

Notable AX
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What's happening at AX this December?

December 7, 7pm – Choice Cuts Open Literary Mic

Readings by authors near and far! Bring your 5-minute original writing of prose, poetry, and creative non-fiction, or just come to listen. Writers of all levels and ages, from beginner to professional, are encouraged to bring their original poetry or fiction to read, and there's no pressure. Readings are under 5 minutes each, and open mics are hosted by a local author who help guide the evening. Choice Cuts happens the first Thursday of every month – this month's host is Beth Powning.

December 13, 7pm – Let's Sing!

Join us at AX and Knocks Café for a free Holiday Sing-along event.

Sarah Hallyburton and Jane Achen have pulled this festive evening together and will lead the singing, and everyone and all ages are welcome. The café is normally closed on Wednesday nights, but Knocks is opening to serve beverages just for carolers!

December 22, Afternoon – Christmas Art Classes for Kids

Are your kids looking for something to do on the last day of school? School only goes until noon on Friday, Dec. 22, so why not bring your kids to AX while you finish your Christmas shopping!

12:30 – 2:00 pm Christmas Fun with Origami and Painting

2:30 – 4:00 pm The Art of Christmas

Two classes, ages 6-12, \$20 / class – get \$5 off if you register your child for both classes. There's a maximum class size of 15, so reserve your spot early. Must register by December 20.

In the Gallery

If you weren't able to join us for the launch of our latest exhibit, "Beneath the Surface: Selected Works," consider stopping by the gallery to check it out. This summer, a group of New Brunswick artists immersed themselves in the wonders of Fundy National Park for five days. They were given the time and space to develop new ideas as they experienced the natural landscapes of New Brunswick, stimulated by scientific processes that shape and change the natural world. The works shown as part of this exhibit are the result of those days spent learning from each other, park interpreters, and from the landscape itself.

These artists have pushed the boundaries of their regular practice and undertaken

substantial, ambitious work which will tour various galleries in New Brunswick. AX will host the exhibit until mid-January.

Kick AX Show

Thanks to everyone who came out to support AX's membership drive and fundraiser last month, and Phyllis Corbett, Cathy Healy and Bonny Hill in particular for organizing this great event again this year. Volunteers donated their time, businesses and artists donated their talents and goods, and we had a grand time, raising more than \$3,000 and signing on several new members. Thanks again!

Holiday Hours

AX's regular gallery hours are Tuesday-Wednesday, 10:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m., and Thursday-Saturday, 10:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m. During the holiday season, the gallery will be closed from December 24 – January 2, reopening on Wednesday, January 3. Note that Knocks Café will be open at some points between Christmas and New Year's, so be sure to check out their Facebook page for details. Have a safe and happy holiday.