



INLNA Artist Residency Award Announcement

The **Stephan G. Stephansson Icelandic Society (SGSIS)** is thrilled to announce and congratulate the recipients of the **Icelandic National League of North America (INLNA) Artist Residency Award for 2025**.

The Icelandic National League of North America has generously donated \$3000 annually to assist eligible artists coming for a Residency in the Buttermaker's House in Markerville.

Congratulations to all our recipients of the *INLNA Artist Residency Award* for 2024/2025!

This year there are two winners meeting the criteria for the award.

1. **Veronica Graves** from Red Deer, Alberta is coming from June 8 - 15. This artist specializes in wool. With felt as her medium, she creates wearable art and wall hangings.
2. **Gudrita Lape** (Gintaré Maciulskytė) of Iceland will be an Artist in Residence in 2026. As a chef and artist, Gudrita meshes her two specialties - cooking and art. Her project titled "*Creamy Connections: A Vegan Celebration of Icelandic Traditions*" will explore the culinary and cultural connections between Iceland and Canada. *Photo of Gudrita by Icelandic newspaper Fréttablaðið.*

The winners for 2024:

1. **Karen Scarlett**, from Innisfail, Alberta, is a multi-disciplinary artist who creates fine art and craft in various mediums, including large murals. Karen gave an art talk to the community and has since finished two paintings of the area from her stay.
2. **Claire Butler** is a professional musician from Calgary, specializing in piano and violin. Claire embraced Markerville head on with a Free Music Workshop for kids in the Fensala Hall. As part of a jazz ensemble, the Clicquot Trio, she played for one of our Supper and Song Nights in the Creamery Courtyard.

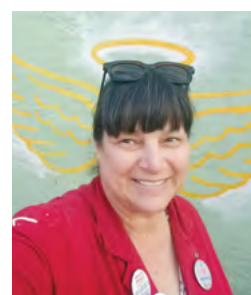
You are all inspiring and talented individuals that deserve recognition and a place to rest, reflect, create and connect in our delightful retreat.



VERONICA GRAVES



GUDRITA LAPE



KAREN SCARLETT



CLAIRE BUTLER



CALLING ALL ARTISTS
to check out our Buttermaker's House
Artist Residency, available all year long.

INLNA Artist Residency Award
applications open in the fall for 2026.



More information on our website: <https://historicmarkerville.com/buttermaker-house.html>