

ART CONNECTS

THIS SPRING AT THE AGSM

LET'S TAKE A LOOK AT
DRAWN FROM WOOD:

AN EXHIBITION THAT
EXPLORES AND CELEBRATES
MAPLE SYRUP

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SATISFY YOUR CREATIVE CURIOSITY



ART GALLERY OF
SOUTHWESTERN
MANITOBA

IN THE MAIN GALLERY MAY 5-JULY 2, 2022

DRAWN FROM WOOD

Featuring artwork by: **Mary Anne Barkhouse, Gary Blundell, Brad Copping, and Victoria Ward** Curated by Heather Smith



The four artists in this exhibition live in the boreal forest of Ontario. They were inspired by beautiful forests, sugar bushes, and sugar shacks! They saw how maple sap is drawn from a tree and turned into maple syrup. Their artwork celebrates maple syrup and gives AGSM visitors a sweet perspective on the slow boil, evaporation, and condensation process. The artwork ranges in media from hot worked glass to birch bark, and weaves the artistic experience of maple syrup making with the materials traditionally found in manufacturing syrup.

Indigenous artist Mary Anne Barkhouse's artwork is inspired by a hummingbird coming to her window. Gary Blundell draws inspiration from his work as a geologist. Brad Copping's installations are primarily glass-based, and Victoria Ward creates a dramatic set of paintings to emphasize the hidden nature of the maple syrup making process.



ARTWORK IMAGES

ABOVE (TOP): Victoria Ward, *Nest, Chapel*, 2020

ABOVE: Gary Blundell, *Dispenser*, 2020

LEFT: Brad Copping, *Ripple*, 2021

FRONT COVER: Victoria Ward, *Sweet Secret*, 2020

ART WORKSHOP:

BE A PART OF THE

MAPLE MURAL

- TO BE DISPLAYED ON CANADA DAY!

Students will explore different types of Maple trees and leaves through an art project that helps each child or teen express their identity, imagination, community, and connection to nature.

This hands-on project incorporates drawing and collage, and each child's artwork will be brought together in a large public community mural which will be displayed at the Riverbank Discovery Centre Canada Day Celebrations!



MORE THAN JUST MAPLE SYRUP!

Yes maple syrup sure does taste delicious on your pancakes and waffles! But who knew there are so many more fascinating things to learn about maple syrup?!

STUDENTS WILL LEARN ABOUT:

1. The Indigenous origins of maple syrup and contributions of traditional knowledge
2. Science and math connections! Learn the process of how maple syrup is made, how to measure liquids, and find out how many drops of sap are needed to make a cup of maple syrup! Explore properties of materials like wood, glass, and water. Learn how materials are transformed through all sorts of neat processes such as boiling, evaporation, and condensation.
3. How to identify the different types of Maple trees and leaves, and how plants and trees change during the different seasons
4. Maple Syrup Made in Manitoba! Discover local connections to maple syrup and your community
5. The featured artists and their artwork

LEARN THROUGH ART

MANITOBA CURRICULUM CONNECTIONS:

This rich exhibition provides many Curriculum Connections:

Social Studies Grades 1-8:

