

# COMMUNITY ARTS ONTARIO



CAO: Connecting the arts, artists and people across Ontario from urban, rural and remote communities.

CAO: ...strives to facilitate broader and more inclusive definitions of community and community arts; provide network exchange and professional development opportunities for community art practitioners; provide support for marginalized communities.



Weaving Tapestries, Hamilton

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An Arts Service Organization  
BUILDING BRIDGES THROUGH PARTNERSHIPS



## WHAT WE DO....

- Assist and co-facilitate a **Professional Development and Showcase Gathering** hosted by a different community every year.

- **Publications, reports, newsletters, web-sites** about community arts activities.

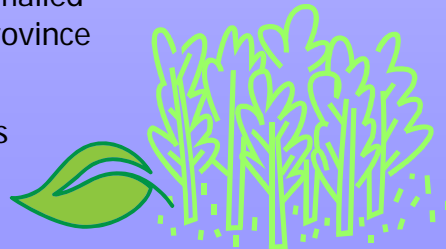
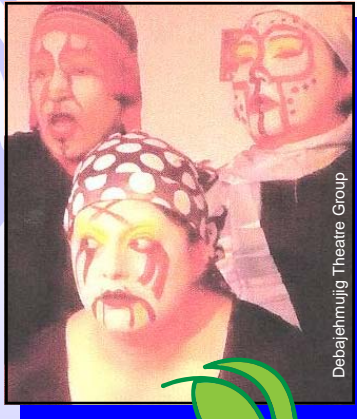
- **Other Arts Workshops & Networking:** We can provide training in "community arts" or arts management based on the needs of your community

- **Group Benefits and Liability Insurance** provided to member organizations and individuals.

- **Website** (communityartsonario.ca) offers information on community arts and opportunities for interactive discussions.

- **Online Services:** Email updates on community arts activities emailed to 500 across the province and beyond.

- **Advocacy** on issues important to the arts community.



TOGETHER: STANDING STRONG & UNITED

## Community Arts Ontario

...is a provincial **SERVICE ORGANIZATION** comprised of arts service organizations, cultural centres, community arts groups, municipalities, artists and public supporters.



## Current Project....

**Breathing Northwinds** is a project of Community Arts Ontario and Debajehmujig Theatre Group. The project will:

- Provide support to a network of arts organizations, artists and supporters in Northern Ontario; Build relationships among northern arts communities; Enable northern arts communities to resource each other and meet their own needs.



## Become a CAO Member!

Fill out a membership form online at <http://www.communityartsonario.ca/about/> and take advantage of the benefits that your CAO membership has to offer!

- Discounted registration fees to all our activities.
- 50% reduced liability insurance fees.
- Eligibility for Group Employee Benefits.
- Emailed newsflashes on issues of relevance to the community arts sector.
- Free copies of CAO publications.
- Workshops and training sessions tailored to the specific needs of your regional organization.
- Access to a network of community arts organizations and practitioners.
- Vote at CAO's Annual General Meetings.
- Eligibility to run for CAO Board of Directors: you may have the skills the CAO Board needs.



Diane Roberts, Weaving Tapestries



Be part of a growing movement devoted to the ongoing evolution of community arts practice in Ontario and around the world.