

UNIVERSITY OF TORONTO

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

NEWSLETTER

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Dear Friends:

Welcome back! It has been a long 2½ years, and although Zoom was a wonderful alternative, it will be lovely to mingle and socialize in person at our meetings and events once again. Due to often inclement weather in February we have decided to continue using Zoom for that month.

The past 2½ years have seen many changes: two new executives have been installed; two new members have joined us; several members and previous members have passed away; and we learned that St. Thomas's Church would not welcome us back for this coming year.

Your Executive has searched long and hard but, disappointingly, has been unable to find a facility that would allow a setup similar to what we had at St. Thomas's. As a result, for this year at least, our meetings will be held in the Main Lounge of The Faculty Club. Our meeting format has had to be tweaked as we strove to mesh our requirements with the options offered by The Faculty Club.

After much discussion, it was decided that our meetings will run from 1:00 pm to 2:30 pm. A social time with light refreshments (coffee/tea and cookies) will be held from 1:00 to 1:30 pm, followed by a short business meeting, then the speaker's presentation and question & answer period.

Faculty Club members who wish to dine at the Club prior to the meeting must make their own reservations. Non-members must be accompanied by a Faculty Club member.

Our year-end Financial Report on the next page shows that we are in good shape thanks to a grant of \$1,000 from the Dean of the Faculty of Arts and Sciences. The Dean's support has allowed us to keep the membership fees at \$45 for the coming year.

The President's House is not yet open to the public so our December event will be The Faculty Club's Christmas Buffet and we have booked the W.D. Foulds Dining Room for our group on Thursday, December 8. The Reservation Form and payment of \$55.00 **MUST BE RECEIVED BY NOVEMBER 24, 2022**. We are unable to issue a refund for cancellations after November 24.

A report from University of Toronto's Division of University Advancement indicates that in 2021-22 an additional 20 University of Toronto students received support totalling \$30,968 from the University of Toronto Women's Association (UTWA) scholarships or bursaries. This means that, since inception, 380 students have been awarded a total of \$445,419 as a result of UTWA's fundraising!

In recognition of their contribution to the University, UTWA received the University of Toronto Arbor Award (Certificate and Silver Pin) in September, 2011.



The Arbor Award is the highest honour granted by the University to volunteers and is given for sustained contributions to specific academic units, such as faculties, colleges or institutes, or for broader contributions to the University at large.

The Interest Groups all have plans for meetings and/or outings beginning in the Fall, and everyone is cautiously optimistic that we will, indeed, be able to attend them. More information is on Page 6 of the Annual Directory. Please contact the Convenors for specific information.

Sadly, we learned that several members died this year – Inga Tarshis in January, Alice Robertson in July, and Ruth Clarke and Lorna Teare in August.


Although we could not meet in person for all our events, Zoom allowed us to keep in touch and enjoy some wonderful presentations from various parts of the country. A very big THANK YOU to Christine McClymont for searching out the interesting speakers and putting together a varied and informative programme, and to Linda Andrews for looking after the technical side of things.

The year ended with a lovely Spring Lunch at The Faculty Club, followed by our Annual General Meeting. A brief business meeting preceded a very entertaining talk by The Honourable Dr. Vivienne Poy describing how she ended up in Canada. Dr. Poy donated her honorarium to *The Pacific Canada Heritage Centre - Museum of Immigration* in Vancouver <https://www.pchc-mom.ca>.

Former UTWA members are encouraged to join the new blended organization so you can enjoy the camaraderie of the Club and continue to receive communications. Not ready to commit? Please join us as a guest at one or more of our General Meetings which includes a social time and a presentation/speaker for only \$10 per meeting.

Patricia Nevins
President, UAWC-UTWA

FINANCIAL STATEMENT

University Arts Women's Club-University of Toronto Women's Association (UAWC-UTWA)			
Financial Report July 1, 2021 - June 30, 2022			
2020/2021 ending balance	\$6,465.01		
RECEIPTS		EXPENSES	
Dean's funding	\$800.00	Bank fees	\$75.90
Membership dues (53)	\$2,365.00	Fall Newsletter & Annual Directory	\$346.97
Donations	\$220.00	Oct 21 Zoom presentation	\$210.00
Christmas Special Event (29)	\$1,160.00	Nov 18 Zoom presentation	\$210.00
AGM (42)	\$1,890.00	Dec 2 Christmas Special Event	\$1,509.68
		Feb 17 Zoom presentation	\$210.00
		Mar 17 Zoom presentation	\$210.00
		Apr 21 AGM	\$1,761.15
Totals	\$6,435.00		\$4,533.70
Balance as of June 30, 2022	\$8,366.31		
			
		Bobbi Slater, Treasurer	
Notes:			
- One of our generous members donated the \$10 per meeting cost of the Zoom meetings			
- A new member paid a reduced membership fee, for this year only, due to when they joined			
- AGM expenses were reduced by the \$1,000 deposit heldover from the Covid-19 cancelled in-person April 2020 AGM			
- Ongoing Covid-19 restrictions prevented in person meetings for the Oct, Nov and Mar meetings			
- Due to typical winter weather issues the Feb meeting will continue to be held on Zoom			
- For 2022/2023 all general meeting costs will increase significantly due to the return of in-person meetings, inflation and the need to change locations			

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

2022-2023 RENEWAL or MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

Send an e-transfer for \$45 to UAWCUTWA@gmail.com

OR

Mail with your cheque for \$45 (payable to UAWC-UTWA) to:
Bobbi Slater, 600 Silvercreek Blvd., #58, Mississauga, Ontario L5A 2B4

Note: Address/telephone number are required only if there is a change from last year

Name: _____ Telephone: _____
(Preferred title: Dr., Mrs., Miss, Ms.)
Address: _____ Post Code: _____
Email: _____ Donation: _____

RESERVATION FORM

**2022 Christmas Buffet Lunch
Faculty Club, University of Toronto
December 8, 2022**

Reception and Cash Bar at 12 noon, Lunch at 12:30 pm

Payment of \$55 per person may be made by e-transfer to uawcutwa@gmail.com
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

Payment must be received by November 24, 2022

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Name: _____ Telephone: _____
Email: _____ Amount Enclosed: _____

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.