

# THE HUB

# ON ROSS

Annual Report September 2009 to October 2010





### **PREFACE**

Promoting community inclusion is a core business of the PDD Central Region Community Board. Being included means that adults with developmental disabilities have opportunities to share activities and connections and to contribute to their community.

The Hub on Ross is operated by the PDD Central Region Community Board as one way of providing opportunities for adults with developmental disabilities to share activities and experiences with others from around the community and increase their inclusion.

This reports on the activities, experiences, and achievements of The Hub on Ross for the 12-month period September 2009 to August 2010.

We start with a story.



#### A HAPPENING PLACE

Art at The Hub on Ross is a hook.

It is the hook on which The Hub hangs its programs, and its hopes, the hook it uses to draw people into the building, and the hook, or common interest, that connects people one to one and sets the stage for new friendships to bloom.

"Art is a great equalizer," says Hub Coordinator Bev Randers. "The arts are by nature inclusive and when you bring art into a venue like this that's barrier-free and familyfriendly, you make connections, you get community."

It was an actual hook that brought artist Peter Allen into The Hub. TwylaJoy Lapointe, Bev's working partner, called Peter and asked him to replace a broken clasp on one of his ornamental masks at The Hub. He liked what he saw during his visit and not long afterwards he set up an exhibition of his masks in The Hub's gallery and began teaching art classes.

"The principles and the direction of The Hub line up with my own directions and attitude," Peter explains. "It's about inclusion. I don't like to see people left out of things."

Then, through Peter's association with Fort Normandeau, volunteer placements were created this summer for two regular visitors to The Hub. "We tailored volunteer positions for each of their skills," Peter says.

#### **Getting Involved**

The aim is to increase the number of occasions for adults with developmental disabilities to make friends and get involved in new activities outside of their normal routines.

#### Such a Delight

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~ Bev Randers

"Jessica helped with several arts and crafts projects like drum-making and pottery and she did some clean-up. For Jesse we had physical activities like trail-building. He was out three or four times and he's still doing some volunteer trail-building this fall."

By partnering with the community at large, The Hub enabled two adults with developmental disabilities to show what they can do by taking on roles as instructor and builder. For the individuals: new opportunity. For The Hub: mission accomplished. Again.

The Hub began as a satellite of Michener Services in 2005 and Michener staff ran programs in the building until September 2009. By this time, so many people from outside of Michener were coming to The Hub that PDD Central decided it should be operated as a regional facility.

The push under direct PDD tutelage has been on getting more community organizations to develop and deliver programs at 4926 Ross Street. The aim is to increase the number of occasions for adults with developmental disabilities to make friends and get involved in new activities outside of their normal routines.

Bev says she and Twyla have been overwhelmed by the response. Active partners from outside the PDD world include Central Alberta Diversity Association (CADA), Central Alberta Refugee Effort (CARE), Council of Canadians and similar groups such as GrammaLink Africa, Red Deer Native Friendship Society, Alzheimers Society and the Downtown Business Association

The Hub works closely with agencies such as CARS, Cosmos and EPSS while at least a dozen community groups have used The Hub as a place for their fundraisers or shared in the proceeds from the sale of refreshments at concerts.

"The community has clearly said we want to be a partner with you," Bev notes.

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#### **Validation**

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~ Bev Randers









Music, drumming, drama, collage: a wide range of art, individual and collective, is practiced at The Hub on Ross.

The Hub on Ross building has two main features: a gallery and a stage.

The gallery, which is listed in the city's network of galleries, displays work by artists with and without developmental disabilities. Bev says that all of them benefit from the added exposure for their work, but artists with disabilities gain something extra from having a public exhibition – validation.

"We had Erika Schulz from Gallery IS do a show here and when she was installing her art she saw the old art going out and said: 'Whose art is this? This is really phenomenal. I love this work.'"

The artist, a young man with a developmental disability, happened to be there at the time, so Bev introduced the two people. "She told him he was an incredible artist. I could see he felt validated as an artist. I tell you, people feel valued at The Hub."

The stage is also a showcase for artists with and without developmental disabilities. It has been graced by performers as varied as The Hub House Band, Bill Bourne, The Rights Learning and Theatre Group, and Amos Garrett. Bev receives phone calls come from promoters across Canada looking for a venue in Red Deer, even though The Hub seats 100 people at most.

"We had one concert with only 30 people here and the performer loved it because of the intimacy and the warmth. It's like the little community halls – that's the kind of feeling The Hub is getting."

A glance at The Hub's monthly calendars show how busy it is. The October calendar, for example, lists 15 weekly activities from Monday through Friday and 14 special events on weekdays and weekends. Bev estimates 5,600 visitors have come to The Hub over the past year as spectators or participants.

The Hub on Ross couldn't maintain a schedule this full without help from community partners and from individuals supported by PDD. These individuals serve as hosts, set up and take down tables, wash dishes, introduce performers and so on.

Bev also gives credit to support workers who come with the individuals and to the groundwork by Michener staff who worked at The Hub before 2009. "We were positioned for success," she says.

The word is out, too. The environment at the Hub is widely known for being open and inviting. It has a legion of friends among its patrons, partners, volunteers and neighbours. Mayor Morris Flewwelling is among that number. In a letter of congratulations, he praises The Hub on Ross for its contributions to the city's downtown cultural scene and captures some of its spirit when he adds: "The Hub is a happening place."

#### **Role Model**

"The Hub is a role model for creating partnerships and making connections with numerous groups to foster cultural growth for years to come. Thank you for your dedication to building community."

Red Deer Mayor Morris Flewwelling



#### **BACKGROUND and HISTORY**

The Hub in Red Deer was started in 2005 as a 'satellite facility and program' of Michener Services focused on providing opportunities for residents of Michener to experience arts and culture in downtown Red Deer.

The Hub is located in a building Michener had been using for a variety of purposes, including in the early 2000s as the Centre Shoppe, a retail outlet for sewing and woodworking products created by individuals supported by Michener Services.

Over the 2005-2009 period, The Hub was staffed by 5 employees of Michener Services and undertook a wide range of developmental actions to build relationships and opportunities with the arts and culture community.

While initially focused on providing opportunities for people living at Michener, it wasn't long before other people joined in the wide variety of activities available at the Hub.

In 2008-2009, Michener Services undertook a review of all Program Support Services (which The Hub operated under) as part of the ongoing effort to ensure services provided through Michener continue to be appropriate.

#### **Included Now**

"I came to The Hub and separated myself from others. I danced in the corner with the music. Now I am able to sit in a circle with others, get up on stage and participate in the activity."

~ Annie

#### Sing, Sing, Sing

"Dan, who has a limited expressive vocabulary, has said 'sing, sing, sing' many times. Often it is when we are walking in The Hub vicinity. Sometimes he says it when we leave his home. Today I said 'let's go over to The Hub' and he said 'sing, sing, sing.' Now I know he's asking for The Hub and have brought him here more and is so happy here."

Through this review, it became apparent that use of The Hub by individuals who lived at Michener was decreasing, in part due to their advancing age. It was also apparent, in light of other changes on the Michener site, that maintaining the level of staffing wasn't likely to be feasible into the future.

It was also known that many individuals living outside of Michener were increasingly including The Hub in their activities. The desire to keep the Hub was expressed by all users and many people rallied to offer support to maintain operations.

In August 2009, after considering a range of options, the PDD Central Region Management Team transferred operation of The Hub from Michener Services to PDD Central Region. The number of positions assigned to The Hub was reduced from 5 to 2 and The Hub was renamed to The Hub on Ross to reflect its base in the community and its focus on building relationships and connections for individuals with developmental disabilities across Red Deer, not just at Michener.

As part of the transition from Michener to Central, a document setting out the directions, expected outcomes and key activities for The Hub on Ross was established in September 2009 (see Appendix 1). This document serves as the key directional document guiding Hub actions and operations.



#### THE HUB ENVIRONMENT

The Hub on Ross strives to be welcoming of all people and is a place of fun, quality cultural activity and adds greatly to the choice of safe downtown initiatives.

On most days, from 60-100 people visit The Hub on Ross. The Hub has a dedicated and regular participant base, but also welcomes occasional users and one-time audiences.

Participants view The Hub as open, friendly, and a place that facilitates new friendships and connections all over Central Alberta.

Throughout the Hub's operations, individuals with developmental disabilities are valued for their leadership and contributions to the numerous activities. Many individuals have opportunities to have important roles in leading activities, hosting events, or generally contributing to the positive, accepting atmosphere.

And, through contributions from individuals and their support staff, and many community volunteers, usage, partnerships, activities and the overall community profile of the Hub on Ross have all increased significantly.

The Hub on Ross is now getting requests daily for cultural and educational collaborative opportunities. All people are encouraged to contribute to community initiatives that have far-reaching benefits and meaningful outcomes. Recipients of PDD funding are involved in every aspect of building community through a wide range of opportunities.

In the fall of 2009, fully supported by PDD Central Region, the Central Alberta Diversity Association (CADA) signed a lease with Alberta Infrastructure to use office space on the Hub's lower level. This partnership, based on inclusion and diverse community acceptance, has assisted in further increasing capacity and increasing hours of operation.

The Hub has a public art gallery space, chair and table space for about 100 people, large accessible washrooms, a raised stage area and high quality audio and video. It is equipped with a stove and dishwasher and a variety of other equipment to support the wide range of activities and events.

The Hub on Ross operates with 2 full-time staff. A full-time wage staff person was hired from June 7 to August 31, 2010. While the usual hours of operation are 8 am to 4 pm, there has been an increasing number of occasions when activities and events occur in the evenings and on weekends. This increased usage has, in part, been a result of the many contributions of service provider support staff and volunteers.

In September 2010, The Hub on Ross entered into its second year of operations and will continue to focus on building connections and inclusion.

#### Listen to the Rain

about the rain stick and enjoyed the sound.
Learning about the rain stick enabled me to join in the drum circle with my friends. Thank you.

~ Cliff



#### **2009-2010 DIRECTIONS**

In September 2009, building on work done during the 2005-09 period, a document was developed that set out direction and expectations for the operation of the Hub on Ross for 2009-2010 and beyond.

What follows are the key 'new' directions included in that document and some commentary about results achieved in each of those key directions.

# Seeking to expand partnerships with existing PDD service providers

The intent here was to ensure that the operation of The Hub on Ross was not seen as something entirely the responsibility of PDD Central Region. There are several funded service providers in Red Deer that also seek to provide individuals with developmental disabilities with opportunities to connect and contribute and it was felt that partnership with those groups would be beneficial to the entire community.

Also, with the shift in The Hub's operations from Michener to PDD Central, it was important to try to ensure that The Hub was working with other service providers in the Red Deer area who shared similar goals of supporting individuals to be connected and included.

#### **Greatest Good**

"The greatest good you can do for another is not just to share your riches but to reveal to him his own."

~ Benjamin Disraeli

#### **Enriched Mandate**

"Members and staff of CADA have participated in many other activities at The Hub on an ad hoc basis ~ this has mutually benefitted CADA and the Hub" ~ Ex. Dir., CADA

Over the year, The Hub established strong working relationships with the COSMOS and CARS service providers, with both organizations providing regular activity at The Hub and occasional special events. Other service providers, including EPSS, PCLASS, and Michener Services, have also had connection and involvement with The Hub, but generally less regularly or intensively.

Overall, The Hub has made significant progress in expanding its partnerships with the PDD service providers.

# Seeking to expand partnerships with a wide range of community groups

Because The Hub sees activities as a way of creating connections, and because The Hub was not intended as a 'sheltered day program', one of the key directions was to try to build relationships with other community groups. This could expand the range of 'real' involvements and connections.

While focused on linkages with arts and culture organizations, The Hub has formed a wide range of successful partnerships with other community groups.

Achievements include establishing the partnership with Central Alberta Diversity Association (CADA) who began occupancy of the Hub basement and who contribute to regular events and activities. Over the year the Hub has established event and activity partnerships with over 25 community groups outside of PDD. (see Appendix 2)

# Expanding The Hub's arts and culture focus to include natural history

The Hub's original focus was on arts and culture, but there was a desire to expand into the natural history area. Because these three areas generally have similar and overlapping values and activities it was thought natural history would be a good fit for The Hub in opening up even more options and possibilities.

