

ACHIEVEMENT UNLOCKED

YOUTH EXHIBITION

MARCH 5 TO APRIL 23 2022



Opening Day Saturday, March 5, 11am to 1pm
Gallery Hours Tuesday to Saturday, 11am to 4pm
Artist Talk Thursday, March 17 at 2pm

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You are standing on the unceded and ancestral lands of the Secwépemc people.

The board and staff of Shuswap District Arts Council acknowledge that they have benefited from the systems and structures that have oppressed Indigenous people for nearly two centuries.

We apologize for the harms that have been inflicted upon Secwépemc people.

We endeavour to work in accordance with the 94 Calls to Action in the Truth and Reconciliation Report. We pledge to support reparations and reconciliation through our mandate, using the arts to build respectful relationships, create cross-cultural community engagement, and to make space for Indigenous cultural and artistic expression. Our policies reflect the importance of supporting authentic Indigenous voices, as well as guiding the education of settler cultures by including Indigenous perspectives in every exhibition and program.

Director/Curator Tracey Kutschker wishes to personally thank Neskonlith Councillor Louis Thomas, as well as artists and storytellers Dolan Badger, Mary Thomas, Delores Purdaby, Aaron Leon, Gerry Thomas, Kenthen Thomas and Geri Matthew for their generous guidance, advice and wisdom over the past 18 years. It is now time for settler cultures to take on the re-education of our collective history, and to make the changes that are needed to decolonize our systems and structures.

Curator's Statement

Tracey Kutschker

The past two years have been extraordinarily difficult for youth; disruption in schooling, canceled travel plans and activities, isolation and the inability to connect with friends. Achievement Unlocked is an invitation for them to look at these continuing challenges and see where they have found joy, accomplishment, new hobbies or new habits. It's also an opportunity for them to reflect on how the rest of the world has responded to this crisis, and to comment on what they see through their art.

Young people are navigating how to become an adult in a time where the climate crisis is an insurmountable obstacle and the pressure cooker of social media has significant effects on mental health. In order to imagine a future for themselves, communication between the generations is key. This small glimpse into their imaginative brains is a gift to us all. Let's use it as a starting point for important conversations.

The Curator's Awards are given to artists whose works are outstanding. The criteria is difficult to define; mastery of media, delivery of message, excellence in composition - these are indeed some of the considerations. However, sometimes a piece just surprises me in a way that gives it a certain power. In this exhibition, the works that stopped me in my tracks are *Nancy* by Sergs Oriana, *Shame the Black Box Warrior* by Eddie Nadin, and *A Collection of Works* by Marcus Limber. These works demonstrate that there is magic in art, that you can say a great deal with just a few lines and colour, and that you can use whatever resources are available to you to make an impactful statement. Congratulations to all three.

1	Mary Jane Laronde	A Reflection of Home	mixed media	\$315
2	Mary Jane Laronde	Shades of Interdimensional	mixed media	\$275
3	Mary Jane Laronde	Interconnection	mixed media	NFS
4	Mary Jane Laronde	Where the Roses Grow	mixed media	NFS
5	Liz Bruce	Room to Grow	acrylic	\$35
6	Liz Bruce	Room to Grow 2	acrylic	\$15
7	Liz Bruce	Timeline	mixed media	NFS
8	Layla Kutschker	To Stay Visible	digital print	\$100/\$20each
9	Layla Kutschker	Significant Locations	mixed media	\$50
10	Wren Rathbone	Enter the Ring	fiber	\$75
11	Wren Rathbone	Tongue Tied	acrylic	\$40
12	Wren Rathbone	Stuck Like Glue	acrylic	\$40
13	Wren Rathbone	Lover	acrylic	\$40
14	Sage Savor	Feelings Towards Thoughts	acrylic	NFS
15	Amanda Fleetwood	The Embracement of Madness	acrylic	NFS
16	Eddie Nadin	Shame the Black Box Warrior	acrylic on vinyl	NFS
17	Eddie Nadin	Tonight	digital print	NFS
18	Eddie Nadin	You're What She Came For	mixed media	NFS
19	Eddie Nadin	Slate	acrylic	NFS
20	Samantha Hardy	Outerspace	ink on paper	NFS
21	Amber Kurz	Sockeye	oil	NFS
22	Emily K. Berg	Pelphis	acrylic	\$120
23	Jessica Andreasen	Cat	clay	NFS
24	Jessica Andreasen	Elephants	clay	NFS
25	Alex Champagne	Dysphoria	charcoal	NFS
26	Alex Champagne	Creature in a Cup	mixed media	NFS
27	Ethan Jobin	Glass	glass	\$200
28	Sergs Oriana	Nancy	oil on canvas	\$150
29	Sven Sabo	Titan Class Ship	mixed media	\$300
30	Deven Truax	Freedom in Imagination	acrylic	NFS
31	Group of 6 Storefront	Soaring to New Heights	wood	NFS
32	Marcus Limber	Collection of Works	mixed media	NFS
33	Aila Norlin	Backyard Rock Garden	acrylic	NFS
34	Ryelan Dufresne	Stormy Lighthouse	acrylic	NFS
35	Ryelan Dufresne	Boat on the Ocean	acrylic	NFS
36	Kallie Hanssens	Laughter of a Beast	digital	NFS

37	Kallie Hanssens	Subject of Time	digital	NFS
38	Glitter Esquivias	Amidst the Weather	digital	NFS
39	Glitter Esquivias	Elizabeth	digital	NFS
40	Glitter Esquivias	First Meeting	digital	NFS
41	Kyle Sheehan	Held	digital	NFS
42	Kyle Sheehan	Blooman	digital	NFS
43	Kyle Sheehan	Nothing Here	digital	NFS
44	Kyle Sheehan	Baby 28	digital	NFS
45	Hoob	O'MANY	digital	NFS
46	Hoob	Rust	digital	NFS
47	Hoob	Free Lost	digital	NFS
48	Layla Kutschker	Oblivion	digital	NFS
49	Karen Lynn	Figurative	digital	NFS
50	Karen Lynn	What Even is Time?	acrylic	\$200
51	Karen Lynn	A Pastel Prize	acrylic	\$300
52	Annabelle Epton	Auggie	acrylic	NFS
53	Annabelle Epton	Brothers	acrylic	NFS
54	Todd Froese	Grandpa Vibes	graphite	\$75
55	Todd Froese	Almost Rose	graphite	\$75
56	Todd Froese	Once a Dream	graphite	\$20
57	Olyn Baker	Haze	digital print	\$25
58	Olyn Baker	Sunset Coast	digital print	\$40
59	Olyn Baker	Through Fire	digital print	\$25
60	Olyn Baker	Craggy Cliffs	digital prints	\$45/\$25each
61	Brody Grove	Orange Lemon	pastels	\$48
62	Christopher Ogilvie	One Day I Will Find My Switch	digital print	\$65
63	Summer McDonagh	Ethereal Beauty	acrylic	NFS

Note: Artists who are exhibiting digital prints will make prints available by order at the prices listed above.