

(S)HIVER ARTS FESTIVAL
FEBRUARY 3 – 5, 2023
DAWSON CITY

Hi and welcome to the 6th edition
of the (s)hiver arts festival!

First things first, this festival occurs on Tr'ondëk Hwëch'in land, for which we are eternally grateful. For more information about Tr'ondëk Hwëch'in, please visit trondek.ca.

Second, thank you for attending! It has been 3 years since we have been able to host this festival. We're excited that you've decided to participate. Thanks!

Third, stay safe during the festival. The area on the ice where we have positioned the outdoor installations is safe. There is open water and conditions could be lethal for extended periods so please exercise caution.

Fourth, we would like to thank everyone who has helped us or has volunteered either at this festival or at any of the other events we have hosted during the previous three years. You know who you are and we know who you are and we want you to know that we are happy and proud of you, FOREVER!

Fifth, if you have any ideas of fun and artistic things you might want to do, let us know either by email (dawsonshiver@gmail.com) or call 867.993.3094. Also, if you have any comments or concerns, please contact us.

Anyway, have a good time! Thanks again!

- the (s)hiver peeps

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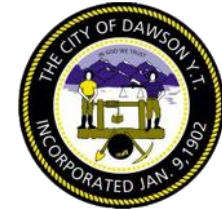
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21. Hannah Mazurek - River: River is an interactive sound installation. Walk along the Yukon river to shifting soundscapes on a frosted afternoon when the mid-day sun barely breaks the horizon.

22. Aubyn O'Grady - In January of 2022 we weren't able to play hockey together and it was hard. Hockey is the way that a lot of us attend to our deep-winter mental health; it makes us sweat, it makes us leave our homes in -40 to socialize. I asked the Ice Queens hockey league to tell me what hockey means to them and distilled the answers into themes that became motherhood, mental and physical health, friendship, and general Ice Queens shenanigans, which then turned into these five banners .I'm grateful to Allison and Georgette who took the time to craft and translate: Łut kak tr'edoghor, nidrè shò òhtsey (we play on ice, it makes our hearts happy). Initially made for (s)hiver 2021, the banners have been installed at the Dawson City Arena since January 2022.

23. Jasmina Majcencic -Kolo circle dance exploration and workshop: Join Jasmina and friends for a Balkan circle dance workshop. Suitable for beginners, this is an excellent intergenerational dance, all ages encouraged. There will be kolo from the tree of life family of dances, snacks and conversation.

24. Benoit LeHobbit - From the colorful Disco days of Dawson city, LeHobbit has been sluicing his records and wants to share his bangers with you. An amalgam of uplifting speakeasy vibes sparkled with psychedelia will surely make you smile, smirk, twerk, dance, trance. Always a pleasure playing for you Dawson city!

25. SNAXX - Come get your best wiggle on and dance to a selection of downtempo, house, and techno music!

26. Kayla Gagne - A reflection of the draw towards nature's majesty and respite; an exploration of *saturation, luminosity, and movement* through visual art. Acrylic and oil on canvas.

27. J/KYLNK - Sloppy Machine: "Sloppy Machine" is an experimental audio-visual piece that draws inspiration from the groundbreaking Paik-Abe Video Synthesizer. The work explores the intersection of technology and art through the use of randomized ephemeral films and AI-generated content run through an array of glitch effects, paired with a generative ambient soundtrack. The result is a dynamic and ever-changing experience that pushes the boundaries of traditional video and audio art.

28. Meredith Prithard & Ashwyn Freine - EMPTIES: From the hearts and guts of Meredith Pritchard & Ashwin Freyne, come visit Dawson's recycling depot to see how cheap beer and cheap poetry combine to create cheap romance.

