

Meetings....

Members are encouraged to attend meetings, participate in activities, and offer their support, to enrich the experience of all society members. Exploring art with like-minded individuals is very rewarding.

Shows & Events

We hold art shows and sales a few times a year, when possible, with the main and most prestigious show being our Annual Juried Show & Sale, held at the Chase Gallery in May. This show attracts the highest caliber entrants whose work is judged by qualified professionals in the field. Awards are presented in various categories at the opening reception. The reputation and quality of the paintings in this event has grown and developed over the years to produce what is now a premier event.

“Paint the Same” is a society activity that involves choosing one photo to use as reference and having the artists each paint their own version of the image. They then get to share their work and see how each artist is developing their own style and perspective. Each artwork is unique.

“Not-for-profit
Support Group
for Artists at All
Levels”



Contemporary Art Society

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Website: contemporaryart.ns.ca

Instagram: [@c.art.soc](https://www.instagram.com/c.art.soc)





Membership

Membership is \$30 a year. New members are always warmly welcomed! Applications are available on our website. You are invited to come to one of our meetings as a guest and see what we are all about. If you decide to join, payment may be made at the meeting or mailed in later. The annual renewal date for membership is September of each year.

With membership you are entitled to participate in our meetings, vote for Executive and Committee Members, join in on activities and enter shows. As with any society, each member's contribution has been, and continues to be, critical and essential in creating and influencing the outcome of the group's future.

History

The Contemporary Art Society (CAS) had its start in March of 1973, when two artist friends put a call out for artists. The original membership consisted of 25 people, many of whom were established artists. CAS has been supporting artists for 50 years!

A primary ambition for the group was to have each member be an active, participating artist, no matter their skill level. The purpose of the group was to bring artists together in order to stimulate, challenge, and encourage each other to develop their creative abilities. These principles still hold true for the society today.

Our first annual show was held in



September of 1973 at the School of Architecture. It opened to positive reviews in the press. There was a wide range of mediums, styles, and subject matter on display.

Over the years there have been many changes in the society, however, the basic concept has remained the same, and the support of the artistic community has remained strong.

Meetings

We meet September through June on the first Monday of each month at Fairview United Church Hall, 3524 Dutch Village Rd, from 1-3 pm. Dates may change due to holidays and occasional cancellations.

Each meeting begins with a short business section, where business and society matters are discussed. For the rest of the meeting, artists will either hear from Guest Speakers, who are well known professional painters, sculptors, ceramists, photographers, muralists, authors, and other creative individuals or participate in a planned activity or event.

The society conducts activities of interest to the membership throughout the year such as: "Paint the Same" and "Painting Exchange".