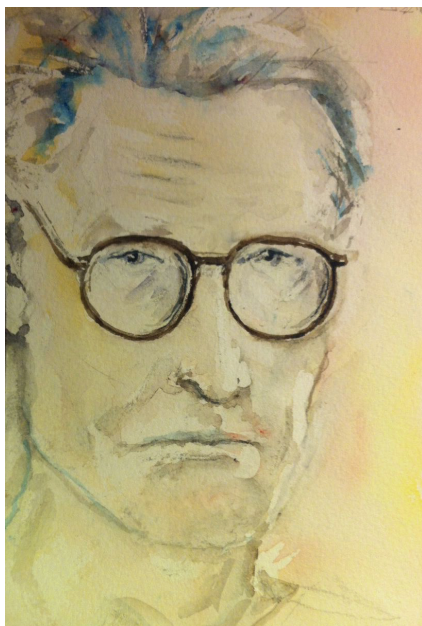




NEWSLETTER

~~SAM~~ TOM UNCLE ~~SAM~~ WANTS YOU!



Self-Portrait by Thomas Steur

WINNIPEG SKETCH CLUB'S 2023

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Mark your calendars! The Annual General Meeting of the Winnipeg Sketch Club will be held on **Sunday 16 April at 3:00 p.m.** at the Forum Art Centre, 120 Eugenie Street.

We have important business to discuss, including:

- Holding nominations and casting votes for next year's Executive
- Business pertaining to the future of the Club
- Exciting ideas and prospects for future Exhibitions, maybe even this year.

Light refreshments will be served, and there will be a draw for a door prize. Come out and have your voice, and vote, heard. See you there.

Yours in pigment and ink,
Thomas

LE SKETCH BAR



A few years ago, the Centre culturel franco-manitobain reached out to us as a community arts organisation to explore the potential for partnership. One result of this collaboration is our Exhibition this year; another was a fun evening on a frigid night last autumn which we called Le Sketch Bar. A handful of us braved the elements and gathered with donkeys and easels

around a clothed model, right in the gallery, for a life drawing session complete with wine and beer from CCFM's cash bar!

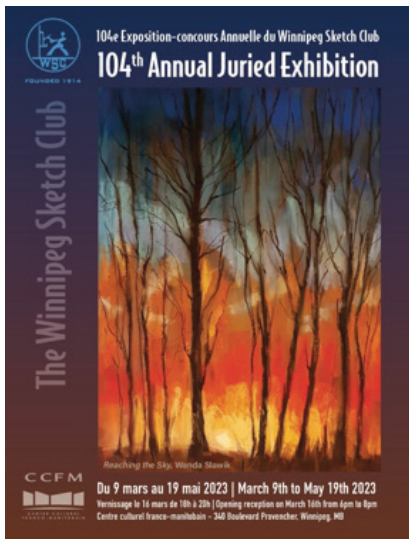
Although that session was small in terms of numbers, those who did turn out had a good time. We have heard some interest in doing this again, especially now with OUR show going on in the gallery. If you think this sounds like fun and would consider participating, please send me an email message (no obligation) at:

winnipeg.sketchclub.president@hotmail.com



The Drawing Lesson
by Jan Steen, 1663

WSC 104th Annual Juried Exhibition



What a fantastic show we have put on yet again! The WSC 104th Annual Juried Exhibition, at the Franco-Manitoban Cultural Centre / Centre culturel franco-manitobain (CCFM), 340 Provencher Boulevard, is still on, until the 19th of May.

It was terrific to see so many members and friends and family come out to our opening reception evening on 16 March. We had snacks and appetizers coordinated by Angela, a cash bar courtesy of the CCFM, and wonderful ambient music by Léo Gosselin on the Chapman stick.

BIG thanks to the Exhibition Committee and all those who helped plan and organise and mount the show, and to this year's Juror Lou-Anne Bourdeau for her thoughtful and thorough adjudication.

Congratulations to the winners of this year's awards:

- Judge's Choice: Karen Armstrong
- The Lynn Sissons Award: Ron Osthus
- Three Honourable Mentions: Kathleen Noelle Black, Stewart Wakeman, and yours truly
- The Peoples' Choice Award will be presented following the show and is decided by votes cast by the public who visit the show during its run. So please encourage all who visit the show to cast a ballot!

I know there has been some confusion about the hours the gallery is open; CCFM have assured me that it should be open every day of the week now until 9:30 p.m. And Stella's restaurant is open late as well, so you can show your guests a good time.

A big shout-out to our sponsors, too:

- Artists Emporium, located at 580 Roseberry Street
- Lawton Partners
- DIY Framing, located at 1110C Pembina Highway

Please consider supporting our sponsors, because they have been supporting us for many years.

-Thomas Steur



THE RED RIVER EX JURIED ART SHOW IS BACK!



For the first time since 2019, the Red River Ex is ready to showcase Manitoba's amateur artists through the Juried Art Show. This longstanding tradition at The Ex provides an amazing opportunity for artists to gain recognition, sell their work and earn a chance to win over \$2,500 in cash prizes!!

We have attached this year's [brochure](#), and encourage your establishment to print and distribute copies to amateur artists in your community. We also welcome you to share the Art Show entry form link on your social media channels to help spread the word and promote the incredible talent of Manitoba artists.

On behalf of the Red River Exhibition Association, thank you for the role you play in helping develop the skills of Manitoba's artists. We can't wait to celebrate their work at this year's Juried Art Show!

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact us anytime.

**DEADLINE FOR
ENTRY FORMS
MAY 26 AT 4 PM**

Please consider sending images of your wonderful art for the next newsletter so I don't have to look for silly cartoons and memes: Thanks very much!
Send to Cindy Rublee: rublec154@gmail.com.

In the meantime...

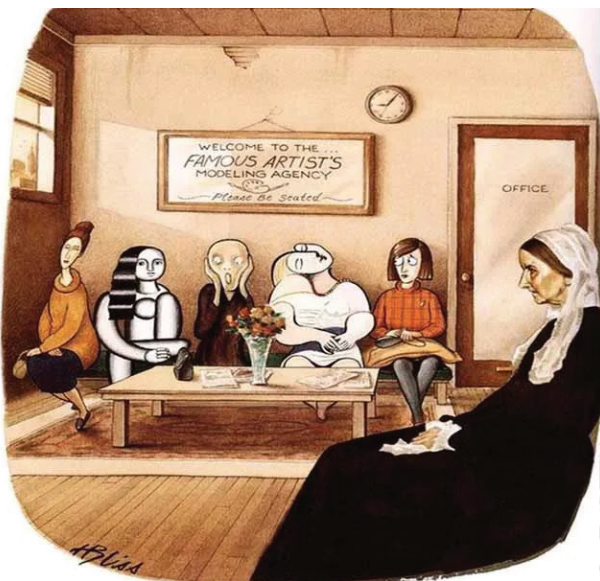


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What's on in Winnipeg?

Here are a few new exhibits to check out:

[Inuit Sanaugangit: Art Across Time](#)

April 1, 2023-January 7, 2024 at Quamajuq/WAG
Featuring 400 works of Inuit artists from Siberia, Alaska, Canada and Greenland.

[The Late Robert Bruce & The Late Keith Wood](#)

May 11, 2023-May 27, 2023 at Soul Gallery Inc.
Robert Bruce (1911-1980; Keith Wood (1944-2018).

[Jiak ba buay?/Have you eaten?](#)

April 21, 2023-May 27, 2023 at PLATFORM
Featuring new works multidisciplinary artist Angeline Simon.