

Ode to Ferry Building Gallery Volunteers

With passion, purpose and pride.
They power this gallery.
It all comes from love
And not for the salary!
They believe in community and so choose to give back
They're the wealth of our service and there's never a lack.

For the enjoyment of people and for the love of the art
They serve with commitment
It's all from the heart.
With brilliance, kindness, and wisdom
They give of their best
To make all the art an ongoing success.

Organizing, informing, educating, and serving
It takes patience, humour and a love of relating.

Some do the publicity and with so much ability.
Others do the installing, as if it's their calling.
And some setup and paint, it requires a saint.
Others drive for tours, they negotiate curves
It's art on the road, they must have great nerves.

A bundle of activity with so much humility.
Energy, diversity, synergy, vitality
They share their gifts and their treasures
And skills in great measures.

They are artists, biologists, writers & teachers
A tapestry of backgrounds and they are the leaders.
They lend us their smarts, they work from their hearts
Their talents and bents make our dollars and sense.

Of whom are we speaking?

This dynamite crew.

Dedicated, productive

Of course...it's you!

You won our hearts , you are all works of art,

With your dedication and knowledge

You make us look smart.

No matter what role you play,

We can easily say

You are the foundation

Of this gallery's sensation.

The little gallery that could

is the one that now does

and that is because

of all of you!

The staff, the mayor, the patrons

We all are your fans.

With gratitude and awe

We give you a hand.

The arts are alive, they grow and they thrive

and the credit is due

to everyone of you!

from our hearts....WE THANK YOU!