

COMPREHENSIVE ARTS LISTING: May 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: Matilda the Musical – Armed with an outsize wit and a vivid imagination, precocious Matilda takes a stand to change her destiny. Even cruel parents and a hardened headmistress can't get

in her way. From the wonderfully subversive imagination of Roald Dahl, this fun family musical will bring out the child in everyone. | Running: May 16 – July 14 | Stanley Industrial Alliance Stage | artsclub.com

Blue Frog Studios: Alfie Zappacosta – two-time Juno Award winner with his full band, including Grammy winning Tom Keenlyside on saxophone, Steve Soucy on Keyboards, Kerry Galloway on Bass, and Phil Robertson on drums. May 11, Music at 7pm & 9:15pm | **Doc Fingers & Diane Lines**, energetic takes of blues, boogie and classic popular music. May 25, 7pm | 1328 Johnston Road, White Rock | bluefrogstudios.ca

Elektra: I am in Need of Music with soprano Suzie LeBlanc – Two forces of Canadian classical music come together for a very special concert in Vancouver. Internationally celebrated for her performances of early music, LeBlanc is a creative and curious musician, delving into a rich diversity of styles, cultures and words. | May 4, 7:30pm | Shaughnessy Heights United Church, 1550 West 33rd Avenue, Vancouver | elektra.ca

Fraser Valley Gilbert and Sullivan Society: SEUSSICAL – The Musical the Cat in the Hat tells the story of Horton, an elephant who discovers a speck of dust that contains the Whos, including Jojo, a Who child sent off to military school for thinking too many “thinks.” | Apr 25-26 & May 1-3 @ 7:30pm & Matinee: April 27-28 & May 4-5 @ 2:30pm | Coast Capital Playhouse at 1532 Johnson Road, White Rock | Call: 604-536-7535 or visit fgss.org

The Maple Leaf Singers: Don't Stop Believin' – Their 51st annual show Don't Stop Believin', fills hearts with renewed hope, caring and love mixed with a good dose of 1940's – 2000's era's rock n' roll! | Sat May 25, 7:30pm & Sun May 26, 2pm | Massey Theatre, 735 Eighth Ave, New Westminster | Tickets Range \$15 - \$25 | 604-985-1489 | mapleleafsingers.ca

Naked Stage Productions: Trying by Joanna Glass – Sarah Schoor, from Saskatchewan, is the latest in a long and unsuccessful line of personal secretaries for retired Francis Biddle, a former US Attorney General under Franklin D. Roosevelt. Based on Glass' own experience as Biddle's assistant in 1967-68. | Tickets: \$15 | Jun 7 – 8, 7:30pm and Jun 9, 2pm | Newton Cultural Centre, 13530 72 Ave, Surrey | nakedstage.net

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

Surrey International Children's Festival: The annual Surrey International Children's Festival inspires young hearts and minds to greater possibilities, and celebrates our rich and diverse cultural heritage through performing and visual arts experiences. | May 23 – 25 | Surrey Art Gallery, Bear Creek Park, Surrey | surrey.ca/childrensfestival

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

YACOS Youth Arts of Council of Surrey: Write on One Act Plays – Join us for this year’s winning, One Act Play performances by local youth writers. | \$10 | May 11, 7:30pm | Newton Cultural Centre, 13530 72 Ave, Surrey | youthartscouncil@gmail.com

VISUAL ARTS:

Call for Entry

Arts Council of Surrey: Arts 2019 | A Juried Exhibition of Visual Art – The exhibit will run Jun 29 – Aug 31 at the Surrey Art Gallery. Selection will be in response to the variety of artwork submitted. The jurors look for new works that show personal creative explorations and artistic commitment. | Deadline: May 29, 3pm | 604-594-2700 | info@artscouncilofsurrey.ca

Doris Biddle: Calling All Artists – Art in the Garden in Langley on a beautiful private 1/2 acre. Good access and exposure. Paintings, pottery, jewelry etc. | Event July 27-28 | Contact Doris Biddle at info-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

New West Arts Council: New West Craft, 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 | pmoarts.ca

Seymour Art Gallery: Call for Artists: DISCOVERY 2019 - Open to all artists in British Columbia, but local drop off and pick up is required. The Discovery exhibition is looking to provide exposure to new and emerging artists; therefore, eligibility is limited to artists who self-identify as emerging artists. Artwork may be individually or collaboratively produced. | Drop-off Art: July 21 | Discovery Exhibition: July 27 – Sept 7 | seymourartgallery.com

