



# NewsLetter

## A Message from the Board

April 1st, 2008

The Burnaby Arts Council board and other invited guests were treated to a special evening reception shortly after the usual Saturday opening event in March. Many thanks to the Burnaby Photographic Society for hosting this unique social. It was a wonderful opportunity for us to meet and mingle with members of the photographic community in order to get to know them better. A positive result of this connection is a potential partnership with this group for a special project to enhance, between May 25 - 29th, Burnaby's celebration of the province's 150th birthday.

Deer Lake Gallery will begin the month of April with a painting exhibition, hosted by the Vancouver Sketch Club. The opening reception was held on Saturday, March 29th.

Mark your calendars also for this year's "Celebration of Spring" which is held in conjunction with BC Arts & Culture Week with special funding from the Assembly of BC Arts Councils. This exhibition of diverse art will be on display from April 26th—May 25th at the Deer Lake Gallery. As well as being honoured with an award plus special recognition, the "people's choice" winner of this special juried show will be given a solo exhibition in the 2009 season. The Burnaby Arts Council looks forward to seeing you at the gala opening celebration from 2—4pm at Deer Lake Gallery.

In conjunction with Burnaby's upcoming celebration from May 25—29th of BC's 150th birthday, the BAC invites artists to visit the office to pick up a 1' x 1' canvas, with the challenge of creating art about the beautiful, the everyday, or the edgy side of Burnaby. This win-win event will culminate in an art exhibition and sale at the end of May. It is free to BAC members, and only \$10 for others.

The film festival and Provincial Performing Arts finals, which are major components of Burnaby's celebration of BC's 150th birthday are also an opportunity to bring hundreds of participants and visitors from all over the province to visit and enjoy all that our city, with its vibrant arts & cultural community, have to offer. Keep the evening of May 25th free to attend the grand opening concert on May 25th at MJF theatre.

The Burnaby Arts Council and PacWest Festival are fortunate this trimester to have an additional Katimavik participant join our current full-time partner, Stephanie, for the last six weeks of this year. Adult volunteers are being sought to be on hand to help the board with supervision of the office during Monica's vacation at the end of April & beginning of May.

The Finance Committee will have an important job this month with reviewing the Member Operating Grants and Secondary School Arts scholarships.

Sincerely,  
Harriet Tuey

for - The Board of Directors  
BURNABY ARTS COUNCIL

### 3rd Annual Burnaby Studio Tour

July 12 & 13, 2008

11:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m.

Burnaby Artists' Studios

and Deer Lake Gallery (downstairs)

Entry fee: \$25 for BAC members

**Deadline April 25**

For more information, call Eileen Pick at 604-515-0371 or pick@shaw.ca; or contact Monica at the Arts Council office at 604-298-7322 or info@burnabyartscouncil.org.

## Arts & Culture Week April 20-26 Reception in the Gallery: April 26

### Burnaby Celebrates BC 150

The Burnaby Arts Council hosts:

- ⇒ Burnaby 1x1 Art Project
- ⇒ Film & Animation Festival
- ⇒ Photography & Graphics Exhibition

Please refer to Call for Entry listing on page 2, and newsletter enclosures for participation details.

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# Deer Lake Gallery

**March 29-April 20, 2008**

**Vancouver Sketch Club: Points of View!**

Reception: March 29, 2-4 p.m.

This exhibition features the work of fifteen members of the Club: David Atwater, Marion Bradley, Pam Chambers, Colin Connor, Judith Fairwood, Claudette Fleming, Mariette Hebert, Elsa Hubatka, Ruby Kum, Jocelyn Noel, Taylore Co, Gregor Turner, Ruby Turner, Eva Wideman, and Ligorio Viegas. Their passion and devotion to painting is evident in the diverse collection of watercolour, oil, and acrylic work.



*The Lions: Seen from North Burnaby*—acrylic on canvas by Pamela Chambers

**April 26-May 25, 2008**

**Celebration of Spring and Arts & Culture Week:** a group exhibition of diverse artwork following the theme of “Spring”.

**Reception:** Saturday, April 26, 2-4 p.m.

A special event in honour of BC Arts and Culture Week. Refreshments served and live entertainment will be provided.

Over fifty paintings, sketches, pastels, photographs, mixed media, and sculpture by Metro Vancouver artists will be shown. Visitors may participate in the *People's Choice*, the winner of which is guaranteed a solo exhibition in the gallery during the 2009 season.



*Pacific Gyre Spring*—mixed media/recycled material by Louise Towell

Gallery hours: Tuesday -Friday 11:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. and Saturday & Sunday 1:00 to 4:00 p.m. Closed Mondays. Telephone 604-298-7322.

## Calls for entry

**Burnaby Arts Council (BAC)** seeks artists to participate in a non-juried, Burnaby 1x1 art exhibition and sale. Artists receive a blank 1' x 1' canvas to create art on “the beautiful, the everyday, or edgy side of Burnaby”. Free to BAC members; \$10 for non-members. Registration to April 30. Call 604-298-7322 or email [info@burnabyartscouncil.org](mailto:info@burnabyartscouncil.org).

