

# ST. THOMAS-ELGIN PUBLIC ART CENTRE

Spring 2022



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## Great Beginnings Secondary School Exhibition April 2 to 30, 2022

The opportunity to celebrate the many talented art students attending secondary schools in St. Thomas-Elgin has once again returned to the Public Art Centre. *Great Beginning* is an experience that many students will remember for a lifetime, and others will use as a starting point in pursuing their life's ambitions. For our community, it is an energetic, welcoming, and straightforward exhibition that we can all take pride in. Stop by and join us in acknowledging these wonderful artists from all six local secondary schools.

## in Gallery three

### These Hands, Touching Memoirs of Seniors Living in Our Communities April 2 to 30, 2022

This photographic exhibition was initiated by the County of Elgin Homes and Senior Services in 2019, and the stories behind the photos are a lifetime in the making. This project was made possible thanks in part to funding received from the Government of Canada's New Horizon for Seniors Program (NHSP).



The Public Art Centre is pleased to offer the community its first look at this brilliant

### Josepha van den Anker "And She Can Cook..." June 18 to July 30, 2022



Van Den Anker, throughout four decades of her career, describes herself as a "figurative artist", a painter and printmaker. Influenced by media imagery, archaic iconography, quotations by writers & philosophers, her art often

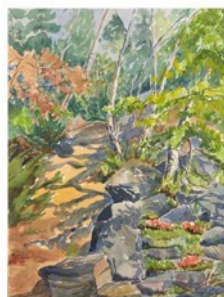
reflects a personal narrative... engaging the viewer in the psychological drama of human emotions and questioning the confines of self in the Power Politics of Society. Born in Holland, JvdA is a naturalized Canadian Citizen.

An Honour's Graduate of The Ontario College of Art 1976, she has continuously exhibited in Canada, and while living in Ireland & Holland for several years.

Since 2005, home is St. Thomas Ont.

## upcoming Exhibitions

### Evelyn Knight May 7 to June 11, 2022



This exhibition is presented as a show and sale of Evelyn Knight's works and will chronicle her life as an artist.

Evelyn Knight was born in St. Thomas in 1925. She grew up on College Street and attended Arthur Voaden Secondary School, and at the age of 19, enrolled at Alma College from 1946 to 1948. After graduation, Evelyn married and had four children. Once the children were older, Evelyn began painting full-time, leading to a position teaching painting and drawing at Fanshawe School of Continuing Education for ten years.

This exhibition features works by Evelyn Knight in the Public Art Centre's permanent collection and more than 30 private works available for purchase.

## On the Line June 18 to July 30, 2022



Untitled, Ethel Maude Kirby Crocker

The inspiration for this exhibition comes from a 2016 episode of *Revisionist History*, by Malcolm Gladwell. The episode, *The Lady Vanishes*, tells the story of the place of women artists (or lack thereof) throughout the history of art and art collecting.

The term on the line refers to the hanging of art. A work of art displayed prominently in an exhibition and at eye level is considered *on the line*.

For far too long, women artists were not located

on the line or in many exhibitions and public collections. The Public Art Centre has and continues to place importance on collecting and exhibiting the works of women artists, both contemporary and historical.

This permanent collection exhibition is focused entirely on local and regional women artists, their work, and their extraordinary determination to create.

Essential to the success of any organization is the ongoing cooperation of its supporters. The Art Centre wishes to thank the City of St. Thomas, the County of Elgin, its membership, donors, grantors, and sponsors for their generous support.



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# Classes and Events

The Public Art Centre will be offering classes for children and adults beginning in mid-April. For the spring session, all participants must show proof of vaccination and wear a mask while attending the class.

**Advance registration and payment are required for all classes. Spaces are limited.**

The Public Art Centre thanks you for your patience and understanding as we begin to reintroduce all of the wonderful programs you have come to look forward to and enjoy!

Because the spaces are limited in these classes, the Public Art Centre will offer an additional session in June, if the demand dictates.

## LIFE DRAWING

April 12 to May 3, 2022  
Tuesdays from 7-9 pm  
self-paced with live model

St. Thomas-Elgin Public Art Centre  
301 Talbot Street

**\$60**

This class is open to all adults including high school students.

Please call (519) 631-4040 to register. Spaces are limited.



## introduction to DRAWING, ILLUSTRATION & ANIMATION

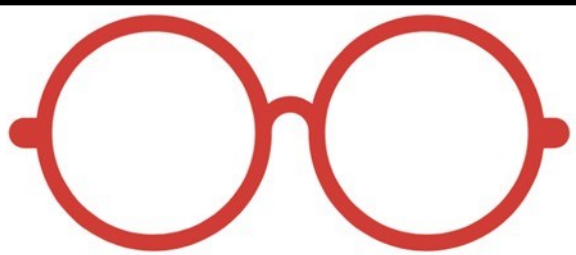
April 16 to May 7, 2022  
Saturdays from 1:00-3:00 p.m.  
with Julianne Bryans

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301 Talbot Street

**\$60**

This class is open to students ages 9-14 years.

Please call (519) 631-4040 to register. Spaces are limited.



## in view of

THE ARTIST

### ANNUAL JURIED EXHIBITION

Information about the **2022 In View of the Artist** annual juried exhibition can now be found on the Public Art Centre's website [www.stepac.ca](http://www.stepac.ca).

There have been a few changes to the application process so we invite you to check this out and start preparing your submissions!

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**A membership renewal reminder was sent out with this newsletter. If you have not renewed your Art Centre membership for 2022 we would invite you to do so at your earliest convenience. The simplest ways to do this are through our website or in person during open hours.**

The St. Thomas-Elgin Public Art Centre will be holding a rummage sale fund-raiser

## Friday, May 13, 2022 from 1-8 pm

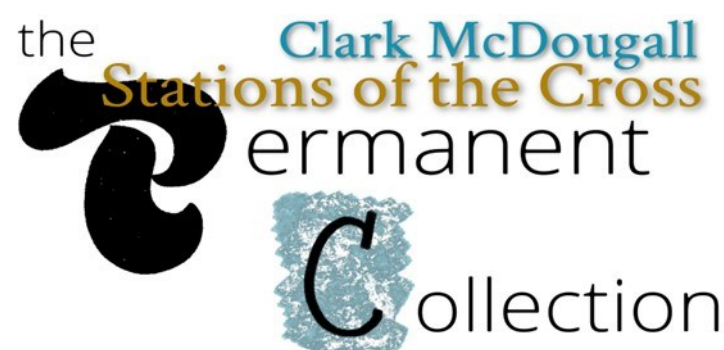
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