

HUNTSVILLE FESTIVAL OF THE ARTS  
2021 Summer Season: Arts for All Stages



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Now in its 28th year, the Huntsville Festival of the Arts (HfA) is a not-for-profit charitable organization that works to strengthen community and enhance the quality of life for residents of and visitors to the Huntsville area, by providing high quality entertainment, arts education and cultural enrichment.

Our performances and events are enjoyed by over 18,000 delighted guests each season, and injects **\$1,665,896 directly into the community.**

Since 1993, we have engaged over **10,000** students in arts education opportunities, and we are proud to be part of the Huntsville community.





## 2021 SUMMER SEASON

Huntsville Art Crawl - June & July

Group of Seven Canoe Murals Exhibition • June 1 - September 30

Algonquin Outfitters Paddle Art Auction • September 13-27

Tom Thomson Canoe Murals - July 5-11

Music At Noon - July 12-16

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Serena Ryder - August 24-25

The Trews - August 26-27

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# President's Message Summer 2021



Welcome to Huntsville Festival of the Art's 28th season.

HFA's theme this year is "Arts for All Stages". Throughout the various stages of Covid, HFA has presented programming for all ages on a variety of stages.

New initiatives for Summer 2021 include the Huntsville Art Crawl and the Fairground Concert Series, which will feature Serena Ryder, Hawksley Workman, Tim Hicks and The Trews.

We are delighted to present the Group of Seven Canoe Murals and the Summer Arts Camps again this summer. Music at Noon, an audience favourite, will be back live this year!

Thank you to all our sponsors, patrons, and members. Your support during these trying Covid times is greatly appreciated.

Thank you to the HFA board of directors and all who volunteer to ensure that HFA continues to have the very best in eclectic entertainment.

Enjoy the summer. Stay well and stay safe!

*Carol Gibson • President - Huntsville Festival of the Arts*

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## Land Acknowledgement

The Huntsville Festival of the Arts makes its home on the ancestral territory of the traditional territories of the Anishinaabeg, specifically the Chippewa, Ojibwa and Potawatomi peoples, under the Robinson-Huron Treaty of 1850 and the Williams Treaties of 1923.

Together, we honour and thank indigenous peoples – all First Nations, Métis and Inuit – for their cultures, their languages, their wise teachings and ways of being, their stewardship and protection of the lands and waters – and life - that have shaped this place since time began.

Together, we commit to acknowledge, to learn, to educate, to create opportunity and to honour sacred places, and to work hard for real Truth and Reconciliation in support of our commitment to wellness for all, and for future generations.



# Festival Artisan - Don MacKenzie

In January, I was honoured to be asked if I would be the 2021 Image Maker for the Huntsville Festival of the Arts.

As it happens, January is Alzheimers Awareness Month and I have Alzheimers and Vascular Dementia; fresh new thoughts are not always easy for me to formulate. But, when given an idea that is within my long term memory banks, I am able to accomplish many things.



Typically, in my wood carvings, I recreate wild birds in their natural habitat as well as leaves and feathers — the leaves of fall became my theme. The undulation of the musical notes is reminiscent of the sound of the leaves as they are blown about by the fall winds. The leaves are a music unto themselves as they dance through the air with complete abandonment.

The musical score with the leaves as notes was Pam's idea, but, as memory kicked in, the leaves and acorns just seemed to flesh out the space. The life-long thrill of nature is deep in my memory banks and allows me to recreate the magic I feel when walking through the forest.

There is a child-like dance to leaves as they are blown about, and a deep serenity of beauty while they are still on the trees; it is a stunning tapestry when seen from a distance. This beauty is what brings droves of visitors to Muskoka every fall. It is a beauty that must be seen time and again.

The Festival of the Arts brings us music and dance that allows us to not only enjoy the moment but, also, to dream of possibilities, if only we tried. Thank you for giving me this opportunity to show you that we should never give up on our dreams... and that we should take every opportunity to dance like leaves in the wind.

I wish the Festival of the Arts many more years of success bringing entertainment and dreams to all of us.

*Don MacKenzie*



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# Huntsville ART CRAWL

# DO THE CRAWL!

## Huntsville Art Crawl

**JUNE & JULY | Various Times | Downtown Huntsville | FREE**

The Huntsville ART CRAWL is a free self guided art tour in and around downtown Huntsville, Muskoka.

Throughout the month of June, visitors will create their own free art crawl experience by touring local businesses, galleries & studios which feature exhibits, demos & interactive experiences by local artists.