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

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 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 May 31 | saltspringartprize.ca

The Old School House Arts Centre 2020 Exhibition – We offer exhibitions in a variety of mediums throughout the year. Shows are 3 – 4 weeks in length. Three gallery spaces. See website for application instructions Deadline: May 31 | Contact Corinne James at 250-752-6133 or qbtosh@shaw.ca | theoldschoolhouse.org

VISUAL ARTS:

Workshops & Classes

Artist's Marketing: Maker Space Workshops – Many hands make light work! Come Join in the fun & learn to make your own marketing materials (both on-and-offline) for your art! | Bring a notepad | May 19 & Jun 16 | Free Event | Leah Murray 778-833-4136 | Register: tinyurl.com/ydyb588y

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

Barry Rafuse: "Let's Try Abstraction" – This class is for Oils, Acrylic and All Mediums. The course will focus on painting abstracts. | May 11 - May 12, 9:30 - 4pm | Dene Croft's Studio and Gallery, 118 Pemberton Ave. | Cost: \$190 | Details and Registration: nsartists.ca

Opus Art Supplies: Family Time: Felting Fun (6 years and under) - Explore the art of wet felting with your child. | May 15 & May 22, 4 - 5pm | Fee: Parent and first child \$32, additional children of same parent \$24 | Coquitlam | Register: 604-533-0601 | opusartsupplies.com

Paints n' Bloom Spring Show & Sale: Featuring award winning artists **Audrey Bakewell & Wendy Mould**. Show & Sale from Thur – Sat, May 2 – May 4, 10 – 4pm | **Pre-event classes: Beginner Watercolour Class**, May 1, 10 – 12pm | **Spring Card Class**, 1 – 3pm. | Supplies Included | \$40 | Pre-Register Wendy 604-314-2232 | artbywendy.com or audreybakewell.com

Surrey Photography Club: Learn, grow and share your photography! Join us at our monthly meetings: **Club Meetings: May 13**, Guest speaker Jayson Kazuta, he will share with us his amazing BC nature/wildlife | **May 27**, Image Discussion | **Field trips: 1.** Reifel Bird Sanctuary, \$5, **May 4**, 9am - 4pm | **2.** Mission Raceway Park, \$10, **May 19**, 10am - 4pm | Meetings held at St. Helen's Anglican Church, 10787 128 St, Surrey | surreyphotographyclub.com

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

VISUAL ARTS:

Events & Exhibits

Arts Council of Surrey: The art exhibit in May features artists: **Yvette Lauer and Chiao Chiao Yang's** show titled, *The Beautiful Vibration – Nature vs. the Urban Experience* | **Exhibition:** May 2 - 29 | **Reception:** May 11, 1 – 3pm | Newton Cultural Centre Gallery - 13530-72 Ave, Surrey | 604-594-2700 | artscouncilofsurrey.ca

Artswest Spring Show & Sale: Flowers swaying in the breeze, horses galloping across the field, an eagle perched on a tree – these are only a few of the sights to catch your eye at the Artswest Spring Show. Surrey's Artswest Art Club was formed in 1986 to promote interest in art. Raffle for picture of your choice, Refreshments, and more. | May 5, 10 – 4pm | Free Admission | Elgin Hall, 14250 Crescent Rd, Surrey | 604-314-2232 or email: wendy@artbywendy.com

Elizabeth Carefoot: Understory experience art installations in Dart Garden done by the Z-inc Artist Collective. | Until: May 26, Fri – Sun 11- 3pm. | Entrance by Donation | Darts Hill Garden Park, 16th Ave at 170th St, Surrey | dartshill.ca

Cloverdale Market Days: Open-air market, local grown and prepared foods, unique artisan and crafts, family friendly activities. | May 25, Jun 22, Jul 27, Aug 24 & Sept 21 | Historic Downtown Cloverdale, 5696 176 st, Surrey - 176st between 56A and 58 Ave | 778-574-7004 | cloverdalemarketdays@gmail.com

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Federation of Canadian Artists: Wildlife Exhibition – The lenses through which we view 'wildlife' reflects truths about the human condition and our own identity. Included artwork displays themes of wildlife, not just Canadian wildlife. Any animal can be subject of the artist's work. | Until: May 12 | Federation Gallery, 1241 Cartwright Street, Vancouver | artists.ca

