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City of Burnaby, Chair, Executive Committee of Council, #101 - 4649 Canada Way, Burnaby, B.C. V5G 1M2

Dear Council Chair:

On behalf of the Richard Major Art Group, I formally request consideration of a grant from the City of Burnaby for the coming year. We have in the past received \$300.00 and the monies were much appreciated as they enabled us to invite noted artists to demonstrate their skills to our members and to help with the high rent at the Shadbolt Centre for the Arts. We plan to continue inviting artists to help our members with their work.

The group has existed for more than 40 years and the members have participated in the Rhododendron Show and Discovery Day Shows, as well as showing their work at the Deer Lake Gallery, Burnaby Art Gallery, Showcases, Culture Days and other events.

Most of our members are seniors (98%) and because we meet from 10 am to 12 noon on Wednesdays it makes it possible for these seniors to travel to the Shadbolt Centre in the daytime. Participation in the group means learning from each other – sharing and demonstrating artistic skills to others in the group for encouragement and inspiration. The group also provides social interaction to the benefit and the health of all our members.

Thank you for considering this request.

Yours sincerely,

Patricia Muss

Patricia Muss, President, Richard Major Art Group