

CALL FOR YOUTH ART

Showcase your creativity at the 2026 Youth Week Art Exhibit by submitting your artwork for a chance to be featured in this exciting community celebration. Submissions are open to all youth artists from March 23 through April 24, 2026. Follow @_hhyouth on Instagram to get all the updates or email jzanth@haltonhills.ca to be added to the email blast with more info!

GALLERY PROGRAMS

For Schools:

The Helson Gallery School Programs provide students with a unique opportunity to view and create art at Halton Hills' premiere public Art Gallery.



Our grade differentiated programs not only directly reinforce the requirements of the Ontario Curriculum in Visual Arts, but also offer opportunities for many other Curriculum connections. Students are introduced to the elements and principles of art, and apply the critical analysis process to communicate feelings, ideas and understandings.

Special Needs Groups:

The Inspirations Art Program was created to inspire an appreciation for art and artmaking for those with special needs. The program includes an opportunity to explore and discuss artwork in the Helson Gallery, followed by an art lesson in the studio where participants will create a beautiful piece of art to take home. By exploring art in a supportive and relaxed environment, this program addresses issues facing often marginalized people in our community through a fun and meaningful creative experience.



To book a program or for more details:

Email dchurchill@haltonhills.ca



Halton Hills Library & Cultural Centre

Located in the heart of Downtown Georgetown
9 Church Street, Georgetown, ON L7G 2A3
haltonhills.ca/gallery

Monday	Closed
Tuesday	Closed
Wednesday	9:30 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.
Thursday	9:30 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.
Friday	9:30 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.
Saturday	9:30 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.
Sunday	1:00 – 5:00 p.m.

Volunteer docents are present in the Gallery subject to availability.

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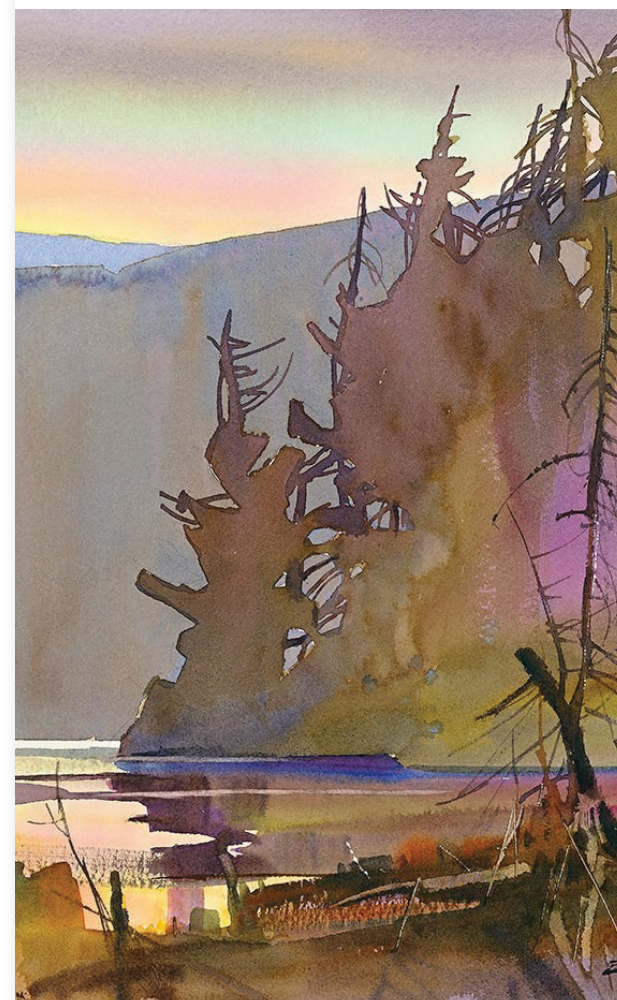
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ON VIEW WINTER 2026



Brian Atyeo, *Evening - Killarney Bay* [crop]

