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Folklore, Fantasy and Winter Traditions Come Together in “Wintertide” Exhibition

ANNAPOLIS ROYAL, Nova Scotia (October 21, 2026) – ARTSPLACE Gallery presents “Wintertide”, a group exhibition running November 7 to December 19, 2026, bringing together artworks inspired by the folklore, traditions, landscapes and imaginative possibilities of winter. An opening reception will take place Saturday, November 7, from 12 to 2 pm.

As daylight fades and the nights grow longer, winter has long provided a setting for stories, rituals and encounters with the unknown. “Wintertide” invited artists to explore this season through subjects ranging from fairytales, myths and folk traditions to dreams, ghosts, strange creatures and curious objects. The exhibition considers the many ways winter shapes our memories, imaginations and relationships with the natural world.

“Artists were encouraged to look beyond familiar images of snow-covered landscapes and seasonal celebrations. Darkness and light, magic and memory, whimsy and the uncanny all informed the call for submissions,” said Sophie Paskins, Gallery Director.

The resulting exhibition brings together different interpretations of winter, from the fantastical to the familiar, reflecting the stories and traditions that emerge during the colder months.

The open call welcomed work in all media, including painting, drawing, sculpture, photography, printmaking, textiles, ceramics, mixed media, installation, digital and new media. Short film, video and performance-based work were also invited, creating opportunities for artists to approach the theme through a wide range of materials and forms.

“Wintertide” runs through Saturday, December 19, when a closing artist talk and panel discussion will take place at 1 pm. The event offers an opportunity to hear directly from participating artists about their work, creative processes and approaches to the exhibition's theme.

“Wintertide” opening reception Saturday, November 7, from 12 to 2 p.m. Light refreshments will be served, all are welcome. Exhibition continues through December 19, 2026. Closing artist talk and artist panel, December 19, 1pm. Admission is free throughout the exhibition’s run.

ARTSPLACE is a public Art Gallery that is operated by the Annapolis Region Community Arts Council, a registered charitable, community organization dedicated to encouraging and promoting the arts. Supported through the Province of Nova Scotia and the Canada Council for the Arts.

ARTSPLACE Gallery is located at 396 St. George Street in Annapolis Royal, Nova Scotia

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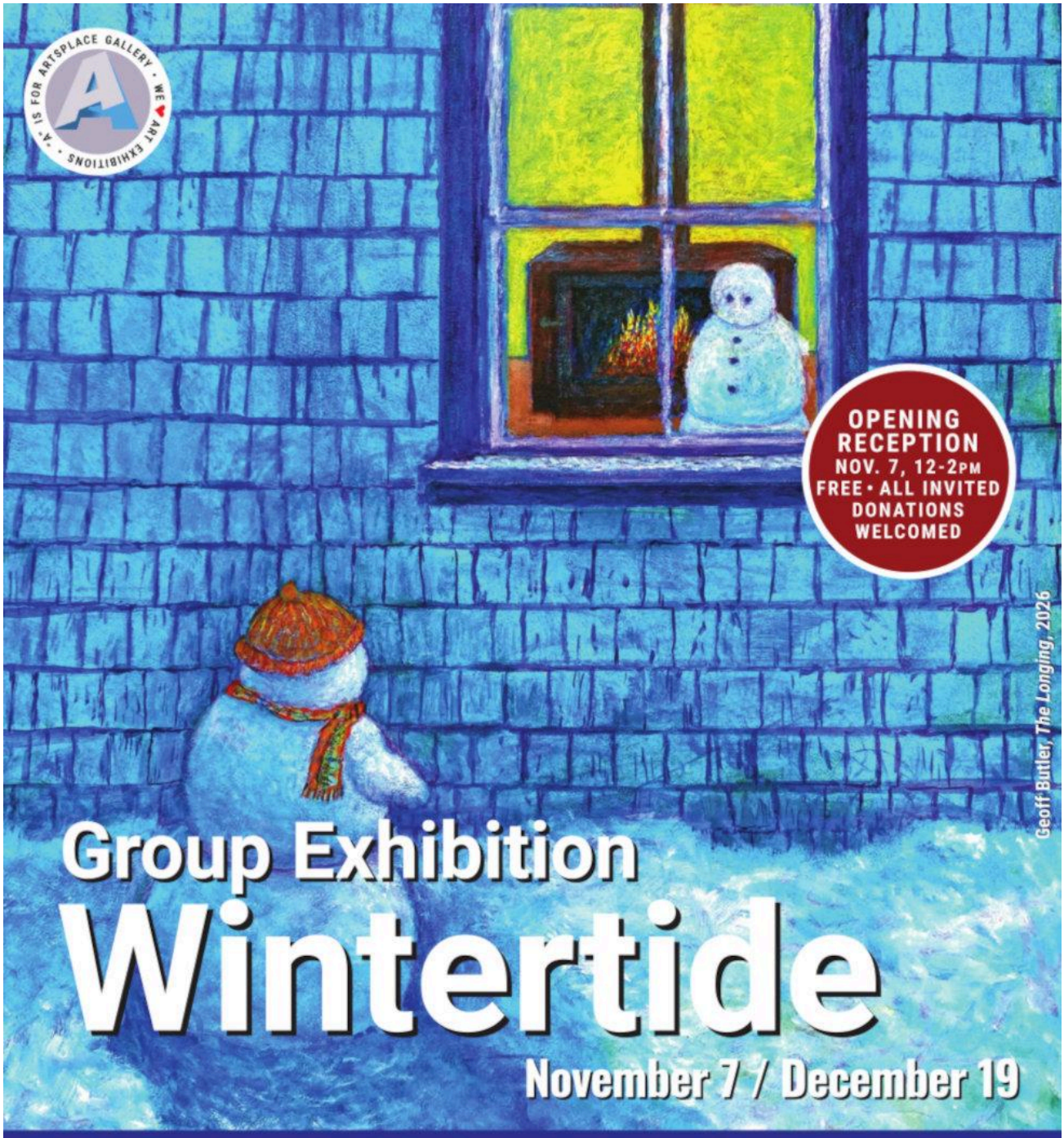

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CLOSING ARTIST TALK / PANEL: SATURDAY, DECEMBER 19, 1:00PM

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