**Burnaby Arts Council** Deer Lake Gallery invites artists to apply for the **2009 Juried Art Exhibitions**. Entry on or before June 27, 2008. For entry forms call 604-298-7322 or email [info@burnabyartscouncil.org](mailto:info@burnabyartscouncil.org).

**Burnaby's BC Arts 150—Dare to Excel!** seeks Photographers & Graphic Artists, & Film Makers for the Photography & Graphics Exhibition & Short Film & Animation Festival. Events take place May 25-29 in Burnaby. See enclosures. Deadline April 30. For info: email [bcarts150@gmail.com](mailto:bcarts150@gmail.com).

**Arts Council of Surrey** invites submissions for ARTS 2008, a juried exhibition at the Surrey Art Gallery June 28-September 21. Information and entry: 604-585-2787 or [www.artscouncilofsurrey.ca](http://www.artscouncilofsurrey.ca). Deadline May 30.

**The Chilliwack Visual Artists Association** seeks artists to show in The Artists Gallery in the Chilliwack Arts Centre, The Chilliwack City Hall Gallery, & at the Chilliwack Museum Gallery, for 2009. Deadline June 30. Call 604-824-0563 or visit at [www.chilliwackartists.ca](http://www.chilliwackartists.ca)

**Federation of Canadian Artists: 6th annual Painting on the Edge** international juried exhibition invites artists in all painting, printmaking, & drawing media to apply. Exhibition dates: August 19-September 7, 2008. \$8,000 in prizes. Deadline June 5. Please contact [www.artists.ca](http://www.artists.ca) or call 604-681-8534.

**MOMENTUM magazine and Ayden Gallery** are calling for submissions of “bicycle art” to the Bikeosphere Art Show in June at Vancouver's Ayden Gallery. Selections of work will be included in the July/August

issue of MOMENTUM. For details, contact Amy Walker at [amy@momentumplanet.com](mailto:amy@momentumplanet.com) or 604-699-9850. Deadline May 5. [www.momentumplanet.com](http://www.momentumplanet.com) or [www.aydengallery.com](http://www.aydengallery.com).

**The South Delta Artist Guild** is calling for entry to the 4th Annual Oil and Water exhibition of 2 dimensional work. All media, except photography. Forms available [www.deltaartguild.org](http://www.deltaartguild.org) call 604-943-3313. Deadline is June 20.

**The Federation of Canadian Artists** is calling for entries to *Canvas Unbound III* show May 20 – June 3. Deadline April 10. Also, the Federation is accepting application to the Biennial International Miniature Print Exhibition June 3-22. Deadline: April 17. For more information, contact the Federation [www.federationgallery.ca](http://www.federationgallery.ca) or call 604-681-8534.

### Literary Contests:

**The Burnaby Writers Society's 2008** writing contest, open to all BC residents, is on the theme of “Green”. Prizes of \$200, \$100 and \$50, as well as honourable mentions, will be awarded for the best one-page submissions of either prose or poetry. The entry fee is \$5 per entry or \$10 for three entries. Deadline for entries is May 31, 2008. For information, go to [www.bws.bc.ca](http://www.bws.bc.ca) or send a stamped self-addressed envelope to Contest Committee, 225 Townsend Place, New Westminster, BC V3L 1L4.

**The Squamish Writers Group and The Squamish Chief** invite entries to the 2008 Sea to Sky Literary Contest in any of five categories. Entries should involve the Sea to Sky region in some way—recreation, history, natural beauty, etc. Contest is open to residents of BC. Deadline is June 1, 2008. Cash prizes and publication awarded. Please contact Jude at 604-892-4997 or visit [www.squamishartscouncil.org](http://www.squamishartscouncil.org).

# Member News

*Burnaby Writers' Society's* next Workshop meeting will be Thursday, April 10, 7:30 p.m. in studio 209 at the Shadbolt Centre for the Arts. For info email [info@bws.bc.ca](mailto:info@bws.bc.ca) or visit [www.bws.bc.ca](http://www.bws.bc.ca).

The BWS next ReVisions Open Mic Reading will be Wednesday, April 16 at 8 p.m., Myles of Beans Coffee House, #1-7010 Kingsway, South Burnaby. For more information, contact Sheila at 604-522-7272 or email [srfearless@shaw.ca](mailto:srfearless@shaw.ca). For both BWS events, admission is free and drop-in visitors are welcome.

*Burnaby Rhododendron and Gardens Society (BRAGS)* holds its annual sale of perennials and shrubs Sunday, April 20, 9 a.m.-1 p.m. in the Burnaby Village Museum parking lot (Canada Way/Sperling).

BRAGS hosts monthly meetings at 7:00 p.m., first Wednesday, Discovery Room, at the museum. Information: [www.brag.ca](http://www.brag.ca), email [info@brags.ca](mailto:info@brags.ca), or call Jackie 604-420-0275.

