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# 13<sup>TH</sup> ANNUAL FUNDRAISER LIVE AND SILENT ART AUCTION



## DONOR PACKAGE 2019

IN SUPPORT OF  
CREATIVE WORKS STUDIO

THE BERKELEY CHURCH  
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# BECOME A DONOR TO ONE OF TORONTO'S PREMIER ART AUCTIONS



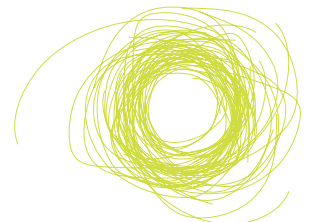
The Art Gems Annual Art Auction raises funds in support of Creative Works Studio, a community based rehabilitative therapeutic program offering healing and recovery through the creative arts for people living with severe and persistent mental illness. Creative Works Studio was founded in 1998 and pioneered by an Occupational Therapist and practicing artist who envisioned the benefit of combining an occupational therapy practice with the arts. The Studio is operated by Good Shepherd Non-Profit Homes with St. Michael's Hospital as a community partner.

## THE EVENT:

- Over 450 attendees, including industry leaders, corporate sponsors, donors, Toronto's top contemporary gallery owners, Art Gems artists, celebrities and our own Creative Works Studio members
- Delicious appetizers and wine at the fabulous Berkeley Church Event Venue
- Professional Auctioneer – Stephen Ranger, Vice President Development, Waddington's
- Sold out last 5 years

## THE ART:

- Thirty-five works of art in the Live Auction Collection created by some of Canada's most established, professional artists
- Retail value of each work \$1,000- \$10,000
- Thirty works of art in the Silent Auction, created by young, emerging artists and Creative Works Studio members
- Limited Edition Print for sale



# MENTAL HEALTH, THE ARTS, AND CREATIVE WORKS STUDIO MEMBERS



*“There is widespread agreement across the mental health community that recovery must be the goal of the Mental Health System”*

Michael Kirby, Founding Chair, Mental Health Commission of Canada

## WHAT WE DO

Our goal is to increase the profile of Creative Works Studio in our community and to raise funds to enable the studio to expand its facilities and services to those most in need. With your donation, we can make positive change in the lives of the many Studio members who experience healing, increased self-esteem, and the return of important life skills through their participation in the arts. The Studio is also actively involved in community and educational outreach as a means of disseminating information and reducing the stigma of mental illness.

## WHO WE HELP

- Individuals who live with mental illness & addiction challenges, 18 years of age +
- 95% of members improve their life skills and sense of well-being through increased productivity, participation, and socialization, while sharing in the studio environment
- 25% of members return to full or part-time work, or school, or have decreased their hospital time

*“For me the studio is my everything! It’s a refuge from my loneliness and motivates me to express my feelings through my paintings. All the members work as a team. We support and help each other.”*

Rita Lazakis, Creative Works Studio Member

## WHY WE DO IT

1 in 5 in Canada living with mental illness



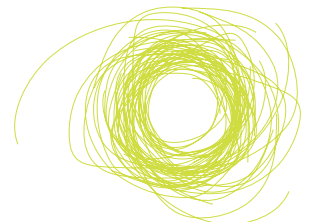
Cost/person/day for in-patient care in Toronto Mental Health Facility \$1700-\$2000



Cost/person/3hr session at Creative Works Studio - \$85



By age 40, in Canada, nearly 50% of the population will have or have had a mental illness



## MEET TWO OF OUR STUDIO MEMBERS



Linda Monteith Gardiner – Linda is a photographer, filmmaker and visual artist who sees herself as a “Schizoaffective Translator” i.e., she uses art to show others what it means to have the disorder. Born and raised in small town Ontario she has a BA in French literature and linguistics and worked in adult education for many years despite her illness. Her documentary film, “The Valedictorian” has been screened in a number of venues including the University of Toronto, St Michael’s Hospital and the Trillium Health Partners. Her graphic novel, “Me, At Home With the Cameras”, which details in paintings her psychotic episodes, sold out its first printing. It will be reprinted in the near future.



