

# Embellishments

March 2024

We amazed the Craft Council staff once again by taking down our exhibition in record time, including having a couple of toasts and nibbly bits. We started at noon, and I know I was home with my pieces back on the wall, and my feet up by 3:20 pm. I know they didn't believe me when I told them to just leave everything where it was, and to just put up a couple of tables and some extra chairs and that we would probably be done by 2 pm, but we were. When Jewel and I left, and we were the last ones out, Brin was spackling the nail holes and getting ready to paint the walls for the next show. We now hold the record for the number of visitors to the gallery for the time of year, and the record number of visitors to the Instagram Artist talk, and the record number of viewers to the Virtual Tour! I think we have impressed the Craft Council. It was a lot of work, but well worth it!

The Virtual Tour will remain accessible until the end of the summer, so share it with your friends. Enjoy the boasting rights! <https://matterport.com/discover/space/q2YYzC2iDj2>

On Wednesday NTV showed up because Gillian Brown suggested to them that they should see the show when they contacted her about the big book sale. It was too bad they didn't come earlier because we had so many people coming in on Friday, after the segment was shown on Thursday evening. <https://ntv.ca/your-community-craft-council-gallery/>

Some of our members went and tried to teach some Guides how to do cross stitch. Some of the kids were more successful than others, but there may be a couple who check out our Youth Guild. Thank you to all the members who went and had an 'entertaining' evening with the Guides, and Jewel for designing and preparing the kits for the girls.

Jewel sent out the info on this month's program in the past week so check your emails for all the details.

The next EDGE dates are April 11<sup>th</sup> at the Paul Reynolds Center from 10 am to 3 pm. and we have an evening EDGE coming up on April 18<sup>th</sup> at Torbay History House. Barb will have more details on Tuesday at the meeting.

As we all know, or some of us know and it is news to some, the guild holds an auction every 3 years or so to raise funds to help subsidize workshops and other guild activities. We really should have the next auction in the fall of 2025, so we need someone to chair the auction committee. Jewel did it the last time, but she will be President in 2025 so her plate will be full so she can't do it again, but she will certainly share what she learned with the new volunteer(s).

KJ has come up with a great idea. She is proposing that we have a silent auction of kits and materials that members have in their stashes, and some of us have large stashes of things we probably will never touch. So, look through your stash and find what you know you won't use and donate it to the guild for a silent auction of treasures that we will hold next October. Make room in your stash for a new treasures by passing on treasures that you know you no longer need. KJ has volunteered to take care of this event so pass your kits etc. on to her.

We have dates for Seminar 2027, The MUN conference Center has studied the dates and our suggested dates and we are now scheduled for **Wednesday, June 16 to Wednesday, June 23, 2027** for the Embroiderers Association of Canada Seminar – The Art of the Needle! So mark your calendars!

I think that covers everything for this month, I am looking forward to seeing everyone on Tuesday at the Shriner's Center,

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