



# Newsletter

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## Message from the Co-Chairs

It has been an important year for ArtsJunktion mb. Having secured the space at 312 B William Avenue has allowed us to host regular workshops on site, thus fostering a relationship with Manitoba Education. Further, being in the Exchange District allows ArtsJunktion Mb to connect more easily and more regularly with local arts organizations and artists in the area. The warehouse has become a vibrant hub of volunteers, artists, teachers and community members. We welcome all to visit, volunteer and become members.

Melanie Janzen and Andrea Stuart

## Are you a Member of ArtsJunktion mb?

Become a Member by going to the website.  
[www.artsjunktion.mb.ca](http://www.artsjunktion.mb.ca)

It's FREE, helps us to communicate with you, and demonstrates to our funders the tremendous number of supporters of ArtsJunktion mb.

### Mission Statement:

ArtsJunktion mb Inc. is a community-based, charitable organization committed to redistributing reusable materials.

Membership in ArtsJunktion mb is open to all community members and is free of charge.

## Annual General Meeting and Art Auction



Witness ~ Tim Schouten



Garden Gargoyle ~ Kaz Sawicz



Our annual general meeting/art auction was held on June 10 at ArtsJunktion mb. The auction featured pieces of art donated by over 30 local artists and was led by ArtsJunktion board member, Corrine Chia and auctioneer Andy Kaye of Kaye's Auction House. The evening was filled with wonderful Celtic music played by Darcy Stearns, Kyle Borley, and David Bart.



Gravity III ~ Heather Lair



Merdog ~ Jordan van Sewell



Turkish Sunrise ~ Doug Wiebe

Thankyou to photographers Faye Vicar-Lazar and Paul Simpson.

A huge thank you to these amazing Manitoba artists who donated pieces of their art for our fundraising auction:

Jordan van Sewell Heidi Hunter Heather Lair Karen Johannson Karen Hibbard Jill Brooks  
Doug Wiebe Ann Stinner Tom Lovatt Bette Woodland Tim Schouten Kaz Sawicz Lidi Kuiper  
Laurie-Lynn Green Helga Schulte-Schroerer Karen Luchak Lesley Dawyduk Milos Milldrag  
Dave Krindle Ann Rallison Rhian Brynjolson Ursula Neufeld Jolanta Sokalska Alerry Lavitt  
Jan Kushnier Heather Lovatt



Thank you to the talented  
**ANDY KAYE**  
from Kay 's Auction House for  
serving as our auctioneer.

## Spring Clean Up

Thank you to CBC's Keran Saunders and the 'Do-Crew' of volunteers who came out to help us with our spring cleaning. There were many volunteers cheerfully working on a number of jobs inside and outside of the depot. The courtyard is tidy and ready for planters and benches to be installed. The outside doors have been prepped and primed for painting. Inside, workers were busy unloading and shelving boxes of recyclable materials. Beautiful displays were designed and organized. Thanks to Briony Haig and Alice Kulyk for volunteering to be our 'Artists in Residence' for the morning. Attendance at the depot has increased dramatically since the CBC event. We are experiencing higher volumes of 'shoppers' and volunteers.

More companies and families know about us and are contacting us to arrange for drops of materials.

All in all, it was a wonderful experience and we are very grateful to Keran and her team for the support.

Thanks CBC!





## TEACHER WORKSHOPS at ARTSJUNKTION mb

This year, because of a grant from Education Manitoba, ArtsJunktion mb was pleased to be able to offer art workshops for teachers. We were fortunate to find three artists who had experience working with teachers and students and who were able to uphold ArtsJunktion mb's goal of sustainability by using recycled materials from ArtsJunktion mb in their workshops. One of the objectives of each workshop was to have participants work through the artistic process as artists.



Parminder Obhi, a Winnipeg artist who creates paper sculptures and who has worked extensively in the Learning Through the Arts school program, presented **2 WRONGS DO MAKE A RIGHT** (February 12). This workshop explored ways of fastening and joining found materials to create a sculpture that would represent the participant's "alter ego". Teachers taped, glued and tied objects together to produce playful, whimsical pieces that amused and amazed.



