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By Marie LeBlanc on December 9, 2015

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Martha Street Co-director, Larry Glawson, holds a member's work for sale in the Members Show & Holiday Carnival. PHOTO: Marie LeBlanc

Hear ye hear ye, noble art seekers of all, Martha Street Studio has art on the wall. With a twist and a turn and some dueling of art, the Annual Members Show has an added Holiday Carnival that the public is invited to come out and partake in.

The Members Show and Holiday Carnival fundraiser at Martha Street Studio features a large variety of art prints along with fundraising ideas and entertainment to enjoy on Fri. Dec. 11, 7 – 10 pm at 11 Martha Street.

Co-director Larry Glawson says the organization, in conjunction with the Annual Members show, are hosting a Holiday Carnival to raise extra funds for the centre and to amp up the holiday celebrations.

Upon entering as you gaze across the room, filled with beautiful art created from the heart and soul of Martha Street Studio Members, you can enter your name into a door prize from the Sylvia Matas *Up and Down* folio collection. Your first door prize ticket is free. Extra tickets for \$5 are available to purchase.

With an abundance of fundraising events and amazing art for sale you will experience a spectacular evening of fun and excitement.

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On the bandwagon: a sign of the times at a local donut shop. No word yet on official bagels or perogies. PHOTO by Greg Petzold

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For \$10 a pop you can find yourself digitized into a background at the *Fantastical Photo Booth E-Card Extravaganza*.

Place a bid on the first time *Dueling Directors Art Auction* with pieces donated by co-directors Kristin Nelson and Larry Glawson.

Create a custom designed holiday card with the *LetterPeddlerPress* for a \$5 dollar fee. This unique portable press can be pulled by a bicycle and is a sight to see.

With DJ MonkeySparrow and DJ Stagpanther enhancing the ambiance in the air, this evening is a great way to treat yourself, your friends and family to some fantastical holiday fun.

Oh yes! And what is a carnival without popcorn? Martha Street Studio's elves will be hopping, or rather popping, as they have fun making popcorn all night long.

In speaking with co-director Larry Glawson, it's apparent how much the folks at Martha Street Studio give to the community all year long. It is like Christmas every day for those who have the opportunity to come in contact with the staff who go above and beyond the call of duty to help each and every person who walks through their doors.

Glawson says this holiday event is a chance for people to give back and support a local organization that has shown how much they truly care about our community.

"We do programming projects with many organizations," he says. "We have worked with Red Road Lodge in the past. We also have done a number of different programs with other various community organizations like Aboriginal Youth Opportunities (AYO), Ndinawe, Immigrant and Refugee Community Organization Manitoba (IRCOM), and we do ongoing youth programs with high schools, general youth, and inner city groups. We have done projects with Argyle School in the past and with Arts and Disability Network of Manitoba (ADNM) with the Making Our Mark (MOM) project," Glawson adds.

Members are giving back by donating 50% to 100% of their sales to Martha Street Studio. This is a great time to support your local artists, help Martha Street Studio raise some funds, get some great gifts for yourself and friends or family for the holiday season...or just because.

The event is free of charge, with plenty of food and refreshments. The corn will be a popping as you keep the Martha Street Studio gang a hopping.

If you can't make it for opening night, the exhibition runs from Dec. 11 to 22. Check out [Martha Street Studio](#) for hours of operation.

If you are unable to attend the Members Show and Holiday Carnival and would like to bid in the art auction,

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Sean McLachlan using LetterPeddlerPress.



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By Darlene Phillips on February 1, 2013

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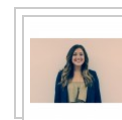
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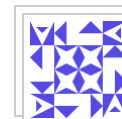
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make sure you contact the office at 204.779.6253 or email printmakers@mymts.net by Thu. Dec. 10 at 5 pm. They will arrange a volunteer to bid on your behalf.

Martha Street Studio welcomes one and all, and is wheelchair accessible.

Give from your heART and have a great time celebrating as you join in the fun at this fantastical whimsical carnival.



Members Show & Holiday Carnival from Martha Street Studio should be plenty of fun.

As soon as you enter, your heart skips a beat. Stop; breathe and take it all in. You wonder in the midst of it all "the excitement, the music, the food and the drinks, the events and the art what do I partake?"

Up and down your spine, the shivers entwine all this beauty inside has come to your mind. You wonder "what do I buy, there is so much I desire, I want to bring it all home, just so I can admire".

You address the staff just to enquire; you are blown away by what you desire. With infinite possibilities, you feel you must inquire what all the action is going on at this art sale and auction.

Marie LeBlanc

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About Marie LeBlanc

Marie is an artist, poet, photographer, with a background in alternative health and Bachelor of Arts in Human Geography and Sociology (Advanced Major). She advocates and has been active in many committees to create awareness for people with various disabilities. She was awarded the Mental Health Volunteer Hero of the year in 2012 and has helped coordinate mental health walks. Marie believes creative expression through art and entertainment is healing for your body, mind and soul. She is extremely inventive, creative and resourceful. Other Interests include the environment, culture and just about anything due to her curious nature. She enjoys and has learned a lot through her experience writing and taking pictures for the community news commons.

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