

COMPLETE ART LISTING FOR SURREY AND GREATER VANCOUVER
February 2019

PERFORMING ARTS:

Workshops & Classes

BC Girls Choir: Zephyra Women's Choir – Accepting new members for a balanced 24 voice ensemble. Must be able to sight read and prepare independently for rehearsals. Rehearsals are on Mon evenings. rehearsalsfiona@fionablackburn.com | bcgirlschoir.org/why-join/zephyra-womens-choir

Come sing with us! **Peace Arch Chorus** is a women's a cappella Chorus which sings barbershop style harmony. We rehearse every Wed night at the Newton Cultural Centre, 7pm | Guests are welcome | peacearchsings.com

Dancing Tones Association: Dance classes designed for special needs kids of all abilities to develop current skills and learn new ones in a positive and fun environment. 778-877-4222 | facebook.com/dansingtones

Handel Society of Music: Producing fine choral performances while actively promoting the artistic development of young musicians. | handelsociety.ca

Lyric Singers of Surrey: Looking for experienced singers with an interest in performing serious classical and contemporary music. | lyricsingers.ca

The Maple Leaf Singers invite you to join our dynamic show chorus. With 50 years of performance behind us, 2019 launches our next 50 years, and you can be part of it! We perform a varied repertoire, including Broadway and movie musical numbers; gospel, folk, classical, and inspirational pieces; and swing, rock, and pop hits. As a registered charity, we perform over 15 times a year. Practices are Mon evenings at Burnaby Lake Pavilion. All are welcome to audition. 778-245-4445 or joinus@mapleleafsingers.com. | mapleleafsingers.com

Surrey Arts Centre, 13750-88 Avenue. Get creative! Surrey Civic Theatres offers classes and day camps for children, youth, and adults. What can you register for? surrey.ca/theatre (Performing Arts Classes) or 604-501-5100

Surrey International Folk Dancing Society: Learn folk dances set to ethnic music from around the world in a relaxed and friendly atmosphere. Beginners welcome. Every Thursday, 7 – 9pm | surreyfolkdance.org

Westcoast Harmony Chorus: Welcoming new members at all experience levels. Rehearsals Wed 7:15 – 10:15pm | Parkland Community Church, 96 Ave & 160 St | westcoastsings.com

PERFORMING ARTS:

Shows

Arts Club presents - True Crime: Christian Gerhartsreiter—aka Clark Rockefeller—is a con man of the highest order, now serving a near-life sentence in a California state prison. And iconic provocateur and musician Torquil Campbell (of the band Stars) wants to try him on for size. This dogged investigation and impersonation dares us to find the truth and confront our cultural addiction to a good story—at any cost. | Goldcorp Stage at the BMO Theatre Centre, 162 W. 1st, Van. | Running till: Feb 24 | artsclub.com

Blue Frog Studios: Melanie Dekker, her country roots melded with her jazz music education to create somewhat of a roots-pop sensation. Her high energy band “DEKKER” needs almost no introduction. They are all BC boys who eat & breath music. Co-writer & producer Allan Rodger is on bass, Pat Steward is on drums, and Eric Reed, on guitar. Ages 19 and up | Feb 8, 7pm | bluefrogstudios.ca

Classic Steps: Cinderella Kids – Based on the screenplay by Ken Anderson and Homer Brightman. Proof that a new pair of shoes can change your life. Mar 1, 7:30pm with meet and greet! | Mar 2, 4pm and 6:30pm | Admission by donation - min \$10 | Newton Cultural Centre, 13530 72 Ave

Elektra: When the Spring is Born – Experience the richness of choral music by women composers and arrangers as Elektra celebrates International Women’s Day 2019. Words and music come together in Elektra’s award-winning sound as the choir performs music by Abbie Betinis, Maija Einfelde, Kate MacColl, Joni Mitchell, Marie-Claire Saindon, and more. Mar 9, 7:30pm | visit website for locations | elektra.ca

