

Thank you for your time, and it was great to speak with you.

I have attached an audio file that outlines the type of storytelling I do, and what I envision for the Forest Talk Radio: White Bear Old Growth installation that I would like to run on-site between May 25-Dec 30, 2020.

For more information on the Forest Talk Radio Laurier Woods edition, go to: foresttalkradio.ca

If you are wondering, why Temagami? Well, every summer for almost thirty years my family has spent time "tootling up the lake" (as my mother would say,) on a Leisure Island houseboat and we spent many an afternoon strolling around Temagami. (We bought the boat of Peter and Anne-Marie about twenty years ago).

And this year will be no different, I intend to spend a good portion of the summer up there. So any meetings that we need to have can be done in person. In fact, while I am in the town, I would love to speak with the caretakers, guides and anyone who would like to share their knowledge of the White Bear forest--these conversations are imperative to my artistic process.

I am thankful that you appreciate that the turn around for a partnership letter of support is tight--I require the letter by **April 30** to make the May 1 **Ontario Arts Council Northern Arts Project** deadline. (you will find address for OAC on sample letter page 4 of attached doc.)

In addition to the audio demo, I have included an FAQ sheet, some script from the Laurier Woods Edition installation, and a sample letter of support.

I can field questions anytime you like, (especially on the 25th even during your board meeting if needed) so you can either email me or give me a call at **613-797-3762**.

Again, thank you for your time, and please keep me posted which way the council decides.

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