

COMPREHENSIVE LISTINGS | December 2021

PERFORMING ARTS:

Workshops & Classes

Aequitas Singers: welcomes new members, no audition necessary. We are an adult choir advocating for social justice through song and community. Virtual choir rehearsals are held Tuesday evenings from 7:30-8:30pm via Zoom. For Zoom invitation details please email: kiewing@telus.net | Aequitassingers.ca

Come sing with us! Peace Arch Chorus is a women's a cappella Chorus which sings barbershop style harmony. | peacearchsings.com

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

EJS School of Fine Arts: Offers Dance, Musical Theatre and Music Lessons & Classes. For all ages and levels. For further information about our programs, cost or performances please call 604-596-4883 or check out our website: ejsfinearts.com | ejsfinearts@hotmail.com

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

Langley Little Theatre: Surrey Little Theatre is now Langley Little Theatre. Further information on our 2021/2022 season can be found on our website | langleylittletheatre.org

Lions Gate Chorus: Join us online for Zoom rehearsals every Tuesday. Workshops/Coaching 2022/2023 | lionsgatechorus.ca

Lyric Singers of Surrey: Looking for experienced singers with an interest in performing serious classical and contemporary music. | facebook.com/lyricsingersofsurrey/

Peace Arch Chorus: Join us for our online Rehearsal every Wednesday, 7 - 9pm | Please contact us via peacearchchorus@gmail.com for further information and the zoom link | peacearchchorus.ca

Place des Arts: Now offering online opportunities in the arts. New live classes and video series in visual and performing arts for you to experience from home. | 604-664-1636 | info@placedesarts.ca | placedesarts.ca

Sudnya Dance Academy: Learn to dance the vibrant rhythms, full of grace and expression in Bharata Natyam-Classical Dance of India. | All skill levels and ages 3+ are welcome to join | Newton Culture Centre | sudnyadanceacademy@gmail.com

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

Surrey International Folk Dancing Society: Hop on Zoom and join the fun with weekly dancers. Time for socializing and for dancing! Tune in as early as 6:30pm and dancing starts at 7pm. For next session date: surreyfolkdance.org

The British Columbia Girls Choir- Our program teaches vocal excellence, the value of teamwork and self-discipline. For further information: bcgirlschoir.org

The Maple Leaf Singers: invites you to join our dynamic show chorus. We perform a varied repertoire, including Broadway and movie musical numbers; gospel, folk, classical, and inspirational pieces; and swing, rock, and pop hits. Practices run Mondays, 7:30 –10pm at Burnaby Lake Pavilion | 778-245-4445 or joinus@mapleleafsingers.com | mapleleafsingers.com

Westcoast Harmony Chorus: Welcoming new members at all experience levels. | Rehearsals over Zoom, guests are welcome and encouraged to participate! You will get paired with one of their leaders so they can find the best spot for you in the Chorus | westcoastsings.com

PERFORMING ARTS:

Shows

Arts Club Theatre: Presents *DOLLY PARTON'S SMOKY MOUNTAIN CHRISTMAS CAROL* Adapted by David H. Bell, Paul T. Couch & Curt Wollan; Music & Lyrics by Dolly Parton. Set during the 1930s in the Smoky Mountains of East Tennessee, Dickens's classic characters and Parton's one-of-a-kind songwriting expertise are certain to make this a holiday event to share with friends and family. | artsclub.com | November 18, 2021–January 2, 2022 | Stanley Industrial Alliance Stage

Blue Frog Studios: Live concerts with audiences as well as virtually live shows you can watch from home. For show times and to purchase a live ticket or virtual ticket, check out our website. For further info contact tickets@bluefrogstudios.ca | 1328 Johnston Road, White Rock | bluefrogstudios.ca

Boca Del Lupo Theatre: Plays2Perform@Home is an artfully crafted script Box Set of four plays written by four extraordinary playwrights meant to be performed by you and your bubble around the kitchen table, picnic blanket or campfire! Each Box Set contains copies of each script for each character and colour coded for ease of use (13 booklets in total) | <https://boca-del-lupo-theatre.square.site/>

