



Lake Chelan Arts Council
What we do and who we serve!

The Lake Chelan Arts Council was founded in 1985 to unite and promote the visual and performing arts and enriching life in the Chelan Valley through the arts. The Lake Chelan Arts Council serves as an umbrella to support all forms of art and culture in the valley.

Board Members: A volunteer board carries forward the work of the Arts Council. Current board members are: Ronna Currier, Mark Tesch, Mary Watson, Mary Ann Warren, Barb Koenig, Virginia Murphy, Rena Utterstrom, Lisa Garvich and Connie McKellar. They are elected for three year terms at the annual meeting held each Spring.

Membership: Arts Council membership is open to anyone interested in the arts. The funds raised from memberships go to support the local arts community. If you are interested in supporting the arts with your membership please contact any board member or go the Arts Council website at <http://artinchelan.com/>.

Lake Chelan Outdoor Gallery: The Arts Council has been the leader in the development and maintenance of the Lake Chelan Outdoor Gallery, with the ongoing support of the City of Chelan and the Lake Chelan Chamber of Commerce. The Gallery includes original sculptures from local artists including Jerry McKellar, Mark Strain, Shannon Farnham, and Richard Beyer. The Arts Council has purchased seven sculptures which are part of the permanent collection. In addition the Gallery highlights the Mural Project developed by the Lake Chelan Chamber about 20 years ago. This past year the community has restored the murals. A complete list and locations of Outdoor Gallery displays can be found at the Chamber.

Grants and Sponsorships: Funds raised by the Arts Council are used to support the local cultural activities and provide art scholarships to youth. Grants have been given to: Bach Fest, Lake Chelan School District, Chelan Valley Players, Earth Day, the Lake Chelan Chamber Mural Project, and student art class scholarships. If a local group is interested in finding out more about grants and scholarships and want the application form, can visit the Arts Council Website.

Facebook, websites and the Media: If you want to keep up with the arts community then please like us on Facebook at [Art In Chelan](#), visit our new website at artinchelan.com, listen to our live report on KOZI the first Tuesday at 8:45 Am, or watch for Ronna Currier's regular column on GoLakeChelan which highlights current happenings in the arts community. All media is open to our arts community partners.

Art Classes for Kids and Adults: Each summer the Arts Council offers art classes to both kids and adults. "Kids Art in the Park" included 5 art classes in 2015. Many thanks to our teachers Pamela Schmidt, Parrie Pleyte, Concie Luna and Kelli Horner who donated their time and talents. The adult classes are sponsored in cooperation with Main Street Gallery and you may contact Barb at 509-682-9781 for more information.

Lake Chelan Creative Arts Festival: For the past six years the major fund raiser for the Arts Council was the Lake Chelan Fine Arts Festival and Art by the Foot Silent Auction. We have now changed the concept for the Festival and will be holding a one day Creative Arts Festival which will include not only original art and crafts but also vintage market and antiques. In addition we will also have a kids area, food, and a beer garden. The Festival will be held on the Third Saturday of August (August 20). The Arts Festival has had strong support from community sponsors including: Lake Chelan Rotary, North Cascades Bank, Lake Chelan Chamber of Commerce, and KOZI.

You can be part of the Lake Chelan Arts Council. The Council is always looking for new ideas and new people interested in the arts, so please contact us if you would like to learn more or be part of this very active group.

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