Results achieved include Hub staff facilitating the establishment of a Red Deer chapter of the Alberta Parks

#### **A Full Heart**

'We cannot tell the precise moment when friendship formed. As in filling a vessel drop by drop, there is at last a drop which makes it run over; so in a series of kindness there is at last one which makes the heart run over.'

~ Dr Samuel Johnson

#### Civilized

"Civilization is the process in which one gradually increases the number of people included in the term 'we' or 'us' and at the same time decreases those labeled 'you' or 'them' until that category has no one left in it." ~ Howard Winters

'Push to Open' initiative – an effort to provide people with disabilities outdoor backcountry experiences. The Hub also facilitated a natural history film series and a Red Deer History Alive project.

# Increasing a 'shared responsibility' for delivery of activities at the HUB

As part of the effort to create connections for individuals, the Hub sought to create connections with groups in leading activities. Many new groups became involved and led activities and events at The Hub on Ross over the year.

Results show about 38% of the activities at The Hub are now being organized and led by PDD service providers, 24% by non-PDD community individuals and groups, and 38% by PDD and non-PDD persons working in collaboration. While Hub staff take on the co-ordination role of all activities, they facilitate less than 10% of the activities. The diverse range of groups involved provide opportunities for both their own membership and for adults with developmental disabilities.

Focusing on 'activity' as a precursor to community connections for adults with developmental disabilities, not as the main end point

This direction serves as the cornerstone of all of the work done at The Hub. While many 'day programs' in PDD, and indeed elsewhere, focus on 'activity', The Hub has tried to recognize that activity, while it can in itself be important, gains further importance to the extent that it helps people's personal development, connections, relationships and contributions.

Activity at The Hub is both important for its own sake, but serves a means to foster relationships for individuals with developmental disabilities with others in their community and encourages others to see individuals for their abilities, contributions, and potential.

Being part of a group allows a person to participate in the group's activity, but also to develop personal connections and relationships and share experiences.

There have been many examples where The Hub on Ross has served as a key catalyst for positive connections and roles for individuals.



## **OUTCOMES, OUTPUTS, RESULTS**

In addition to setting out the key directions, a number of expected outcomes and outputs for the operation of the Hub were also established.

The table on pages 14 to 24 highlights the various expected 'outcomes' and 'outputs' set out for The Hub on Ross for the September 2009 to October 2010 period and the results.

Expected Outcome	Results Achieved
Persons with developmental disabilities contribute to Red Deer's cultural fabric	Individuals led a variety of activities and events such as Sign Language, Drumming, Hub House Band. Two individuals displayed their artwork in the Hub's public Art Gallery and participated in the artist's reception. Individuals hosted Hub House Concerts, and many special events such as the United Way Fund Raiser, Centerfest, and Alberta Arts Days.

#### **Expected Outcome**

# Activity at The Hub on Ross is increasingly developed and delivered by a variety of informal and formal partners.

#### **Results Achieved**

PDD service providers and individuals with or without support staff offer approximately 38 percent of activities at The Hub (e.g. sign language, music, art, drumming, personal development, movement).

Approximately 24 percent of the activities are provided by non PDD agencies and individuals (e.g. Drama, Teatime, Eye-Openers, House Concerts, and Art Shows).

The remaining 38 percent of activities are provided collaboratively with non PDD and PDD individual's together (art, music, photography, Music Gallery, special events, education, Local First Market, Melting Pot Cooking Show).

It is also important to note that partnerships and initiatives also occur outside the Hub such as Earthdance, City Disability Advisory Committee work, Push to Open outdoor experiences, art networking and commissions, volunteering at Fort Normandeau, Green initiatives at RDC, CIRS Community Connections Information Fair, etc.

#### Collaboration

Approximately 24 percent of the activities are provided by non PDD agencies and individuals while another 38 percent are provided collaboratively with non PDD and PDD individual's together.

#### **Sing Your Song**

"Use what talents you possess: the woods would be very silent if no birds sang there except those that sang best."

~ Henry Van Dyke

#### **The Greatest Trust**

"The glory of friendship is not the outstretched hand, nor the kindly smile, nor the joy of companionship; it is the spiritual inspiration that comes to one when you discover that someone else believes in you and is willing to trust you with a friendship."

Ralph Waldo Emerson

#### **Expected Outcome**

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#### **Results Achieved**

There has been exceptional support to The Hub from every demographic sector within Central Alberta and artists in Western Canada. See *Appendix 3* for the range of activities offered.

Many partnerships opportunities have come to The Hub on Ross over the year, in part due to the open environment and word of mouth, as well as via The Hub on Ross website, articles in the Red Deer Scene magazine, weekly promotion via the media, community billboards, professional networks, and musical community networks. These partners become involved in a variety of ways in The Hub's overall operations and make personal connections with individuals which they would not have had opportunity to do without the Hub on Ross. *Appendix* 2 provides a comprehensive list of partners of The Hub on Ross over the past 12 months.

#### **Happy Chance**

We came upon The Hub by accident and loved it. We did crafts, played with hula hoops and listened to Fred Penner. We will be back! Thank you."

~ Rozalyn, Gabriell and Isabelle

#### **Expected Outcome**

There is evidence that persons with developmental disabilities have made, and are sustaining, connections and relationships beyond The Hub on Ross that can be linked back to initial participation in Hub activities and events.

#### **Results Achieved**

The Hub has had many stories of success in this regard. Examples include:

An individual who gained employment thanks to sales experiences she got from volunteering at The Hub's weekly Local First Market.

Friendships made through volunteer placements at Fort Normandeau (Jessica, Jesse), facilitated by a Hub partner.

Deb's committed and highly valued four years of service on the Earthdance Committee.

Individuals included in valued cultural volunteer jobs such as hosts (Albert, Rosemary), curators (Jesse), promotions (Wes), communication liaisons (Maren), judges (Kylie, Maren), music leaders (Anthony) and music facilitators (Roland, Ryan).

Individuals taking valued volunteer jobs cleaning (Denise), shopping (Wes and Kylie), connecting with businesses and food producers (Shayla, Bob), working the Local First Market (Donna, Howie), making and selling popcorn (Curtis), cat population control education (Kim), etc.

#### Vocation

"Each man has his own vocation; his talent is his call. There is one direction in which all space is open to him." ~ Ralph Waldo Emerson

#### **Expected Outcome**

An increased number of persons with developmental disabilities are involved in arts initiatives and leisure activities that are led by the community in sustaining a healthy vibrant downtown core.

#### **Results Achieved**

Two individuals held their own art exhibit in the Hub's public art gallery (Brian, David). This included having an artist's reception and has resulted in sales and commissions. Many individuals participated as volunteers in Alberta Arts Days, Centerfest and a wide range of other events.

Persons with developmental disabilities continue to value their participation and networking with the arts community.

Throughout the year, individuals and their families or support staff have been encouraged to provide comments on their experiences at the Hub. A collection of these comments show that individuals very much value opportunities available at the Hub.

#### **Diversity**

"Community cannot for long feed on itself; it can only flourish with the coming of others from beyond, their unknown and undiscovered brothers." ~ Howard Thurman A Hub on Ross Advisory Committee is established to provide direction and contribute to the accomplishment of the desired outcomes

In January 2010, 47 people came to a 'Hub Think Tank' out of which was formed the Hub Advisory Committee. (see Appendix4) People who attended value The Hub's contributions and wanted to support its initiatives.

The Advisory Committee requested that guidelines for connecting at The Hub be established A document *Want to Connect with Us?* Was then developed (see Appendix 5)

#### **Proud Partner**

"CADA is proud to be a member of the Hub's advisory committee, and to have helped develop the frame of reference towards an inclusive and welcoming facility where the whole community can participate in activities with persons with developmental disabilities."

#### **Expected Outcome**

At least one formal partnership with a community group that contributes to The Hub's operations and activities is established

#### **Results Achieved**

The Central Alberta
Diversity Association
(CADA) was supported to
obtain a lease with Alberta
Infrastructure to occupy
office space in the basement
of The HUB. CADA moved
in during the month of
October 2009 and has been
increasingly involved in
providing activity,
connections and other
opportunities.

#### **Diversity**

August 14th: [ Salvador Fundraiser "A raucous event to raise funds towards relief efforts for El Salvador. Over 100 people attended. There was music, performances, Salvadorean food, etc. The Hub's participants got an experience of immersion into Spanishspeaking culture. Performers from the PDD community contributed to the event with a rendition of the Canadian National Anthem, and an accordion solo performance." ~CADA

Activities facilitated at or through The Hub involving the community at large are held monthly

The environment at The Hub is noted for being welcoming and inviting. There is evidence of support for the work of The Hub from the Mayor of Red Deer (see *Appendix 6),* the Downtown Safety Taskforce, the Red Deer and District Tourism Association, which requested a presentation be made to their staff and volunteers so they could promote the Hub's inclusive activities and philosophy, and the CentreFest Society, which asked to use The Hub as a base of operations for the 2010 festival. The Hub public art gallery is part of a gallery network and contributes to First Friday exhibits and receptions.

#### Interconnected

"The life I touch for good or ill will touch another life, and that in turn another, until who knows where the trembling stops or in what far place my touch will be felt."

Frederick Buechner

Expected Outcome	Results Achieved
At least 12 hours of activity per week are scheduled at The Hub	The Hub delivered over 30 hours of scheduled activities each week over the past twelve months. The Hub also remains open over the noon hour when many people gather to eat lunch and connect with others.  Additionally, The Hub hosted over 30 special events in the evenings and weekends, many 'run' by community groups. This resulted in 60-100 people per day attending or participating in activities or events at The Hub
A plan to encourage networking, participating, and connecting with the arts community is in place	A Want to Connect With Us? document was produced to respond to the strong demand from the community (see Appendix 6)
Artists continue to participate at and contribute to The Hub	The Hub has had over 20 community artists involved in a variety of activities and connections. They have led arts events, exhibited work in the art gallery, and volunteered at The Hub. Musicians have performed weekly house concerts and 'Live at the Hub' concerts and their volunteering has helped to create the positive atmosphere that characterizes The Hub

### **Community Spirit**

"The United Way Soup Luncheon was a great community event, a collaborative effort between a self-advocacy group, United Way and the community venue The Hub. With people from all walks of life volunteering and in attendance it showed what a vital resource The Hub is in garnering community spirit." ~ Tim and Kelly Hub Visitors Book

<b>Expected Outcome</b>	Results Achieved
Self-advocate groups are involved in promoting inclusive opportunities particularly related to community issues	Individuals have assumed leadership roles in a wide range of Hub activities, including: Sign Language (Jeremy); Dance Lessons (Mickey); Drum Circle (Logan); G 20 discussion group (Wes); Hub House Band (Anthony). In every aspect of the operation of The Hub, meaningful roles for individuals are sought and put in place.
There is evidence of increased number of volunteers from within and outside of the PDD community delivering activities associated with The Hub on Ross and developing opportunities for increased sense of belonging	Volunteers contributed about 15 hours per week to the activities and operation of The Hub. Volunteers serve on the Advisory Committee, conduct art classes and lend a hand as sound technician for house concerts. Others have provided gifts such as handwelded art easels, a mandolin for an individual, a 'button making' machine that can foster further connections with the community. Working with the Michener Volunteer Coordinator, The Hub established a formal volunteer registration process.

#### **Unique Centre**

"Several times | have met people at The Hub and have connected with them again outside The Hub. | have made friends here. Terry meets friends here that he meets for coffee etc. later... The Hub has proven to be an important and largely unique centre for us."

~ Anonymous

Expected Outcome	Results Achieved
Individuals express feelings of confidence and success due to leadership training and facilitation training support	The Hub has many anecdotal stories and expressions of appreciation from individuals, parents, and others attesting to the benefits individuals have gained from participating in the Hub.
There is evidence that HUB on Ross activities are increasingly conceived, designed, and delivered by groups outside of PDD.	Groups outside of PDD that have been designed and delivered activities at the Hub include the City of Red Deer, Association Francaise, Central Alberta Refugee Effort (CARE), Red Deer Native Friendship Center, Central Alberta Alzheimer's Society, Central Alberta Diversity Association, Central Alberta Music Festival Society, and the Council of Canadians.
At least 1 exhibit and special event with partnering agencies is hosted each month based on the interests of individuals	Over the year, 30 arts exhibits or other special events were held at the Hub (See Appendix 3). Two individuals held their own art exhibits in the Hub's public art gallery.
Persons with developmental disabilities continue to value their participation and networking with the arts community	Many stories have been provided by participants attesting to their appreciation of the opportunities and connections available at, and through, The Hub on Ross.