North Van Arts: Natural Alchemy – Presenting artists contemplate the forces and cycles present that help shape our environment. See artists Katherine Duclos, Pierre Leichner, Edward Peck, and Phyllis Schwartz incorporate organic and plant-based materials, as well as natural processes to help shape the outcomes or their compositions. | Until: May 4 | Mon – Fri, 9 – 5pm | Thu, 9 – 8pm | Sat, 12 – 5pm | 604-988-6844 | CityScape Community ArtSpace, 335 Lonsdale Avenue, North Vancouver | info@northvanarts.ca | northvanarts.ca

Semiahmoo Arts: Turnbull Gallery – “He Said / She Said” A Story from our heart. People love a story. From the walls of our great galleries of museums the drama of humanities' beauty and love, raw emotion and folly, heroism and horror is on display for all to see. | May 10 – May 19, Fri 7 – 9pm | 604-536-8333 | marilynhurst.com and chrismacclure.com

Surrey Photography Club Exhibit with the Surrey Art Gallery: The Built World Around Us – See a juried exhibit of photographs that capture the built environment from South of the Fraser. Depicting constructed man-made space that is (or was) located south of the Fraser River and north of the US

Border | Free Admission | Until: Aug 17 | Surrey Art Gallery, 13750 88 Ave, Surrey | 604-501-5561 | surreyphotographyclub.com | surrey.ca/artgallery

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

CanWrite! 2019 Conference & AGM: Offers a variety of programs to address the needs of writers hoping to expand their craft, improve their work-in-progress, or kick-start their creativity. Workshops are available with a chance to participate in panels led by industry experts. Optional one-on-one agent/editor pitch sessions and blue-pencil sessions for writers seeking expert feedback on their manuscripts. Lunch is provided, social events, networking, and more. Have books to sell? Two mini-book fairs open to the public. | May 16 – 19 | Location: UBC | admin@canadianauthors.org | 416-975-1756 or 705-955-0716 | welcomecentre.ubc.ca

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 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

Teen Book Club: Read new books, make new friends and have fun meeting once a month! | Ages 12-18 | May 9, 3:30 pm - 4:30 pm | Registration: Required | Fleetwood Branch, 15996 84 Ave, Surrey | 604-598-7347 | surreylibraries.ca

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: May 15, 7-9 pm | 15342 Buena Vista Ave | wrandswc@gmail.com

COMMUNITY:

Cloverdale Rodeo and Exhibition Association: Rodeo & Country Fair – Rodeo events and lots of family fun: midway, games, rides, kids zone, race course, lumberjack show, live music and the best ribs in town at Rib Fest. | \$10 | Cloverdale Fairgrounds, 17905 62 Ave, Surrey | May 17 - 20, 10am - 11pm | cloverdalerodeo.com

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

Surrey Urban Farmers Market: The original Farmers Market of Surrey is seeking makers, bakers & growers – including backyard gardeners, performers & more to join our market community! If you are a performer or if you Make-Bake-Grow or Raise it, this is the place for you! You can't beat our 2019 rates! Our open air Market is located in the Surrey Civic Plaza, 13450 104 Ave | Saturdays, Jun 15 – Oct 5 | Apply online today! SurreyMarket.org

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. | *May 3, 10, 17, 24, 31, 10:30 – 11:15am* | *May 6, 13, 10 – 10:45am* | Surrey City Centre Library | surreylibraries.ca

Teen Band Jam: Play in a band? Want to jam with others? If you play guitar, keyboards, drums, other instruments or sing, THIS is the place to be with your tribe! | Free | Drop-in: May 13, June 10 | Time: 6 – 8 pm | The ACT Arts Centre Studio Theatre, 11944 Haney Place, Maple Ridge | Brian Weingartner: brian_weingartner@sd42.ca

Vancouver Aquarium: Join us for Pints, Pinnipeds and Rescue Stories – a special edition After Hours – The Vancouver Aquarium's Marine Mammal Rescue Centre – the only one of its kind in Canada – rescues, rehabilitates and releases more than 150 sick, injured or orphaned marine mammals each year. | May 4, 6:30-11pm | Vancouver Aquarium | vanaqua.org