

Notable AX

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Now that AX has opened our doors, we're ramping up our programming and looking forward to hosting various workshops and events at the centre. We're open Tuesday to Saturday, from 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m., so please stop by the gallery and take in our free art and museum exhibit, called "Jeepers Peepers".

Plein Air Weekend Workshop – July 22-23

We're pleased to offer a weekend "Plein Air" oil painting workshop with Theresa Mcknight, July 22-23. Plein air involves creating art outdoors, and instruction will take place at the AX centre and around the Sussex area, from 9:00 am to 4:00 pm on Saturday and Sunday, with participants working both inside and outside (weather permitting). Theresa lives in Saint Andrews-by-the-Sea where she is a teacher and regular workshop leader at Sunbury Shores Arts and Nature Centre. She will touch on such things as travelling with wet paints and paintings, colour mixing, and looking for areas of light and shadow. Enrolment for this workshop is limited and we must have a minimum number of participants registered before July 14 for the workshop to proceed. If you're interested, or know of others who might be, come into AX to register or drop us a line at info@axartscentre.ca. You can see a detailed workshop description and materials list at www.axartscentre.ca.

Youth Programs at AX

Whether you're filling your kids' summer calendars to capacity, scheduling a few educational days, or letting them kick back and relax, we hope you'll figure AX into your summer plans.

Free painting workshop, July 7

Bonny Hill, a professional artist and art educator, is offering a free painting workshop for children on July 7, from 1:00 – 3:00 p.m. at AX. This workshop is for kids aged 6 and older, working with their parent(s), caregivers(s), or older siblings. In keeping with the spring themed "Jeepers Peepers" exhibit in the main gallery, we'll be working with water colour and acrylic paints to create an impressionistic field of spring wildflowers. Wear old clothes and prepare to get messy! This workshop is part of the Sussex SummerFEST and is funded in part by the Government of Canada. There is limited enrolment for this free workshop – please reserve your place by visiting us at AX or contact us by email, info@axartscentre.ca.

AX Youth Camps July 24 – August 18

Do you worry about your kids' screen time? Would you like their days to be filled with engaging, creative play? AX is offering week-long camps for children aged 7-11 beginning July 24 and ending on August 18 at our centre, 12 Maple Avenue in Sussex. Each week-long camp will include lessons in art, drama, music, creative writing, physical activity, photography, science, and nature, presented by expert instructors such as Tammy Morris, Kelly Cooper, Bonny Hill, Phyllis Corbett, Kathy Hooper, and

Beth Powning, working with our summer student employees. Enrolment is for a full week at a time, with daily sessions running Monday - Friday, 8:30 - 3:00. A short presentation of participants' work will be held at the end of the day on Fridays. The cost per participant is \$125 per week, including materials. Kids are asked to bring a lunch and to wear comfortable clothes. Enrollment is limited and will be on a first come, first served basis, so don't delay! You can download a registration form at www.axartscentre.ca in the Workshops & Programs section, or visit the centre at 12 Maple Avenue to register in person, Tuesday to Saturday, 10:00 – 4:00.

Maybe your plan for the summer is not to have a plan. If you're out for a stroll and you happen by the AX building and find yourself wondering what's inside, come in and explore! Kids will love looking at the New Brunswick Museum's display of frogs, snakes, salamanders and turtles – make sure to look for the frogs that artist Darren Byers has hidden on his sculpture...

For more information about any of our programs, visit www.axartscentre.ca or simply drop by the AX front desk where you'll be greeted by our summer students. See you at AX!