

Central Cariboo Arts and Culture Society Report on the Fourth Quarter of 2019 to the Central Cariboo Joint Committee Meeting of February 26, 2020.

This is our report for the fourth quarter of 2019, covering the period of October 1st to December 31st.

1. Programming and Activities

- The **Fee-for-Service Management Committee's** recommendations were reviewed and approved by your committee on October 23rd. We have sent out notification letters and agreements for signatures.
- We continue to work on the launch of our **new grants program**. The first application deadline will be May 15th.
- The Community Arts Council of Williams Lake has been busy working on sponsorships and an artist line-up for this year's **Performances in the Park**.
- We continue to work on preparing a condensed version of Graham Kelsey's **report on the development of arts and culture in the Central Cariboo**. Of course, the 36-page academic report is available to you upon request.
- We continue to produce **monthly arts and cultural event postcards** that are distributed at various locations within the community.

2. The Central Cariboo Arts Centre

We have awarded a new janitorial contract to Bev's Magic Brooms at the Arts Centre. While this contract comes with a significant increase in cost, we are very happy with the quality of service we have received so far. Our previous contractor was not doing their job to a reasonable standard, and we felt that the Arts Centre was degrading as a result.

We are reviewing our expenses for the Arts Centre, which continue to increase on an annual basis, especially utilities. We were surprised by the City's water and sewer bill this year, which we have never previously received.

There were approximately 1678 visits to the Arts Centre for a rental event during this quarter. This quarter was the first time the Open Studio has been so close to equalling the number of bookings in the Graham Kelsey (GK) Room; the Open Studio (OS) is definitely gaining popularity as a rental space. Arts bookings well outnumber non-arts bookings; 8.6% of total bookings this quarter were non-arts. (Table 1).



	Q4 2019		
	GK Room	Open Studio	Total
Total number of organisations booking	14	14	20
Total number of bookings	39	37	76
Arts / Non-arts bookings	36/3	34/3	70/6
Youth / All-ages	1/38	1/36	2/74
Total number of participants (approx.)	1200	478	1678

Table 1. Bookings at the Arts Centre over the Fourth Quarter, October 1st to December 31st, 2019

Non-profit, free arts events made up 56% of the 70 arts related bookings in quarter 4. There were more private and non-profit charged arts events in the Open Studio than the Graham Kelsey room.

3. Organizational Matters

We submitted a nomination to the President's Award for Distinguished Service by UBC Emeriti for Graham Kelsey. Unfortunately, he was not selected for this year's award.

Respectfully Submitted,



Harry Jennings, President

