

SHURNIAK ART GALLERY ANNOUNCES NEW DIRECTION

News Release

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Shurniak Gallery Inc. Board of Directors met recently for strategic planning and a Directors' meeting.

The death of gallery founder William Shurniak in 2020 has been a profound and significant loss for the Shurniak Gallery. The board and staff are now working to create a strong future for this unique community and cultural space. In August 2021 it changed its status, becoming a "charitable organization". The board's recent strategic planning sessions offered extensive discussions about the new and exciting challenges and opportunities that lay in its future.

The newly adopted Mission Statement speaks to the overall purpose of the gallery:

By sharing and celebrating its collection, gallery and legacy, the Shurniak builds an inclusive community through arts experiences that inform, stimulate, and inspire.

As the Board of Directors moves ahead to policy development, fundraising, and committee work, we look forward to renewed community engagement, support and innovative arts programming in 2022.

Board members include: Heather Shurniak – Chair, Mark Ealey – Vice chair, Sharon Schauenberg – Town of Assiniboia rep, Crystal Thorburn – Assiniboia & District Arts Council rep, Jake Moore – University of Sask rep, Graham Harvey – Assiniboia Chamber of Commerce rep, Dean Bauche – independent arts consultant. Staff at the gallery are Jared Williams, Operations & Collections Manager, Sandra Peutert, Administration/Finance, and Gail Mergen, Communications and Special Projects. Tom Mountain is secretary to the charitable organization.

We continue to welcome all donations at Box 1178, Assiniboia, S0H 0B0. Receipts are issued for amounts of \$20 or more. Thank you for your interest and support.

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