Naked Stage Productions: Alabama Story – By Kenneth Jones. A simple children’s book called the Rabbit Wedding, in which a white rabbit marries a black rabbit, becomes the seed of social and political controversy in 1959 Montgomery, Alabama. Based on actual events, many themes in the story still resonate today. Tickets: \$15, Mar 22 – 24, Fri – Sat 7:30pm and Sun 2pm | Newton Cultural Centre, 13530 72 Ave | nakedstage.net

North Van Arts: International Film Series: Beautiful Boy - Directed by Felix van Groeningen. Based on the best-selling pair of memoirs from father and son David and Nic Sheff, Beautiful Boy chronicles the heartbreaking and inspiring experience of survival, relapse, and recovery in a family coping with addiction over many years. Feb 27 | Visit website for list of featured films | northvanarts.ca

Royal Canadian Theatre Company: A Bedfull of Foreigners – Fawlty Towers meets Benny Hill in this hilarious, face-paced farce with a succession of enough disasters and misunderstandings, twists and turns to create the perfect comedy of chaos... and just the thing for an end-of-winter celebration. The setting for the play is the dingy “Hotel Heinz” on the border between France and Germany where the inept staff create pandemonium when they book two couples into the same guest room! Some slightly suggestive situations | Surrey Arts Centre – Mar 8-9 and Anvil Centre, New West – Mar 14-16 | rctheatreco.com

Surrey Civic Theatres: Main Stage and Studio Theatre at Surrey Arts Centre, and Centre Stage at Surrey City Hall. Tickets Online: tickets.surrey.ca | Box Office: 604-501-5566. Event Info: surrey.ca/theatre. Sign up for ENews & Updates: surrey.ca/enews

Surrey Little Theatre: Night Watch – A woman sees a dead body in the window of the abandoned building across the way from her home. Her husband tries to comfort her but believes she is still affected by an earlier tragedy. As a detective begins to investigate her close friend, the housekeeper, and rather sinister neighbor all contribute to the deepening mystery. Running till: Feb 23 | surreylittletheatre.com

The Cultch: This is the Point A play about love, sex, and disability. Dan and Christina are parents searching for the best way their disabled son Bruno can share his voice. Tony is a non-verbal adult who won't shut up. Liz is his long-time romantic partner grappling with the judgements that society makes about their love and sexuality. These two couples draw from their personal lives to explore and debate questions of representation, the nature of companionship, and whether people of different abilities can ever connect with each other on equal terms. Historic Theatre, the Cultch, 1895 Venables, Vancouver | Jan 29 - Feb 2, 8 pm | thecultch.com

VISUAL ARTS:

Call for Entry

Fleetwood Public Library: Call for Artists – Free display space for BC artists on an ongoing basis. 604-598-7346 | Croberts@surrey.ca

Imprint is the Fort Gallery's 2019 juried exhibition. In everything we do, we leave an imprint, a trace, a mark, a consequence. The Fort Gallery invites submissions of artwork based on or originating from the imprinted mark and exploring its conceptual significance. Contemporary modes of artistic expression are encouraged. Artists may submit a maximum of 3 artworks electronically for adjudication to the fortgallery@hotmail.com | Submission Date: Mar 13 | Exhibition: Apr 3 - 28 | 9048 Glover Rd, Fort Langley | fortgallery.ca

New West Arts Council: New West Craft Now Accepting 2019 Applications – Now accepting applications for winter/spring 2019 New West Craft Market. Each application is juried based on a number of criteria including the craftsmanship of your handmade products, the creativity of your brand and your social media presence. Be sure to check out the application for further details. | artscouncilnewwest.org

Opus Daily Practice: Challenge yourself to one full month on creativity. Create something new each day or work one big project. Remember, "There is no "right" way to make art. The only wrong is in not trying, not doing. Don't put barriers up that aren't there - just get to work and make something." Lisa Golightly. Opus will feature daily prompts. Be sure to check out the "28 reasons & ways to create daily"

handout featured on the opus website. Share your progress on Instagram or twitter with #opusdailypractice | Feb 1 – 28 | opusartsupplies.com

