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**Peterborough**

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**To:** Members of the Arts, Culture & Heritage Advisory Committee

**From:** Karen Rennie, Manager of Arts, Culture and Heritage Division

**Meeting Date:** March 12, 2020

**Subject:** Report ACHAC20-012  
Mayors Lunch and Arts Awards 2020 Update

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## **Purpose**

A report to advise the Arts, Culture and Heritage Advisory Committee on an update from the Electric City Culture Council (EC3) with regard to the Mayors Lunch and Arts Awards for 2020.

## **Recommendation**

That the Arts, Culture and Heritage Advisory Committee approve the recommendation outlined in Report ACHAC20-012, dated March 12, 2020 of the Manager of the Arts, Culture and Heritage Division, as follows:

That the verbal update with respect to the Mayors Lunch and Arts Awards be received for information.

## **Budget and Financial Implications**

There are no budgetary or financial implications associated with the recommendation.

## Background

The Peterborough Arts Awards are annual awards established to honour and recognize the excellence and outstanding achievement of professional artists, arts organizations, and arts supporters living and working in our city and county. There are six awards of \$2,000 each and artists working in any artistic discipline are eligible for nomination. Finalists each receive a \$250 honorarium.

The awards are presented at the Mayor's Luncheon for the Arts. The Mayor is the honorary host of the Luncheon, and the event features a keynote speaker as well as performances and presentations by some of the City's most outstanding artists.

The winners of the Bierk Art Fund Bursaries, which provide financial assistance to graduating high school students who are pursuing post-secondary education in the visual arts, are also awarded their prizes at the Luncheon.

The Electric City Council hosts these events annually which tie directly to Strategic Direction 2 in the Municipal Cultural Plan for the City.

Submitted by,

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