#### Linked

"If you have come to help me, you are wasting your time. But if you have come because your liberation is bound up with mine, then let us work together." ~ Aboriginal activists Queensland

Expected Outcome	Results Achieved
Upcoming events and activities are advertised through media outlets, the City of Red Deer events page, Hub on Ross website, the PDD Central Website and other places	Monthly calendars of activities and events were created and distributed and posted on the Hub on Ross website. (see Appendix 7).  Posters for all Hub House Concerts and Art Exhibits were created and distributed (by individuals) around Red Deer (see Appendix 8).  Events were publicized through the City of Red Deer events page, Red Deer Advocate, Shaw Cable Community Events Page, and other places.
Stories from people about how the arts have helped them belong and enhance their quality of life are collected	The Hub has collected over 25 stories and comments from individuals and families related to the role the Hub has played in contributing to individual's lives.
People are assisted to connect to leisure activities and community initiatives outside of The Hub on Ross	Individuals were assisted to participate in Alberta Arts Days, Earthdance, Safe Communities compaigns and many more. Two individuals interested in science fiction art met at the Hub. Now they maintain their relationship from their homes and meet in the community for coffee and further networking.

#### Shine a Light

"We cannot hold a torch to light another's path without brightening our own."

~ Ben Sweetland

#### I Belong

"like the Hub. Hove to come here and play the drums. Hike to be in a group and be part of the community."

~ Shannon

#### Expected Outcome Results Achieved

There is direction established for The Hub on Ross related to Hub operations and activities for the summer 2010 period The Hub on Ross operated throughout the Summer of 2010 in part through the hiring of a summer wage employee (in previous years, The Hub was closed from June 1 through August 31). Several additional and new activities, events, and initiatives (e.g. Local First Market, Red Deer History Alive Project) were facilitated by the summer staff person.

Provide leadership opportunities for people to share their talents and willingness to connect with other people

The Hub provided many opportunities for people to share their talents: the "Caring Approach Workshop" educational initiative delivered by the Alzheimer's Society (see Appendix 9); the Tuesday evenings Alzheimer Support Group open seminars; the **CARS Cougars Self** Advocates led the way for learning new cooking skills with the Melting Pot Cooking Show (see Appendix 10). At every event, individuals were included in a variety of leadership roles including as emcee and host.



### **FINANCIAL REPORT**

The Hub on Ross operated during the September 2009 to October 2010 period with 2 full-time staff positions and one 3-month (summer) wage position.

The Hub also had a budget of \$1,000 per month for supplies, artists honoraria, and for a variety of other operational needs.

The Hub on Ross also received support from Alberta Infrastructure related to the operational and maintenance costs of the building.



#### **CONCLUSION**

Over the past year, through contributions of the many individuals, staff and volunteers, The Hub on Ross has provided many individuals with very positive experiences as participants in a wide range of activities and events. Perhaps more importantly, many positive relationships have been developed with many groups and individuals from with the arts, culture, and natural history communities in Red Deer and beyond.

It has also served to build positive connections and relationships with many community groups – some with very little prior connection with PDD – and provided the PDD Central Region with very positive public and community engagement and relations.

The Hub on Ross is a visible and active advocate with and for persons with developmental disabilities and its reputation as an all-inclusive, comprehensive, family-friendly, barrier-free cultural venue in Red Deer is outstanding.

Going forward into 2011 and beyond The Hub on Ross will continue its focus on welcoming everyone from the community to participate and connect. Anyone interested in participating in the activities, events, and opportunities for connection at The Hub on Ross is invited to visit.

More information about the Hub on Ross is available at



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# The HUB ON ROSS

# Directions for 2009-2010

November 2009

#### **Introduction**

This document provides some background information about the HUB ON ROSS and directions for going forward.

#### **Background**

The HUB ON ROSS is a Visual and Performing Arts Centre in downtown Red Deer operated mostly Monday – Friday.

It began operations in 2005, funded by Michener Services, and was intended to:

- provide a location for a variety of activities, networking and community building through shared enjoyment and responsibility for activities.
- provide opportunities for individuals to come together through shared interests in the visual and performing arts
- be a central location with no physical barriers and specialized equipment for persons (ie wheelchair accessible stage, lift and change table). Provide a safe inviting space for people to network
- serve a group of individuals with developmental disabilities who have high and complex needs and provide some contributions to a meaningful day
- provide individuals with an opportunity to develop and display their talents, abilities, and gifts.

#### 2005-2009

Over the 2005-2009 period, the HUB ON ROSS continued its operations as part of Michener Services and provided a wide range of activities and experiences for adults with developmental disabilities. During that period a number of trends became apparent:

Hub staff provided transportation as mandated for Michener residents to be able to participate. Over 100 Michener residents received service from Hub staff each week. 80% of these residents were non-verbal with complex health needs, approximately 40% were people with mobility issues (use wheelchairs, walkers, etc).

Many individuals from Red Deer became regular and satisfied "consumers"

• There was considerable involvement of non-PDD related groups in the various activities and events offered at the HUB.

 The HUB ON ROSS provided considerable activity, with the focus being on quality experiences. Everything that occurred had a goal for inclusion, however connections were not tracked. Relationships occurred naturally which continue today.

Also during that period, a number of other factors emerged that impacted the HUB. These included:

- Michener Services commenced a review of its recreation programs as part of the Next Decade process intended to help shape Michener's future services
- Recognition that continuation of funding for the HUB ON ROSS from Michener would no longer be feasible as Hub participation was from the entire Central PDD community and would become a strain on Michener staffing and funding.
- The PDD program commenced a process of reviewing its overall Mission and Core Businesses which gave rise to questions about whether PDD's operation of the HUB ON ROSS would align with whatever revisions might occur within the PDD program

After Michener put forward elements of their Next Decade plan that included new directions for the overall organization including program and recreational services, Michener determined that they could not continue the operations at the HUB.

After considerable discussion and analysis within PDD Central and Michener, including with community members, PDD Central determined that the HUB ON ROSS would, for at least the September 2009 to Summer 2010 period, continue to operate, but under a new approach, mandate, and staffing resources.

#### **New Directions for the HUB ON ROSS**

In September 2009, responsibility for the operation of the HUB ON ROSS was transferred to Central PDD. As part of that transfer, there were several new directions established that were intended to provide some guidance to the HUB ON ROSS staff in its functioning.

Key directions included:

- Seeking to expand partnerships with existing PDD service providers
- Seeking to expand partnerships with a wide range of community groups
- Expanding the HUB's arts and culture focus to include natural history and Earthdance initiatives (people, planet, peace)

• Focusing on 'activity' as a precursor to community connections for adults with developmental disabilities, not as the main end point.

Additional elements guiding the HUB's operations included:

- continue to contribute to the cultural vibrancy in historic downtown Red Deer, making it a fun and safe place for all citizens of Central Alberta
- create an environment for continued relationship building between artists from all walks of life
- provide new opportunities for people who have yet to explore their cultural passions
- provide leadership opportunities for people to share their talents and willingness to connect with other people
- provide a place for people to connect with friends while promoting inclusive interaction and knowledge of community issues

It was also determined that the HUB ON ROSS would operate in conjunction with an Advisory Committee comprised of community members and key stakeholders. The Advisory Committee should be comprised of stakeholders who hold a vision for a safe culturally viable establishment. Stakeholders should come from a wide range of community groups on a volunteer basis.

In order to assist the operation of the HUB ON ROSS a document describing the HUB's purpose, expected outputs and outcomes was developed to assist in future assessment of its performance and future.

The HUB ON ROSS directional specifics for 2009-10 are included in the pages following.

#### The HUB ON ROSS

#### <u>Purpose</u>

The HUB ON ROSS is intended to provide a focus and venue for arts, culture, and natural history related activities that involve adults with developmental disabilities, community groups and members, and that foster positive connections, relationships and inclusion.

#### **Principles**

The HUB ON ROSS operates in alignment with several key principles:

- I. the HUB ON ROSS should seek to enhance the capacities of persons with developmental disabilities in being in, and connecting with, their community
- 2. activities should be organized to enhance the community's involvement with adults with developmental activities
- 3. activities and events should seek to enhance everyone's quality of life
- 4. operations and activities should contribute to and enhance downtown Red Deer.
- 5. activities and events should be open to all and be aimed at building community
- 6. activities and events should be developed and led by a wide range of community groups, not just PDD.
- 7. activities and events should provide opportunities to develop leaders and share resources

#### **Overall Outcomes**

- 1. Persons with developmental disabilities contribute to Red Deer's cultural fabric
- 2. Activity at the HUB ON ROSS is increasingly developed and delivered by a variety of informal and formal partners.
- There is evidence that persons with developmental disabilities have made, and are sustaining, connections and relationships, beyond the HUB ON ROSS that can be linked back to initial participation in HUB activities and events.
- 4. An increased number of persons with developmental disabilities are involved in arts initiatives and leisure activities that are led by the community in sustaining a healthy vibrant downtown core.
- 5. Persons with developmental disabilities continue to value their participation and networking with the arts community.

#### Specific HUB ON ROSS Outputs (September 2009-June 2010)

- I. a HUB ON ROSS Advisory Committee is established to help provide direction and contribute to the accomplishment of the desired overall outcomes
- 2. at least one formal partnership with a community group that contributes to the HUB's operations and activities is established
- 3. monthly activities facilitated at, or through, the HUB and that involve the community are planned and scheduled
- 4. at least 12 hours of activity per week are scheduled at the HUB
- 5. a plan to encourage networking, participating, and connecting with the arts communities is in place
- 6. artists continue to participate at and contribute to the HUB
- 7. self advocates groups are involved in promoting inclusive opportunities particularly related to community issues
- individuals express feelings of confidence and success due to leadership training and facilitation training support
- there is evidence of increased number of volunteers from within and outside of the PDD community delivering activities associated with the HUB ON ROSS and in developing opportunities for increased sense of belonging.
- 10. There is evidence that HUB ON ROSS activities are increasingly conceived, designed and delivered by groups outside of PDD.
- 11. at least 1 exhibit and special event with partnering agencies are hosted each month based on the interests of individuals.
- upcoming events and activities are advertised and publicized through media outlets including City of Red Deer events page, HUB ON ROSS website, the PDD Central Website, and other places.
- 13. an informational brochure for the HUB ON ROSS is created and available
- 14. stories from people how the arts has helped them belong and enhance their quality of life are collected
- 15. people are assisted to connect to leisure activities and community initiatives outside of the HUB such as Green Deer, Red Deer College Theatre productions, Greenhouse Buddies, CentreFest, Festival of Trees, DBA initiatives.
- 16. There is a direction established for the HUB on ROSS related to HUB operations and activities for the summer 2010 period (June September)

## **Hub on Ross Community Groups and Partners**

#### Regular Activity Leadership

Central Alberta Diversity Association – daily Central Alberta Residential Society – daily Central Alberta Refugee Effort – weekly COSMOS – weekly CARS - weekly

Red Deer Arts Council - weekly

Red Deer Native Friendship Society - bi-monthly

Catholic Social Services – special projects such as Push to Open, City Dance Classes

#### Occasional Activity Leadership

#### and General Networking and Partnering

Red Deer County

City of Red Deer Social Planning City of Red Deer Culture Dept. Central Alberta Aids Network Brain Injured Society of Alberta Central Alberta Brain Injured Society Central Alberta Music Festival Society

Earthdance Committee Kerry Wood Nature Centre Red Deer Public Library Blockbuster Video

West Park Foods, Independent Film Makers

**Alzheimers Society** 

Individual artists and musicians, Waskasoo Bluegrass Society T&R Gardens, Souto Farms Christian Youth Theatre

Community Information and Referral Society

Council of Canadians

L/Association Canadienne-Française de l'Alberta

Downtown Business Association

CentreFest Society

Alberta Parks and Recreation

Alberta Arts Days

The Independent Living Resource Centre of Calgary

Red Deer Museum and Art Gallery (MAG)

