



## ARTS & CULTURE GUILD

# Lower North Shore Arts & Culture Guild

Welcome to the virtual headquarters of the Lower North Shore's Arts & Culture Guild

## About Us

The Arts & Culture Guild is a vision developed by Ana Osborne, of the Netagamio Community Learning Centre, Adrienne Blattel, of the Quebec-Labrador Foundation and Marie Anderson, of Tourisme & Culture Chevery. The goal is to create an interdisciplinary group of artists of all mediums, open to members all across the Lower North Shore. The Guild would promote networking and mutual learning among professional and amateur artists, and appreciation of art among community members. It would permit local artists to share the responsibility of organizing arts-based programming for residents of the Lower North Shore, contributing to arts education, as well as the arts and culture based tourism industry. The Guild will work to facilitate existing efforts to develop an artists' network, and to celebrate the remarkable artistic talent along the Coast.

## Goals of the Guild

While the Guild remains in its preliminary stages, there are some clear goals of this proposed network, both short- and long-term:

- Hold monthly meetings for members that include artist demonstrations, planning for upcoming events or workshops, and newsletter content development, among other things.
- Hold workshops on a regular basis that are open to the public, that are focused on art education and technical instruction.
- Publish a newsletter on a bi-monthly basis that publicizes arts-based events or programming in the region, as well as shows off some of the work of members.
- Develop satellite galleries within the region, with 'floating exhibits' of members' work. This means that community gathering places (libraries, schools, restaurants, etc.) would become places to display community artwork, and even to sell artworks. These exhibits could also travel throughout the region, thereby exposing other Lower North Shore communities to the arts community.
- Participate in regional festivals, approximately 3-4 per year.
- Develop a website which fits the needs of the Guild, displays members' work, and provides links to members' individual websites.
- Contribute to the planning of Chevery's 2010 Festival for the Arts, Conference & Trade Show (July 26-31, 2010).
- Contribute to the planning of a sustainable artist-in-residence program for the Lower North Shore.

# Contact Us

We plan to set up an Arts & Culture mailing system shortly.

Please contact Ana Osborne at the Netagamiou Community Learning Centre for more details, and information on how to get involved in the Guild and be included on the mailing list:

Email: [netagamioucl@hotmail.com](mailto:netagamioucl@hotmail.com)

Website: [http://www.thelownorthshore.com/Arts\\_And\\_Culture\\_Guild](http://www.thelownorthshore.com/Arts_And_Culture_Guild)

The **Quebec Labrador Foundation** (QLF) ([www.qlf.org](http://www.qlf.org)) is a private, non-profit and charitable organization, incorporated in New York and in Quebec (the headquarters are in Montreal), whose mission is to support the rural communities and environment of Eastern Canada and New England and to create models of stewardship of natural resources and cultural heritage that can be applied worldwide.

The **Netagamiou Community Learning Centre** ([www.learnquebec.ca/en/content/clc/](http://www.learnquebec.ca/en/content/clc/)) strives to be a catalyst for positive change in students, families and the community by helping to cultivate a culture of lifelong learning, collaboration and capacity. Community Learning Centres are partnerships that provide a range of services and activities, often beyond the school day, to help meet the needs of learners, their families, and the wider community. Their aim is to support the holistic development of citizens and communities.

The mission of **Tourisme & Culture Chevery** is to encourage the sustainable development of the tourism industry, and to promote/preserve community culture and heritage.



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