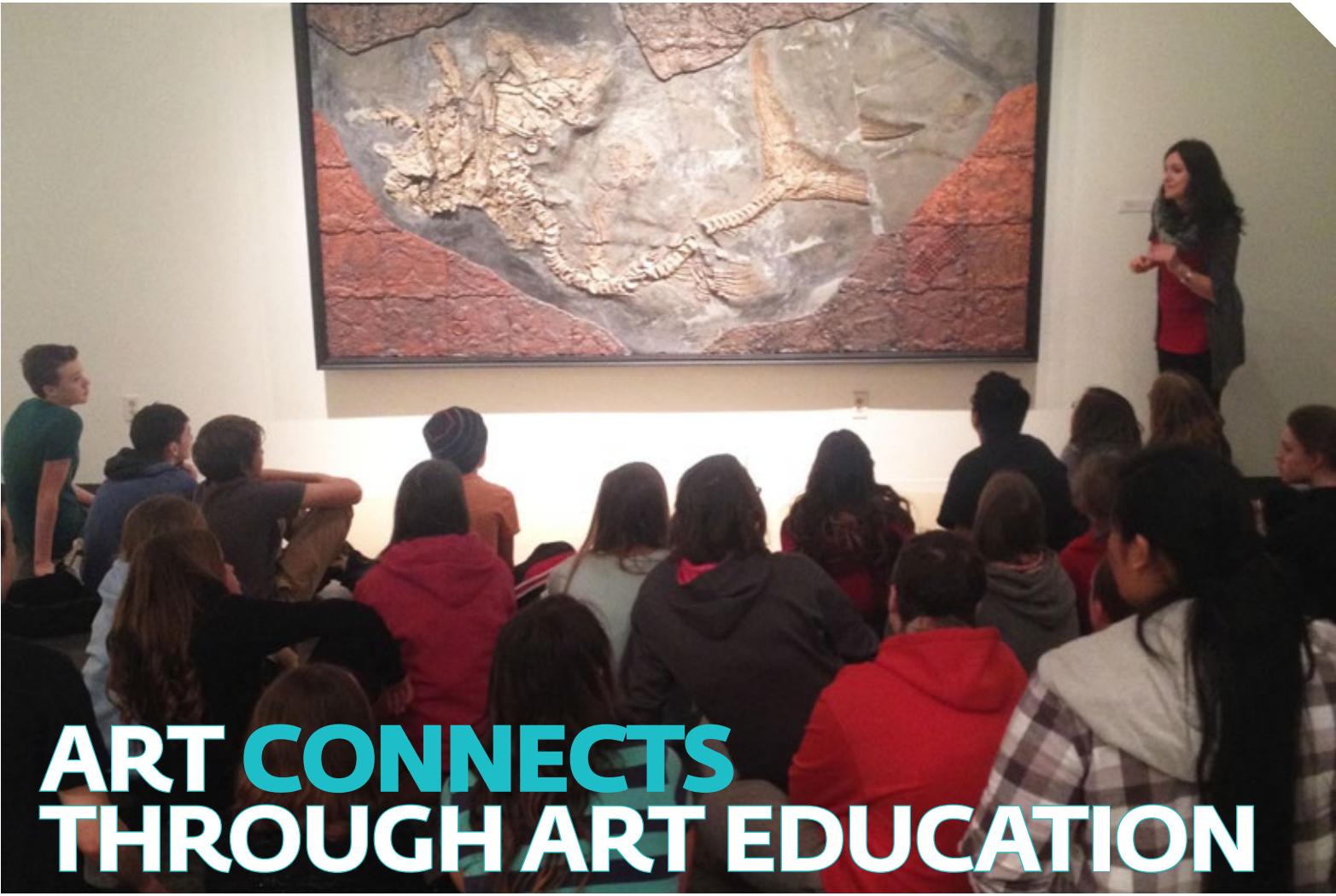
Identity, Culture, and Community;
The Land: Places & People

Science Grades 1-8:

Growth & Changes in Plants;
Materials – Properties & Changes of Substances;
Habitats & Communities – Contributions of Traditional Knowledge; Diversity of Living Things

Math Grades 1-8:

Measuring and Volume, Ratios,
Counting, Repeating Patterns



ART CONNECTS THROUGH ART EDUCATION

BOOK A TOUR AND ACTIVITY FOR THE CLASSROOM TODAY!

FOR

Grades K-12, adult learning,
and community groups.

LENGTH

One hour.

FREE

Re-connect with art at no cost!
The Art Connects fees are currently
waived as we celebrate the return
of in-person visits to the gallery
this spring.

To book your tour or find out more info,
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