

Making art spaces accessible to mental health consumer survivors in the Greater Toronto Area

# AGENCIES WITH ART STUDIOS IN THE GREATER TORONTO AREA

# ADELAIDE RESOURCE CENTRE FOR WOMEN

## In association with Fred Victor Mission

The centre offers a safe, welcoming place for homeless women. The goal is to aid women who are socially alone and isolated or who are in need of assistance. Homeless women get help with healthcare, housing, life skills and join social activities, including the art programs.

## Location:

67 Adelaide St. East Toronto, ON M5C 1K6 **Phone:** 416-392-9243

Email: wdp@fredvictor.org

## Hours of operation:

Sketching-: Thursdays 11:00am - 1:30pm Fabric: Monday-Friday 10:30am-noon

## **ART EXPRESSIONS**

## In association with Madison Community Services & VanDuzer Art Studio

The Art Expressions program works from within the mental health Recovery Model principles to provide clients with meaningful opportunities to socialize, develop important life skills, build community and engage in a healing creative process.

#### Location:

210 Dundas St. West 4<sup>th</sup> floor Toronto, ON M5G 2E8



## Hours of operation:

Tuesdays 1:00 am - 4:00 pm at VanDuzer Art Studio 196 Beverley St.

#### Contact:

Guadalupe Marquina 416 – 977 – 1333 info@madisoncs.org

# ARTHEART COMMUNITY ART CENTRE

## In association with

## **Daniels Spectrum Paintbox**

Through the programs, ArtHeart provides participants with a supportive environment in which they can create, learn, build self-esteem and develop life skills. By putting their hands and imaginations to work, participants are empowered to improve their quality of life.

#### Location:

585 Dundas St. East Studio 210 Toronto, ON M5A 2B7 **Phone:** 416-203-0034

## Hours of operation:

Wednesdays 5:30 - 8:30 pm Thursdays 12:00 - 7:00 pm

## **ART OPEN STUDIO**

# In association with Sanctuary

The Arts - music, drama and visual arts - which play an important role in the life of our community, provide a means for self-expression and self-realization and are a medium by which we have connected with others.

#### Location:

25 Charles Street East Toronto, ON M4Y 1R9 (Studio is in the basement .)

## Hours of operation:

Thursdays 10:30 am - 1:00 pm

#### Contact:

Lyf Stolte 416 – 922 – 0628 ext. 215 lyfs@sanctuarytoronto.ca

## **CREATIVE SPIRIT ART CENTRE**

The Creative Spirit Art Centre provides art education and studio space for people with disabilities. It is dedicated to advancing their creative power through all forms of art.

#### Location:

999 Dovercourt Rd. Toronto, ON M6H 2X7 **Phone:** 416-588-8801

#### Hours of operation:

Tuesday to Friday 10 a.m. – 5 p.m. Open Saturdays for scheduled events.



## **CREATIVE VILLAGE ART STUDIO**

# In association with Community Living Toronto

Creative Village Art Studio offers art and photography classes as well as drop in studio time for all ages. The vision at Creative Village Art Studio is to provide a supportive space for artists with varying abilities in order to enrich lives through creative expression.

#### Location:

4895 Dundas Street West Etobicoke, ON M9A 1B2 **Phone:** 647 – 351-4362

#### Hours of operation:

Monday to Friday: 10:00 am - 6:00pm

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#### **CREATIVE WORKS STUDIO**

In association with

## St. Michael's Hospital

The Creative Works Studio is an occupational therapy arts based community program that helps individuals living with mental health challenges heal and cope through the power of artistic expression.

Services Provided: Occupational Therapy, Visual Arts, Creative Work Opportunities, Visiting Artists from the Community.

#### Location:

793 Gerrard St. Toronto ON M4M 1Y5 **Phone:** 416 – 465 – 5711

# FRED VICTOR CREATIVE ARTS PROGRAM

## In association with Fred Victor Mission

Fred Victor's Creative Arts Programs are a gateway to learning, trust, self-esteem, belonging and improved mental health. The Arts Program is a safe, supportive space for artists to create their masterpieces in a group setting.

#### Location:

145 Queen St. East Toronto, ON M5A 1S1 **Phone:** 416-369-1199

## Hours of operation:

Tuesdays 1:30 to 3:30pm

### FRIENDSHIP CLUB

#### In association with

## **Woodgreen Community Services**

Friendship Club runs a range of activities that the group members decide on. Groups include women's beading/jewellery making, guitar workshop (Tuesday and Thursday mornings 9:30 - 11:00), games, a meal, karaoke and arts and crafts.