The Cultch: Presents *East Van Panto: Alice in Wonderland* in person or streamed from home this year! When a terribly bored Alice follows a White Rabbit onto the Skytrain, she falls down a hole only to find herself in a Grandview-Woodlands Wonderland! For ticket info and purchase, please go to <https://thecultch.com/event/east-van-panto/> | Nov 24 – Jan 02 | York Theatre

Royal Canadian Theatre Company: Presents *Alice in Wonderland* Written by Crystal Weltzin and Directed by Kerri Norris. A perfect holiday treat for the whole family! Cheer the good guys, boo the bad guys and laugh out loud at the silliness of the retelling of the classic story, featuring all your panto favourites. Add toe-tapping music, sparkling sets and costumes and there you have it. | DEC & JAN | Surrey Art Centre | Massey Theatre | <https://rctheatreco.com/buy-tickets/play-archive/alice-in-wonderland-2021/>

Surrey Pride Society: presents *Drag Queen Bingo* at Central City Taphouse and Kitchen! Doors 7:30pm. Bingo and Show 8pm. No cover. Reservations recommended. | Dec 4th & 11th | Christmas Drag Show Dec 18th | www.surreypride.ca

Vancouver Welsh Men's Choir: present *Sing We Now of Christmas*. Switch your Christmas Spirit on with the Vancouver Welsh Men's Choir! A Surrey Christmas tradition for over 30 years, the internationally acclaimed Vancouver Welsh Men's Choir (VWMC) will return to the Main Stage at Surrey Arts Centre to lift your spirits and hearts with some seasonal cheer. | <https://tickets.surrey.ca/> | Dec 7 | 7:30pm - 9:00pm | Surrey Arts Centre

White Rock Players Club: Presents *Robinson Crusoe - A White Rock Pantomime* by the Charlottans at the White Rock Playhouse. For info and to purchase tickets, please go to <https://www.whiterockplayers.ca/shows>. | Dec 1-26th | Coast Capital Playhouse Theatre

VISUAL ARTS:

Call for Entry

Abbotsford Arts Council: The AAC is seeking information-packed, relevant and engaging virtual/outdoor workshops for our membership in 2021. We welcome you to share your expertise, experience and passion with the local arts community. We encourage session presenters/hosts with diverse backgrounds, communities and lived experiences to apply. | abbotsfordscouncil.com

City of Surrey Archives: COVID-19 Collection Call! Help Tell Surrey's Story. We're looking for your help to keep Surrey's history alive through historical donations. If you have items to donate, please contact the Archivist | 604-502-6458 | archives@surrey.ca

The Darts Hill Garden Conservancy Trust Society: Photographers, painters, and multimedia artists find inspiration in Darts Hill Garden Park in all seasons of the year. The Darts Hill Garden Conservancy Trust Society is pleased to support an Artist in Residence during Garden Open Days in 2022. For more Information about becoming an Artist in Residence at Darts Hill Garden Park please visit <https://dartshill.ca/visit-the-garden/>. Scroll to the bottom of the page for an application. Send in your 2022 application to info@dartshill.ca.

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

Mind and Matter Gallery: Call for Artists – Artists are invited to submit their creations to be a part of the rotating monthly displays. To apply provide a biography as well as a few photos of the art to be displayed. | 604-536-6460 | mary@mindandmatterart.com

Port Moody Arts Centre: The gallery accepts exhibition proposals year-round, from groups and individuals in all media and subject matter. Proposals are reviewed twice per year by the Port Moody Arts Centre Gallery Committee. For further details: pomoarts.ca | 604-931-2008

The Roundhouse: Have an idea for a program? The Roundhouse is currently accepting proposals for programming in their Vancouver location. For more information or to submit a proposal, please go to <https://www.roundhouse.ca/programs/program-proposals/>

Surrey Art Gallery: Welcomes proposals from artists and guest curators. Your package will be acknowledged when received. Check the gallery website for limited hours of operation | surrey.ca/artgallery

VISUAL ARTS:

Workshops & Classes

EJS School of Fine Arts: provides students of all ages with the opportunity to explore the visual arts by a hands-on approach to painting, drawing, sculpture, mixed media and more! For further info: 604-596-4883 or check out our website: ejsfinearts.com | ejsfinearts@hotmail.com

Ellie Hanson Art: NEW for January 2022 - Weekly Drop-In Painting (DIP) meetups in Guildford area, Surrey. 9:30am-12:30pm Monday mornings (subject to change), \$5pp per meetup. BYO Art projects to work on. Possible instructional classes in the future. Text/Call Ellie 778-899-2842 or email elliehansonart@gmail.com for info & criteria to join in.

