

Fourth birthday party and art sale at gallery

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EMC news - Everyone loves a birthday party. And that's why you should mark down Saturday, Nov. 3 on your calendar and plan to attend the fourth birthday party and art sale of the Ottawa West Arts Association (owaa) gallery at the Goulbourn Recreation Complex (GRC) on Shea Road in Stittsville.

There will be cake and ice cream as well as live music and a children's craft table. There will be door prizes being given away as well.

For art lovers, there will be art for sale and a number of artists will be in attendance to discuss their work. It's all happening on Saturday, Nov. 3 from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Everyone is most welcome to attend and have some fun as the owaa gallery marks its fourth birthday.

The story of the owaa gallery at the GRC goes back to Nov. 2007 when a Stittsville Steering Committee to investigate possible exhibit space in the community was formed. Members included Sue Perley-Robertson, John Madden, Louise Barker, Beverly Ashford and Gerard Smith, with Terry Sametz as a consultant.

In Dec. 2007, the committee became the GRC Gallery X Steering Committee whose efforts resulted in the formation of the Ottawa West Arts Association (owaa) in May 2008 involving the committee, a group of local artists and a number of community residents.

The owaa began planning for an exhibition space for the visual arts in the phase two expansion of the GRC.

This exhibition space was named the owaa gallery and opened on Nov. 1, 2008. This new visual arts exhibition space is meant to increase the awareness, appreciation and promotion of the visual arts in the community.