Port Moody Arts Centre (in partnership with Port Moody Heritage Society): Upcycling Port Moody's Heritage is a four-week exhibition of artistic upcycling imagination and creativity. We all know the importance of recycling but for those with creative minds; “upcycling” is much more interesting! The concept of upcycling is the process of transforming waste material and unwanted products into something useful and beautiful. Artists of all mediums are invited to employ the creativity of ‘Upcycling’ in sculpture, collage, assemblages, furniture and more to explore and showcase Port Moody’s social, industrial, and cultural heritage. Deadline: May 1 | Exhibition: Aug 22 - Sept 19, Port Moody Arts Centre | pomoarts.ca

The Salt Spring National Art Prize (SSNAP) – The intent of SSNAP is to encourage artists whose practice demonstrates originality, quality, integrity and creativity—resulting in significant work with visual impact and depth of meaning. Canadian citizens and permanent residents of Canada who are eighteen years of age and older as of Jan 1, 2018 are invited to submit their two-dimensional and three-dimensional work for consideration. Approximately 50 finalists will be selected by an independent jury from across Canada to participate in the Finalists’ Exhibition on Salt Spring Island. Online entries close Friday May 31, 2019 | saltspringartprize.ca

Surrey Art Gallery: Welcomes proposals from artists and guest curators. Your package will be acknowledged when received. surrey.ca/artgallery

Surrey Art Gallery Association: Competitive Paint Off - Twelve artists will face off in four 25-minute rounds. Participate as one of the artists or watch art being created with oil sticks on canvas while meeting others. Mar 23, 6 – 9pm | For more details or to register as an artist, email vp@sagabc.com

VISUAL ARTS:

Workshops & Classes

An Evening with Flowers: Floral Designer Margaret Burns: In these demos Margaret will cover the mechanics of floral arrangements from traditional to Japanese Ikebana. Mon Mar 25 6 - 9pm & Mon Apr 1, 6 - 9pm. \$15 per person. Get hand-outs covering the principles of Floral Arranging, Tools, Containers, Flowers, & Foliage, and a chance to win one of Margaret's arrangements. 604-880-3561 | mogysiam@yahoo.ca

Art Night: Cedar Weaving by Stanley Park Ecology Society – Western red cedars stand as one of the oldest and most revered trees in the forests of Stanley Park. Join us as Contessa Brown Qmdmaxl of the Heiltsuk Nation shares the sacred place of cedar bark in Northwest Indigenous culture and guides us in some foundational weaving techniques. Partake in the stories in this cedar-weaving night and take home a cedar rope-twist and rose of your own making! | Prepared cedar bark will be provided. Hot drinks are available by donation. \$25 – \$28 | Sat Feb 9, 2:30 - 4:30pm | eventbrite.ca

Crescent Beach Photography Club: Meets in Crescent Beach on the first, third and fifth Wednesday of the month, September to May. Doors open: 7pm, Meeting: 7:15pm | Camp Alexandra, we meet in Alexandra Hall on the North side of the complex. 2916 McBride Avenue, Surrey | cbpc.ca | cbpc.ca

Federation of Canadian Artists: The Foundations Program is a series of 10 classes, taught by 10 different instructors, each focusing on 10 different foundational concepts of visual art. These classes provide a high-level overview of what every artist should know so you can review your own skillset, understand where you are within your personal practice, and be able to see where there is room for improvement. **Wed Evenings 10-Week Program**, Mar 6 – May 15, 6:30 – 9pm | \$365 for Members / \$415 for Non-Members or **Monday Full-Day 10-Week Program**, Mar 4 – May 13, 9:30 – 4:30pm | \$685 for Members / \$735 for Non-Members, Federation Gallery, 1241 Cartwright St., Van. | artists.ca

Katina Giesbrecht: Monotype Printmaking Using a Gelli Plate – Discover monotype printing using a Gelli plates - a durable and reusable printing plate that looks and feels like gelatin! Its highly sensitive surface allows for impressions to be made and then be transferred to paper. One-of-a-kind painterly prints are created easily and quickly, allowing you to work intuitively and create small works of art that can be used in a variety of ways. Sat, Mar 2, 10 - 12 | Langley Centennial Museum, Fort Langley | Course number: 544488 Call the Langley Centennial Museum at (604) 532-3536 to register | katinagiesbrecht.com