In **CREATING AND WORKING IN JOURNALS** (March 19), artist and educator, Ann Stinner, presented a workshop on using recycled materials to create handmade journals. Ann's own journals are awe inspiring and seeing them motivated participants to create their own unique journals using a wide variety of found materials and unusual papers. Ann demonstrated many different ways to produce journals from quite simple to very complex. She also showed many ways to work in the journals-collage, watercolour, calligraphy and more. The completed journals showed how creative and imaginative the participants were. The journals were original and inventive- often made from atypical materials-old purses, jeans, wood pieces, etc.

Heidi Hunter, a Manitoba fabric artist, proved to be a very effective workshop leader in her workshop, **CREATING FABRIC LANDSCAPES** (April 30). Her experience in running workshops for teachers and students was very apparent when she used a "three bears" analogy to help people understand how to use value in their landscape designs. ArtsJunktion mb is always a great source of interesting, colourful, beautiful fabric. At the workshop there was enough variety to suit everyone's taste. Each participant was able to complete two fabric landscapes. Heidi supplied mats for the landscapes, so each participant had two beautiful, unique pieces of work, ready to frame, to take home. To end the workshop, Heidi showed a few pieces of her own stunning fabric landscapes. They were amazing!

## TEACHER WORKSHOPS at ARTSJUNKTION mb (con't)

A final teacher workshop, **STUDENT PRINTS** (May28), was designed for K-8 classroom teachers and presented by Barb Doncaster. Participants had the opportunity to experiment with various types of relief printmaking that could be easily set up in a regular classroom-stamp printing, collographs, Styrofoam tray printing, etc..



The evaluations for each of the workshops were overwhelmingly positive. One of the main responses was that teachers would like more of them! The feedback that we've had since the workshops shows that teachers are using what they learned at the workshops, back in their classrooms-so the students are benefitting.

Another offshoot of the workshops, is that many of the participants are now using ArtsJunktion mb as a source for materials.

Offering these workshops has been a very positive opportunity for ArtsJunktion mb, and we look forward to continuing to present more in the future.

~Barb Doncaster  
Workshop Coordinator



### **CURRENT TREASURES**

rolls of paper, sheets of chloroplast, vinyl records, upholstery fabric samples, yarn and cord, a collection of trophies (great for gesture drawings), batting, and the list goes on!



# Happy Reflections...



For this year's SIGHT UNSEEN, Pembina Trails School Division Student Art Show, our artists collaborated on an installation honouring Polo Park's 50th Anniversary as a shopping center. Happy Reflections featured an 8ft high pair of "scissors" cut from styrofoam and collaged with recycled materials. They are our version of the ceremonial scissors used by Duff Roblin as premier and Stephen Juba as mayor at the opening of Polo Park on August 20, 1959. Our assortment of "happy, shiny things" reinforces our theme of reflection and we would like to thank Artsjunktion as a source for many materials used in this piece. We are also delighted to announce that Polo Park is purchasing the scissors and planning to put them on display in the mall in the near future.

~ Corrine Chia, Arts Specialist at Ecole Charleswood School



## What to do with old magazines and paper?

The Grade 1/2's at Montrose School were inspired by Lauren Child, author of the Charlie and Lola books. They looked closely at Lauren Child's illustrations to create and stage their own illustrations for their stories. We shared backgrounds and created "doll-like" Charlie and Lola characters, then photographed each scene to match our text.

## 2010-2011 Board of Directors

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## ***Board of Director Meeting Dates 2010-2011***

June 13th, 2010 11:00 am  
August 19th, 2010  
September 16th, 2010  
October 15th, 2010  
November 18th, 2010  
December 16th, 2010  
January 20th, 2011  
February 17th, 2011  
March 17th, 2011  
April 21st, 2011  
May 19th, 2011  
June 16th, 2011

All but the June 13th, 2010 meeting  
will be held at 4:15 pm  
**312B William Avenue**  
*(All are welcome to attend)*

## ARTS JUNKTION mb

Summer Hours: July 1st - August 22, 2010  
Monday 10:30-8 pm Thursday 1-5 pm  
Closed Saturdays