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New seniors and youth video project to address climate change

ST. ANDREWS, NB Sunbury Shores Arts & Nature Centre will be launching an exciting filmmaking project about climate change for seniors and youth. “The Art of Stewardship” will bring together seniors and youth in Charlotte County to work in teams to create short videos about environmental sustainability.

The Art of Stewardship will focus on intergenerational stewardship of the land, supported by funding from the New Horizons Program of the Canadian Department of Employment and Social Development.

The senior-youth teams will engage with local climate change specialists: professional artist Alanna Baird whose artistic practice is inspired by the environmental changes of the **intertidal shoreline zone**; Dr. Helen Gurney-Smith whose research interests are the biological effects of climate change on marine organisms and ecosystems; and climate change practitioner Briana Cowie who works with communities to build climate resiliency and salience.

Through the experience and expertise of the climate change specialists, and with the assistance of three professional filmmakers from the region, the teams will collaborate on creating 3 short videos using readily available technology. Video content production professionals Jeff Lively, Matt Brown and Lauchlan Ough, will mentor the teams in developing, preparing, shooting, editing, and delivering videos, using cell phones and a DSLR camera. Local student mentors

Maddie Gowan and Ian Curran will also add and share their filmmaking experience with the teams.

The teams of seniors and youth, through this collaborative program, will have a unique opportunity to create locally made videos that address environmental sustainability in this community.

Workshops are scheduled to begin in March 2023 and run over four Saturdays. The team videos will be shown at a film festival scheduled in September, 2023.

All seniors and youth who are interested in informing their community about climate change—and perhaps have some passing experience in filmmaking—are encouraged to contact Sunbury Shores Arts and Nature Centre at 506-529-3386 or by emailing canadamuriel@hotmail.com. The registration deadline is **February 24, 2023**.

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