**SPCA** 

Volunteers from all walks of life

Practicum students

#### Agencies benefitting from partnerships

A Gathering Place, Canadian Mental

Health

Grammalink Africa

Whisker Rescue Foundation Alberta Bulldog Rescue

Push to Open, Red Deer Chapter

Canadian Himilayan Orphanage Project Tree House Youth Theatre Board Games,

formerly known as artsparks

United Way

Celtic Club of Red Deer

Red Deer Salvadorian Community

Loaves and Fishes

#### The Hub on Ross Activities and Events

#### October 2009

Live at the Hub Steve Fisher and Bob Evans

Brett and Bruce Neil McNairnay Rob Mciver Mike and Lann

Waskasoo Bluegrass Society Grammalink - Africa Lunch

Special Events Grammalink - Africa Lunch

Melting Pot Cultural Kitchen

#### November 2009

First Friday Lisa Heinrichs Art Gallery MAG Artsparks Live at the Hub Lisa Heinrichs

Learning Peer and Sexuality Support (CARS)

Safe Harbour Respect for All workshop (CARE)

**Nuclear Energy Information Session** 

Special Events United Way Soup Luncheon

Mosaic Market

Artwork for Beauty and the Beast—displayed at Red Deer College

#### December 2009

First Friday Paul Rumbolt Concert - Gathering Place fundraiser

Live at the Hub Lisa Heinrichs

Justine Vandergrift Donna Durand

Learning Safe Harbour Respect for All workshop (CARE)
Special Events A Christmas Carol – Christian Youth Theatre

J.U.S.T Presentation – COSMOS

Artsparks on the Boards

Melting Put Cultural Kitchen – CARS COUGARS

January 2010

Live at the Hub Cathy Vetter

Bruce Jacobson Duane Hay

Waskasoo Bluegrass Society

Learning Safe Harbour Respect for All workshop (CARE)

Inclusion Workshop Alzheimer Learning series

Hub Think Tank

Special Events artsparks on the Boards

Melting Put Cultural Kitchen – CARS COUGARS

#### February 2010

First Friday Hub House Concert – Paul Rumbolt

Art Gallery Photos by Alan Ankilde

Live at the Hub Randi Bouton

Donna Durand Lisa Heinrichs Cathy Vetter

Learning Using the Action Bus and Public Transit – City of Red Deer

PDD Family Information Meeting-PDD Central Board

PDD Central Board Info for CARS Cougars

**Alzheimer Learning Series** 

#### March 2010

First Friday Hub House Concert – Tir Na N'og Art Gallery Duck Goose - Wilson Harrowby

Live at the Hub Tom Lindl

Ernie Cebuliak Neil McNairnay

Waskasoo Bluegrass Society

Learning Pets and Your Responsibility – SPCA

CARS First Aid workshop CARS Peer Support workshop Alzheimers Learning Series Safe Harbour Business Luncheon

Rights Learning and Theatre High School Presentstion

> Melting Put Cultural Kitchen – CARS COUGARS International Day to End Racial Discrimination

Drumocracy

#### **April 2010**

First Friday Hub House Concert – Raghu Lokanathan Art Gallery What's New Pussycat - Dee Oleksow

Live at the Hub Don Swift

Lisa Heinrichs Rob McIver Cathy Vetter

Learning Neighborhood Information Session – City of Red Deer

Volunteer Workshop – Volunteer Red Deer (CIRS)

Family Managed Supports Meeting - PDD

Special Events Drumocracy

Melting Put Cultural Kitchen - CARS COUGARS

Earth Day

May 2010

First Friday Hub House Concert – One for the Girls

Art Gallery A Face Only a Mother Could Love - Peter Allen

Live at the Hub Lisa Heinrichs

Donna Durand Neil McNairnay

Waskasoo Bluegrass Society

Learning Tuesday Night Learning Series – Alzheimer's Society

Green Jobs – Council of Canadians

Registered Disability Savings Plan Information Session

Special Events Central Alberta Music Festival auditions

Melting Pot Cultural Kitchen – CARS Cougars Jams Night for Board Games (artsparks theatre)

June 2010

First Friday Hub House Concert – Amos Garret

Art Gallery A River Runs through it – Erica and Rikki Gallery IS

Live at the Hub Josh Schmelke

Donna Durand Ranid Boulton Buffalo Revival

Learning Transition to Alternative Care – Alzheimer Society

End of Life – Alzheimer Society

Proper Wheelchair attachment information session for

Drivers - City of Red Deer

Family Managed Supports meeting Living Books – Red Deer Public Library

Special Events CADA/ACFA Hub House Concert – Randall Spears

CADA AGM

Right Learning and Theatre Group

**July 2010** 

First Friday Hub House Concert – Jazz Night - ACFA

Art Gallery The Car Show – Brian Isbister

Live at the Hub Friske and Friends

Conna Durand and Chris Barnes

Justine Vandergrift Randi Boulton

Learning A Caring approach workshop – Alzheimers Society

Meaningful Moments – Alzheimers' Society

Lunch and Learn – Central Alberta Music Festival

Special Events Local First Market

Centre Fest Volunteer Headquarters

Wednesday Might Jamming
Bill Bourne in Concert

August 2010

First Friday Hub House Concert – Tir Na N'og

Art Gallery Interpretations of Nature - Kerry Wood Nature Center

Live at the Hub C - Note

Ross Stafford Duane Hay

Justine Vandergrift

Learning Red Deer Native Friendship Society – Mahihiwan

A Caring Approach – Alzheimer's Society

Special Events Local First Market

Push to Open – Everyone Belongs Outside

Wednesday night jamming El Salvador Family Event

Downtown Stories Come Alive – Downtown Business

Association

CADA Celebrates Diversity and You!

September 2010

First Friday Hub House Concert – Richard Harrow

Art Gallery Momentum - Joan Bailey

Live at the Hub Randi Boulton

Tom Lindl Richard Harrow Rob McIver

Learning Eye Openers – CADA

Family Managed Supports Meeting

**CARS Speaker Series** 

Special Events Alberta Arts Days

Puffed Wheat Square Bake off Heritage Harvest Tea Party

Mapping Your Journey Art Project

Heritage Stories through Song – Downtown Business Association

Local First Market

Community Engagement Community Project Kick Off – CADA

Wednesday night Music Gallery

Fair Play

## **Weekly Hub Regular Activities**

Fall 2009

Sign Language Drumming Carlee's Creations

Melting Pot Cultural Kitchen

Live at the Hub

Art

Karlin's Karaoke

Rights Learning and Theatre Mickey's Dance Sessions Talking Photogrpahy Cougars Meetings

Winter/Srping 2010

Let's Sing Let's Act Board Games Sign Language Drumming Carlee's Creations

Melting Pot Cultural Kitchen Reel Movies, Reel Stories

Hub House Band Live at the Hub

Art

Mickey's Dance Sessions

Noon-time Jazz and Hip Hop Classes

**Cougars Meetings** 

<u>Summer 201</u>0

CADA Eye Opener Discussions Ryan and Roland Rockin Rhythms CARE Reel People, Reel Places

Red Deer History Alive Art with Peter and Wilson

Cosmos Dance Sign Language Drumming

Wednesday Night Jamming

Theatre Games
Local First Market
Live at the Hub

Fall 2010

CADA Eye Opener Discussions Ryan and Roland Rockin Rhythms

Sign Language Cosmos Dancing CARE Tea and Sharing Right on Drama Fun Cougars Meetings

Cougars Special Speakers Series

Cosmos Personal Development Workshops

Visual Creations Creating with Carlee

Melting Pot Cultural Kitchen

Music Gallery

Anthony and the Hub House Band

Friendship Drum Circle

Pasta Players

Mahiihkan Friendship Learning Circle

Local First Market Live at the Hub

## **Advisory Committee Terms of Reference** (May 10, 2010)



The Hub on Ross Advisory Committee is an open (ad hoc) committee. The purpose of the committee is to provide advice to the staff at the Hub and support the success with the Hub being an excellent and sustainable example of INCLUSION (a place for all) in Red Deer.



The committee is made of up interested community members and representatives of key stakeholder groups in Red Deer. Anyone is welcome to join the committee and offer their advice and support to the Hub on Ross! People with a passion for building and supporting an inclusive community are encouraged to join the committee at any time. Of particular interest are representatives from:

The City of Red Deer
CADA
The PDD community
CARE
Downtown Business Association
Red Deer Arts Council
Friends of the Hub
Artists
The Alzheimer's Society

The staff of the Hub are responsible for and will use the advice offered by the committee as they see fit (the committee is their sounding board, opportunity for reflecting, etc.).

The staff of the Hub support the committee (recruiting members, calling meetings, coordinating communications, etc.)

The committee reports to the staff of the Hub who benefit from ideas generated from shared discussions at committee meetings.

Notes of meetings are recorded by staff for their consideration in programming decisions at the Hub.

The staff of the Hub will monitor the effectiveness of this committee in supporting their work and adding value to the sustainability of the Hub.

**Meetings:** The committee meets monthly based on notice from staff from the Hub.

**Objectives:** Work with and provide advice to the staff of the Hub to:

Define the Values and Guiding Principles of the Hub.

Clarify the role of the advisory committee through developing our Terms of Reference.

Learn more about Inclusion – become champions for inclusion.

Promote inclusion within the community, seeking opportunities for the PDD community outside of the Hub – mindful of opportunities for diverse people to play diverse roles.

Seek and encourage users of the space and to provide programming and opportunities (help to stimulate user people)

Explore options for strengthening the sustainability of the Hub. Seek and encourage potential supporters and partners to share the space and pool resources for mutual benefit.

Identify guidelines (examples of best practices) for effective and meaningful inclusion.

Build learning opportunities that share practical and safe ways to enable and ensure successful inclusive activities (build community capacity for being inclusive).

Collect success stories – stories of inclusion and impact in the broader community (beyond the walls of the Hub).

Our Vision: The Hub is an excellent and sustainable example of inclusive and diverse community in action, modeling how it can be done and done well.

Our Mission: To advise and support the Hub to be a successful place of inclusion and a place that builds our community's capacity for being inclusive.

## Our Values and Guiding Principles:

**Inclusive Community**: Activities must be open to everyone. For individual and community use of the Hub, specific guidelines and support will be given to you to aid you in a mutually beneficial experience.

**Visual and Performing Arts**: Please keep in mind that we are a visual and performing arts community centre, funded by the Central Alberta Persons with Developmental Disability Board.

**Leadership and Professionalism**: Users will work with Hub staff to create a plan for optimal community involvement and participation. Hub staff have final decision making capability surrounding use of facilities and involvement in order to ensure alignment with our philosophy.

**Accountability**: Users are expected to commit to the terms and conditions of use. Users are encouraged to take pride in the space and to leave the Hub better than you found it.

**Respect**: Participants are required to be personally responsible for having fun and being respectful.

**Effective Outcomes and Celebrating Successes**: Stories of success and meaningful outcomes are the building blocks for our current funding and would be greatly appreciated as a contribution after you have connected with us at the Hub.



## Want to Connect with Us?

- for a special event or fundraiser;
- for a class dance, art, etc.
- to host a Hub House Concert
- as an art exhibitor in the public art gallery
- as a meeting place for your community event, information session
- as a volunteer or friend; as a leader, host of an event
- as a participant
- Live at the Hub coffee house atmosphere on a Friday afternoon 1-3pm to help with the Local First, Loaves and Fishes, homespun initiative

## Great! Here's how it works:

- I. Activities must be open to everyone.
- 2. You will work with Hub staff to create a plan for optimal community involvement and participation.
- 3. For individual and community use of our facility, specific guidelines will be given to you to help ensure a mutually beneficial experience.
- 4. We strongly encourage personal and organizational accountability during shared involvement and participation at the Hub
- 5. Stories of success are the building blocks for our current funding and would be greatly appreciated as a contribution after you have connected with us at the Hub.
- 6. As a participant you will be required to be personally responsible for having fun and being respectful.
- 7. Please keep in mind that we are a visual and performing arts community centre, funded by the Persons with Developmental Disabilities Central Region Community Board.
- 8. Hub staff members reserve the right to approve only those proposals that align with our philosophy.

