

## Parrsboro Creative Hires Robert More as Executive Director

Parrsboro Creatives' Board of Directors is pleased to announce the successful completion of its Canada-wide search for an Executive Director, and welcomes Robert More to the role.

"We are thrilled to have someone with Robert's skills and breadth of experience join Parrsboro Creative", said Michael Fuller, Chair. "His passion for the arts and his proven success in developing theatre in Canada aligns with our goal: to build a diverse cultural community to stabilize and grow the economy and population of Parrsboro, Nova Scotia. We are looking forward to the future and to working with Robert to make it all a wonderful reality."

Robert is a cultural manager, director, playwright, actor and academic instructor. He holds a Bachelor and a Master of Arts in English Literature from the University of Western Ontario, where he is also an instructor.

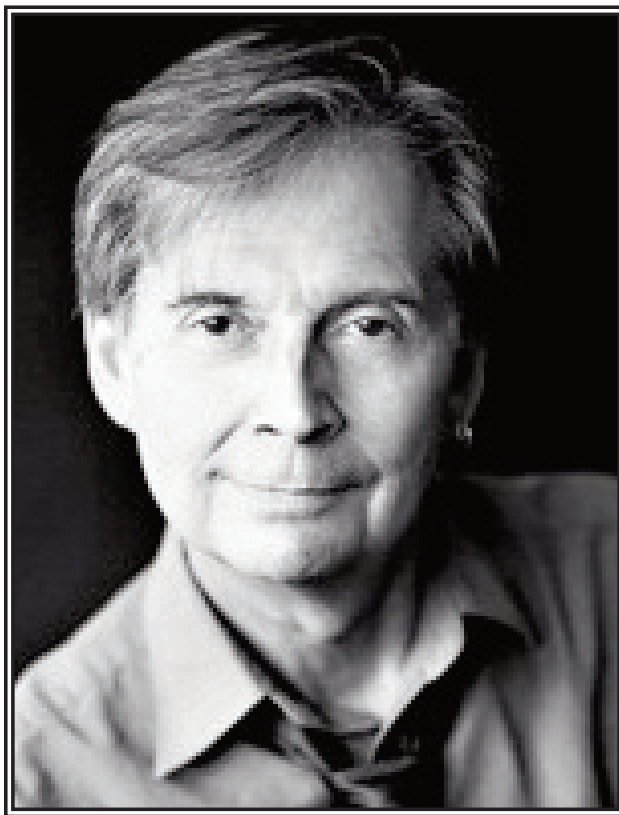
In his career as a cultural manager he has held managing and artistic director positions with the Lighthouse Theatre Festival, Bluewater Summer Playhouse, Victoria Playhouse Petrolia and, most recently, with Presentation House Theatre.

His professional interests include marketing, event management and fundraising,

as well as community building.

"I am truly excited by the vision of Parrsboro Creative and consider it an honour to be part of such a vital project", says More. "I believe strongly in the contributions artists make to the well-being of the country and in the potential of culturally oriented communities to herald a new era of socio-economic progress. To lead this initiative in the mesmerizingly beautiful setting on the Bay of Fundy is an added bonus."

As a playwright, Robert has more than 100 professional productions to his name, including Dads! The Musical, which was nominated for a Dora Mavor Moore Award and won the prestigious Fringe First Award at the Edinburgh Fringe Festival. As an actor, Robert has performed across the country, including at the National Arts Centre and Stratford, as well with the Grand Company.



Robert More

*Parrsboro Creative Arts Association is an initiative by a group of concerned citizens to revitalize the Town of Parrsboro, Nova Scotia, and turn back years of slow decline due to the cumulative effects of lost economic drivers resulting from centralization, globalization and the resulting depopulation of rural communities.*

*The establishment of a vital multidisciplinary arts community is seen as the key in the development of a vibrant cultural economy.*

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The We Act Committee, Hants North Rural High School, Kennetcook is joined by His Honour Brigadier General The Honourable J.J. Grant, Lieutenant Governor of Nova Scotia and The Honourable Karen Casey, Minister of Education and Early Childhood Development at the Lieutenant Governor's Respectful Citizenship Award Ceremony held in Halifax on February 24th. Hants North is part of the Chignecto-Central Regional School Board. (Government House, Halifax Photo)

## Council to Tour N-Viro Biosolids Facility

By Maurice Rees

Council members, staff and some invited residents from Lower Truro and Crowes Mills Road will tour the N-Viro Facility at Aerotech Park, Halifax Airport on March 15th. They will leave Truro at 4:30 pm. The tour resulted as a follow-up to council's request to have Ms. Lise LeBlanc of LP Consulting Solutions make a presentation to council on the storage and application of biosolids in Crowes Mills.