IN THE HELSON GALLERY

The Royal Collection Trust Project February 4 – March 1, Helson Gallery

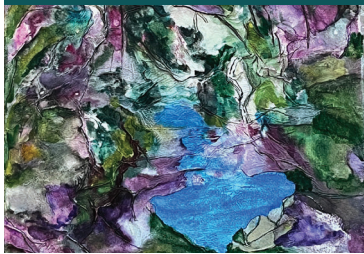
This exhibition showcases the final 25 contemporary Canadian watercolours that will complete the Royal Collection Trust Project, an initiative to create a body of 100 works within His Majesty King Charles III's Royal Collection. Don't miss this last opportunity to view them before they journey to England.

Closing reception: Join us on Sunday, March 1, from 1–3 p.m. at the Helson Gallery for a special send-off event.



David McEown, *Polar Bear n.8*, watercolour

The Colour of Water March 4 – May 10, Helson Gallery



Sheila J. Mitchell, *Hidden Lake*, Watercolour paper and inks

This year's annual local artist exhibition celebrates water, its life-giving power, its ability to shape landscapes, and its role in connecting communities. The exhibition highlights

waterways like the Credit River, whose enduring influence spans Indigenous heritage, settlement, industry, recreation, and conservation. Deadline to apply to this exhibition is Feb. 10, 2026. Stay tuned for events related to this exhibition!

IN THE SISNETT LOBBY

Afrofuturism - Embers of Solitude February 3 – March 1, Upper Lobby

Discover the work of Komi Olaf, a visual artist, writer, and poet born in Kaduna, Nigeria. His paintings use metaphor, symbolism, and cultural commentary to explore themes of decolonization through Afrofuturism, an artistic movement that reimagines African culture in relation to present and future technologies.



Komi Olaf, *Binta*

Artist talk: Join Komi Olaf on Tuesday, February 3 from 7:30–8:30 p.m. at the John Elliott Theatre. This is a free event for the public.

GDHS Art Show February 4 – March 1, Lower Lobby

Celebrate the creativity and talent of a selection of Georgetown District High School students. This exhibition showcases a diverse range of works, highlighting the imagination and skill of emerging young artists.

Between Generations: Abstract Expressions March 5 – April 6, Upper & Lower Lobby



Barbara Ariss-Stroh-Wasser, from *K64 to AI*

Explore the work of mother-and-son abstract artists Barbara Ariss-Stroh-Wasser and Derek Ariss. This exhibition offers a compelling visual dialogue, expressed through vibrant and conceptual abstract art. Together, their work creates a dynamic conversation—between artists, concepts, time, and the audience. Stay tuned for details on an opening reception and artist talk!

Norval Studios & Gallery April 7 – May 3, Upper & Lower Lobby

Local artists from Norval Studios & Gallery are celebrating their third anniversary as a cooperative in the historic St. Paul's Anglican Parish Hall in Norval. These artists create and display original works of art in this charming old heritage building once frequented by famous Canadian author, Lucy Maud Montgomery.



Barb Tate, *Spring Urn*, oil on canvas

Local artist Chris Cachia Mid-February to mid-May, Mayor's Showcase at Town Hall



Chris Cachia, *Deveraux*

Chris Cachia's work blends everyday realism with dreamlike, fantastical elements, drawing inspiration from magical realism and contemporary illustration styles. Working in mixed media and photography, Chris explores landscapes and popular culture.

WORKSHOPS

Drawing in the Gallery » Wednesdays from 1:00 – 3:00 p.m.

Connect with local artists and hone your figure drawing skills with these free, self-directed sessions in the Helson Gallery. Bring your own art supplies, dry media only. Runs until June 24, 2026.

Family Day – Art Drop-in » Monday, February 16 from 2:00 – 4:00 p.m.

Inspired by the current exhibition The Royal Collection Trust Project, participants will explore the use of colour-wash media and create their own original works of art to be used as a bookmark. All materials are provided. Children must be accompanied by an adult.