

UNIVERSITY OF TORONTO  
**University Arts Women's Club-  
University of Toronto Women's Association**  
**NEWSLETTER**

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Dear Colleagues and Friends,

I hope this newsletter finds you all healthy and in good spirits despite the challenges presented. COVID has changed the way we all live and do things. Over the past two years UAWC-UTWA switched to Zoom for our meetings. It has been so successful that we intend to continue having February meetings on Zoom, while hopefully all other meetings will be in person. Peter Baumgarten's beautiful nature and landscape photographs definitely made us feel so much better on a cold February day, and we didn't have to leave the warmth and comfort of our homes to enjoy them.

Several members have indicated that they would be interested in joining a Restaurant Lunch Group that would meet in restaurants rather than in homes. A new Interest Group is being formed to begin in the fall. If this is something that appeals to you please contact Kirsteen McLean to be added to the list of prospective members.

This year, despite the lack of in-person meetings, we welcomed two new members, Kausar Thomas and Madeline Keogh.

We were saddened to learn of the deaths of several members and former members of UAWC and/or UTWA: Margaret Casella, August 9, 2021; Nancy Dignam, September 10, 2021; Anne Farquharson, October 18, 2021; and Alice Hubbes, January 28, 2022.

Plans are underway to have our Spring Luncheon and Annual General Meeting at The Faculty Club on April 21<sup>st</sup>, 2022. The Honourable Dr Vivienne Poy will be our speaker. She is an amazing woman and has been the Chancellor of the University of Toronto, a Senator, author, and much, much more. In her presentation, *Serendipity*, she will talk about her early life and how she ended up in Canada and became a Canadian. Please mark your calendars, invite your friends, and submit payment and meal choice(s) by April 2 – see the tear-off form below.

The slate of proposed candidates for the 2022-2023 Executive is on the reverse of this newsletter. As always, we welcome nominations to the Executive. If you wish to nominate someone, or are interested in serving, please let us know. In particular, we need an Archive Coordinator and Historian.

The AGM will mark the end of my two-year term as President of UAWC-UTWA, and six-year term as President of UTWA. I would like to take this opportunity to thank all members of the executive for making my job easy. They are a truly wonderful, hard-working group of people.

Kirsteen McLean,  
President, UAWC-UTWA

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**RESERVATION FORM**  
**2022 Spring Luncheon and Annual General Meeting, Faculty Club, University of Toronto**  
**Thursday, April 21, 2022**  
**Reception and Cash Bar at 12 noon, Lunch at 12:30 pm**

Payment of \$45 per person, to be received BEFORE April 2, may be made by e-transfer to [uawcutwa@gmail.com](mailto:uawcutwa@gmail.com) with your lunch choice(s) indicated in the NOTES section, OR send a cheque payable to UAWC-UTWA, along with this tear off form, to: Bobbi Slater, 600 Silvercreek Blvd, # 58, Mississauga, Ontario, L5A 2B4

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Amount Enclosed: \_\_\_\_\_

**Menu choices: Please circle your choice(s)**

1. Moroccan Vegan Tagine: Roasted Cauliflower, Carrots, Sweet Peppers and Chick Peas Simmered in a Moroccan Spiced Tomato-Coconut Broth, Crispy Fried Chick Peas, Julienne Scallions
2. Hunter Chicken: Herb Marinated Chicken Breast, Creamy Mushroom Demi Glaze
3. Maple Glazed Salmon: Roasted Atlantic Salmon with a Grainy Mustard and Maple Glaze & Fried Leeks

**Each choice includes Soup or Salad, and Dessert (Crème Brûlée), Tea or Coffee.**

**PLEASE LET US KNOW YOUR CHOICE BEFORE APRIL 2, 2022**

*Note: The Faculty Club is located at 41 Willcocks Street. The best way by TTC is to take the subway to Spadina and change to the Spadina streetcar, then go 3 stops south to Willcocks Street.*

**REPORT OF THE NOMINATING COMMITTEE**  
To Be Presented at the Spring Luncheon and AGM

**Committee: President Kirsteen McLean, Gay Thomson, Past-President,  
Patricia Nevins, President Elect**

**Candidates for the 2022-2023 Executive**

Honorary President .....	Joanna Gertler	Interest Groups Coordinator .....	Maggy Stepanian
Past President.....	Kirsteen McLean	Programme Coordinator .....	Christine McClymont
President .....	Patricia Nevins	Publications Coordinator.....	Patricia Nevins
President Elect.....	Sharon McCarthy	Special Events Coordinator .....	Gay Thomson
Recording Secretary .....	Alison Mahoney	Lunch Coordinator .....	Claudia Colas
Treasurer .....	Bobbi Slater	Scholarship Coordinator .....	Kirsteen McLean
Membership Coordinator.....	Linda Andrews	Archive Coordinator & Historian.....	TBA
Media Coordinator.....	Maggy Stepanian		

**REPORT ON THE INTEREST GROUPS FOR 2021-2022**

**Antiques & Art Appreciation (A):** Patricia Nevins reports that even though the group is comprised of 29 enthusiastic members, this year due to Covid-19 they have had no planned activities. New members will be welcome when activities resume.

**Gourmet Lunch (Go):** Patricia Nevins indicates that the group has 8 members. During the Fall they were able to meet in restaurants but, due to Covid-19 restrictions, meetings were suspended in January and February. A lunch is scheduled to take place in a member's home in late March.

**Reading (R):** Betty Youson reports that presently the Reading Group has 7 active members who meet the last Thursday of each month at 1pm. At the present time the group is meeting by Zoom: we will return to meeting in members' homes once Covid-19 restrictions are over. Both fiction and non fiction books, are chosen by the group for discussion. Titles for the year are decided by the group, with one person responsible to lead the discussion each month. New members will be welcome.

**Restaurant Lunch Group (L):** Kirsteen McLean is the Convenor and will work with new members to establish meeting day and time, etc.

**Theatre (T):** Claudia Colas indicates that currently there are 13 members in her group. Due to COVID-19 all activities were suspended. However, during normal times they would have enjoyed shows at Soulpepper Theatre, as well as some at the Stratford and Shaw Festivals. The group meets when new season show schedules become available. These meetings establish the preferred shows and dates for the theatre visits. For 2022, because of Covid-19, just a few shows have been selected for Soulpepper and Shaw by only a few members. New members will be welcome.

Maggy Stepanian  
Interest Groups Coordinator

**Please visit our web site <https://uawc-utwa.artsci.utoronto.ca>**

Also, please feel free to share the following links with the U of T Community, and your friends, who may be eligible and might be interested in joining UAWC-UTWA:

- U of T main page: <https://www.utoronto.ca> "Jump to A-Z Directory" or "Search" for "University Arts Women's Club-University of Toronto Women's Association"
- Retirement and Pension: <https://hrandequity.utoronto.ca/careers/retirement/> "Keeping in touch with the University after Retirement"
- Senior College Centre: <http://seniorcollege.utoronto.ca/?p=1727>

Maggy Stepanian  
Media Coordinator