29. Michel Gignac - SupporTV: Leave all worldly responsibilities and let yourself be absorbed by this beacon of light.

30. Girly Yellow - ...Delivering a cosmic slop of chillout, world, downtempo and more

Schedule of events

Friday

12 PM - 9 PM: (s)hiver HQ open at the Visitor's Information Centre (VIC).

8 PM: Dance performance in alley next to Yukon University with Sadie Segriff.

8 PM - 10 PM: Yukon University open.

8 PM - 10 PM: Dawson Daily News Building open.

Saturday

12 PM - 9 PM: (s)hiver HQ open at the VIC.

1 PM: Spank Karr performance at Yukon University.

2 PM - 4 PM: Kolo/Balkan Circle Dance workshop with Jasmina Majcencic at the KIAC ballroom.

4 PM - 8 PM: Hourly Chérie Coquette performances at Peabody's (maximum number of attendees is 15).

7 PM: Spank Karr performance at Yukon University.

7 PM - 9 PM: Dawson Daily News building open.

7 PM - 9 PM: Yukon University open.

8 PM: Dance performance in alley next to Yukon University with Sadie Segriff

8 PM - late: Music at the KIAC ballroom

8 PM: Jasmina Majcenic: Come move with the sounds and flavors of the Balkans and join the kolo revolution.

9 PM: Girly Yellow

10 PM: Brigitte Jardin, Lorène Charmetant, Kieran Poile

11 PM: SNAXX

12 AM: Tapis Violent

1 AM: Benny LeHobbit

Sunday

12 PM - 4 PM: (s)hiver HQ open at the VIC.

6 PM - late: Dance party at the Westminster Lounge.



(S)HIVER A bit about (s)hiver: We are here to help your creativity. If you have any ideas about things you may want to do or if you want to add anything to an event we are planning, call us at 867.993.3094 or email at dawsonshiver@gmail.com.

14. Victoria Parker - The Chrysalis: This project is a song cycle of water sounds set to ambient voice and electronic music. The progression of songs can go in any direction from beginning to end and is meant to emulate a chrysalis aka the life cycle of a butterfly. The transformation of life to death to life to death and so on.

15. Jackie Olson & SOVA students: Working with artist Jackie Olson, SOVA students will create site-responsive pieces along the dike trail, just below the Market Shelter. With the goal of being a part of the land and leaving no foreign parts behind, these works will be made from de/re-constructed willow harvested from the same site in the Fall of 2022. SOVA artists include: Remy Gehmair, Julia Paterson, Hayden Grace, Cora Kelly and Emily Cooper.

16. Arnie Gunha - Entropy: A Walk in the Woods: ENTROPY: A WALK IN THE WOODS is a visual meditation on the nature of time. Based on Guha's Acid4Yuppies collection -transformative images born out of the forced stillness of COVID-19 - the video is also a celebration of the Canadian landscape and a tribute to Canada's foundational contribution to psychedelics research.

17. Hayden Grace - Wintering: This project chronicles a walk along the river while contemplating winter, not just as a season but as an emphasis on the importance of rest, community care, and softness. It documents a practice of intentional 'noticing' and the land reflecting our need to lean on one another during this season.

18. Mike Erwood - The Catharsis Machine: The catharsis machine is a multimedia installation in wood, ice and fire. Consisting primarily of a mid-size catapult, the installation takes advantage of the auspices of an arts festival to launch flaming projectiles through the air. Write a note about anything that's been weighing on your heart this winter and use the machine to launch your woes into fiery oblivion.

19. ANDYBOY - WHO IS ANDYBOY?: A layered video loop that introduces our transmasculine hero ANDYBOY. "Known as the bad boy of the west side, ANDYBOY lives the tough life off-grid - across river from "Dawson City". This pansexual cuntry top isn't afraid of a little danger. Whether they're hitting killer jumps at break-neck speeds on their Yamaha Bravo, or jamming out onstage to Bon Jovi, ANDYBOY is living large and always showing off their throbbing organ (their big loving heart). So tighten up yer ratchet strap, ANDYBOY is headed your way full throttle, bud."

20. Sunshine Giesbrecht & Jon Gelinas - Dream Passage: In the liminal space between wake and sleep lies the dream passage. Here, the flow of time to the outer edges of consciousness will transport you through a kaleidoscope world of memories and metaphors. Music by Jordy Walker.

8. Snow Carving Group - Youth led by experienced snow carver Michel Gignac are undertaking the sculpting of two massive blocks. They will learn the entire process from form-building to maquette-making to working the snow. This collaboration, organized and funded by the Yukon Literacy Coalition through their Youth Employment Skills Program, is a career development project focused on building employable skills and practices to better help them in their professional pursuits.