#### Location:

650 Queen St. East Toronto, ON M4M 1G5 **Phone:** 416-469-5211

## Hours of operation:

## Call in for hours.

#### Contact:

Gillian Edwards housing@woodgreen.org



## **INSPIRATIONS STUDIO**

In association with Sistering
Inspirations Studio is a microbusiness
incubator for low-income women who

have been impacted by poverty, homelessness, trauma and mental health issues. Our members attend Inspirations Studio to learn pottery and businesses skills so that they can earn income. Attendance at Inspirations Studio facilitates the recovery of self-esteem, respect, dignity and creates a community of entrepreneurs.

#### Location:

2480 Dundas Street West Toronto, ON M6P 1W9 **Phone:** 416-367-2728

**Email:** inspirations@sistering.org **Website:** www.inspirationsstudio.org

## Hours of operation for the shop:

Fridays & Saturdays: 1:00– 5:00pm. We are here most days, please call for an appointment.

## **METRO ART PROGRAM**

## In association with

## Metropolitan United Church

The Outreach Committee recognizes the creative spirituality of all people and seeks to foster its development, appreciating the richness and the diversity of the community.

#### Location:

56 Queen St. East Toronto, ON M5C 2Z3 **Phone:** 416-363-0331

#### Hours of operation:

Mondays 11:00am to 1:00pm Fridays 11:00am to 1:00pm



#### **SKETCH WORKING ARTS**

#### In association with

## Community Knowledge Centre

SKETCH is a Toronto-based communityarts initiative for young people, ages 16-29, who are homeless or living on the margins. SKETCH inspires and engages youth from all over Canada through the transformative power of the arts.

#### Location:

180 Shaw Street, Suite 201 Toronto, ON M6J 2W5 **Phone:** 416-519-1559 **Email:** info@sketch.ca

## Hours of operation:

Monday to Friday 9:00am to 5:00pm

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### **VANDUZER ART STUDIO**

#### In association with

#### **Eden Community Homes**

Artists who face the challenge of living with mental health issues have the opportunity to create artwork in a safe, professional and functional environment.

#### Location:

196 Beverley St. Toronto, ON M5T 1Z1

#### Website:

www.edencommunityhomes.org

## Hours of operation:

Daily 11:00 am to 5:00pm

#### Contact:

Tamara Wilen 647-280-4931 twilen@edencommunityhomes.org

## STREET HEALTH In association with Fred Victor Mission

Street Health is a non-profit community based agency that improves the health of homeless and under-housed people in Toronto. There is a weekly art program.

#### Location:

338 Dundas Street East Toronto, ON M5A 2A1 Phone: 416-921-8668

#### Hours of operation:

Monday 2:00 to 3:30pm

## **WORKMAN ARTS**

## In association with Centre for Addiction and Mental Health (CAMH)

For over twenty-five years, Workman Arts has empowered aspiring, emerging and established artists with mental illness and addiction issues to develop and refine their art practice through multifaceted arts training programs and public performance/exhibition opportunities in five disciplines: music, theatre, visual, literary and media arts.

#### Location:

651 Dufferin St Toronto, ON M6K 2B2 Phone: 416-583-4339

Website: www.workmanarts.com

## Hours of operation:

Monday - Thursday 9:00 am - 5:00pm Fridays 9:00 am – noon

## YELLOW DOOR **LEARNING CENTRE**

## In association with 6 St. Joseph

It is a place where positive life-change is a realizable goal, and where people of all backgrounds pitch in to lead the programs & activities. From the beginning, the goal has been to invite people from diverse backgrounds to work together and support those taking positive steps out of addiction, social isolation, panhandling, and homelessness.

#### Location:

6 St. Joseph St. Toronto, ON M4Y 1J7 **Phone:** 416-923-8836

## Hours of operation:

Wednesdays 1:00 – 6:00pm Thursdays 3:45-6:45pm

#### Contact:

Darlene Desveaux ddesveaux@6stjoseph.ca

"Some people live their whole lives like they're drowning in a pool. Coming to a place like the VanDuzer Art Studio, is the only time they feel above water".



To add a studio to the list, contact:

Tamara Wilen VanDuzer Art Studio Coordinator **Email:** twilen@edencommunityhomes.org

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