

Dear Members,

We have some very important news for you concerning our **National Diploma Collection** which you are an important part of. As we enter our 95th year, we were presented with an opportunity to re-photograph the entire Diploma Collection of over 400 of our past and present members.

The CSPWC 's **National Diploma Collection** has been held at PAMA, The Peel Art Gallery, Museum and Archives in Brampton Ontario since 1995. www.pama.peelregion.ca Under the direction of a new curator at PAMA, it was decided that our Collection could no longer be cared for as it deserved to be due in part to its extremely large size and need for storage space. The CSPWC has made some progress looking for a new, permanent home for the works of art. More news to come on that front.

Prior to moving all the paintings we were afforded the opportunity to bring in a photographer of our choice to document each and every piece. Mr. Manny Martins of Brampton spent 4 days photographing the pieces with the assistance of staff members of PAMA and several CSPWC volunteers under the supervision of Marlene Madole, CSPWC Past President and PAMA liaison.

We now have a high resolution photo of each piece. In addition to the photography, there will be other costs incurred for us to relocation the collection. Some expenses are still unknown, but costs we can anticipate will include moving costs, insurance, short-term storage etc. For now, we are looking to raise some funds to cover the costs of the photography session that took place in January.

Further to this, we have established the "**Collection Collection**". This will be your way of supporting the Diploma Collection and allowing us to raise some of the extra cost we will be facing this year.

We are asking that each member donate \$10 towards covering the cost of photographing their own painting, and also \$10 to cover the cost of a past member, who is no longer with us. For your \$20 donation you will be helping to ensure the future viability of the Collection by the CSPWC. With the new high resolution images we will be able to update our website and prepare new promotional materials about the society and its significant historic Diploma Collection. In return, we will email you are tax receipt for your donation along with your digital image.

We know this Collection is a vital part of our history and we know you will want us to continue to preserve it. We thank you for your interest and support. You may make your donation by cheque or on-line at our website cspwc.ca.

Details to donate by mail: **Send your cheque to CSPWC Diploma Collection – 80 Birmingham St. B3, Etobicoke ON M8V 3W6 Payable to CSPWC.**

Details for online donation: cspwc.ca – Home Page make a donation or under News and Admin./Payments.

Thank you.