## Art Gallery Exhibitor - How to showcase your art in downtown Red Deer

- ⇒ Go to website <u>www.hubpdd.com</u> and go to art. Refer to artist contract.
- ⇒ Send a photograph of the artwork you want to exhibit <a href="mailto:bev.randers@gov.ab.ca">bev.randers@gov.ab.ca</a> two months prior to your show. Please note that the Hub is a family friendly, inclusive facility that exhibits art suitable for family viewing.
- Art to be ready for "opening" at mutually agreed date, ideally the first Friday of each month unless it falls on a Stat holiday.
- ⇒ An artist reception will be held just prior to a concert for approximately 2 hours from 5 to 7 pm.
- ⇒ Please be prepared to leave your art up for the entire month.
- ⇒ Please be prepared to work with our volunteer curator and artist host "lesse."
- ⇒ Please send an artist statement/biography or bring one already framed to accompany your work.
- Advertising for the art show we will provide a poster that combines your art opening reception with the Hub house concert. The Hub networks with the other art galleries in the city. When possible the Hub will attempt to hold an art reception the first Friday of every month. Hub staff will contact media with information for the "art show of the month."
- ⇒ Reception please be considerate of food and drink safety and costs. Host of music concert will sell refreshments for fundraising efforts.
- ⇒ Negotiation and Communication -Anything is negotiable and possible. Heavy large art easels are available for your use. Wall art is hung with a chain installation system (to minimize wall damage).
- ⇒ Artist are responsible for printing labels with title of art, medium, and cost (if wishing to sell).
- ⇒ Artist to provide guest book if wanted.

## Organize Your Own House Concert - Hub holds up to 100 people

- ⇒ Musician plays for the Sale at the Door, no financial loss or gain for Hub on Ross. Hub agency partners may take lead role for concert, not responsible for financial losses.
- ⇒ Concerts typically run from 7-9 pm for family friendly promotion in downtown Red Deer.
- ⇒ If opening act is desirable, the host musician decides payment.
- ⇒ Sound equipment is provided 4 mikes, 2 DI boxes, drum kit available
- ⇒ Sound technician possibilities bring your own, use Hub volunteer if available, pay approximately \$50.00 if need to hire and we will find the technician
- ⇒ Sound check one hour prior to concert start time (6pm).
- ⇒ Ticket price suggestions \$15.00 per person, \$30.00 for family. Hub gets the right to adjust ticket prices for people who receive PDD funding. Hub volunteers host the evening, take ticket sales at door, and can sell CD's for musicians as well.
- ⇒ Refreshment providing partner musicians choice to benefit local cause (Hub staff can also choose based on need, theme, etc) Note alcohol not allowed
- ⇒ Posters Musician do their own marketing.
- ⇒ Musician designs posters and sends to copies now for printing <a href="mailto:copy@copiesnow.ab.ca">copy@copiesnow.ab.ca</a> after proofreading by Bev. Bev/Twyla will pick up and pay for, get reimbursed from concert ticket sales. 25 posters and 50 tickets get printed for approximately \$55. Hub volunteer places posters around town. Concert poster put on Hub website. Information needed on poster: The Hub on Ross, 4936 Ross Street, 403-340-4869. Tickets purchased at the Hub on Ross, date and time.
- ⇒ PSA's Musician (or Renay) responsible for contacting all local media list as follows:

\*One month prior for newsletter – reddeerscene@yahoo.ca

\*3 weeks prior

Editorial@reddeeradvocate.com

mweber@reddeer.greatwest.ca

shawtvcentralalberta@shaw.ca

promotions@1067thedrive.fm

Gloria@sunny94.com

CKUA and anyone else you wish to contact

- ⇒ In the event of stormy weather, musicians notify Hub they cannot come. Hub will cancel event and notify pre-sales ticket holders for full refund of \$\$\$\$
- ⇒ Out-of-town musicians billeting might be possible, to reduce costs. Snacks can be provided upon request
- ⇒ More information can be obtained by contacting <a href="mailto:Bev.Randers@gov.ab.ca">Bev.Randers@gov.ab.ca</a> and <a href="mailto:TwylaJoy.Lapointe@gov.ab.ca">TwylaJoy.Lapointe@gov.ab.ca</a>

## ⇒ Special Event for Fundraiser – How to Go About this Connection

- ⇒ Think how you can connect people for inclusion, leadership, volunteering, etc
- ⇒ Come with your preferred date and alternative choice as Hub gets booked quickly. Evening activities to end by 9 pm. Alcohol is prohibited, safe food handling course advised if event involves food. Please bring your own plastic gloves and hair nets.
- ⇒ Designate a Hub Facility Key Holder who will be responsible for the "safe use of the building". Ensure time is taken for the Hub building orientation.
- ⇒ Use the Hub logo on all your promotion, be prepared to tell everyone about the Hub and to fill out an evaluation form for future planning and community connections.
- ⇒ Consider the make up of your committee to include someone from our PDD community
- ⇒ Hub facility is a "green venue" meaning we minimize garbage and prefer not to use disposables. Garbage and recycling to be packed out please
- ⇒ Our philosophy is to leave the Hub better than how you found it. How can this work for your organization?
- ⇒ Analyze your needs for food and beverages. We have the these items available for your use:

100 cup, 50 cup, 30 cup and 12 cup coffee/hot water makers. Please note that electrical appliances need to be spread out so we don't trip the breakers -2 breaker boxes located in basement (your key will open door) and I breaker box in fridge room

100 plates, an assortment of utensils, some round table cloths that you can launder if you use

mugs and cups

fridge for limited use occurring around your event

⇒ Please bring all your own condiments and consider donating leftover condiments (cream, sugar, coffee, tea) to the Hub. Also food leftovers can be donated to A Gathering Place – please make your own arrangements to do so

# Offer a dance class, art class - How to Go About Offering a Cultural class, Poetry Reading, Book Reading

- ⇒ What gift are you wanting to share? How can it be delivered? Can your session include someone with a disability as a leader, volunteer, host?
- ⇒ Have you ever facilitated a group or individual before? What are your needs as a facilitator?
- ⇒ What are your expected outcomes from offering this session at the Hub on Ross?
- ⇒ What are your preferred days, times, frequency of your offering?
- ⇒ Can you provide a reference of someone who has experienced your session?
- ⇒ Please keep in mind that our facility is a family friendly all inclusive, all encompassing, sensitive to all (beliefs, values) venue.
- ⇒ Classes that are offered at the Hub on Ross should be open to everyone. If fees are needed to cover the cost of supplies, the facilitator is responsible for collecting the needed fee and setting up the registration process. Due to our "welcoming all inclusive philosophy" please be prepared to welcome everyone and encourage any drop in "traffic" to stay and watch and possibly join in if they want to in the future.
- ⇒ Will you be needing help with respect to plain language, sign language, audiovisual assistance?
- ⇒ Please handle all the publicity for your event, use our Hub Logo on your printed material and posters, contact all the media, and absorb whatever costs are associated with the above promotion.
- ⇒ Please allow time for a thorough orientation for your facilitation needs (bring your own laptop ensuring it is compatible with our system)
- ⇒ If refreshments are part of your offerings, please feel free to use our cups, kettle, utensils, coffee makers and be mindful of unpredictability of numbers.

# Hold an Information Session, Meeting How to maximize on our "inclusivity" model

- ⇒ What help do you need to hold a meeting? What help do you need to promote your open meeting or session?
- ⇒ Can you meet with an individual who might be interested in helping you host the meeting?
- ⇒ Please use our Hub Logo on all of your promotional material.
- ⇒ Please be prepared to tell everyone about the Hub and the goals of building community, connections and relationships.
- ⇒ Please be prepared to fill out an evaluation form at the end with the following information:
  - why did you choose the Hub for your gathering?
  - what did you learn about the Hub?
  - did you or any of your participants have ideas for future community building efforts?
  - 4 how many people attended your function?
  - 5 would you like to be more involved with the Hub formally or informally?

## **Bringing culture to downtown Red Deer**

- ⇒ The Hub is a family friendly venue for connecting people. Who are you able to bring in to enjoy your music and meet some of our folks?
- ⇒ What kind of help would you like to promote your Friday time"?
- ⇒ Are you okay with coming to the Hub at 12:45 for a sound check?
- ⇒ Do you need help unloading your equipment?
- ⇒ What are your equipment needs? We have mikes, mike stands, a guitar holder, stool, drum kit, sound system available for your use
- ⇒ Playing time is from approximately 1:15-3:00pm with a 15 minute break for mingling around 2:00pm are you okay with this?
- ⇒ Would you be interested in attending other musical activities at the Hub on Ross Wednesday night jam sessions, supporting other musicians and meeting other people on Friday afternoons?
- ⇒ Do you have a mechanism to help promote "Live at the Hub"?

## Be a friend, volunteer - How to make a difference in someone's life

- ⇒ Do you like meeting new people and spending time enjoying the visual and performing arts?
- Are you able to help someone with their transportation needs to come to the Hub (take a city bus, drive your own car, arrange to take a taxi with others?)
- ⇒ Will you be able to spend some time absorbing the spirit of the Hub by just dropping in and hanging out (a gentle introduction by observation)
- ⇒ Can you go through an official orientation process that will be specific to your "volunteer" preferences?
- ⇒ Please be as specific as possible regarding your personal goals for volunteering

## Local First, Loaves and Fishes, Homespun, Natural Initiatives

- ⇒ The Hub on Ross hopes to connect people to contribute to the culture and wellbeing of Central Alberta
- ⇒ Our goal is to connect people who like healthy food and want to help people
- ⇒ We want to promote the goal of "Local First" and contribute to the livelihood of local producers and consumers of food
- ⇒ We want to give people opportunities to connect. People who might not normally have the same opportunities to be involved in the local food movement
- ⇒ Individuals with a disability will be supported by staff to help sell local food/produce
- ⇒ Food will be sold on Friday afternoons from 12-3pm
- ⇒ The Hub will be providing a free table and assistance from our Hub Participants. In lieu of the table rent, we are asking that an honorarium for your assistant be provided producer decides what is fair and appropriate
- ⇒ The producer should please provide information about their products, preferred prices and promote their business as much as possible
- ⇒ The producer is also welcome to sell their produce at the Hub with the assistance of a Hub volunteer/participant
- ⇒ Any leftover produce can be donated to Loaves and Fishes



October 14, 2010

Congratulations on your successful year! The Hub on Ross is a happening place with many unique programs occurring on a regular basis.

The City of Red Deer is delighted with all the Hub's activities that contribute to a safe, friendly, active downtown. The Hub's leadership and offerings to culture in Red Deer is consistent with our vision for an inclusive, welcoming community.

The Hub is a role model for creating partnerships and making connections with numerous groups to foster cultural growth for years to come. Thank you for your dedication to building community.

Sincerely yours,

Morris Flewwelling Mayor

Where people connect

Coming Soon Oct. 28: Steve Fisher and

6 to 8 pm

Bob Evans, Live at The Hub,

Nov. 2, 16 & 23: Peer and Sexuality Support,

3:30 to 5 pm (Contact

Nov. 6: First Friday Art

Exhibit Opening Reception,

Nov. 7: Gamma-Link Africa

Nov. 20: United Way Soup

Luncheon, 11 am to 1 pm

Live at the Hub

Oct. 2: Brett & Bruce

Oct. 9: Neil McNairnay Oct. 16: Rob McIver

Oct. 23: Mike & Lann

Bluegrass Society

patti@carsrd.org)

Noon to 4 pm

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FALL into making connections! It's as simple as walking through the doors of The Hub at 4936 Ross Street in Red Deer, where there are lots of people to meet and worthy causes to support. Call Bev at 403-340-4869 or check out <a href="https://www.hubpdd.com">www.hubpdd.com</a>

## October, 2009

1:15 to 2:15 pm: Sign Language with Jeremy

### Tuesdays

9:30 to 10:30 am: Carlon's Caraoke 11 am to Noon: Kitchen sing-a-long 2 to 3 pm: Community Drum Circle

### Wednesdays

Oct. 14 &21: Carlee's Creations , 3:30 to 5:30 pm To register: email angiej@carsrd.org

## Thursdays

9:30 to 10:30 am: Carlon's Caraoke 11 am to Noon: Kitchen sing-a-long with E@A Oct. 22 & 29: Melting Pot Cultural Kitchen, 4 to 6 pm

10 a.m. to Noon: Rights Learning and Theatre 1 to 3 pm: Live at The Hub









# $\underline{ \ \ \, The \, HUB \, on \, ROSS}_{\text{Join us for arts, culture and entertainment. Open weekdays 9 am to 4 pm}}$

## November, 2009

Lisa Heinrichs.

**EVENINGS & WEEKENDS** 

Nov. 6: First Friday. Join us from 4 to 8 pm for a reception to open the artsparks at MAG exhibit. Music by

Nov. 7: Mosaic Market, a "social

Nov. 14: The Council of Canadians hosts an afternoon of information about *nuclear energy*, 1 to 4 pm.

