Spring Session

Monday, July 7
First Day of Summer Session

June 16 - July 3
IDAS closed for 3 weeks
for Summer Holidays

July 15-17
IDAS Certification Survey

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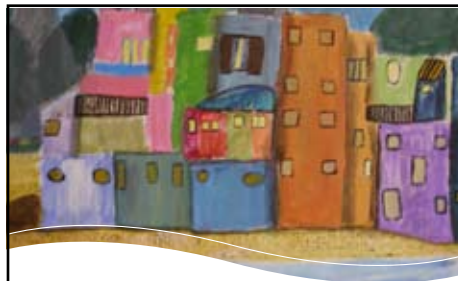
In-Definite Arts Certification

Every 3 years all agencies funded by PDD must be certified through the Alberta Council of Disability Services. In-Definite Arts Certification Survey will take place from July 15-17, 2008. Two people, called surveyors, will come in and interview individual artists, their guardians, family, friends and IDAS staff. The surveyors will be talking with people about their lives and whether they are happy and satisfied with all parts of their lives, but especially about the time they spend at In-Definite Arts. They will be asking questions about the service that people get from In-Definite Arts. Finally, they will look at the paperwork and policies of In-Definite Arts to make sure that we are doing everything according to the rules.

Nine IDAS Artists have been picked to have interviews. In addition, all IDAS Artists have a form that needs to be filled

out and returned to us so that the surveyors can check files here. That form has been sent with this newsletter and needs to be signed by the Artist and their Guardian, if they have one and returned to IDAS as soon as possible.

IDAS Staff has been working hard for the past few months to get ready for this survey. We are looking forward to the time the surveyors will be with us. We were hoping that our renovations would be finished before our survey so that there would be lots of room for the surveyors. Unfortunately, that isn't going to happen! However, as everyone knows, In-Definite Arts isn't about the building, it's about the wonderful people who attend here! We know that any suggestions the surveyors have will only make In-Definite Arts an even better place to be for everyone - Artists, Staff, Volunteers and Families.



IN-DEFINITE ARTS ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Monday, May 26, 2008
7:00 - 9:00 pm

8038 Fairmount Drive SE

Refreshments & Door Prizes
Everyone is Welcome!

The Cochrane Exhibition

St. Mary's Parish Hall
10 River Heights Drive,
Cochrane

Artists Exhibiting:
Roma Shafer, Tony Goodison,
Debbie O'Gorman, Brad
McCaull, Diane Heemskerck,
John Koeppel & Chris Stepler

The exhibition can be viewed
when the Parish Hall is open:
Saturday - Thursday
9 a.m. - 4 pm
Friday 9 a.m. - Noon



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