

SURREY ARTS SCENE: Comprehensive Listing for March 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

Tom Lee Music: Spring Music Camp – featuring keyboard, ukulele and choir composition at our Richmond Academy. Ages 6 – 10 | Spaces are limited, please call 604-273-6661 to register. Mar 18 – 22 | Register for half day or full day (bring lunch) | \$225 Half Day or \$360 Full Day | tomleemusic.ca/academy/

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: Redpatch – Between 1914 and 1918, over four thousand Indigenous men volunteered to fight and die for Canada in WW1. Redpatch tells a part of this story through the eyes of a soldier from the Nuu-chah-nulth nation of Vancouver Island. From his childhood home to the battlefields of France, follow him as he endures the horrors of the Great War in a new play that uses dance, myth, and mask to tell both a universal and a personal tale. By Raes Calvert and Sean Harris Oliver | Mar 7–31 | Goldcorp Stage at the BMO Theatre Centre | artsclub.com

Blue Frog Studios: Sue Foley is a multi-award-winning musician and one of the finest blues and roots artists working today. She's a triple-threat as a lead guitarist, songwriter and vocalist. Foley has a long history of defying convention, and being a positive role model for aspiring, young female musicians. Mar 7, 7pm | bluefrogstudios.ca

Classic Steps: Cinderella Kids – Based on the screenplay by Ken Anderson and Homer Brightman. It's proof that a new pair of shoes can change your life. Mar 1, 7:30pm with meet and greet! | Mar 2, 4pm & 6:30pm | Min \$10 donation for admission | 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

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: Sealed For Freshness A Comedy by Doug Stone – Hostess Bonnie invites a group of neighbours over for a Tupperware party. The guest list: perky, rich Jean, her very pregnant sister Sinclair, ditzy-blond Tracy Ann, and new neighbour Diane, who's made quite a career selling

Tupperware. The mix of personalities and martinis consumed lead to absurd high jinks plus revelations of secrets and insecurities. Apr 18 - May 11 | \$17 | surreylittletheatre.com

VISUAL ARTS:

Call for Entry

Curiosity Collider Art-Science Foundation: Her Story: Canadian Women Scientists is series of artist-created narrative videos in which local female scientists tell us stories of Canadian women who came before them in their field of study, and their own stories in the process. The Foundation is calling filmmakers to submit their application to work with a scientist. After being paired up, the scientist and filmmaker will choose an historical figure and collaborate on the film content. \$1300 is allocated to each 5 – 6 minute short film, which must feature live action, animation, and narration. Deadline: Mar 25 | more info online: bit.ly/HerStoriesCC

Doris Biddle: Art in the Garden Event – Calling all artisans, makers, and musicians. Interested in taking part in an event this summer? Be sure to consider, Art in the Garden. Jul 27, 10 – 5pm & Jul 28, 11 – 5 pm | Located in Langley | Contact Doris Biddle for info on pricing and requirement art.bydoris10@gmail.com

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 max. 3 artworks electronically for adjudication to fortgallery@hotmail.com | Submission Date: Mar 13 | Exhibition: Apr 3 - 28 | 9048 Glover Rd | fortgallery.ca

Langley Arts Council: Open Arts Call: Transportation – Cars, boats, airplanes, shoes, bikes, sleds, horses, skis...Transportation is how we get around and many artists love to create work about it. Whether your intention is to preserve history through images of old vehicles, to tell a story about connecting and movement, to create nostalgia, or to interpret the word in another way, submit your art that helps us explore how we move around for an exhibition showing at the Township of Langley Civic Facility. Deadline: Mar 11 | langleyarts.ca/visual-arts-submissions

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

Port Moody Arts Centre, in partnership with Port Moody Heritage Society: Upcycling Port Moody's Heritage four-week exhibition. We all know the importance of recycling but for those with creative minds; “upcycling” is much more interesting! It 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 | saltspringartprize.ca

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

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

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

Joanne Dennis: JD Access Creative: Creative Canvas Class – Trees, Trees, and More Trees: Produce a tree portrait in acrylics using underpainting gradients and veils. Mar 29 or Mar 30, 1 – 4pm | \$45 class | 778-227-7441 | joannedennis.ca

Opus Art Supplies: Workshop featuring **Angela Gooliaff**, *Drawing Creative Creatures – Getting Social for National Pencil Day*, Mar 23 | **Ian de Hoog**, *Sketching Urban Landscapes*, Mar 30 | Register: 604-533-0601 | opusartsupplies.com

North Shore Artist Guild: Towards Abstraction in Watercolour with Zoe Evamy – Through a series of instructor demonstrations and personal practice, you will experience the various stages of loose watercolour painting, the benefits of surprise elements and restraint in adding just enough definition to

capture the viewer's imagination. This workshop is directed to intermediate to advanced painters. \$225 | Mar 16 – 17, 9:30 – 4pm | Dene Croft's Studio, 118 Pemberton Ave, North Vancouver | nsartists.ca

Semiahmoo Arts: Painting Animals – Learn tips and techniques for painting convincing animal portraits. Professional artist Cara Guri will teach you about proportion, composition, shading and creating realistic texture while painting an animal of your choice. (Wednesdays) 4 Classes, Mar 13 - Apr 3, 6:30pm-9:30pm | \$144, Registration: #4636316 | 604-501-5100 | semiahmooarts.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

