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I am not an artsy person myself but I married a creative director for 34 years.

Markham is a unique city with 70+% of visibility minorities (oxymoron) and I do believe art is very important and can be a catalyst to bring our multi-ethnic population closer, allowing us an opportunity to *harness* our diversities.

My campaign theme is to Reimagine, Rethink and Redefine traditional challenges and issues.

I already have a very good relationship with Markham's Director of Culture & Economic Development. Once in council, I will influence and secure supports for a new Multicultural Arts Center. Perhaps jointly operate by Markham & York Region Art Councils with revenue potentials. Note: I have good relationship with a Chinese Master Calligrapher and a group of dedicated students, I'm sure they will participate to help organize the Chinese arts community.

Until then, Markham already has a number of beautiful Community Centers and Libraries, I will propose well-publicized and regularly scheduled rotating exhibits & performances from all cultural background.

I am young at heart, few candidates can match my stamina, energy and fitness. I am a people person. I have already handed out 2,500+ Canada Flags during this election campaign, most with a smiling face! Seniors and kids are naturally drawn to me (watch my campaign car [video](#)).

There are leaders who lead with power and leaders who lead to inspire. I aim to inspire our future leaders and I would like to work with York Region & Markham Art Councils and School Board Trustees to speak about the important of arts at all schools in Markham!

Love to have a coffee chat with you, please let me know where and when.

Cheers,
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