

Hosted by the Economic & Creative Development Department City of Barrie



Event Details

- Tuesday, November 12 @ MacLaren Art Centre
- Gala event honouring artists, arts organizations and arts supporters in six categories:
 - Contribution to the Community
 - Emerging Artist
 - Business Champion
 - Most Promising Youth
 - Excellence in the Arts
 - Artist Beyond Barriers
- Featuring performances by local, regional and national artists
- Sponsored by several local businesses



Purpose

- Vision shine a spotlight on the talent that exists in Barrie; celebrate the sector
- Goals:
 - Create a memorable evening of celebration
 - Increase relationships with business community
 - Elevate the event arts venue, theme, performances, presentations
 - Increase quantity and quality of nominations
 - Celebrate the diversity in the arts community



Artist Beyond Barriers Award

- This award goes to an artist who has demonstrated creative originality through a body of work despite living with a continuous or recurrent mental or physical disability that results in a substantial restriction in their ability to work, care for themselves, or take part in community life
- Initiated by Accessibility Advisory Committee in 2017
- Sponsorship of award continued in 2018, 2019, 2022, 2023
- \$1500 commitment covers cost of award statuette and cash honorarium to winner





Previous Winners



2017: Leonora Husveti-Frenette



2022: David Whyne



2018: Valerie Losell



2019: Joie Red



2023: Marilyn Lamb



How you can help

- Consider sponsoring the Artist Beyond Barriers award this year
- Provide insight on making the gala accessible and agefriendly, if possible
- If you choose to sponsor the award, have a representative or two attend the gala to present the statuette to the winner



Thank you! Questions?