Construction of a new Subway Restaurant in Tatamagouche along with other commercial developments will require the replacement of 100 metres of sewer pipe at the front of the Main Street property prior to start of construction in spring 2016.

Council's capital budget includes five phases of sewer upgrades in Tatamagouche at the cost of \$1.325-Million over the next five years. Two phases were completed in summer 2015 by SW Weeks Construction. Final phases will be completed in 2019/2020.

Council approved SW Weeks Construction replace

the 100 meters of sewer pipe at a cost of \$81,500, excluding taxes, as an extension to their 2015 contract.

In other action items, Councillor Stewart added security of the municipal building to the agenda noting security needs to be improved, it is not efficient and there is no control over who is roaming through the building.

County solicitor, Dennis James, is in the process of writing a letter to Department of Justice to decide on their long term intentions for court house occupancy in the building. A report is to be presented to council at its March Meeting.

Councillor MacInnes added Rodents to the agenda, because he has been getting complaints from residents around rat infestation at several properties. It was noted laying down poison is not possible, because of other animals, such as pets, birds, etc. Many councillors felt it the food source was eliminated, then rat problems would cease. It was also noted that bird feeders are a major source of food and often

attract rats and other rodents.

The concern about possible lack of parking close to the new library has been raised by several elderly residents, who frequent the library regularly. Even though the county participated in funding, it was a Town of Truro project. Contact will be made with the Town and the Public Library Board to express concerns from the public.

## Hospitality Centre Wins Contract

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In 1985 the school moved to its present location using the Debert Airfield for flying and the facilities at the Nova Scotia Agriculture College in Bible Hill for accommodations, ground school, and administration. In 2005 the school relocated accommodations, ground school, and administration to the Debert Hospitality Centre.

There was an uproar from municipal officials and Debert area residents in 2010 when without much advance notice the school moved accommodations and ground school back to the Nova Scotia Agriculture College while administration and other support staff operated in Debert.

During the spring and fall, the gliders are staffed and located throughout the Atlantic Provinces to provide a familiarization flight to each cadet from every squadron. The gliders can be found in Debert, Gander, Greenwood, Miramichi, Port

Hawkesbury, Stephenville, Summerside and Sydney.

The primary objective of every summer in Debert is to give fifty cadets about ten hours flying experience to train them for a Transport Canada Glider Pilot License. The following summer, many of the cadets who received their Glider License continue with their flight training and gain their Transport Canada Private Pilot License through the Air Cadet Flying Scholarship Program.

From conception, the Royal Canadian Air Cadets program has been a partnership between a civilian authority, the Air Cadet League of Canada and the Department of National Defence.

Air Cadet Gliding Program where the Air Cadet Leagues of each province owns the gliders, tow planes, and tow vehicles. DND services and operates the aircraft and vehicles, and provides the officers and instructors.

## Alana Yorke at "The Hall" March 26, 2016

By Patricia Burke

Alana Yorke will perform the first concert in the winter/spring concert series at "The Hall" in Parrsboro on Sat. March 26, 2016 at 8 pm. Alana being a local comes armed with strong musical vision and is unafraid of bold sonic choices. Yorke steers her music deftly between sparkly synth-pop, and grand cinematic gestures.

Yorke's debut album *Dream Magic* was mixed in Montreal Arcade Fire's engineer Mark Lawson and released worldwide on Paper Bag Records October 30, 2015. For more information on this concert and how you can purchase tickets, go to [www.thehall.ca](http://www.thehall.ca)

The Hall will also play host to the Annual St. Patrick's Day Kitchen Party on Thurs. March 17, 2016 at 7 pm. Entertainment will be provided by Hooligan's Rough. Cost is \$10 per person. You must be 19 to attend. There will be a bar/canteen available.

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