9. Brigitte Jardin - Brigitte Jardin is a spellbinding and honest queer songwriter, singer, guitarist, and drummer. Her bilingual country-folk music feels modern while rooted in past sounds. Originally from Québec, Jardin left home at 17 to ramble across Canada, and in 2007 she found herself in the Yukon. Charmed by the beautiful community of the north, she still lives there today. For her (S)hiver Fest performance, she is teaming up with the talented Lorène Charmetant on upright bass and the brilliant fiddle player Kieran Poile. They will present a set of both originals and country classics.

10. Jon & Rachel Travis - Low Key: An abstract series utilizing high contrast as a central concept to express the listlessness of the season. These dual-faced hangings interact with the elements and create a visual excursion for observers. A collaborative, creative offering meant to exist with the winter twilight.

11. Macgregor Byrne - The Smallest Little Gallery in Dawson: A little camping tent set up along front street in the middle of winter, cold and dark lit up by a couple of flashlights and containing three or four colourful silly little paintings that I have done over the past year and a half. I will be sitting outside by a fire.

12. Sadie Segriff, Emily Jones, & Emily Brooks - Healing Reflections: Healing Reflections is a film and live performance installation and touches on the beautiful, cold fragility of winter in the north. The project will explore movement of the body in shadow work throughout the northern winter. The film will have glimpses of light and warmth that we so rarely get during the long, dark winter months. Sadie's practice is to research human identity and expression that explores my connection to people and the natural environment around her. The film will have clips from the Traditional and Current Territory of the Kwanlin Dün First Nation, the Ta'an Kwäch'än Council, and Champagne and Aishihik First Nation.

13. Gorellaume - Be Kind - Wood, acrylic, video projection, strawberry blite. (Video by Outpost31).

Artist List

1. Calhoun "Galactron" Keating Malay, Carl "Grand Strategist" Boyd, and Dawson "Turn One" Geldart: Local tabletop miniature gamers have united forces to join in most epic sci-fi battle to save the universe from the forces of evil. The Visitor's Information Centre will be filled with over 2,000 hand-painted models and miniature scenery as an enormous turn-based strategy game unfolds. Audiences are encouraged to join us as we roll dice and discuss the importance of games within communities, hobby therapy and the distinctions between high art and nerdy painting.

2. Cud Eastbound - Ablation: Climate Change, this instillation is meant to give the viewing time to contemplate the exponentially growing changes in our environment.

3. Pierre Gregory: This exhibit means to take festival goers back to the golden age of radio by inviting them to listen and imagine the world being described to them through an eclectic collection of shows and newscast that intersect inadvertently through the broken radio, thus creating an entirely new narrative.

4. Chantal Rousseau & Darcy McDiarmid - Starlight Sojourn: Starlight Sojourn is a collaborative animation project by artists Darcy McDiarmid and Chantal Rousseau. Created from watercolour, fluid acrylic paintings, and digital imagery, it features local fish, birds, and animals traversing a dreamlike night-time landscape. This looping animation will be projected on the frozen Yukon River.

5. Darcy McDiarmid - Under a Sheltering Sky: A winter painting of a wolf under shelter will be displayed on a cultural stand. The painting is done in fluid acrylics on birch panel. The stand will be made of wood and will be culturally reflective of the Isaac family. This cousins collaboration is by Tr'ondëk Hwëch'in artists Andy Isaac and Darcy McDiarmid.

6. Chérie Coquette: This is about light; this is about darkness. It's about acceptance of who I am. It's about letting it go. Chérie Coquette invites you in a 10 minutes burlesque experience that will change your vision about this type of performance.

7. Rebecca Manias & Bess McCarville - Spank Karr: Spank Karr: the myth, the legend, the man. A legend in the industry, yet rarely seen, Spank is one of entertainment's most elusive performers. He is an old cowboy diva who loves to dance, write music/poetry and wrestle the hearts of many lovers (especially his own). Spank's performance is his auto-biography. Come catch a glimpse of this cowboy's love letter to himself, in this vaudevillian drag performance.

Numbers correspond to the artist list.
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 life.

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