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## Words of Wisdom

"Ideas are like rabbits. You get a couple and learn how to handle them and pretty soon you have a dozen" John Steinbeck

## Program Lineup 2025

- **March 17:** Meeting – *Piece by Piece and Banner Projects Due, New Piece by Piece Challenge, Fibre Fling Review, Presentation on Photographing Artwork Using Everyday Lighting and Props, More Brown Bag reveals*
- **April 21:** Meeting – *Fibre Fling Review, Busy Hands Projects: Twigs and Yarn Brooch, Fabric Balls*
- **May 19:** Meeting – *Art Framing presentation, Post Fibre Fling update*
- **June 16:** Meeting – *Bring in a small art piece - we'll chat about them in small groups*
- **July 21:** Meeting – *Give away, Bring a piece of art need help with*
- **August 18:** Meeting – *Field trip to Remic Rapids*

**We're really looking forward to gathering in person — it's been too long!**

### 🌟 **Brown Bag Challenge:**

Have you created a Brown Bag challenge masterpiece that hasn't been revealed yet? Bring it in — we'd love to see it!

### 📷 **Photography Presentation:**

Our photography presentation will feature tips on utilizing your smartphone's camera. Please take a moment to familiarize yourself with its capabilities beforehand.

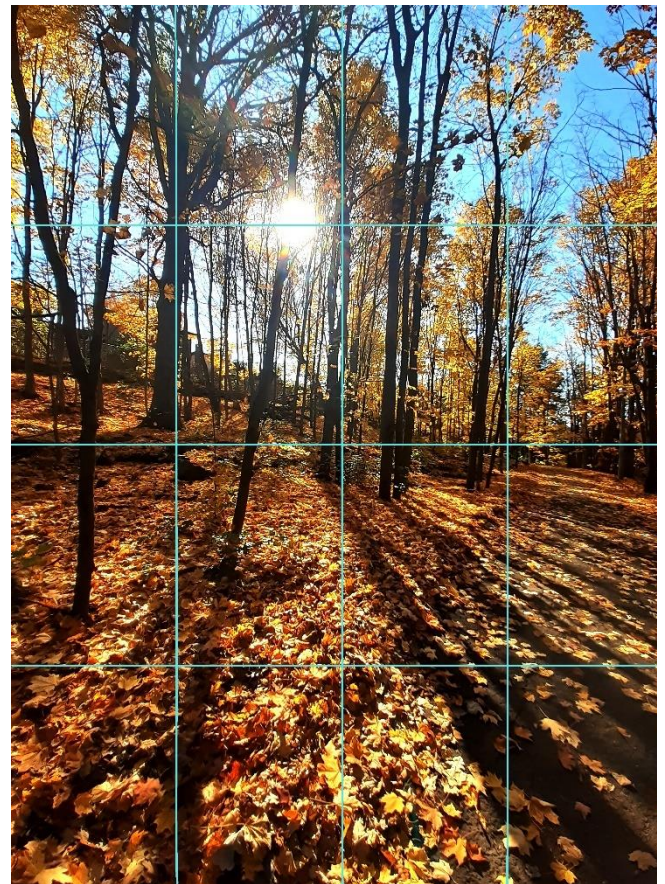
### 🧵 **April Meeting Preview:**

The April meeting will feature two fun "busy hands" projects. We'll send an email with the supply list closer to the date — stay tuned!

See you soon!  
Wendo and Sandy

## Piece x Piece!

While we are handing in our Spring Piece by Piece at the March meeting, I will be handing out the Fall Piece by Piece panels. It's a lovely picture that Sandy took and represents our Ontario Autumn in all its glory! Here's a sneak peak!



You can sign out which panel you'd like to do at the meeting.

If you've already done a piece by piece, please let those who haven't done one have first go at it. If by chance, we need volunteers to take any left overs, then you can jump in and take! As usual each panel is 6.75" by 9" and we need a 1/2" border around your piece in order to sew it together. It will be due at the September meeting. For your spring PxP hand in...make sure to have your name, panel # and panel orientation on the back.

Cheers, Wendo

**Member Exhibitions**

Katherine Fletcher has provided the following information about her upcoming shows. They should be wonderful.

**1: Spring Fling annual Juried show, March 3 – 16<sup>th</sup>** at Kanata Civic Art Gallery, 2500 Campeau Drive, Kanata

**Vernissage: Sunday March 9, 3-4:30**  
Katharine is thrilled to be juried in because it's the first time she's entered her Eco-Dyed Botanical Prints – two of which were accepted into this show!

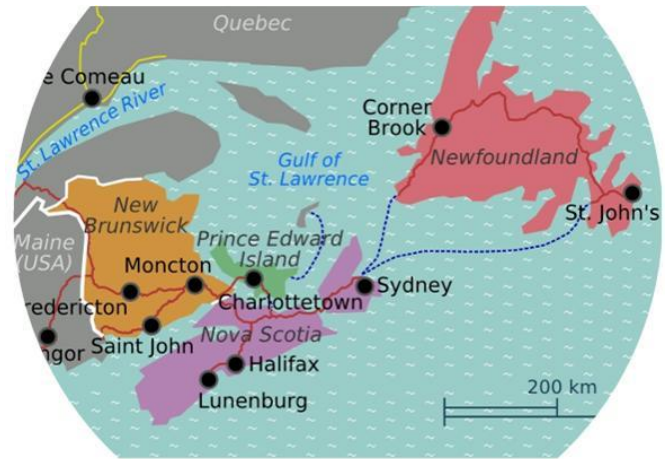
**2: DRAW (Dumoine River Artists for Wilderness GROUP show, March 3- - April 26** at Café 349, 349 Main Street, Shawville, Quebec

**Vernissage: to be announced**  
This exhibits works inspired by DRAW artists during their wilderness camping retreat "Up the Dumoine River"

**3: ARTWRK: virtual art show, May 1 to 15<sup>th</sup> it may be a bit longer**

*Organized through Creative Canadians Ontario/Quebec – a spinoff from Nicholas Wilton's Art2Life Academy, Katharine will be showing several artworks online. Check our OOTB Facebook page for details.*

Katharine Fletcher  
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OOTB Member Lorraine Lacroix shared information prepared by her friend Rémi Lévesque, also a rug hooker, who has created lists that provide tons of very useful links and information about fibre art related businesses and more. With Spring arriving soon and people planning their Summer trips, maybe think about travelling to the East coast Canada and checking out some of the places found in the list in [Atlantic Roadtrip](#)

On another note from Lorraine, I will unfortunately not be able to attend/participate in this Spring Fibre Fling. I wish all the team a good exhibit! Perhaps in the Fall!

**Planning Committee**

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**Going to the Maritimes this Summer?**