Fraser Valley Quilters Guild: brings the joy of quilting to the public by way of shows, displays, and demonstrations, as well as bringing ideas and learning experiences to the members through workshops, guest speakers, and demonstrations. For upcoming events check out our website: fvqg.org

Langley Arts Council: Free Art Critique - To register email admin@langleyarts.ca and ask to be added to the Art Critique Mailing List. Once on this list, you will be emailed instructions on how to join each critique during the week prior to the event. Last Monday of every month.

Langley Camera Club: Virtual Zoom meetings with 40 to 50 fellow photography enthusiasts. See their calendar on their website for scheduled meetings | langleycameraclub.ca

Linda Morris: Oil Painting with Water-Based Oils-Adult: (Fridays) Jan. 21 - March 11, 2022 (8 sessions), 10:00 am – 12:00 pm, Cloverdale Recreation Centre | Course ID: 124188 | Registration starts on Sun. Dec. 5 at 9 pm, phone 604-598-7988 or register online at: www.surrey.ca | Parks and Recreation, and go to Arts section-- Drawing and Painting.

Studio Seventy Three: Create a soap dish/sun catcher or a small dish/sun catcher at home! Our \$15 Take Home Kit includes everything you need to create your masterpiece. Finished product must be returned to our studio to be fused and then picked up once finished. | 778 - 565 - 5095 | studioseventythree.ca

Surrey Art Gallery: Explore your creative side by taking an art course, camp, or workshop! We offer studio instruction 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 also practicing artists. | Call 604-501-5566 for further info visit the learning section of our website at surrey.ca/artgallery

Surrey Photography Club: Check our website for competitions, demonstrations, meetings and ongoing events. | president.surreyphoto@gmail.com | surreyphotographyclub.com

VISUAL ARTS:

Events & Exhibits

Arts Council of Surrey: ACS Gallery features the *ACS Christmas Card Art and Word Competition* | Nov 27 – Dec 14 | Open with restrictions | 604-594-2700 | artscouncilofsurrey.ca

Langley Centennial Museum & Exhibition Centre: *Upstream/Downriver: Walking the stalaw Watershed* is a collaborative research-creation project that addresses climate change at the local scale of the lower Fraser River watershed. Reflecting on the knowledge shared during these walks, the artists have created an immersive installation experience in the Museum's temporary exhibit space. | On now - Feb 6, 2022 | <https://museum.tol.ca/>

Richmond Arts Coalition: *10th Annual Midsummer Arts Juried Virtual Exhibition.* The Community Arts Council Richmond is proud to present our 10 year edition of this annual tradition! With 36 participating artists & 91 artworks, this gallery is sure to impress! Go online to vote for the People's Choice Award | Ongoing – Dec 10 | Online | <https://richmondartscoalition.com/event/10th-annual-midsummer-arts-juried-virtual-exhibition/>

South Delta Artists Guild: Gallery 1710 features *Celebrations.* The Christmas Flower's association with Christmas comes from a Mexican legend. It is said that a small child gathered humble weeds from the roadside to place at the church altar on Christmas Eve. As the congregation witnessed a Christmas miracle the weeds turned to brilliant red and green flowers. | Nov 19 - Dec 19 | southdeltaartistsguild.com

Surrey Art Gallery: Until Dec 11 Sandeep Johal: *What If?* Multimedia exhibit amplifies stories of resilient South Asian women; Until Dec 11 Phyllis Atkins: *Divine Connection*, paintings and sculptures drawn from Coast Salish tradition celebrate the artist's connection to life and spirit; Until Mar 20 Manuel Piña: *Naufragios*, video project on migration and the ocean. OFFSITE: At UrbanScreen, projecting art after dark (exterior of Chuck Bailey Recreation Centre 13458-107A Ave, surrey.ca/urbanscreen): Until Jan 2 | *Spy a City*, Flavourcel Collective's next suite of animations with sights and sounds from around Surrey. | 13750-88 Ave | 604-501-5566 | surrey.ca

LITERARY ARTS:

Canadian Authors BC: Canadian Authors – BC: Canadian Authors members and interested others are invited to the AGM, held over Zoom on Thursday December 2 from 5 - 6:30 pm. To register for this event or any of our monthly literary presentations, please email VANinfo@canadianauthors.org
Note: only members may vote at the AGM.