Our first annual event features the work of over 40 local artists exhibited in 27 different venues. Exhibitions will be open as per business hours. Pick up your passport at any participating business, visit 5 venues and you'll be entered into a draw for a fantastic prize package care of the Merchants of Downtown Huntsville

Visit [huntsvilleartcrawl.ca](http://huntsvilleartcrawl.ca) to learn more

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# Group of Seven Canoe Murals

**JUNE 1 - SEPTEMBER 30 | ONGOING EXHIBITION | FREE**

In 2020, the Huntsville Festival of the Arts (HfA) celebrated the 100th anniversary of the formation of the Group of Seven Artists through this very Canadian project. Huntsville artist Gerry Lantaigue, known for his work on the Group of 7 Outdoor Gallery, created 7 new murals, each painted on the underside of a canoe and featuring the work of one the Group of 7 members. These murals celebrate the role of the Group of Seven and the canoe in shaping Canada's national identity.

Throughout the summer of 2021, these canoes will be exhibited in different outdoor spaces around Huntsville. Scheduled stops include:

**June 1-30 & September 1-30**

– River Mill Park, Downtown Huntsville

**July 1-31**

– Algonquin Outfitters, Opeongo Lake,  
1035 Algonquin Outfitters Road

**August 1-31** – Algonquin Art Centre, Km 20, Hwy. 60

Thank you to those whose donated their used canoes for this project including the Trenholme Family, the Grundy/Dowsett family, the McIlroy family, the Harpell family, Tayten Yachuk, the Hunter family, the Horne family, Tara Smyth and all those who offered their canoes.

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# Algonquin Outfitters Paddle Art Auction

**SEPTEMBER 13-27 | ONLINE**

The Group of Seven canoes will be auctioned off as part of the Algonquin Outfitters Paddle Art Auction in September 2021. Proceeds will support a number of organizations across Ontario including The Algonquin Art Centre, The Canadian Canoe Museum in Peterborough, Huntsville Art Society, Huntsville Festival of the Arts, Tom Thomson Gallery in Owen Sound, Town of Huntsville's reserved fund for future public art acquisition.



To learn more about the project and how to make a bid on the Canoes, please visit [huntsvillefestival.ca](http://huntsvillefestival.ca).

## Tom Thomson Canoe Murals

**JULY 5-11 | 10AM-5PM | River Mill Park | FREE**

NEW THIS YEAR! Artist Gerry Lantaigne will lead a group of local artists in the creation of 7 more canoe murals, this time featuring the work of famous Canadian artist Tom Thomson. Artists will paint the canoes "en plein air" during a week-long event in Downtown Huntsville's River Mill Park. Engage with the artists while you watch the beautiful paintings being created!

Once completed, these canoes will be displayed in Downtown Huntsville as part of the Group of Seven Outdoor Gallery Tour.

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# Music At Noon

**JULY 12-16 • Every Weekday at Noon**  
**MORGAN HOUSE B&B | 83 Morgan's Road | FREE**

Refresh your body and spirit with this mid-day free musical offering!  
Now celebrating its 21st year!

This year's series is programmed by piano virtuoso Kyung-A Lee, and is sure to entertain with a program of local artists offering performances in different styles including classical, jazz & contemporary. This year's Music at Noon series is set at the picturesque Morgan House B&B just off Hwy. 60. Take a break from your day to enjoy the beautiful sounds and clean air that come from Muskoka.

## Schedule

**July 12 – Samantha Snowden (Jazz)**

**July 13 – HfA Performing Arts Scholarship Showcase (Various)**

**July 14 – Kashap String Quartet (Classical)**

**July 15 – Taryn Gray & Friends (Contemporary)**

**July 16 – Amy Wallace w Kyung-A Lee (Opera/Contemporary)**

These are in-person physically distanced concerts that will follow guidance and regulations set out by the Simcoe-Muskoka District Health Unit

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# HfA Summer Arts & Drama Camps

Join us for a week-long camp experiencing the fun and imagination of the theatre and visual art!

## Nature Art Camp

**JULY 19-23 • 8:30AM-4:30PM | Ages 7-12 | \$225 (Includes HST)**

Get creative in the great outdoors. Led by local teacher Alberta Robinet, participants will use organic and foraged materials to make whimsical works of visual art, all while learning about aspects of ecology and the environment.



## Drama Camp

**AUGUST 16-20 • 8:30AM-4:30PM | Ages 7-12 | \$225 (Includes HST)**

Led by theatre artist Christina Serra, this camp is designed to expand young people's creativity through the skillful use of theatre games, scene work, movement and song. The camp will culminate in an invited performance on the final day.

Activities will take place in the HfA Studio, 58 Main St. East (entrance across from River Mill Park) as well as outdoors, and social distancing between all campers will be maintained. Everybody is welcome; be it shy, confident, a preferred spectator or ready for the stage, if your child is interested in drama or creation or just being different, they have a place in HfA Art & Drama Camps!