**DAYTIME SPECIAL EVENTS** 

Nov. 3: FREE Safe Harbour-Respect for All workshop from 11:30 am to 2 pm. Bring a bag lunch. Email care2@telusplanet.net

Nov. 25: United Way Benefit Soup Luncheon, 11 am to 1 pm. A hearty soup lunch for just \$5.

Nov. 30: Collective tree decorating. Drop in and help decorate our

justice fair with a multicultural flair," from 1 to 4 pm, with displays, entertainment, homemade crafts and authentic African food.

### Mondays

1:15 to 2:15 pm: Sign Language with Jeremy

9:30 to noon: Community Profiles 2 to 3 pm: Community Drum Circle

## Wednesdays

9:30 to noon: Art 1 to 3 pm: Creating artwork for the RDC production of Beauty and the Beast Nov. 4 & 18: Carlee's Creations from 3 to 5 pm; to register, email angiej@carsrd.org

### Thursdays

9:30 to 10:30 am: Karlin's Karaoke 10:45 to 11:45 am: Vocal Jam with the Hub Nov. 12 & 26: Melting Pot Cultural Kitchen, from 4 to 6 pm; to register, email anglej@carsrd.org

10 am to noon: Rights Learning & Theatre Group; to register, email TwylaJoy.Lapointe@gov.ab.ca 1 to 3 pm: Live at The Hub; have a great time

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Christmas trees.



## The ${ m HUB}$ on ${ m ROSS}$

Connect, contribute and celebrate. Open weekdays 9 am to 4 pm December 1-21. Closed December 3 in the afternoon and all day December 22 through January 3. Join us January 4.

## December, 2009 🐉



9:30 to 10:30 am: Stories and Skits with Jeff 1:15 to 2:15 pm: Sign Language with Jeremy

9:30 to 11:30 am: Mickey's Dance Sessions to 3 pm: Logan's Beat, Community Drum Circle

10 to 11 am: LA Photography. Join Laurie and Alan for

photo workshops.

1 to 3 pm: Cosmos Art Creations

Dec. 2 & 16: Carlee's Creations from 3 to 5 pm; to register, email angiej@carsrd.org

## Thursdays

9:30 to 10:30 am: CARS Karaoke 10:45 to 11:45 am: Vocal Jam with the Hub House Band

12:30 to 1 pm: Matt & Murray Movie Pics Discussion 12:30 to 1911: Matta William Classics, Dec. 10 & 17 2:45 to 2:45 pm: Two Christmas Classics, Dec. 10 & 17 2:45 to 4 pm: VCSS Movie Critics and Tea Dec. 3 & 17: Melting Pot Cultural Kitchen, from 4 to 6 pm; to register, email angiej@carsrd.org

## Fridays

Dec. 4 & 11: Rights Learning & Theatre Group Rehearsal

1:15 to 3 pm: Live at The Hub; Lisa Heinrichs (Dec. 4), Donna Durand (Dec. 11), Justine Vandergrift (Dec. 18)

## **EVENINGS & WEEKENDS**

Dec. 10: A Christmas Carol performed by the Christian Youth Theatre, 7 to 8 pm. Tickets \$5. Proceeds to the United Way.

Dec. 18: Benefit Concert, live music, 6 to 9 pm. Cost \$10.

Proceeds to A Gathering Place.

Refreshments by donation to the
Himalayan Orphanage Project.

Dec. 19: J.U.S.T. for Fun at Christmas, 1 to 4 pm, presented by Cosmos Community Support Services Ltd.

Dec. 2 & 9: Artsparks on the Boards, 6 to 8 pm.

## DAYTIME SPECIAL EVENTS

Dec. 1: Safe Harbor Respect for All workshop from 11:30 am to 2 p.m. Bring a bag lunch. Email care@telusplanet.net.

Dec. 3: International Day of Persons with Disabilities from 11 am to 5 pm at Parkland Mall. Hub closed in the afternoon

Dec. 10: Photo Shoots with Santa. Get your picture taken with the jolly one, 10 to 11 am.

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Join us January 6 for a Hub stakeholders' meeting. Phone 403-340-4869 for more information and to register. Open for business after the holidays on January 7.

## January, 2010

9:30 to 10:30 am: Stories and Skits with Jeff 10:45 to 11:30 am: How to Write a Story and Keep a Journal 1:15 to 2:15 pm: Sign Language with Jeremy Jan. 11 & 25: Let's Act, from 4 to 6 p.m.

## Tuesdays

9:30 to 11:30 am: Mickey's Dance Sessions 12:15 to 12:45 pm: Downtown Dance Break, beginner jazz

1:30 to 2:30 pm: Logan's Beat, Community Drum Circle

## Wednesdays

10 to 11 am: LA Photography. Join Laurie and Alan for photo

workshops. 11 am to noon: Ryan and Rockin Rockin Rhytrim 1 to 3 pm: Cosmos Art Creations Jan. 13 & 27: Carlee's Creations from 3 to 5 pm; to register, email angiej@carsrd.org Jan. 13 & 27: Let's Sing Songsparks, 4 to 6 pm

## Thursdays

9:30 to 10:30 am: CARS Karaoke 10:45 to 11:45 am: Vocal Jam with the Hub House Band

nouse parid 12:30 to 1 pm: Matt & Murray Movie Pics Discussion 1:15 to 2:45 pm: Films with Flair. 2:45 to 4 pm: VCSS Movie Critics Discussion and Tea Jan. 14 & 28: Melting Pot Cultural Kitchen, from 4 to 6 pm; to register, email angiej@carsrd.org

## Fridays

10 to 11:30 am: Rights Learning & Theatre rehearsal 1 to 3 pm: Stanley presents Live at The Hub.

## CONNECTION SPECIAL

Enter to win a diamond ring. Draw will be made in time for Valentines Day. Contest rules: Visit the Hub and tell us your story of who you've met here and how it has made you happy.

## **EVENINGS & WEEKENDS**

January 20 & 27: artspan Boards, from 6 to 8 pm.

January 25: Inclusion Workshop, 6 to 9 pm, email Kelly-s@shaw.ca to register.

## DAYTIME SPECIAL EVENTS

January 5: Safe Harbour Respect for All, 11:30 am to 2 pm. Bring a bag lunch. To learn more, email care@telusplanet.net.

January 8: Elvis Fan Club Kick-off nosted from 1 to 3 pm on Elvis' birthday

- Thursday Movies from 1 to 3 pm.

  Man Who Chooses the Bush (Jan. 7)

  E for Everyone with filmmaker
  Daniel Kooman (Jan. 14)

  The Impossible Takes a Little
- Longer (Jan. 21) Ten Canoes (Jan. 28)

- Live at The Hub Fridays from 1 to 3 p.m.
  Cathy Vetter (Jan. 15)
  Aaron Diatel Family (Jan. 22)
  Waskasoo Bluegrass Society

(Jan. 29)

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## February, 2010 🌃

9:30 to 10:30 am: Stories and Skits with Jeff 10:45 to 11:30 am: Write a Story 1:15 to 2:15 pm: Sign Language with Jeremy Feb. 8 & 22: Let's Act, from 4 to 6 p.m.

### Tuesdays

9:30 to 12:30 am: Mickey's Dance Sessions 12:15 to 12:45 pm: Downtown Dance Break, beginner jazz and hip hop

1:30 to 2:30 pm: Logan's Beat, Community Drum Circle

### Wednesdays

10 to 11 am: LA Photography. Join Laurie and Alan for photo

11 am to noon: Ryan and Roland Rockin Rhythms 1 to 3 pm: Cosmos Art Creations Feb. 10 & 24: Carlee's Creations from 3 to 5 pm; to register, email creatingwithcarlee@hotmail.com Feb. 10 & 24: Let's Sing, 4 to 6 pm

## Thursdays

9:30 to 10:30 am: CARS Karaoke

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10:45 to 11:45 am: Vocal Jam with the Hub
House Band
110:13:5 pm. Reel People, Reel Stories. A movie, followed
by tea and discussion. Hosted by VCSS Movie Critics
Feb. 118 2:3 Metling pet Cultural Kirchen, from 4 to 6 pm;
to register, email the melting pot (@hotmail.com

## CONNECTION SPECIAL

### **EVENINGS & WEEKENDS**

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February: Ar agaliery appening, to 8 p.m.
See the work of photographer Alan Ankilde
and support local charities by purchasing
unique cards and framed photos. This is
also the night for the Hob Fouse Concert, 7
to 9 p.m., with recording artists Paul
Rumbols, Bob Jahing and Ross Stafford.
February 2z: POF amily Information
Meeting to be held at 7 p.m.

### **DAYTIME SPECIAL EVENTS**

February 22: How to Use the Action is and Public Transit, 2:30 p.m., presen Hub volunteer Wes and facilitated by Howard from the City of Red Deer

## Reel People, Reel Stories, Thursday Movies from 1 to 3 pm. Red Deer River Journey (Feb. 4) - meet

- Red Deer River Journey (Feb. 4) meet the filmmaker

  A Love Story, made by artsparks in Red Deer (Feb. 11)

  50 First Dates (Feb. 18)

  Buffalo Grass to Dinosaur Bones (Feb.
- 25)
- Live at The Hub Fridays from 1 to 3 p.m.
  Randi Boulton (Feb. 5)
  Donna Durand (Feb. 12)

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## March, 2010 🌉

930 to 10:30 arm: Stories and Skits with Jeff
11 am to noon: Ryan & Rolland Rockin' Rhythms
13:50 2:15 pm: Sign Language with Jeremy
March: CARS First Aid, 5 to 7 pm; email debbie@carsrd.org
March & 22: CARS Peer Support, 3 to 4:30 pm
March & 8:2: Let's Act, from a to 6 pm.

9:30 to 11:30 am: Mickey's Dance Sessions 12:15 to 12:45 pm: Downtown Dance Break, beginner jazz and hip hon 1:30 to 2:30 pm: Logan's Beat, Community Drum Circle

10 to 11 am: Talking Photography, hosted by Laurie 1 to 3 pm: Arts Galore March 10 & 24: Carlee's Creations from 3 to 5 pm; to register, email creatingwithcarlee@hotm March 10 & 24: Let's Sing, 4 to 6 pm

9:30 to 10:30 am: CARS Karaoke 10:45 to 11:45 am: Vocal Jam with the Hub House Band 1 to 3:15 pm: Reel People, Reel Stories. A movie, followed by tea and discussion

tea and discussion.

March 11 & 25: Melting Pot Cultural Kitchen, from 4 to 6 pm;
to register, email the melting.pot@hotmail.com

10 to 11:30 am: Rights Learning & Theatre rehearsal 1 to 3 pm: Stanley presents Live at The Hub.

### **EVENINGS & WEEKENDS**

March 5: Meet artist Wilson Harrowby from 5 to 7 p.m. at the official opening of his exhibition, Duck Duck Goose.

March 5: This is also the night for the *Hub*Celtic House Concert, 7 to 9 p.m.,
featuring Neil McNairnay and Tir Na N'og
from Calgary. Tickets \$15 per person or

March 12: Jam Night for artsparks at 7 p.m. Cost is \$5.

March 19: Drumocracy, hosted by Jenna and Jeremy, at 7 p.m. Donations welcome.

March 21: UN sanctioned International Day to End Racial Discrimination.

### DAYTIME SPECIAL EVENTS

March 8: Elvis fan club members and friends, come dance from 2:30 to 4 p.m

March 31: Pets and Your Responsibility presented at 12:30 p.m. by the SPCA.

Movies from a to 3 pm.

Fight of the Snows (March 1)

A Powerful Noise (March 11)

The Dog Walker (March 18)

Darius Goes West (March 25)

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  Live at The Hub Fridays from 1 to 3 p.m.
   Tom Lindl (March 5)
   Ernie Cebuliak (March 19)
   Neil McNairnay (March 26)
   The Waskasoo Bluegrass Society (March 26)

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# The HUB on ROSS Connect with our charity of the month, Whisker Rescue, "enriching lives one cat at a time

## April, 2010 Whisker

9:30 to 10:30 am: Stories and Skits with Jeff 11 am to noon: Ryan & Roland Rockin' Rhythms Noon to 1 pm: Planning for First Nations connections 13:50 2-15 pm: Sign Language with Jeremy April 12 & 26: Let's Act, from 4 to 6 p.m.