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

Zoe Evamy: "Towards Abstraction in Watercolour" at Dene Croft's Studios 118 Pemberton Ave. (@West 1st) North Vancouver on Mar 16/17 9:30am - 4pm | Cost: \$225 | Register at nsartists.ca/courses/view/id/2058

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 **Emilie Mae's** show called, "*Two Concepts of Realization*" and **Pepe Hidalgo's** show called, "String Theory Rehearsal" at the Newton Cultural Centre Gallery. Exhibition: Mar 2 - 30 | Reception: Mar 9, 1 – 3pm | Tue-Sun 10am - 3pm | 13530-72 Ave | 604-594-2700 | artscouncilofsurrey.ca

Museum of Anthropology: Marking the Infinite – Aboriginal women have been redrawing the boundaries of the contemporary Aboriginal art scene in Australia since the late 1980s, redefining a movement that continues today. Their work resonates with vitality and relevance, their Indigenous ways of knowing the world captured in each brush stroke and woven thread. The strength of their vision is immediately evident in the works, asserting their authority like lightning bolts in the night sky. Running until Mar 31 | 6393 NW Marine Drive, Vancouver | moa.ubc.ca

Surrey Art Gallery Association: Competitive Paint Off - Twelve artists will face off in four 25-minute rounds. Watch art being created with oil sticks on canvas while meeting others. Mar 23, 6 – 9pm | For more details email vp@sagabc.com

Surrey Art Gallery: Nicoletta Baumeister: In the Realm of Perception, paintings combine hyperrealistic images of nature with studies in pure colour and geometric abstraction. | **Triangle Trade: Camille Turner, Jérôme Havre, and Cauleen Smith**, short film reflects on being black in North America today and in the future, Running until Mar 24 | **Nicolas Sassoon: Liquid Landscapes**, animated art evokes the beauty of parks and rivers in Surrey, Running until Apr 28 | surrey.ca/artgallery

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

Wendy Mould: West Fine Art Show – In support of Langley School District Youth Homelessness Initiatives. This show promises to offer breathtaking interpretations of our western Canada lifestyle – busy city streets, quiet lakeside views, animals in the field, birds resting in the trees. Features: Myself and 17 other Award Winning Artists, Emerging Young Artist Display (Langley Students), Kids Art Interactive Center, Free, Kid Friendly | Mar 8, 7-9pm, Mar 9, 11-7pm, & Mar 10, 11-5pm | Yorkson Creek Middle School, 84 Ave. Langley | artbywendy.com

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 Westminister | 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 Libraries: Teen Writers Circle – This group will encourage you to keep writing, challenge and stretch your imagination. At each meeting members will have the opportunity to share and critique each other's writing in a positive, safe environment. Meets on 3rd Wednesday of each month 3:45 - 4:45pm at Guildford Library | surreylibraries.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: Mar 20, 7-9 pm | 15342 Buena Vista Ave | wrandswc@gmail.com

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:

CelticFest Vancouver: Get ready for endless days of Celtic magic that will warm rain-soaked bones and set hearts afire when CelticFest returns to Vancouver! You'll be laughing until you burst, aching at the beauty of a perfect note, dancing till your feet beg for mercy, cheering at the sheer joy of it all. CelticFest 2018 is smaller than in years previous. This year there are a few Irish performances happening around Metro Vancouver. Running until Mar 17, various events and times celticfestvancouver.com

Leprechaun Toonie Skate: Dress in green, enjoy face-painting, magical crafts & a fun pot of gold game. The price is \$2 per person (kids 3 & under are FREE). Rentals of skates & helmets are included in the \$2 price. Heads up...bars are not available during the toonie skate. Mar 16, 6 - 9pm, Kensington Recreation Centre, 6159 Curtis Street | burnaby.ca

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

Pioneer Kitchen: Easter Bread – Make your own Easter bread dough to bake at home. At this hands-on workshop, also learn about Easter traditions around the world as you taste bread fresh from the woodstove. 19 yrs + | \$26 per person | Mar 23, 10am - 12pm | Historic Stewart Farm, 13723 Crescent Rd | Visit any City of Surrey rec. centre to register | surrey.ca

St Patrick's Day Swims: Do you have any plans for St. Patrick's Day? Find your green swimwear and celebrate St. Patrick's Day at the pool with your friends and family! All ages are welcome. Regular admission rates apply. The St Patrick's Day Swims are happening at the following locations: Guildford Recreation Centre, Newton Recreation Centre, North Surrey Recreation Centre, South Surrey Indoor Pool, Surrey Sport & Leisure Complex – Aquatics | March 17, 1:30pm – 4pm | surrey.ca

Surrey Libraries: Stories for Individuals with Developmental Disabilities – Spoken and written word stories, music, and fun designed especially for developmentally disabled teens, adults and their caregivers. Be sure to stop by and have fun well actively participating and listening along. Bring your inside voice, and be sure to keep your voice down when using other areas of the library. Bring your library card to borrow books to take home and enjoy. Mar 15 | 10:30 - 11:15am | City Centre Library