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# Off The Beaten Path

**AUGUST 1 • 10AM-3PM**  
**RIVER MILL PARK | FREE**



A Free family friendly performances and art making activities inspired by the beauty of Muskoka. The experience begins with hands on art making activities using natural materials, and delicious food.

Following this, guests enjoy a delightful performance of *Les Moutons* by Corpus Dance Projects.

Meet Julie, Marie-louise, Bernadette and César, 3 healthy ewes and a young ram. Routine activities include: shearing, feeding, milking and many more... This truly innovative performance twists reality in surprising ways and takes audience interaction to new heights! Programmed in more than 100 festivals in over 25 countries, *Les Moutons* continues to amaze audiences all over the world.

**Concept: Sylvie Bouchard & David Danzon**

**Directed by: David Danzon**

**Costume Design: Joanne Leblanc**

**Premiered in 2003**

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# WE'RE GOING TO HAVE LIVE MUSIC OUTDOORS!

This summer we are thrilled to present our Fairgrounds Concert Series: a line up of intimate and exclusive acoustic concerts with incredible artists including Serena Ryder, Tim Hicks, The Trews, Hawksley Workman & more!

These concerts will take place under the open-air covered pavilion at the Huntsville Fairgrounds (407 Ravenscliffe Road).

These are in-person social distanced shows with a maximum audience capacity of 100. Concerts will follow guidance and regulations set out by the Simcoe/Muskoka District Health Unit and the Province's Reopening strategy.

## EAT, DRINK, AND BE MERRY...

Arrive early to enjoy delicious food and drink from local restaurants and producers in the NyDock outdoor Food & Drink Hub.



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## Order Ahead!

We are partnering with local restaurants to provide delicious meals on site. You can order ahead, and your meal will be delivered to you on site to enjoy before or during the concert.

Local restaurants include: Little Place by the Lights, The Good Food Co-Op, Main St. Local, Tall Trees Muskoka, Allora, 3 Guys and a Stove, Artisan House and the Huntsville Brewhouse. Meals are \$25/person which include a main course plus drink.



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# Hawksley Workman

**AUGUST 6 & 7 • 8PM**  
**HUNTSVILLE FAIRGROUNDS**  
407 Ravenscliffe Road  
\$60 Regular | \$55 Members (plus HST)

An intimate performance with Hometown Favourite Hawksley Workman!

A staple of the Canadian arts scene for almost 20 years, Workman boasts a catalogue of 15 solo releases showcasing his now signature spectrum of sonic influence, from cabaret to electro-pop to anthemic rock and plenty in between. The accolades amassed include JUNO nods and wins and widespread critical acclaim. As a producer, his fingerprints grace releases by JUNO and Polaris Prize nominees and winners like Tegan and Sara, Sarah Slean, Serena Ryder, Hey Rosetta!, and Great Big Sea. He's also penned melodies with a myriad of artists, from Oscar award winning Marion Cotillard (*La Vie en Rose*, *Inception*) to French rock icon Johnny Hallyday. Hawksley's touring career has seen him play nearly a thousand shows worldwide. He's headlined prestigious venues like Massey Hall in Toronto and The Olympia in Paris, and opened for heroes Morrissey, David Bowie, and The Cure.

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# OKAN

AUGUST 11 • 8PM

HUNTSVILLE FAIRGROUNDS | 407 Ravenscliffe Road

\$25 Regular | \$20 Members

*"...pushes Latin jazz into new and unexpected territories..."*  
– CBC Music

2021 JUNO AWARD WINNER – WORLD MUSIC ALBUM

Taking their name from the word for heart in the Afro-Cuban religion of Santería, OKAN, is a women-led ensemble that fuses Afro-Cuban roots with jazz, folk and global rhythms in songs about immigration, courage and love. OKAN is an award-winning contemporary Afro-Cuban roots and jazz duo.

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# Tim Hicks:

## Stripped Down

**AUGUST 13 & 14 • 8PM**  
**HUNTSVILLE FAIRGROUNDS**  
**407 Ravenscliffe Road**  
**\$100 Regular | \$92 Members**

An intimate acoustic performance with Country Superstar Tim Hicks!

Defining a genre with his sure-footed everyman approach, the platinum selling entertainer, has just released *Campfire Troubadour*, a seven-song collection available May 21st via Open Road Recordings. While Hicks has cemented deep roots in Canadian country music, his genesis as an artist began with humble beginnings, charming bar patrons nightly with a vast repertoire of solo acoustic material designed to please a crowd. *Campfire Troubadour* pulls from this model, reimagining Hicks' chart-topping sound for a more intimate setting, as much at home in a fireside jam as it would be in the unassuming rooms he once played.