Opus Art Supplies: Workshop featuring **Fran Friesen, Alcohol Ink** | Feb 16 | **Kathy Backer, Watercolour Pours** | Feb 17 | Register: 604-533-0601 | opusartsupplies.com

Sunset Ocean-side Photo Safari – introductory class in capturing special sunsets. \$10/participant. Fri Mar 22, 6:30 – 8:30pm. **Sunrise Ocean-side Photo Safari** – an exploration of the light and colours of early morning along the Pacific Ocean. \$15/participant. Sun Mar 31, 7:30 – 9:30 am. **Coffee & show ‘n tell** in the gallery afterward until 11. Crescent Beach Pop-Up Gallery, 12160 Beecher Avenue, Crescent Beach/Surrey. Contact Leah Murray at 778-833-4136 or leahmurray.001@gmail.com to register.

Surrey Art Gallery Explore your creative side by taking an art course, camp, or workshop! We offer studio introduction in a variety of media from introductory to advanced levels and for all age ranges: preschoolers, children, youth, and adults. Our instructors are experienced art educators and many are practicing artists. Call 604-501-5566 for more info or visit the Learning section of our website at surrey.ca/artgallery

Wendy Mould: Let’s Get Your Art Out There! An all-day Marketing Workshop for Artists. Having trouble getting started or knowing where and what to do? This workshop gets your Marketing Plans fired up to new and more successful levels. Turn your art into a business with Wendy Mould, AFCA. Feb 24, 10 – 3pm | \$84 (Gift Certificates Available) | Register: wendy@artbywendy.com or 604-314-2232

Workshops by Margaret Burns: Exploration of Watercolor on Canvas Workshop Discover a freer approach to creating art with watercolor. You will learn to see your art differently & work fearlessly with watercolors. \$65 per person includes all supplies. Fri Mar 22, 6 - 9pm | **Printmaking without a press Workshop** Learn Printmaking without a lot of expensive equipment. Experiment with monoprinting, collagraph, and making beautiful hand printed cards with foliage & other plant materials. \$65 per person includes all supplies. Fri Mar 29, 6 - 9pm | Crescent Beach Pop-up Gallery | Space is limited: registration required. 604-880-3561 | mogysiam@yahoo.ca

VISUAL ARTS:

Events & Exhibits

A Curator's View: Ian Thom Selects Discover the Vancouver Art Gallery's rich permanent collection through an exhibition of nearly ninety highlights including paintings, drawings, photographs, and sculptures. The exhibition features such artists as Henri Beau, Emily Carr, Robert Davidson, Gathie Falk, Leon Golub, David Hockney, Ann Kipling, Beatrice Lennie, David Milne, Paul Peel, George Segal, Graham Sutherland, Andy Warhol, John Vanderpant and Zacherie Vincent, and more. Vancouver Art Gallery, 750 Hornby, Vancouver | Open until Mar 17 | vanartgallery.bc.ca

Arts Council of Surrey: The art exhibit in January will feature **Gail Biddle's** show called, "*Eclectic Me*" at the Newton Cultural Centre Gallery. Exhibition: Feb 2 - 27 | Reception: Feb 16, 1pm – 3pm | Tue-Sun 10am - 3pm | 13530-72 Ave | 604-594-2700 | artscouncilofsurrey.ca

Surrey Art Gallery: Triangle Trade: Camille Turner, Jérôme Havre, and Cauleen Smith, short film reflects on being black in North America today and in the future and **Colette Urban: Gambler**, interactive sculpture of puzzle pieces. At the UrbanScreen (exterior of Chuck Bailey Recreation Centre) Running until: Mar 24 | surrey.ca/artgallery

Surrey Rockhound Club: 2019 Rock and Gem Shows – Maple Ridge Lapidary Club: Be sure to stop by and check out the live demonstrations, vendors, stones, tools & supplies. Live auctions, kids crafts, snack bar and more. Sat Feb 23, 11 – 5pm & Sun Feb 24, 10 – 4pm | Pitt Meadows Heritage Hall 12460 Harris Road | 604-466-4938 | surreyrockhound.com

