

“Joining the OCC Volunteer Committee opened many doors, including new friendships, expanded interests and learning opportunities, and a sense of fun.”

— Jane Allen, OCC Volunteer Committee Member

Be Inspired



Membership

Our staffing coordinator makes every effort to ensure that members are assigned work according to their interests and skills. The opportunities are:

- at The Guild Shop, both on the sales floor and behind the scene;
- in the Council office, helping with mailings, award program administration, database updates, and fundraising;
- assisting with special projects, such as setting up exhibitions and craft shows.

In addition to their membership on the OCC, Volunteer Committee members pay a fee to support the activities of the committee itself.

For more information, please contact the Volunteer Committee at 416-925-4222, by email at occ_volunteer_committee@yahoo.ca or visit www.craft.on.ca

As a dynamic, member-based, not-for-profit arts service organization, the OCC exists to significantly grow recognition and appreciation of craft and craftspeople by building a strong, talented, distinct craft community and acting as an advocate on its behalf.

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Administrative Office and Gallery

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info@craft.on.ca

Office: Mon to Fri 9:00 am - 5:00 pm
Gallery: Tue to Fri 11:00 am - 5:00 pm
Sat 11:00 am - 6:00 pm
Sun 12:00 pm - 5:00 pm

The Guild Shop

118 Cumberland Street (Yorkville)
Toronto, Ontario, Canada M5R 1A6
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theguildshop@craft.on.ca

Hours: Mon to Wed, Sat 10:00 am - 6:00 pm
Thu to Fri 10:00 am - 7:00 pm
Sun 12:00 pm - 5:00 pm

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Volunteer Committee

Ontario Crafts Council



The Volunteer Committee

"I have enjoyed my association with the Ontario Craft Council over the past 30 years. As a volunteer, I have developed an appreciation for fine craft through my contact with OCC members and gained a real connection with my fellow volunteers."
— Jane Moore, OCC Volunteer Committee Member



Who We Are

For 40 years, the Volunteer Committee has worked alongside the Ontario Crafts Council staff to deliver essential programs and services to craftspeople, and to foster a greater understanding and love of craft.

We are happy to welcome new members.

The Volunteer Committee contributes approximately 1,000 hours annually at The Guild Shop in Yorkville, and the OCC Gallery and office on Queen Street West.

We support OCC special projects through our fundraising activities. Each year, we celebrate craftspeople by contributing awards to the OCC Awards and Scholarships Program.

We promote craft shops and galleries by publishing the *Canadian Crafts in Toronto* brochure, which is distributed through various hotels, shops, and information kiosks in southern Ontario.

Benefits

As a Volunteer Committee member, you benefit from knowing that you are supporting craftspeople.

Members also enjoy the sense of camaraderie that comes from working together for a shared cause. Great friendships are made through the many activities held by the Volunteer Committee.

Activities include:

- Supporting OCC functions in The Guild Shop, the office staff and in the Ontario Crafts Council Gallery.
- Monthly general meetings from September to June, consisting of a business meeting and a presentation from a crafts person about his/her work
- Volunteer Committee fundraisers: spring bus studio tour in southern Ontario and activities such as wine tastings, cooking classes, and theatre nights
- Two yearly workshops focusing on a craft activity

Volunteer Committee Membership

_____ name

_____ address

_____ city

_____ province _____ postal code

_____ home / cell phone

_____ email

Membership dues: \$50.00

Form of payment:

cheque cash

* Make cheques payable to the Volunteer Committee of the Ontario Crafts Council.