## Tuesdays

9:30 to 11:30 am: Mickey's Dance Sessions 12:15 to 12:45 pm: Lunch Hour Downtown Dance Break; hip-hop and Jazz dance lessons presented by the City of Red Deer. Starts April 3:3 1:30 to 2:30 pm: Logan's Beat, Community Drum Circle

## Wednesdays

9:30 am: Talking Photography with Laurie and David 10:30 am: Drawing with Wilson 1to 3 pm: Arts Galore April 7 & 21: Let's Sing, 4 to 6 pm April 21 & 28: Making Masks from 1 to 3 pm with local April 24 20. Making Masks Holl 1 to 3 phi with local artist Peter Allen
April 28: Melting Pot Cultural Kitchen, from 4 to 6 pm; to register, email <a href="mailto:the.melting.pot@hotmail.com">the.melting.pot@hotmail.com</a>

## Thursdays

9:30 to 10:30 am: CARS Karaoke 10:45 to 11:45 am: Vocal Jam with our house band 1 to 3:15 pm: Reel People, Reel Stories. A movie, followed by tea and discussion

10 to 11:30 am: Rights Learning & Theatre rehearsal (April 23 and April 30 only this month) 1 to 3 pm: Stanley presents Live at The Hub.

## **EVENINGS & WEEKENDS**

EVENINGS & WEEKENDS
April 8. The Gry of Red Deer will hold a
Neighbourhood Information Session 530
to 7 p.m. Input for downtown raily yards.
April s.z. Meet artist Dee Oleksow from 5 to
7 p.m. at the official opening of the exhibition, What's New Pussycat.
April s.z. The Hub House Concert, 7 to 9
p.m., featuring Raghu Lokanarthan with
Jesse D and Jacquil 8. Tickets as 5 per person
or as 5 per family.
And 16. F. Dimensory at 7 pm. Hosted by

April 16: Drumocracy at 7 p.m. Hosted by Jenna and Jeremy; donations welcome. April 26: Family Managed Supports meeting at 7 p.m.

### DAYTIME SPECIAL EVENTS

April 19: Elvis fan club members and friends unite for an Elvis movie at 2:30 p.m. April 26: Volunteer Workshop from 20 to 11 a.m. Tips on how and where to volunteer. Presented by Volunteer Red Deer, a division of CIRS and CSS.

- Reel People, Reel Stories, Thursday Movies from 1 to 3 pm.

  The Rockies (meet the photographers, Bryan and Hazel Shantz, April 1)

  Braindamadjid Take II (April 15)

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  This Ist. Wichael Jackson (April 22)

  The Blind Side (April 29)

- Live at The Hub Fridays from 1 to 3 p.m Don Swift (April 9
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  Lisa Heinrichs (April 16)
  Rob McIver (April 23)
  Cathy Vetter (April 30)

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# The HUB on ROSS Making connections through art and performance. Open weekdays except Monday, May 24

## May, 2010

9:30 to 10:30 am: Stories and Skits with Jeff 11 am to noon: Ryan & Roland Rockin' Rhythms Noon to 1 pm: Planning for First Nations connect 1:15 to 2:15 pm: Sign Language with Jeremy May 10 & 31: Let's Act, from 4 to 6 p.m.

## Tuesdays

9:30 to 11:30 am: Mickey's Dance Sessions 2:35 to 2:36 pm: Lunch Hour Downtown Dance Break , hip-hop and jazz dance lessons presented by the City of Red Deer. 2:30 to 2:30 pm: Logan's Beat, Community Drum Circle

## Wednesdays

1 to 3 pm: Learn to Draw with Wilson
May 5 & 19: Let's Sing, 4 to 6 pm
May 26: Melting Pot Cultural Kitchen, from 4 to 6 pm;
to register, email the melting pot@hotmail.com

## Thursdays

9:30 to 10:30 am: CARS Karaoke 10:45 to 11:45 am: Vocal Jam with our house band 1 to 3:15 pm: Reel People, Reel Stories. A movie, followed by tea and discussion

### Fridays

10 to 11:30 am: Rights Learning & Theatre rehearsal

- 1 to 3 pm: Stanley presents Live at The Hub: Lisa Heinrichs (May 7)
- Donna Durand (May 14)
- Waskason Bluenrass Society (May 28)

## **EVENINGS & WEEKENDS**

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uesdays: Tuesday Night Learning eries, 7 to 8:30 p.m., sponsored by the Izheimers Society. For information, call 403-346-2540.

ייאָר ני-, May 6 and 7: Central Alberta Mu Festival auditions. Come see the Festival auditions. Come see the talent from 6-9 p.m. both nights.

May 8: Meet mask artist Peter Allen, exhibitor of A Face Only a Mother Could Love, from 4 to 6 p.m.

May 8: One for the Girls concert from 7 to 9 p.m. Tickets \$15. Treat your Mom to healthy snacks as well as great music. May 14: Jam Night, 6 p.m., for board

May 20: Green Jobs, a presentation and dialogue brought to us by the Council of Canadians at 7 p.m.

## DAYTIME SPECIAL EVENTS

May 5: Craft Sale from 12:30 to 2 p.m. Proceeds to the Cosmos scrapbooking

group.

May 12: Primary Care Network
information session at 10 a.m. Learn about
and be part of your own health care.

May 17: International Book Fair, 10 a.m.
to 6 p.m. Sponsored by CARE.

to 6 p.m. sponsored by CARE.
Reel People, Reel Stories, Thursday
Movies from 1 to 3 pm.
The Other Sister (May 6)
Beauty Around the World (May 13)
Wipe Out (May 20)
Hachi (May 27)

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# $\underline{ \text{The } HUB \text{ on } ROSS}_{\text{Making connections through art and performance. Open weekdays from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.}}$

## June, 2010 🎉



9:30 to 11 am: Eye Openers -Together We Talk. Led by Central Alberta Diversity Association. Coffee is on! 11 am to noon: Ryan & Roland Rockin' Rhythms 12:50 2-25 pm: Sign Language with Jeremy June 7 & 21: Let's Act, from 4 to 6 p.m.

## Tuesdays

9:30 to 11 am: Cosmos Community Support Services dance sessions; open to all 1:30 to 3:30 pm: Community Drum Circle

to 3 pm: Learn to Draw with Wilson
June 2 & 16: Let's Sing, 4 to 6 pm
June 23: Melting Pot Cultural Kitchen, from 4 to 6 pm; to register, email the melting pot@hotmail.com

9:30 to noon: Anthony leads a vocal jam with the Hub House Band. 1 to 3 pm: Thursday Afternoon Movies — True Stories

## Fridays

10 to 11:30 am: Rights Learning & Theatre rehearsal to to 11:30 am. Rights Learning under the land of the

**EVENINGS & WEEKENDS** 

Tuesdays: 7 to 8 go p.m., the Alzheimer Society presents Transition to Alternative Care (June s) and End of Life (June 8). For information, call 4.03-346-5240.

Wednesdays: 7 to 9 p.m., Open Jam Session: Swing and Jazz (June 1), Celtic (June 9). Acoustic Blues (June 16), Folk (June 23) and Swypries (June 20).

June 11: Opening reception for A River Runs Through It, artwork by Erika and Rikki of Gallery Is, 5 to 7 p.m.

June 11: Hub House Concerts presents Amos Garrett, opening with Claude Godin, 7 to 9 p.m. Tickets on sale at The Hub, \$20 per person or \$40 for families.

June 19: CADA/ACFA Hub House Concert presents Randall Spears, 4 to 6 p.m. Tickets at The Hub, \$15 per person or \$30 for families.

June 24: City Advisory Committee hosts Proper Wheelchair Attachment Information Session for Drivers, 7 to 8 p.m. Admission is free. June 28: Family Managed Supports meeting, 7 p.m. Open to all.

### DAYTIME SPECIAL EVENTS

June 3: Red Deer Public Library invites you to a free information session at 12:30 p.m. about a new collection, Living Books. Find out how you can take part as a 'book' or a 'reader.' June 18: The Rights Learning Theatre Groupremieres its new play, The G-Act, at 10 a.m.

June 22: The Central Alberta Diversity
Association will hold its AGM from 5 to 7. Call
403-340-2143 for more information.

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## The HUB on ROSS



Outdoor Activities at Fort Normandeau
Our official partner for the summer is looking
for people to hang out and help. Please contact
Carrie if you would like to help Peter make
accessible trails, or wear period costumes and
welcome visitors, or help tend the garden. Need
transportation? Contact The Hub.

July 13: Jazz Night by ACFA at 7 p.m. Contact The Hub to see if you are eligible for a free ticket; we have 20, first come, first served.

SUMMER OPPORTUNITIES

EVENINGS & WEEKENDS

Closed July 1 and 2.

Swing Jazz (July 7) Celtic (July 14)

9:30 am: Eye Opener Chats. Led by Central Alberta Diversity Association. Coffee is on! 11 am: Ryan & Roland Rockin' Rhythms 1 pm: CADA Celebrates Diversity and You; assistants Kylie & Jeremy will teach signs related to the day's topic

### Tuesdays

9:30 am: Cosmos Community Dance sessions; everyone

## 1 pm: CARE, reel people, reel places Wednesdays

11 am: Downtown Stories with Steph and Justine 23 ani: Downtown stories with Scepin and Justine
2 pm: Cosmos Brush Strokes, CentreFest Art, Earthdance
Art with Peter Allan
4 pm: Downtown Stories Come Alive with Song,
sponsored by the Downtown Business Association

Thursdays

9:30 am: Hub House Band 1 to 2 pm: Community Drum Circle 2 to 3 pm: Drumming at Fort Normandeau (please contact The Hub for a complete schedule of Fort Normandeau opportunities)

### Fridays

10 am: Musical Theatre, singing those songs 1 to 4 pm: Local First, with Loaves and Fishes, buy healthy treats and support local farmers 1:15 pm: Live at The Hub: • Friske and Friends (July 9)

- Donna Durand and Chris Barnes (July 16)
- Justine Vandergrift and Friends (July 23)
   1:30 pm, CentreFest Concert, Randi Boulton (July 30)

DAYTIME SPECIAL EVENTS

July 9: Art Gallery opening reception for The Car Show, featuring Brian Isbister, 1 to 3 p.m. July 8: Lunch and Learn, noon to 1 p.m., with Cheryl of the Central Alberta Music Festival. July 12: A Caring Approach workshop, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. (Please register).

July 14: Meaningful Moments. An enlightening session, 1 p.m., by the Alzheimers Society.

July 21: Parade Special, 8 a.m. Get a chair at a prime viewing spot; avoid the rush. Pancake breakfast at Clarica (bring your own lunch).

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## The HUB on ROSS

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# August, 2010 🏝



9:30 am: Eye Opener Chats. Led by Central Alberta Diversity Association Coffee in --pluersity Association. Coffee is on! 11 am: Ryan & Roland Rockin' Rhythms 1 pm: CADA Celebrates Diversity and You; assistants Kylie & Jeremy will teach signs related to the day's topic

9:30 am: Cosmos Community Dance sessions; everyone 1 pm: CARE, reel people, reel places

11 am: Downtown Stories with Steph and Justine 1 pm: Cosmos Brush Strokes, Artists' Collective, Earthdance Art with Peter Allan 4 pm: Downtown Stories Come Alive with Song, sponsored by the Downtown Business Association

10 am: Historical stories in song Noon to 3 pm: Friday Market at The Hub, a fundraiser for Loaves and Fishes; buy local, support local farmers 1:15 pm: Live at The Hub:

- C-Note (August 6)
  Ross Stafford (August 13)
  Duane Hay (August 20)
- Justine Vandergrift (August 27)

## SUMMER OPPORTUNITIES

Push to Open: Everyone Belongs Outside. Rafting opportunities are

Outside. Ratting opportunities are available through Kerry Wood Nature Centre. Contact The Hub if you need financial assistance. Contact Sherry if you would like to join the Push to Ope Red Deer Chapter, 403-347-8844

### **EVENINGS & WEEKENDS**

August 6: The opening reception for the Interpretations of Nature Art Show will be held from 5 to 7 p. m., featuring a collection of works by Waskasoo employees. Justine Ann and friends will be on stage playing original music.

Wednesday Night Jamming: Join the jam sessions from 7 to 9 p.m.: Swing (Aug. 4) Celtic (Aug. 12) Acoustic Blues (Aug. 18) Folk (Aug. 25)

August 19 & 26: The Red Deer Native Friendship Society hosts Mahihiwan for all from 6 to 8 p.m. Come together to share culture and build community with our hosts.

