



# OTTAWA ART ASSOCIATION

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## PRESIDENT'S COMMENTS

Hello everyone,

Don't hold your breath but the weatherman says that finally Spring is on the way, albeit a cold one. It has been a long and brutal winter and it has taken its toll on the health of several of our members. I know you all join me in wishing them speedy recovery.

We are now just a little over a month away from our juried April Show and plans are well in hand to make it a big success. Between now and then we have another hanging coming up on March 21, 2015 and perhaps we can use it to exhibit artwork with a Spring theme just to get us all in the mood.

We don't yet have an accounting of the artwork sales for the last period, as it won't be available until the week of the 16<sup>th</sup> of March but I will make it available at the next hanging on March 21<sup>st</sup>.

If any of you would like to help with the food services for our April show, please contact either me or Carol Brodtkin-Sang, our Social Convener. Typically Carol does all of the ordering and just needs help to carry in the food, get it set up on the tables and clear it up afterwards. Your help would be greatly appreciated.

A very big thank you to all who participated in our Insurance Coverage Survey. The response rate exceeded our most optimistic expectations. The results will be compiled and disseminated once the survey has closed on March 7, 2015.

Elaine Boivin

## OAA PRESENTATION

Choosing Quality Framing – Karen Charlebois of Sienna Gallery

Karen Charlebois will bring her expert knowledge in framing to this presentation. She will cover the following topics:

### OAA MEETING & HANGING

OAA Meeting: March 10, 7-9pm  
Hangings: March 21, 10-10:30am  
(Ottawa Little Theatre)

### OLT PLAY

“Goodbye, Piccadilly”  
By Douglas Bowie Mar. 24 – Apr. 11

- To frame or not to frame? That is the question.
- Quality framing – pros and cons.
- The benefits using quality products from start to finish.
- A frame is the finishing touch.
- How a custom picture framer can save you money.
- VIP card (referral card).
- Q & A

Karen graduated from the University of Toronto in 1987, received a Bachelor of Arts, and at the same time completed the Art and Art History Program at Sheridan College in Oakville. She started her framing career soon after in Barrie at “The Framing Experience.” She now has her own framing business at the Sienna Gallery located in Rockland.

### OTTAWA ORCHID SOCIETY

33<sup>rd</sup> Annual Show and Sale – April 17 to 19, 2015  
Nepean Sportsplex, 1701 Woodroffe Ave.

The Ottawa Orchid Society is pleased to invite anyone interested in displaying artwork in the form of painting, drawing, sculpture, photography, ceramics, pottery, needlepoint, stained glass or other media to participate in our annual orchid show. In addition to regular art and photography entry classes, we have two **2015 challenge classes**: photos of “**Orchids and people**” and fine art of orchids “**in the style of Matisse**” – it is up to the creativity of each entrant to interpret this theme.

### **THE MAIN THEME OF EACH ENTRY MUST BE ORCHIDS.**

We’re looking forward to seeing your artistic talents on display in our art gallery! For more information, please contact Anna Bilsky, Art Gallery Chair, at 613-728-4202 or [annabilsky70@gmail.com](mailto:annabilsky70@gmail.com)

### STUDIO ITALIA 2015

Join us for *Studio Italia 2015* (Oct. 1-11) “a thought provoking and inspirational” art workshop open to artists of all levels and media. Ten full days of *plein air* painting, art history/theory, touring, discussions and gourmet cuisine/wine in the most beautiful area of Tuscany. Register now!

For more details, please download our prospectus at:  
[http://www.walkthearts.com/PDF/Prospectus%20Studio\\_Italia\\_2015\\_EN.pdf](http://www.walkthearts.com/PDF/Prospectus%20Studio_Italia_2015_EN.pdf)

### CALL FOR SUBMISSIONS: NEPEAN FINE ARTS LEAGUE SPRING SHOW AND SALE

It’s time to register for our annual Spring Show and Sale at the Ukrainian Banquet Hall, 1000 Byron Ave. held April 24-26<sup>th</sup>, 2015. Due to a very successful show and sale in the fall, we are anticipating a high demand for space in this show. So please hurry and submit your application as soon as possible.

[www.nepeanfinearts.com](http://www.nepeanfinearts.com)

## WATERCOLOUR CLASSES

Would you like to explore and discover your artistic talents? Join Eileen Stevenson at her home studio in West Ottawa for watercolour painting classes. Classes are designed for all levels, from beginners to advanced. Eileen provides an encouraging, creative and relaxed atmosphere where everyone can progress at their own pace. Interested? Contact Eileen at: 613-224-3022 or at [eileensfineart@gmail.com](mailto:eileensfineart@gmail.com)  
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## OAA INSURANCE ISSUE

This is a final reminder to anyone who hasn't done the survey yet. The deadline for completing the survey is midnight of March 7, 2015. You can find the survey at this link:  
<https://www.surveymonkey.com/s/5VJGBJF>

Your answers will be collected by Malcolm Cowell. If you have any questions or problems completing this survey Malcolm can be reached at [info@malcolmcowell.ca](mailto:info@malcolmcowell.ca)