



**THE SPARE ROOM GALLERY**  
**A Visual Arts Space**

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**NEW ART GALLERY OPENS IN RURAL SASKATCHEWAN**

*A Publicly Accessible Visual Arts Space for the Region's Artists and Arts Enthusiasts*

Cut Knife, SK -- The Spare Room Gallery launched its visual arts exhibition space with life-long area resident Mary Ramsay's "Landscape and Sky". The pastoral beauty of the rural countryside is explored in acrylics on a variety of materials including canvas, rocks, and sawblades.

*"Living on the farm...we enjoyed watching the changes in the beauty of nature through traveling, sitting at the creek, picking berries, fishing and bringing in the harvest." - Mary Ramsay, Artist.*

"Landscape and Sky" is sponsored by Veikle Agro Inc. and will run at the Spare Room Gallery until Sunday, June 23. The Gallery is located at 113 Broad Street, Cut Knife. Hours are Wednesdays from 1:30 - 6:30 p.m. and Fridays from 11:00 a.m - 4:00 p.m. or by appointment. Admission is free; donations to the visual arts in Saskatchewan are gratefully accepted. Small groups only as space is limited.

*"The nice things in a community don't happen by chance. Nice things happen because people care and put the work in." - Randy Strelhoff, Art Gallery Organizer.*

The Spare Room Gallery began as an idea in the fall of 2023. Over the winter the idea gathered momentum, received encouragement from the Town of Cut Knife, and now has a committed group of volunteer artists and arts enthusiasts working for its success. The Gallery's mission is to showcase the rich diversity of artistic practice within the area's cultural communities, to inspire our youth, and to promote public appreciation for the visual arts. Calls for artists will be distributed publicly 2 to 3 times per year with interest in new artists and artists with limited exhibition experience. The Gallery will pay exhibitors as per the CARFAC-RAAV Minimum Recommended Fee Schedule.

**About The Spare Room Gallery:** The Gallery is a division of the Clayton McLain Memorial Museum but operates independently with its own organizing committee and finances. The Gallery space is street-facing with windows that let in the natural light. It is slightly more than 150 square feet of floor space and has a 10 ft. ceiling. It is fitted with gallery-quality track lighting, a versatile hanging system, and security. For more information, visit [cmmcutknife.ca/the-spare-room-gallery/](http://cmmcutknife.ca/the-spare-room-gallery/).

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