Alliston Community Mural Project: Our Legacy of Agriculture



The South Simcoe Arts Council is working with local artists, Greg & Sue Hindle, to produce a community mural based on the theme *Our Legacy of Agriculture*. We are inviting local emerging artists and students in grades 7 and up to participate in creating the mural. It will be painted on three panels to be installed along a fence on the property of the Alliston Feed Service. The mural will tell the story of our agricultural legacy and celebrate the 20th anniversary of the Alliston Feed Mill under its present ownership. It will create a focal point along Albert Street.



Alliston Feed Service has a long history in the community dating back to the early 1870's when it was established as a grain elevator. As the population grew, grain elevators expanded and became important to business, serving the needs of Alliston's agricultural community.

The Mural design concept has been developed using actual historical photographs to inspire an appreciation of our agricultural legacy through visual storytelling. The final concept will be scanned, enlarged and divided into grid sections, to be printed and used as reference for painting.

We are excited to work with Honda of Canada Mfg. and the Alliston Feed Service on this project to offer emerging artists and students the opportunity to add their brushstrokes to the mural. Emerging artists and the students will be guided through the process building technical skills in design, composition, tone and colour mixing.

The Gibson Cultural Centre has contributed space to carry out the mural painting workshops and house the murals while in production. The mural painting workshops will be held at the Gibson Centre in July at no cost to students.

September 2015: The mural will be installed on the fence at the Alliston Feed Service and a

public unveiling will be held in conjunction with the 20th anniversary

celebration.



This mural will tell the story of our agricultural legacy – from early settlers, through the 20th century and its innovations, to modern farming.

Summer mural painting workshops will be held at the Gibson Centre in July. Spaces are limited. To register, please call (705) 716-6394 or email

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