



ARTS & CULTURE ADVISORY COMMITTEE REPORT

REPORT ON 2025 ACTIVITIES
PLANNED ACTIVITIES FOR 2026
REQUEST FOR FUNDING - 2026

CURRENT MEMBERS (2022 – 2026 Term)

Chair – Janette Champ

Vice-Chair – Bev Hall

Secretary – Joy McEwen

Raymond Bach

Jackie Bellamy

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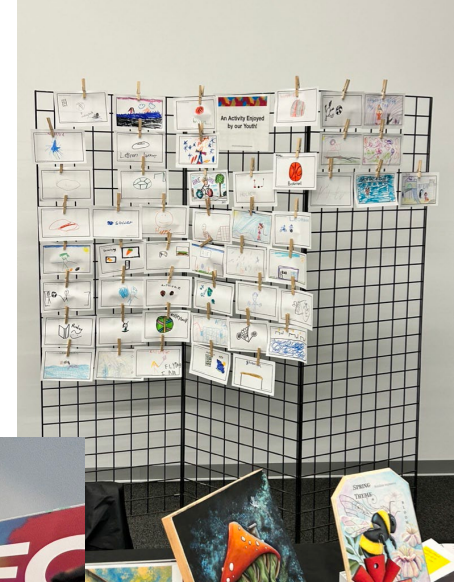
COUNCILOR LIAISON – Susan Lahey



Holding Hope Unveiled Oct 22, 2024

ACTIVITIES - COMMITTEE WORK

- Outreach – to meet with residents to promote Arts & Culture; engaging with children & adults
- Lunar New Year
- Celebrating the Arts
- New Neighbour Welcome
- Culture Crawl
- HALP Opening



ACTIVITIES - COMMITTEE WORK

- Call for Artists – Carnaby Park
- Continually updated the Arts & Culture Committee Website (Visual, Music, Performing, Writing)
- Arts and Culture committee continued to work with Economic Development to finalize the design of the paddle for recognition of local business milestones



ACTIVITIES - COMMITTEE WORK

- Raised funds for the Mayor's Youth & Community Initiative Fund by hosting an auction @ Celebrating the Arts
- Curate the Art display in the Civic Centre.
 - Art is available for purchase
 - 15% of sale proceeds goes to the Public Art Reserve



REPORT FOR 2025

- Hosted the first EG Culture Crawl
 - Organized by the Town's staff and volunteers
 - Worked with Economic Development to identify local businesses
 - Designed to promote EG's arts and culture during the Ontario Culture Days which took place from September 19 to October 12.
 - Involving local studios, businesses - featuring musicians, dancers, performing artists (local and others)

PLANS FOR 2026

1. Public Art Procurement

Provide advice to Council on:

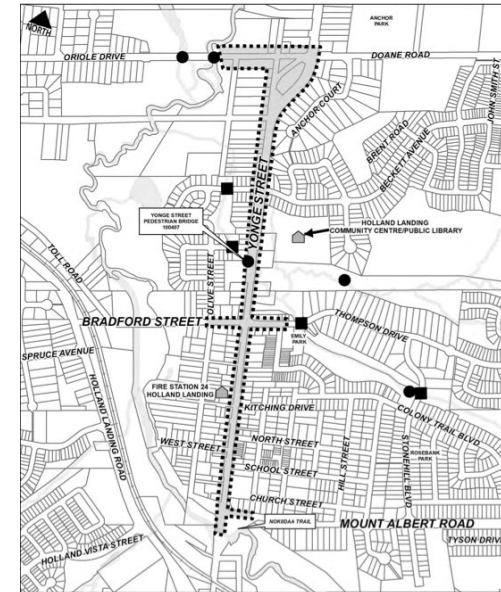
- Carnaby Park currently in process
- Health & Active Living Plaza
- Help to identify key Town locations for future installation of Public Art



Front Porch and View from Mixed Use Development

PLANS FOR 2026

2. Continue to provide advice to Council on planned Revitalization programs



PLANS FOR 2026

3. Community Engagement

- Outreach participation @ Town Events
- Continue the Paddle Project
 - Taking the project to EG elementary & secondary schools
- Supporting local artistic & cultural groups (visual artists, musicians, performers, writers)
- Hosting Art Exhibits at Civic Centre



FUTURE PLANS 2026

4. Working with Town Staff and consultants on creating an Arts & Culture Master Plan, establishing long term goals, working with Town Council, Town Staff, engaging other Committees, local groups and residents:
 - Targeting key areas of enhancement of arts and culture
 - Determining timelines

PLANS FOR 2026, Proposed Funding Disbursement

Operations Expenditure		\$1,000.00
Activities - Community Outreach & Engagement:		\$2,000.00
 Materials/Supplies  Contracted Services  Maintenance required on Civic Centre Garage Market Murals		
 Paddle Project: Paddles, purchase for resale 🎵 Elementary / Secondary School Activities		