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# The Fitzgeralds

**AUGUST 15 • 8PM**

**HUNTSVILLE FAIRGROUNDS | 407 Ravenscliffe Road**

**\$35 Regular | \$30 Members (plus HST)**

A family group consisting of fiddling and step dancing siblings – Tom, Kerry & Julie Fitzgerald. These siblings, from just outside of Canada's renowned Ottawa Valley, have come a long way from their small town roots. Featuring 3-time Canadian Grandmaster Fiddle Champions and Ontario Open Step Dance Champions, this unique act features high-energy fiddling and mind-blowing step dancing. It is the rare combination of exceptional musicianship, incomparable step dancing, audience interaction, evident love of performing, and genuine sibling connection that resonates with audiences of all ages and sets this group apart.



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# Broadway After Dark

**AUGUST 20 • 8PM**

**HUNTSVILLE FAIRGROUNDS | 407 Ravenscliffe Road**

**\$20 Regular | \$15 Members**

As the sun goes down, The Huntsville Theatre Company (HTC) comes out to play with a revue from musicals on the edge like Rocky Horror, Avenue Q, Book of Mormon and Rent.

Leave the kids at home for a dark & hilarious night of your favourite hits performed by incredible local talent in an intimate cabaret space.



# More Barn: The Music of Neil Young

**AUGUST 21 & 22 • 8PM**

**HUNTSVILLE FAIRGROUNDS | 407 Ravenscliffe Road**

**\$40 Regular | \$35 Members (plus HST)**

Are you ready for the Country? The sold out hit show is back!

A lively songbook night celebrating the music of Neil Young's legendary Harvest album. After 2 sold out shows in 2019, local musician Tobin Spring is back with some of Muskoka's top players bringing you hits like "Heart of Gold", "Old Man", "Harvest" and more!

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# Serena Ryder

**AUGUST 24 & 25 • 8PM**

**HUNTSVILLE FAIRGROUNDS | 407 Ravenscliffe Road**

**\$100 Regular | \$92 Members (plus HST)**

An intimate acoustic performance by platinum-selling vocal powerhouse Serena Ryder!

Toronto-based Serena Ryder is adored by fans, peers and critics alike, in part due to her raw and earnest songwriting, and beautifully electric live performances. She has received numerous accolades, including six prestigious JUNO Awards, a MuchMusic Video Award for Best Rock Video for "Stompa.", and a Canadian Screen Award for Achievement in Music–Original Song.

Her album, *The Art of Falling Apart* (released in March 2021), chronicles Serena's journey from mental illness to wellness. The album was written and recorded over 10 days, and the track listing allows the listener to follow Serena's creative process in a truly linear sense. Each song was recorded the day it was written, featuring raw, unprocessed vocals.

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# The Trews

**AUGUST 26 & 27 • 8PM**

**HUNTSVILLE FAIRGROUNDS | 407 Ravenscliffe Road**

**\$70 Regular | \$65 Members (plus HST)**

An intimate outdoor acoustic trio show with Canadian rockers The Trews.

The Trews are among the most prolific, electrifying, and innovative rock bands on the planet. The Nova Scotia-bred combo of singer/guitarist Colin MacDonald, guitarist John-Angus MacDonald, bassist Jack Syperek, and drummer Chris Gormley —songwriters all — has won universal acclaim for both their dazzling live performances and wildly accessible songs.

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# 2021-2022 HFA WINTER SEASON



## **The Nutcracker: A Canadian Tradition**

**November 20 | Algonquin Theatre**

Holiday magic is made year after year by Ballet Jörgen's traditional treasure  
The Nutcracker: A Canadian Tradition.

## **The Original Wailers**

**January 27 | Algonquin Theatre**

Bob Marley's legendary band featuring guitarist Al Anderson comes to Huntsville!

## **Tom Cochrane & Red Rider**

**January 29 | Deerhurst Resort**

Over the course of a long and illustrious career now spanning more than  
40 years, the pride of Lynn Lake, Manitoba rocks Deerhurst Resort.

## **The Washboard Union**

**February 3 | Algonquin Theatre**

Winner of the 2019 Juno for Breakthrough Artist of the year brings a show  
full of their chart topping singles.

## **ILL Abilities Dance Crew**

**February 18 | Algonquin Theatre**

Led by Montreal-based dancer/motivational speaker Luca "Lazylegz" Patuelli,  
this show features an all-star team of some of the world's best  
differently-abled break dancers.

## **Matt Andersen**

**March 20 | Algonquin Theatre**

A powerhouse performer with a giant,  
soul-filled voice and commanding stage presence.

## **Sinatra with Matt Dusk**

**May 1 | Algonquin Theatre**

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