

Markham Group of Artists

September 13, 2016

Dear Mayor Scarpitti,

This is the 35th anniversary of the formation of the Markham Group of Artists. With city support, for the month of October, we are celebrating by holding an art show and sale at the Cornell Community Centre.

As you know, over the years, the group has been involved in city events. From the beginning, the group has been instrumental in judging and providing prizes for the art section of the Markham Fair. Early members actively worked for the fund-raising and planning of the Varley Art Gallery. Several members volunteer at and donate work for the gallery's yearly art auctions.

Over the past few years, the group have created and hung murals in a Markham library, a community centre and a residence for seniors.

Through grants from the Trillium Foundation a mural was created for the Thornhill Library last year and we are presently working on another which will be installed in another public building next year.

On behalf of the group I request that as part of our celebration the city declare October Markham Group of Artists Month.

Helen Water

President

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