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# Artist Retreat: July 14 - 21, 2024





# In Beautiful Denare Beach, SK

The village is lakeside, with clear cool sand beaches and gorgeous Amisk lake for your canoe or kayak. Denare Beach has a small general store, a wonderful Northern Gateway Museum and fabulous paths and trails for bikes and hikes. Opportunities for plein aire painting abound. The Retreat site is at the Denareplex.

# **Cost & Registration**

Fee is \$180.00 Registration Capacity is set at 25 artists. If you register and are unable to attend we ask that you try to find a replacement artist rather than a refund.

Pay by e-transfer (norvacentre@gmail.com), cash or cheque payable to the Norva Centre (address up top)

If you have any questions, please contact Karen Clark, Retreat Liaison: 204 271 4235

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# **Retreat Description**

#### NOTE: Saskatchewan Provincial Covid Guidelines will apply

The relaxed, generous, sharing atmosphere will light the creative fire within. From July 14-21 the Denareplex will be transformed into artist studio space. Photographers, potters, writers, videographers, poets, sculptors, batik artists, musicians, composers, painters are all welcome to attend this retreat. The outdoor tent houses glazing and firing under the guidance of a pottery instructor.

Enjoy the company of fellow artists in a week-long non instructional retreat. Mini workshops are often scheduled as the retreat unfolds. These workshops are offered by retreat artists for retreat participants. If you are interested in offering a mini workshop just let Karen Clark know.

The intent of the retreat is to create an inspiring setting far from the whirl of everyday responsibilities. Artists can indulge themselves in new and wildly bizarre art projects in the supportive company of like minded individuals. Collaborative projects spring up between two, three and even four artists. It is fascinating and exciting to watch the group come together as they share meals, ideas and knowledge with one another.

# Meals

Each artist is asked to work with a team to provide one meal for the entire group during the retreat. Once the Retreat Team has received the final registrations in June the meal teams will be created with consideration for people who are traveling or staying together. The Team is asked to decide on their menu and split the labour and costs associated with delivering it. Artists are asked to keep this simple. Be creative. Make things ahead and freeze them as freezers are available.

Flin Flon and Creighton each have take-out and delivery restaurants. No worries, if we have chili five times, each one of them will be totally different! **Please let Karen Clark know if you have any dietary considerations.** 

# Schedule

Sunday Evening, July 14

**SET UP** 6:00 p.m. to 10 p.m. No meal provided although snacks and refreshments will be on hand.

#### Monday-Saturday

#### Denareplex opens at 8:00 a.m. each day of the Retreat

Retreat breakfast supplies are included in your registration.

Explore the village, continue setting up, meet and greet, begin your creative journey.

**First Lunch @ 12:30** Some introductions and logistics will be covered. The bulk of this will happen after supper when most artists will have arrived.

Spend each day working on your art, come and go as you please.

Denareplex will be open until 10:00 p.m. after which you may continue to work but make arrangements with Karen Clark, as there is a building alarm to consider.

#### Saturday Afternoon

#### 1:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m.

Retreat space is open to the public to view your work and enter our "Blueberry Raffle" If you wish to donate a piece of your artwork or other homemade item to the Blueberry Raffle feel free to do so.

#### Sunday Morning

TAKE DOWN 8:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. Artists take down and clean up space.

# **Facilities**

The hall is brightly-lit, and able to accommodate 250 people. It has strong wifi. It does not have many electrical outlets. Bring extension cords. Bring table covering and floor covering. We will leave the tables and floors clean. The full kitchen is highly suitable for making meals for 25 to 30 people and features a restaurant type grill.

Chairs and tables are set up by the artists. Bonus: we don't put away the tables at the end of the retreat!!

There is no process for saving places, but if you have someone who gets there earlier than you, just ask them to pull out your table and put a sign on it to reserve it for you.

The Batik Village is set up by the batik artists using the equipment Norva will bring. Dyes and consumables will be available for a donation to the batik supplies jar.

Raku Glaze station and Firing Tent is set up by the Raku potters. Potters will take care of the glaze station set up and clean up.

Artists come and go as they please within the Retreat week. There is no discount available for partial attendance.

# Accommodation

Artists arrange their own accommodation.

- Home Billets: Contact Karen Clark and she will put you in touch.
- Bayside Resort 306 362 2122
  - Closest to the venue and is perched on a bluff above the main beach. Easy walk to the Denareplex. They are really cute cabins, full kitchen and wifi.
- Rocky View Bed and Breakfast 306 362 2360 or <u>www.rockyviewbnb.com</u> (check website for details
- Small provincial campground available. Drive up Onsite booking.
- Overland CrossCountry Lodge 306 362 2053
- Angell's Marina and Motel Outfitting 306 362 2112
  - Very close to the Denareplex
- Click here to view a list of options supplied by Denare Beach office













