

Thanks for joining the Lunenburg Art Gallery Society! FAQ/What happens now?

Welcome! LAGS was founded in 1972 and we have around 150 active members each year. Joining LAGS is a great way to meet other local artists, support our space and give yourself a little push to keep creating through the season. We strive to exhibit work by artists of any age, medium, skill and experience level.

Have a look on our website at www.lunenburgartgallery.com. Here you'll find all exhibition dates as well a list of current member artists. If you would like to be included on the 'Our Artists' page, please send an email to gallery@lunenburgartsociety.ca with a link to your website, IG or other social media. To snag a spot on the slideshow banner, email us a high quality jpeg before the beginning of each season. You may also bring in a printed bio/contact page for our binder of artist bios for visitor's reference. And make sure to subscribe to our monthly newsletters! You can find the link near the top of each page on our website.

MONTHLY EXHIBITIONS

Every show in 2024 opens on the First Friday of the month, April thru October. Since 2020, all LAGS shows are a group exhibition of artwork by current members. All members are invited to participate, but it's always optional. Each month will have a title/prompt/theme unique to that month. We hope these will inspire you, but we will still display any work you submit, even if it doesn't fit the theme. Intake/outtake of artwork is always 1-4pm, the Sunday and Monday *before* the first Friday of every month. We will exhibit ONE wall-hung artwork per member per show, and up to THREE pieces of sculpture/pottery. Each time your work sells, you'll be invited to replace it. We ask that all art be original, for sale and not recently shown at LAGS. Once the weather warms up, there will be receptions every month as part of the First Fridays art walks.

ARTWORK REGISTRATION

Since we have so many members, and to minimize volunteer time, we have a very strict (but easy!) intake system for our monthly shows. If you are planning to participate, you need to register your piece(s) on our website at lunenburgartgallery.com/register-for-shows. This is for the point-of-sale inventory, to print wall tags and promote the exhibition. This is done the day *before* each intake day, so final registration cutoff each month is the Friday *before* intake. Artwork not registered by the cutoff will not be included in the show. If you can't bring your work on intake day, please drop it off <u>earlier</u>. We will not hang work that arrives after intake.

Even if you're not in the next show, please pick up all unsold work at intake or sooner. Work left at the gallery between shows will be stored in the back room. LAGS is not responsible for missing or damaged artwork. Artwork brought earlier can be wrapped for safety in the back room. If you bring your artwork wrapped on intake day, please take your packaging when you leave.

Please note the gallery will retain a 40% commission on all art sales and all work exhibited in the gallery may be published on instagram.com/lunenburgartsociety. If your work sells, you should receive a cheque for 60% of the sale price within 45 days. If you are registered for HST, please let us know when you join.

CARDS, PRINTS, JEWELRY

In addition to the art on our walls, we have a few other items available by artists for sale. Intake for cards, unframed prints and jewelry is juried by their respective committees and accepted 3-4 times per year. Keep an eye on the monthly newsletter for intake announcements/calls-to-artists. Do not bring items to the gallery unless you've received confirmation from the chair. You'll be sent an invitation to register those items as space is limited.

2024 MEMBER EXHIBITION DATES - MARK YOUR CALENDAR!

(PLEASE REGISTER YOUR ART ONLINE BEFORE THE LAST FRIDAY OF EACH MONTH)

- * April 5th 27th: "STILL LIFE WITH YELLOW" Even the tiniest bit of yellow counts. Intake is Sunday, March 31st and Monday, April 1st from 1-4pm.
- * May 3rd June 1st: "**NOT MY THING**" A subject matter, style or technique that's new to you. Intake is Sunday, April 28th and Monday, April 29th from 1-4pm.
- * June 7th 29th: "LOUD AND PROUD" Our annual celebration of Pride Month. Intake is Sunday, June 2nd and Monday, June 3rd from 1-4pm.
- * July 5th 27th: "THE WATER SHOW" Water in all it's forms. Intake is Sunday, June 30th and Monday, July 1st from 1-4pm.
- * August 2nd 31st "**LUNENBURG**" Exploring Lunenburg's architecture and streetscapes. Intake is Sunday, July 28th and Monday, July 29th from 1-4pm.
- * Sept. 6th 28th: "SECOND CHANCES" Previously exhibited work that deserves to be seen again. Intake is Sunday, September 1st and Monday, September 2nd.
- * October 4th 26th: "FIGURATIVELY SPEAKING" Portraits, figure drawing or landscapes with people. Intake is Sunday, September 29th and Monday, September 30th.

GALLERY SITTING

Our gallery is staffed by volunteers, it's a great way to meet members, artists and collectors. We do our best to keep it as relaxed and enjoyable as possible. Shifts are 5 hours, from 11am-4pm. If you are able to sign up as a gallery attendant, please visit our online schedule at signup.com/go/VigrRQH. Add in the comments if you need training and an experienced volunteer will meet you on that day.

If you prefer to spend the day alone, enter your name in both slots on the calendar. You can also divide the day into two shifts with a partner if you are unable to stay for all 5 hours. Artist members are welcome to set up an easel and create artwork in the gallery during the shift.

Gallery hours are Wednesday thru Sunday from 11am - 4pm, as well as holiday Mondays. If you are an experienced volunteer you may also sign up for Mondays and Tuesdays as 'bonus days'. It is not mandatory to give your time, but most members volunteer to staff the gallery 2 days per season.

Fun fact: There are approximately 140 days in a season, and over 150 LAGS members!

THERE ARE LOTS OF WAYS TO VOLUNTEER!

We're always looking for committee chairs, committee members, new board members and help maintaining the gallery. Let us know if you're available or have special skills to share!

RENT THE GALLERY

Once our exhibition season is over, you can host your own! Pop-up shows, holiday crafts, group shows and workshops are all great ways to use the space during the winter. To rent the gallery you must be a current LAGS member, the annual membership fee is \$40 (no tax). For more information visit the website at https://www.lunenburgartgallery.com/gallery-sales-rentals or reach us by email at rentals@lunenburgartsociety.ca.

Thank-you for doing your part to keep our gallery running smoothly! Don't hesitate to ask us any questions at gallery@lunenburgartsociety.ca. *If you don't use the internet, let us know at (902) 640-4044.*