



Temple burn at Freezer Burn 2015 (photo: Lisa 'Sunrise')

Fire It Up (Communique 8)

The League of Extraordinary Albertans' fiscal year runs from March 1st to February 28/29th, so welcome to our new year of awesome! Last year we successfully spread the ethos of our community and the 10 Principles of Burning Man through our art, culture and civic engagement projects. Before we get fired up about our biggest and most anticipated Initiative, Freezer Burn, and boast about our accomplishments in the final fiscal quarter, we have a few important notices on LEA Memberships and our Annual General Meeting.

LEA Memberships: 2016/17

As our community is always evolving, our bylaws state that both general and board membership have a one year term. This means it's time (as of March 1st) to renew or sign-up for your LEA membership. It takes a few minutes to fill out the form. The perks of membership include being the first to know our Initiatives, nominating yourself or a friend to be a board member, voting in the new board of directors at our AGM on May 11th, being eligible for LEA grants, recommending Donations and leading an LEA Initiative.

To become or continue to be a member of The League of Extraordinary Albertans please fill out the short form at <http://www.extraordinaryalbertans.ca/become-a-member/>

Annual General Meeting: May 11, 2016

At our AGM on May 11th, we will give a quick summary of what the League of Extraordinary Albertans have been up to in the past year. It's also a chance to ask board members any questions and elect the new board of directors. While we encourage membership (see above), you do not have to be a member to come to the AGM, but you do need to be a member to vote in the new board.

Should you wish to be considered for one of the board positions, make sure you've signed up as a member (see above) and keep watch for the LEA's official call out for nominations.

The LEA needs an **election committee** to assist with the upcoming vote. There are no requirements for these committee positions other than being available to attend the AGM on May 11th. We'd like 2 committee members in Calgary and 1 in Edmonton. If you are interested in helping out, please send an email to: extraordinaryalbertans@gmail.com.



Man burn at Freezer Burn 2015 (photo: Lisa 'Sunrise')

Freezer Burn: June 17-20, 2016

Our community's team leads/mad scientists are building the skeleton and injecting their energy to bring Freezer Burn 2016: Myths & Legends to life. But the muscle to get this beast off the ground is provided by the participants. For volunteering opportunities check out: <http://www.freezerburn.org/volunteer/>. The sign-up form for volunteering will be live this Sunday, March 20, 2016.

Freezer Burn Tickets

Everyone, including production coordinators, team leads, volunteers, performers, artists, and participants, **MUST** have a ticket to attend Freezer Burn.

MARCH 20 (1 pm) – One-day, CASH-ONLY sale in Calgary and Edmonton: Max 2 tickets per person. Tickets are \$150 each. A limited number of tickets will be sold in person.

- **Calgary cash sale:** Marda Loop Community Centre, 3130-16 Street SW.
- **Edmonton cash sale:** Roots On Whyte, 8135-102 Street, 3rd floor.

APRIL 10 (1 pm) – Online sales open: Max 2 per person. Tickets are \$150, plus fees and are purchased with Paypal or credit card. <http://www.freezerburn.org/tickets/>

APRIL 10 – Low Income Ticket application opens: Email freezerburntickets@gmail.com or go to <http://www.freezerburn.org> for an application.

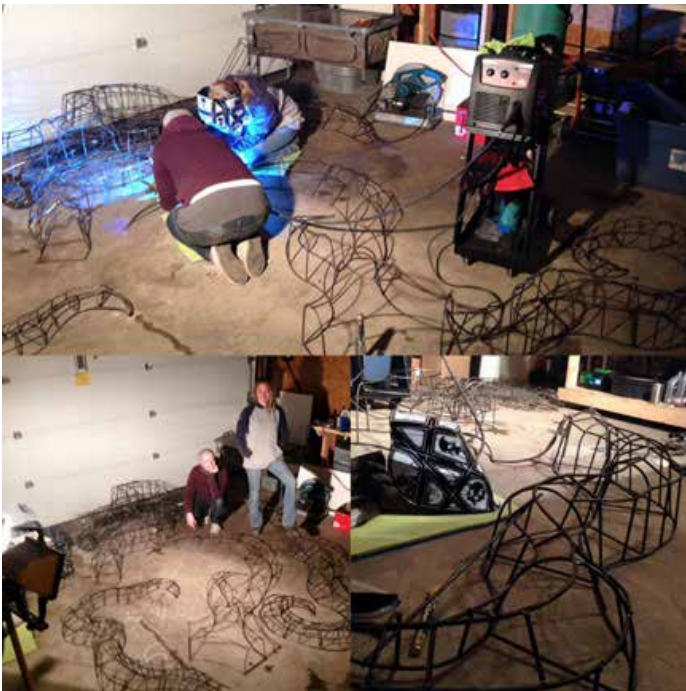
LEA Art Grants

Do you have your own burning desire to create an amazing art piece for our community? If so, the next LEA grant deadline is **March 31st**. Access the application at <http://www.extraordinaryalbertans.ca/grant-application/>. Don't forget, this is a different than the Freezer Burn Art Grant program which you can access at <http://www.freezerburn.org>.

There's a sweet documentary on our previous grant recipient, **Penny the Goose**, that you can watch here: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?list=PL206871873B1C323B&v=5I2xsAhI6d0>. We are hoping that Penny will fly north this summer to land at Freezer Burn 2016.

Efflorescence by Blazin' Lily Gals

The Blazin' Lily Gals are building 10-ft tall flowers that will be the centrepiece of a garden of metal plants. These metal flowers will look like they are blowing in the wind and will have centres that are a bowl of flame. This interactive fire art piece will allow participants to touch leaves that will launch the fireballs out the stigma of the flower. Watch for this amazing art to debut at Freezer Burn 2016.



*Blazin' Lily Gals working on Efflorescence
(photo: Leslie C)*



*LEA members building the stage at Storybook Theatre
(photo: Dree 'Diggy Shakes')*

Civic Engagement: Setting the Stage

On January 24th a group of LEA members went to volunteer their time at Storybook Theatre, where they helped build the set for their production of Lord of the Flies. They helped with building the set itself, adding texture, and painting. They had heaps of fun building something for this non-profit theatre group that caters to young actors and audiences. Storybook theatre staff said they were impressed with the quality and quantity of work that the LEA volunteer team contributed. Our community has some incredible skills that we use to build amazing projects for our events, so it was awesome to put them to use to support another community.

Donations: Supporting Our Community

The LEA made donations to the following groups for their Freezer Burn/Burning Man fundraisers:

- **The Darkade**
- **Heart Burn Canmore**

The League of Extraordinary Albertans has also made a donation to Consent and Sexuality in the Community group to cover the cost of their upcoming event **AB Burners Bystander Training with Calgary Sexual Health Centre** (Facebook event: <https://www.facebook.com/events/1014139171988412/>). This event is on April 9th, 1-4 pm, the location will be sent to registered participants. Spots are limited and preference will be given to active LEA members, Burning Man participants, and/or Freezer Burn participants/volunteers. To register, please email joellicorne@gmail.com. The LEA would like to thank our community members who have stepped up to lead the discussion and dissemination of information regarding the important subject of Consent.



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AB Burners Bystander Training with CSHC (image: Consent and Sexuality in the Community)