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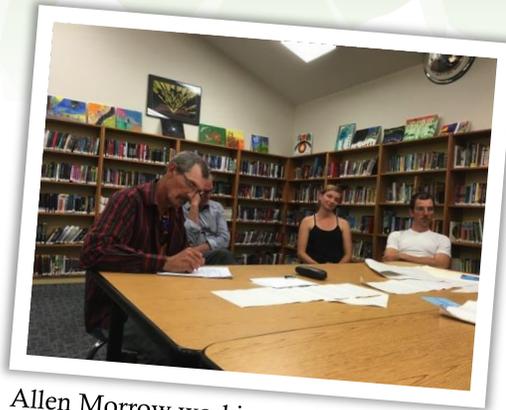
*honouring diversity,*

*building community*

Artist/Writer-in-Residence Newsletter



A small glimpse of Allen Morrow's art  
- "Friends of the River".



Allen Morrow working with community  
members to capture their visions of  
reconciliation in a visual sketch.

## Reconciliation Mural Planning

On July 19, community members met with Allen Morrow who was commissioned to create a sketch for a mural based on our ideas of reconciliation. As always, we had inspiring discussions and are now waiting in anticipation to see how Allen will tackle the challenge of uniting our visions in a mural sketch. If all proceeds as planned, we'll be looking for community members to help with painting in September.

The mural project is in partnership with the La Ronge Arts Council, thanks to funding from CIF.



### Save the Date!

Reconciliation  
Through  
Art/Open Arts  
Studio

September 6, and  
then bi-weekly on  
Thursdays

Truth and  
Reconciliation in  
our Community –  
Art Show

September 1 - 30  
Mistasihih Place

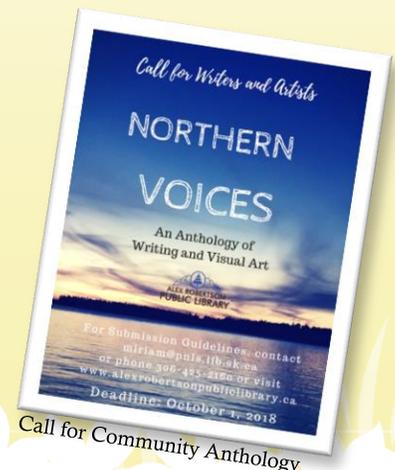
One-on-one  
Mentorship

By appointment

Need help with your  
writing or arts  
projects? Contact me!

## Filling the Word Reconciliation with Meaning

I used to use the word 'reconciliation' reluctantly. I felt I had no right to the word if I couldn't fill it with meaningful action. But what is meaningful action? How can I contribute to reconciliation? What I learned through this residency is that there are probably as many answers to the questions as there are people. But what I also learned is that it's incredibly empowering to find *your* answer and set a few things into action. I believe that getting together even in small circles will create an energy that you can carry out into your community. A friend recently said, "What we need right now is lots of small circles all over the country." I'm grateful that my work as artist/writer-in-residence has sparked a few small circles and I'm excited to see them grow.



Call for Community Anthology



Amelia and Tomson creating art for the upcoming exhibition.

## Long Term Care Exhibit

Long Term Care residents are working towards an art show in December. If you have frames or mats you would like to donate, please drop them off with Chantal Ursu at Long Term Care at the La Ronge Health Centre.



The river symbolizes our interwoven stories in this piece of Miriam's art.

## “Truth and Reconciliation in our Community” – A Community Art Show

The La Ronge Arts Council will host a community art show from September 1 - 30 at Mistasinihk Place. If you have explored this theme in your artwork previously, or created an artwork based on the theme in any of the workshops at the library, please consider submitting it to the community show. If you haven't, there is still time to create a piece! Registration forms can be picked up at the Mistasinihk Place gallery or the Alex Robertson Public Library.

## Reconciliation Quilt

Participants in the 'Reconciliation through Art' studio sessions have been busy needle-felting and most squares for the reconciliation quilt are now finished. If you would like to contribute a 12"x12" fabric, canvas or hide square, please contact Miriam. We will be sewing our quilt together in September.



A canoe trip that grew out of the discussions about reconciliation inspired Miriam's artwork on the top right.

## Young Writers' Workshop

Thanks to Sage Hill and its partners, young writers between 11 and 14 years of age have the opportunity to participate in a workshop at Senator Myles Venne School. We wish them much creativity!



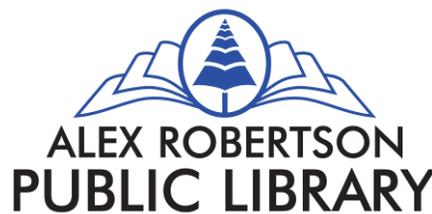
Young Writers' Workshop at SMVS.

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