April 2: Candyse Roberts (Garden Works), *Small Water Features*

May 7: Elaine Cramer, *Hydrangeas*

June 4: Brenda Faulk, *Drought Tolerant Planting—Xeriscaping*

*The Clef Society of Burnaby* presents the pupils of Sacha Starcevich on Sunday, April 20, 2:00 p.m. at The Shadbolt Centre for the Arts, in room 103. Tickets are \$10 and are available at the door. Members are no charge and refreshments will be served. Information: Dolores at 604-420-6858 or [doloresmyles@telus.net](mailto:doloresmyles@telus.net).

The Maple Leaf Singers invite you to join them in celebrating 40 years of music and memories May 31 and June 1. And what better way to celebrate than to **Listen To The Music!**

**Saturday:** Maple Leaf Singers of the past will reunite with the present Singers for a powerful and stirring performance.

**Sunday:** guests the Burnaby District Children's Choir.

**Dates:** Saturday, May 31 at 8 p.m. or Sunday, June 1 at 2 p.m.

**Place:** Massey Theatre, New Westminster

**Tickets:** General Admission \$20, Seniors/Students \$17

For information and tickets: 604-594-6235/604-520-3337,

[www.maple-leaf-singers.com](http://www.maple-leaf-singers.com), [information@maple-leaf-singers.com](mailto:information@maple-leaf-singers.com)

*The Burnaby Artist Guild* annual spring art exhibition and sale, "Colour in Motion" will be held at the Shadbolt Centre for the Arts, 6450 Deer Lake Ave, Burnaby on April 4-6. Featured artist, Marjorie Wong and the guild's many talented artists showcase their original artwork in a variety of styles and medium. Artists will be in attendance and demonstrations will be offered for visitors. The show will include raffle draws for two original paintings and a sale of art cards and magnets. Admission is free and parking is available. Hours: Friday 7-10 p.m. Sat. 10 a.m.-6 p.m. Sun. 10 a.m.-5 p.m.

Info: 604-291-6864  
[www.myartclub.com](http://www.myartclub.com)

Image:  
"Weather Beaten",  
by Marjorie Wong



The *Japanese Canadian National Museum* presents a new exhibit:

**THE NEW CANADIAN Newspaper** to April 19. This show is based on the vital role of a Japanese Canadian newspaper during the internment years, 1942-1945. On exhibit is over 40 images of THE NEW CANADIAN journalists and Kaslo life. April 18 at 7 p.m.: presentation by curator Ian Fraser "A tribute to THE NEW CANADIAN Heroes". April 19 at 2 p.m. gallery tour and closing reception.

Also, Nikkei Place invites the public to **First Friday Forum** an outreach program with the theme of culture and identity, with music and dialogue. April 4 at 7:30 p.m. Contact Harry at 604-266-0154.

The *Japanese Canadian National Museum & Heritage Centre* is located at 6688 Southoaks Crescent, Burnaby (at Kingsway & Sperling). Telephone: 604-777-7000. [www.jcnm.ca](http://www.jcnm.ca).

## Member Profile of the Month... DONNA POLOS

Donna Polos works in fabric and is a watercolour painter. She has worked with fabric since childhood, but about 15 years ago began watercolour painting. As she progressed, Donna began to apply her painting to fabric. Donna paints images on cotton, often using glue resist, paint pouring, chalk pastels, sandpaper transfers, heliographic painting, stenciling, acrylic gels, and fabric crayons. Donna embellishes her work with tulle, sequins, beads, embroidery, metallic threads, yarns and found objects. All her work is hand quilted and finished with a sleeve in the top and bottom so that the work can be hung on a wall. Donna's subjects vary, but often she makes a social comment about the world.

Donna is a member of the Richard Major Art Group, Fibre Art Network FAN, Artstarts in Schools, and Federation of Canadian Artists. She has exhibited in many galleries and community centres in Metro Vancouver and Canada. See page 4 for details on her latest show! More of Donna's work may be seen at [www.fibreartnetwork.com/Gallery/MP-DonnaPolos](http://www.fibreartnetwork.com/Gallery/MP-DonnaPolos) or [www.myartclub.com/donna.polos](http://www.myartclub.com/donna.polos).



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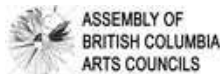
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**Address:** 6584 Deer Lake Avenue, Burnaby, BC V5G 3T7 **Hours:** Tuesday to Friday 11:00 am - 4:00 pm

DONNA POLOS presents **inVESTed a show of wearable art** at the Coquitlam Library, 575 Poirier St, Coquitlam. 604-937-4144.  
[donnapolos@hotmail.com](mailto:donnapolos@hotmail.com)  
<http://www.MyArtClub.Com/donna.polos>.

Image at right: On the Path to Shannon Falls, Donna Polos

Artist Statement: As I was walking along the path to Shannon Falls, I was inspired by the beauty of my surroundings.....I went home and painted this whole cloth image. I embellished with French knots, chenille, machine and hand embroidery and hand quilting.



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