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University Arts Women's Club-University of Toronto Women's Association

NEWSLETTER

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Another year is drawing to a close, and we have been fortunate to once again enjoy in-person meetings and activities. The Interest Groups have been active, and 30 members enjoyed the delicious Christmas Buffet Lunch at The Faculty Club. This year, thanks to the generosity of our members, \$490 was collected and donated to Covenant House.

We were saddened to learn of the deaths of several members of UAWC-UTWA – Ann Marshall in September 2022, Jean Fennell in October 2022, and Natalie Kuzmich this January.

Plans are being finalized for our Spring Luncheon and Annual General Meeting (AGM) at The Faculty Club on Thursday, April 20, 2023 – please mark the date on your calendars! A social time and cash bar will be available from 11:45 am. Lunch will be served in the Wedgewood Dining Room followed by the guest speaker's presentation and business meeting in the Main Lounge at 1:30 pm. The price this year is \$60 for the three-course meal, and entrée options are on the Reservation Form at the end of this Newsletter. Please invite your friends and submit payment and meal choice(s) by April 6.

Please note that if you are paying by cheque, it must be sent to Kirsteen McLean, not the treasurer

This year's speaker is Eva Stachniak, author of historical novels such as *The Winter Palace*. This time she will be presenting her latest book, *The School of Mirrors*, described as "a scintillating, gorgeously written historical novel about a mother and a daughter in eighteenth-century France, beginning with decadence and palace intrigue at Versailles and ending in an explosive new era of revolution".

The slate of proposed candidates for the 2023-2024 Executive is on Page 2 of this Newsletter. As always, we welcome nominations from our members so 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 be the half-way point of my two-year term as President of UAWC-UTWA. Unfortunately, I will be unable to attend this year and would like to thank Sharon McCarthy for stepping in and hosting the event. I would also 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.

Our fees have remained the same since 2016 although costs have continued rise so the Executive Committee is proposing an increase of the Annual Fees to \$75.00 for 2023-2024. A motion to ratify this proposal will be made at the Annual General Meeting on April 20.

Please encourage your friends and family to join our club. An invitation letter containing information about UAWC-UTWA is attached to this email; please distribute it to anyone you feel would be interested in joining us.

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

Committee: President Patricia Nevins

President Elect Sharon McCarthy Past-President Kirsteen McLean

Candidates for the 2023-2024 Executive

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

REPORT ON THE INTEREST GROUPS FOR 2022-2023

Antiques & Art Appreciation: Patricia Nevins reports the group is comprised of 24 members who are happy to again attend outings and lunches this year (McMichael Gallery, Massey Hall, Gardiner Museum, The Market Gallery, Bovaird Historic House and MZTV Museum). New members are welcome.

Gourmet Lunch: Bobbi Slater considers that it's been a successful year for 9 Gourmet Lunch members. The group meets at various members' homes for delicious food and conversation. Due to space limitation in some homes the group is at its ideal size.

Reading: Linda Andrews and Gay Thomson report that the Reading group is going well with 6 members. They have been meeting on zoom discussing a mix of fiction and non-fiction books. This year the group has been reading *The Rose Code* by Kate Quinn, *The Diamond Eye* by Kate Quinn, and *The Thursday Murder Club* by Richard Osman. New Members are welcome.

Restaurant Lunch: Kirsteen McLean reports that 14 members of the Restaurant Lunch group have enjoyed lunch and conversation at a variety of restaurants (Grenadier Café, Terroni, The Commoner Roncy, Bazille, The Cheesecake Factory, and Sorn Thai Restaurant). New members are welcome.

Theatre: Claudia Colas indicates that the group with 13 members has continued its activities with ongoing interest in a variety of theatre productions. This year the group plans to enjoy shows at the Soulpepper Theatre as well as at the Stratford and Shaw Festivals. New members are 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

RESERVATION FORM

2023 Spring Luncheon and Annual General Meeting, The Faculty Club, University of Toronto Thursday, April 20, 2023

Reception, Cash Bar and Lunch from 11:45 am, Meeting at 1:30 pm

Payment of \$60 per person, to be received BEFORE April 6 may be made by e-transfer to uawcutwa@gmail.com with your lunch choice(s) indicated in the NOTES section, OR send a cheque payable to UAWC-UTWA, along with this Reservation Form, to

Kirsteen McLean, 62 Shelborne Ave., Toronto, Ontario, M5N 1Z1

Name:	Telephone:
Email:	Amount Enclosed:

Menu choices: Please circle your choice(s)

Each choice includes Soup or Salad to be chosen at the luncheon, Dessert (Crème Brûlée), Tea or Coffee

- 1. Moroccan Stew: Roasted Cauliflower, Carrots, Sweet Peppers and Chickpeas simmered in a Moroccan Spiced Coconut Broth, Steamed Jasmine Rice, Fried Chickpeas, Toasted Cashews, Julienne Scallions
- 2. Hunter Chicken: 6 Oz. Roasted Chicken Breast, Mushroom Demi Glaze, Butter Whipped Potatoes, Crisp Green Beans
- 3. Roasted Atlantic Salmon Filet, Potato and Chive Croquette, Garlic Fried Spinach, Compound Herb Butter

PLEASE LET US KNOW YOUR CHOICE BEFORE APRIL 6, 2023

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.