SACRED ARTS GUILD OF ALBERTA

October Update

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Sacred art invites us to express our faith, encounter beauty, and draw closer to God.

In this latest update from SAGA, you'll find opportunities to learn, create, and experience sacred art while deepening your faith.



The Saint John's Bible

with Susan Keyes

Thursday, October 22, 2026

Join calligrapher Susan Keyes for two special presentations exploring *The Saint John's Bible*, an extraordinary masterpiece of sacred art and biblical illumination.

11:30 AM — Illuminating the Word: Discover the beauty, symbolism, and spiritual significance of The Saint John's Bible.

6:30 PM — The Making of The Saint John's Bible: Explore the traditional tools, techniques, and craftsmanship behind its creation.

Some or all of the Bible's volumes are expected to be on display.

Location: Hotel Blackfoot, 5940 Blackfoot Trail SE, Calgary

Registration: The presentations are open to the public, with tickets required for food service. Visit the Flourish Festival website for registration and event details. Save $20 using promo code **SKST26** when purchasing tickets.

Flourish Festival of Letters & Art

October 22–25, 2026 | Calgary, Alberta

Flourish
FESTIVAL OF LETTERS AND ART

The Flourish Festival of Letters & Art brings four days of creativity and inspiration to Calgary, celebrating the beauty of calligraphy, lettering, and artistic expression.

Featuring world-class instructors, hands-on workshops, and public demonstrations, the festival offers opportunities for artists and enthusiasts of all skill levels to explore traditional and contemporary lettering techniques.

With its rich connections to illuminated manuscripts and sacred art, the festival is a wonderful opportunity for SAGA members to learn, connect, and find inspiration.

Registration is now open! Visit Flourish-festival.com to learn more.

SAGA Workshops: Winter & Spring 2027



SAGA is looking forward to offering new workshops and hands-on learning opportunities in winter and spring 2027. Whether you're exploring a new art form or developing your skills, we look forward to bringing members together to learn, create, and share their passion for sacred art.

We also encourage members to keep creating and developing their artwork in anticipation of future opportunities to showcase and sell their work. We look forward to sharing more details in the months ahead.

Stay tuned for workshop announcements, dates, and registration information.

Spirit of Ukraine

Music, storytelling, culture, resilience, and hope



On November 4, 2026, The ProArts Society welcomes the return of *Spirit of Ukraine*, a moving performance celebrating Ukrainian culture, resilience, and hope through music and storytelling.

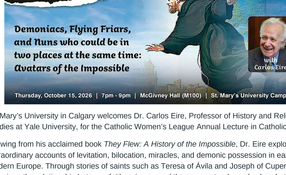
This free performance features accomplished Ukrainian-Canadian vocalists and musicians, along with members of Calgary's Ukrainian choirs. The performance weaves together traditional carols, classical music, poetry, and personal stories reflecting on the months surrounding Russia's full-scale invasion of Ukraine.

SAGA members are warmly invited to experience this celebration of Ukraine's enduring artistic and cultural heritage.

Visit ProArts Society's website to learn more.

Catholic Women's League Annual Lecture

St. Mary's University | Calgary



St. Mary's University in Calgary welcomes Dr. Carlos Eire, Professor of History and Religious Studies at Yale University, for the Catholic Women's League Annual Lecture in Catholic Studies.

Drawing from his acclaimed book *They Flew: A History of the Impossible*, Dr. Eire explores extraordinary accounts of levitation, bilocation, miracles, and demonic possession in early modern Europe. Through stories of saints such as Teresa of Ávila and Joseph of Cupertino, he examines the relationship between faith, science, and the supernatural—and asks whether reality extends beyond what science can explain.

Location: St. Mary's University, Room M100, Calgary

Event Information & Registration

New SAGA Website Coming in 2027

We're excited to announce that the Sacred Arts Guild of Alberta will be launching a new website in winter 2027!

Our refreshed online home will make it easier to discover upcoming workshops and events, explore sacred art, and connect with the Guild's growing community.

Stay tuned for more details as we get closer to launch. In the meantime, visit our current website for the latest Guild news and updates.



Join the Guild

Whether you're an artist, calligrapher, or just someone who appreciates sacred art, there's a place for you at SAGA!

Join a welcoming community dedicated to learning, creating, and preserving the rich traditions of sacred art through workshops, shared experiences, and artistic fellowship.

Join the Sacred Arts Guild of Alberta!