Vancouver Aquarium: Experience acclaimed artist **Douglas Coupland's new radical art installation – Vortex**, an Ocean Wise initiative. Vortex will bring you on an imaginative journey to the Great Pacific Garbage Patch, immersing you in the ocean plastic pollution crisis and making you think about the seductive yet sinister medium in a relevant, contemplative, transformative way. Art meets science meets ecology in this new installation – a must-see exhibit on for a limited time only at the Vancouver Aquarium. Open until Apr 30 | vanaqua.org

LITERARY ARTS:

Alexandra Neighbourhood House: Lit Café – Bimonthly event, except summer, showcasing 4-5 local authors. Open mic follows for brief readings only. Admission by donation. 2916 McBride Avenue, Surrey | alexhouse.net

Cedar Bark Poets: Community-led poetry group affiliated with Friends of The Grove meets on 2nd Sat of each month. cedarbark@friendsofthegrove.ca

Poetic Justice Reading Series: Every Sunday (except holiday weekends and the month of December). Come early & sign up Open Mic. 3 – 5pm. The Heritage Grill, Back Room, 447 Columbia St. New Westminster | poeticjusticepnw@gmail.com

Sea to Sky Review: Online literary journal devoted to showcasing the best writing in British Columbia – specifically, in the Sea to Sky Corridor, now open for submission. Seatoskyreview.ca

Surrey Muse Gatherings: Each gathering features an author, poet, and a performer/artist at varying levels, followed by an open mic session. City Centre Library, Room 418, by donation | 4th Fri of every month except Dec, 5:30 – 8:30pm | surreymuse.wordpress.com

White Rock & Surrey Writers' Club Meets on the third Wednesday of most months at the White Rock Library. Each reader has five minutes to present their work and may ask for gentle critiquing. Bring ten copies of your work to share and a beverage. Next Meeting: Feb 20, 7-9 pm | 15342 Buena Vista Ave | wrandswc@gmail.com

Word Whips by the Water: Writing to prompts and optional sharing. 1st Wed of each month, 6:30 – 8pm, year round. No cost | Next Meeting: Feb 6, 6:30pm | Second floor meeting room, White Rock Library, 15342 Buena Vista Ave

Writing workshops with Leah Murray at Crescent Beach Pop-Up Gallery, 12160 Beecher Avenue, Crescent Beach/Surrey. **Writing Memory:** How to tell the world the things we (don't?) remember. \$35 per person. Thurs Mar 21, 6:30 – 8:30pm | **Intersections:** Using Semiotics and Ekphrasis in Prose & Poetry – a guided exploration of the connections between words, sounds, and visual art. \$45 per person. Thurs Mar 28, 6:30 – 9:00pm | Contact Leah Murray at 778-833-4136 or leahmurray.001@gmail.com to register.

COMMUNITY:

Healthy Hearts Day: Join us for 2 for 1 admission all day long for fitness centre, drop in sports, fitness classes, and swimming. Bring a friend or loved one and celebrate Valentine's Day with some heart healthy activity. Thu Feb 14, 6am – 9:30pm | Newton Recreation Centre

Newton Cultural Centre: Offers rental space in our Black Box Theatre, Gallery and Conference Room. Suitable for workshops, classes, rehearsals, performances, etc. Drop by and check out our uniquely renovated fire hall. 13535-72 Ave | 604-594-2700 | artscouncilofsurrey.ca

Vancouver Hot Chocolate Festival: Close to three dozen cafes, bakeries and chocolatiers throughout the region participate in the event by offering extra special gourmet cups of hot chocolate on their menus. Each participating venue offers a special selection of hot chocolate creations during the festival. Ingredients include everything from white chocolate to dark chocolate, Belgian chocolate, exotic whipped creams, torched marshmallow, cookie crumbs and even ice cream! Jan 19 - Feb 14 | hotchocolatefest.com

Vancouver International Wine Festival – Taste some of the finest wines from around the world at the Vancouver International Wine Festival. The kickoff Dinner & Auction is on Feb 23 at the Fairmont Hotel Vancouver. During the festival, enjoy several wine tasting events, seminars, gourmet dinners and more. Net proceeds go to Bard on the Beach. Vancouver Convention Centre and various Vancouver locations. Feb 23 - Mar 3 | vanwinefest.ca