### DAYTIME SPECIAL EVENTS

August 30: A Caring Approach Community Workshop, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m., brought to you by the Alzheimer Society. Please register by contacting The Hub.

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# The HUB on ROSS Open weekdays from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.; closed Monday, Sept. 6

## September, 2010



## Mondays

Association 13 am: Rockin' Rhythms with Ryan & Roland 1:15 pm: Introduction to Sign Language, with Jeremy & Kylie

## Tuesdays

9:30 am: Cosmos presents Creative Movement
1 pm: The Art of Tea and Being Green, with Dee, Wilson
Sept. 21 at 4, pm: CARS invites you to a Special Speaker Series
Sept. 28 at 4, pm: CARS meeting (call 403-342-4550, ext 236,
before Sept. 21 to confirm attendance)

## Wednesdays

Sept. 8 & 29 from 9:30 to 11:30 am: Interactive workshops focu on personal development, brought to you by Cosmos 1 pmr. Touch drawing and peace at twork with friends of Earthdance, Cosmos Brush Strokes Sept. 1:3 at 4:30 pmr. Melting Pot Cultural Cooking, to register, 40-3144-1550, pct. 2:36

## Thursdays

9:30 am: Anthony and the Hub House Band 1:15 pm: Friendship Drum Circle Sept. 16 & 30 from 6 to 8 pm. Red Deer Native Friendship Socie presents Mahihiwin Friendship Learning Circle; to register, call

presents Mahihiwin Friendship Learning Circle; to register, call 49-33-40-9020 Sept. 23 from 6 to 8 pm: Fair Play Theatre Troupe — former artsparkers who may want to continue, please call 493-340-4869 Fridays

loon to 3 pm: Local First Market to 3 pm: Live at The Hub, Live Music

- Randi Boulton (Sept. 3) Tom Lindl (Sept. 10) Richard Harrow (Sept. 17)

Richard Harrow (Sept. 27)
 Rob McIver (Sept. 24)
 Free tickets for Sun Ergos Theatre and Dance, Sept. 17, shows at 10:30 am and 1 pm, at the Memorial Centre. Call The Hub if you would like a spot (wheelchair seating also available)

## ALBERTA ARTS DAY, SEPT. 17

Journeys at The Hub on Ross, Alberta Arts Day Noon to 1 p.m. — Puffed Wheat Square Bake-Off Challenge, hosted by Westpark Foods, Phone The

Challenge, hosted by Westpark Foods. Phone The Libb to enter which the with Peter 1100 p.m. — Meg. Final Brown of the Peter 1100 p.m. — Meg. Final Brown on the Peter 1100 p.m. — Meg. Final Brown of the Peter 1100 p.m. — Meg. Final Brown of the Peter 100 p.m. — Meg. Final Brown of the Peter 100 p.m. — Meg. Final Brown of the Peter 100 p.m. — Meg. Final Brown of the Peter 100 p.m. — Meg. The Peter 100 p.m.

### **EVENINGS & WEEKENDS**

Sept. 17: Richard Harrow House Concert, 7 to 9 p.m., \$15 per person, \$30 per family. Tickets available at the door.

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Sept. 13 &20: Community drum circles facilitated by
Sky and friends, 6-30 to 8 p.m.

Wednesday Night Music Gallery, 7 to 9 p.m.
Swing Jazz (Sept. 1)
Celtic (Sept. 8)
Acoustic Blues (Sept. 2)
Folk (Sept. 2)

Acoustic Blues (Sept. 15)
Folk (Sept. 22)
Singer/Songwriter (Sept. 29)
Sept. 27: Family Managed Support Meeting @ 7pm

## DAYTIME SPECIAL EVENTS

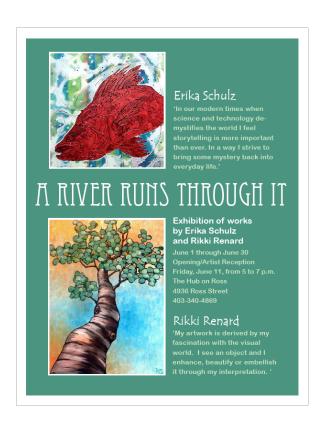
Sept. 9: Drum circle facilitators share tips and tools, 1to 3 p.m.

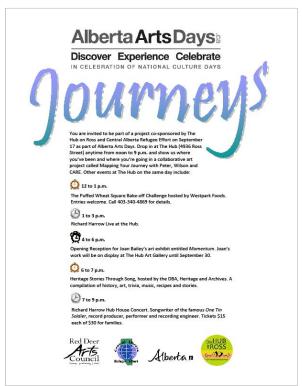
Spt. 3.p.m.

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Sept. 3.p. Community Engagement Community
Project Kick-Off. Open house from 9-30 to noon;
Junch hour 3-30 to 3.p.m. and 5 to 7.p.m. Hosted by
Central Alberta Diversity Association; for
information, call 402-412-4-215.

4936 Ross Street Open 9 to 4 pm Weekdays ( 403-340-4869 www.hubpdd.com







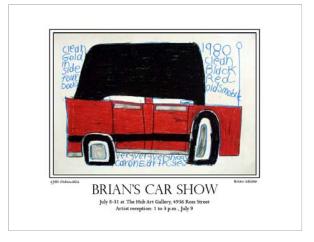
# Amos Garrett Jazz Trio

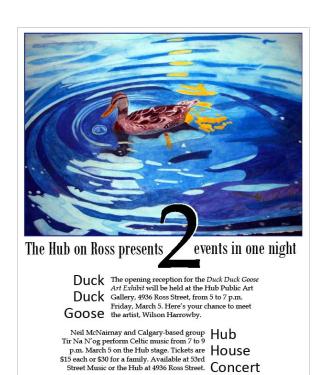


Friday, June 11 Starting at 7 p.m. 4936 Ross Street Tickets \$20 per person Special rate of \$40 for families (children 12 and under)

Amos Garrett is a two-time Juno Award winner who keeps busy with three bands: his acoustic act, a blues band and a jazz trio. Garrett has shared the stage with performers such as Stevie Wonder, Emmylou Harris and Bonnie Raitt and has recorded with Anne Murray, Ian and Sylvia Tyon and Maria Muldaur. He is justly famous for the guitar solo of Muldaur's 1974 hit, Midnight at the Oasis.

Tickets at The Hub on Ross, 4936 Ross Street, 403-340-4869

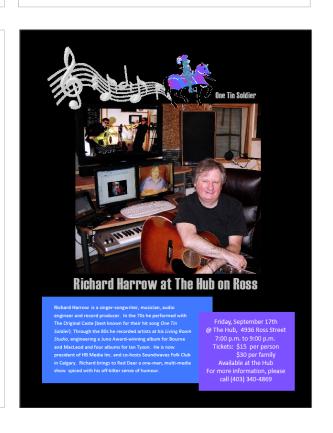


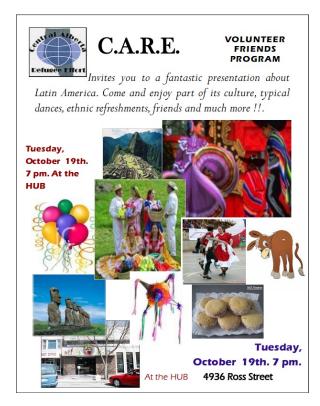


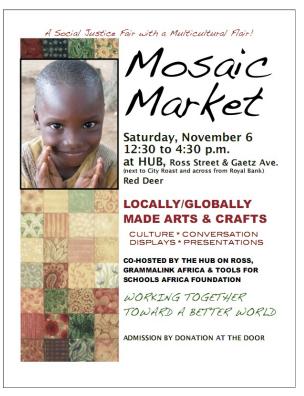
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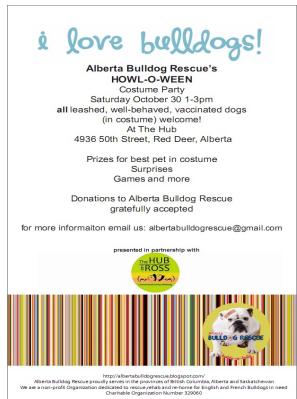


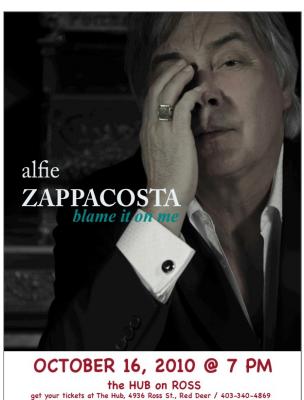
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The Hub on Ross
Art Gallery presents:
Faces Only a
Mother Could Love
Masks by Peter Allen
On display all of May
Artist reception
Saturday, May 8
from 4-6 p.m.
Open 9-4 weekdays
4938 Ross Street
Downstown Red Deer

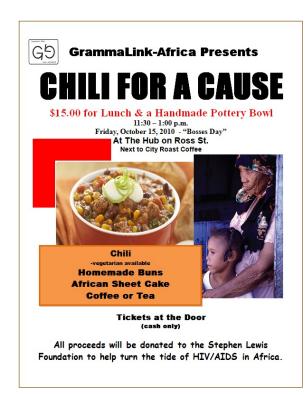




















## **Dance Basics**

Learn about then dance some hip-hop, jazz, tap and more! Get out of your seat, have fun and dance. Meet new friends or come with old friends, either way you are sure to have a great time in this fun workshop!

## October 19th at 4:30pm to 6pm

At the Hub on Ross 4936 Ross Street

There is no cost to come and everyone is welcome! For more information contact Angle at 342-4550 ext. 226 Location Sponsor



## **PUBLIC SPEAKING WORKSHOP**

Presented by: Tom Barthel,

Public Speaker and Counseller with Street Smart Counselling

Join us for this information packed workshop that will cover:

- · the top three best things to do to relax before a speech
- how to give a speech people care about
- · tools and resources to bring to a presentation
- one secret ingredient to speeches that even some experienced speakers don't know about

Workshop Date, Time and Location: November 16<sup>th</sup> 4-6:30 at the Hub on Ross (4936 Ross Street)

For more information please call Angle at 403-342-4550 extension 226.

A free community workshop presented by Tom Barthel of Street Smart Counselling

and hosted by CARS Cougars for Self Advocacy

Location Sponsor:

# Alzheimer

Society

ALBERTA AND NORTHWEST TERRITORIES

## A Caring Approach to Alzheimer's disease Workshop

9:30 A.M. to 3:30 P.M.

Overview: Community (family and friends) 1 day workshop

<u>Goals:</u> 1) caregivers will gain better understanding of themselves

2) participants will better understand Alzheimer's and

related dementia

## Objectives:

- Learn about AD and related dementia
- Learn communication strategies
- Learn about sharing the care- who will help? Identify caregiver stressors, support mechanisms, etc.

<u>Outcomes:</u> Participant will have more confidence as a caregiver as well as increased awareness about disease and supports available. Evaluation: Verbal and written at end of session

This workshop is designed for community members. Should professionals care to attend, they are encouraged to "think" from the perspective of family and friends rather than as staff as facility is a continuum of community. This workshop is not to be considered staff training rather reinforcement and encouragement to take the right approach. Feedback from a wide cross section is indicating the course is timely and helpful. Thank you for helping to get the word out- There is Help. There is Hope.

It is better to be kind than right. Feelings matter most.

## The

# **Melting Pot**



## Cultural Kitchen Experience

## COMMUNITY PARTNER

Become a community partner today by contacting us!

## Sept, Oct, and Nov 2010

The Melting Pot is an interactive live cooking show with guest chefs from different cultures each session. Experience the sights, sounds, tastes and smells of other cultures from around the world as well as receive tips and tricks for cooking the dish in your own kitchen. Learn, be diverse and feast all at the same time! All participants will receive a printed recipe of the cultural dish that was prepared and sampled.

## Upcoming Dates:

 Wed Sept 15
 4:30-6:30 pm
 \$10.00/person

 Wed Oct 20
 4:30-6:30 pm
 \$10.00/person

 Wed Nov 17
 4:30-6:30 pm
 \$10.00/person

OR ALL 3 for \$25.00/person

The HUB on Ross 4936 – 50<sup>th</sup> Street
All Ages – Maximum 15 people per session.

Pre-registration and pre-payment is required.

Call Debbie at 403-342-4550 extension 236 or email the.melting.pot@hotmail.com.