Cedar Bark Poets: Community-led poetry group affiliated with Friends of The Grove. Currently we are on a hiatus due COVID-19. Normally we meet at Newton Recreation Centre | cedarbark@friendsofthegrove.ca

Cloudscape Comics Society hosts weekly social gatherings on Wednesdays at 7:30 PM that are open to all adults interested in drawing comics. At these meetings both aspiring and experienced comic artists can network, exchange ideas, and work on their projects in a supportive environment. Everyone is invited! Meetings are currently alternating between online and in person. For more info, check out our website | <https://www.cloudscapecomics.com/events/>

CRAFT Literary Magazine: Emerging and established writers are invited to submit their prose for inclusion in our magazine. Our general submissions are open year-round with no capacity limits | craftliterary.com

Federation of BC Writers: Join us Dec 8th at 1pm online for *Wise Words - Dream Delving: Prospecting in your Sleep for New Writing Ideas*, with Carla Stein. This session is part of our Wise Words Program. A unique writing and communication initiative for Seniors in all corners of our lovely province. This program is Funded by the Government of Canada's New Horizons for Seniors Program. When you register, a link will be sent to

you. When it's time for the event, click on the link to join the live Zoom event. Looking forward to seeing you there! | 8 Dec | 1:00 PM - 2:00 PM | Zoom | www.bcwriters.ca |

Octopus Spirit Journal: Writers and artists are invited to submit their work to be published in our peer-reviewed online journal. Priority is given to Indigenous and BIPOC submissions, and is student centered. | octopusjournal.com

Royal City Literary Arts Society: New members welcome! Annual membership fee \$35. Check out upcoming events and contest news at rclas.com | Join us on Facebook

Sea to Sky Review: Online literary journal devoted to showcasing the best writing in British Columbia. We are a literary journal featuring poetry and prose. We also welcome interviews and reviews, artwork and photography | Seatoskyreview.ca

Surrey Libraries: Adult Writer's Group. Are you working on the next great Canadian novel? Perhaps you want to start? This writing group is for you. Come to be encouraged and have your imagination challenged. If you need a group to help you focus on your writing, then join us! At each meeting members will have the opportunity to share and critique each other's writing in a positive and safe environment. All genres are welcome! This program is for ages 19+ | Thu Dec 16 | 6:00 pm - 7:30 pm | Guildford Branch | surreylibraries.ca

White Rock & Surrey Writers' Club: We're on Zoom for all regularly scheduled monthly meetings until further notice. New members always welcome. If interested in joining there is a membership fee. For further info please email wrandswc@gmail.com or call 604-721-8797

COMMUNITY:

Fraser Valley Heritage Railway: Join us this Christmas to experience the Electric Express! See the characters, listen to the Christmas music, travel the Electric Express back in time to 1921, and visit the special workshop of Father Christmas. This year's Christmas theme is again the Electric Express, you are encouraged to dress warmly for the event. It represents the Electric Express 100 years ago in Cloverdale. This is a theatrical experience for all the family. Vaccine passports will be required and will be scanned. Masks will be required to be worn. | Sat. Dec. 11 and Sun. Dec.12 – 4 trips each day | <https://fvhrs.org/>

Newton Cultural Centre: Offers rental space in our Black Box Theatre, Gallery and Conference Room. Suitable for workshops, classes, rehearsals and performances etc. Currently the facility is open for limited activity. Please contact us if you have any questions. | 13535-72 Avenue, Surrey | 604-594-2700 | artscouncilofsurrey.ca

Wendy Schmidt: Pet Portraits – Painted in oil. \$100 non-refundable deposit to start. Please email 2 -3 photos to: info@wendyschmidt.ca | wendyschmidt.ca