*“Over the years being a member of the Creative Works Studio has enabled me, through the creative process, to reframe my illness and come to terms with it. I have grown enormously as both an artist and someone living with Schizoaffective Disorder. CWS not only saved my life – it gave me a new one (a much cooler one than I had before) I will always be grateful for the opportunities it has provided me.”*

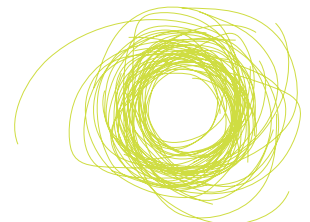
Linda Monteith Gardiner

Lawrence Rutherford is an artist, whose paintings are simultaneously expressive abstracts and other-worldly dreamy floral escapes. From his playful wardrobe to his abstract and mathematical way of thinking and writing, he is in every way an artist. Born and raised in Chicago, Lawrence also spent some formative years in Michigan before returning to Chicago in 2001 to study at the School of the Art Institute of Chicago. He moved to Toronto in 2005, and in 2013 joined Creative Works Studio after experiencing a spectrum of struggles, including mental illness and poverty. Lawrence is now a senior member of Creative Works Studio and a recent recipient of a Bursary. In September 2016, he began attending classes at the Ontario College of Art and Design University.



*“Creative Works Studio offered me a refuge from a life of problems and mental health struggles. Upon becoming a member, I suddenly had someplace to go, a place to be safe, and a place where I could learn new things. What a joy to have professionals and peers be a part of my life, and my journey to recovery. To know that “you’re not alone” is a priceless treasure.”*

Lawrence Rutherford



# ART GEMS 2019 LIVE AUCTION GALLERIES AND PROFESSIONAL ARTISTS



## Select 2019 Galleries and Professional Artists

### Back Gallery Project, Vancouver

Fernanda Levine

### Bau-Xi Gallery

Erin Armstrong  
Joshua Jensen Nagle  
Kathryn Macnaughton  
Janna Watson

### Division Gallery

Simon Hughes  
Alex McLeod



*Kathryn Macnaughton*

### General Hardware Contemporary

Scott Everingham  
Caroline Larsen

### Ingram Gallery

Ryan Dineen

### Roberts Gallery

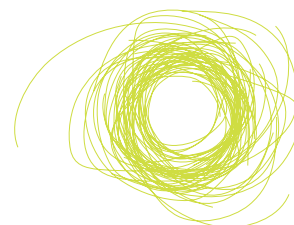
John Lennard  
David Marshak  
Bewabon Shilling



*John Lennard*

## ART GEMS 2019 EMERGING ARTISTS SILENT AUCTION

A silent auction of some of Canada's most exciting up-and-coming young artists.



# EVENT COMMITTEE



## Honourary Chairman

The Honourable Michael Wilson P.C., C.C.

## Co-Director

Judy Allen

## Co-Director

Josette Lamoureux

## Art Committee Co-Chairs

Kim Edmonds

Caitlin McCullough

## Art Committee

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## Development Committee

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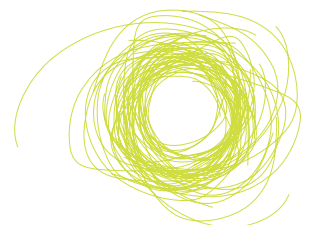
## Creative Lead of Creative Works Studio

Bernadette Wycks

## Chief Operating Officer,

Good Shepherd Non-Profit Homes Inc.

Nancy Garner



# BECOME A STEP UP DONOR OF ART GEMS 2019



We invite you to join our Step Up Donor campaign to help Art Gems 2019 reach our goal of raising \$175,000.

## DONATION LEVELS

### \$5,000

Your name listed in our auction catalogue, on a stair riser and event banner at the Berkeley Church and on our website.  
Eight Tickets to Art Gems

### \$2,500

Your name listed in our auction catalogue, on a stair riser and event banner at the Berkeley Church and on our website.  
Six Tickets to Art Gems

### \$1,000

Your name listed in our auction catalogue, on a stair riser and event banner at the Berkeley Church and on our website.  
Four Tickets to Art Gems

### \$500

Your name listed in our auction catalogue, on a stair riser and event banner at the Berkeley Church and on our website.  
Two Tickets to Art Gems

**CHARITABLE RECEIPTS WILL BE ISSUED TO THE MAXIMUM ALLOWABLE AMOUNT.**





**Please make your donation online at [artgems.ca](http://artgems.ca) or complete and submit this form.**

The financial structure for Art Gems (donations and tax receipts) will be managed through the Good Shepherd Non-Profit Homes Inc.

## STEP UP & DONATE FORM

### DONOR LEVELS

\$5,000

\$2,500

\$1,000

\$500

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Good Shepherd Non-Profit Homes Inc.  
Charitable registration no.  
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### MAIL TO:

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Toronto, ON M5A 1V2

**Your tax receipt will be issued by Good Shepherd Non-Profit Homes Inc.**

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