



News letter

May 1st, 2008

A Message from the Board

As outlined in last month's newsletter, the Burnaby Arts Council's annual CELEBRATION OF SPRING opened with a well-attended reception on Saturday, April 26 and continues at Deer Lake Gallery until May 25. Be sure to come by to see this wonderful display of diverse artwork - and remember to vote for your favourite piece. The winner will be awarded a solo show for BAC's next year's exhibition season.

Some members of the board will be busy attending this year's Assembly of BC Arts Councils' annual conference being held in Maple Ridge at the beginning of May. We look forward to bringing back some fresh ideas and new insights by attending various workshops over that weekend.

The beautification program for the BAC offices and gallery are well under way. Work will begin very soon with the lighting improvements to the Deer Lake Gallery. Wheelchair access, along with landscaping work on the side facing Deer lake is also ready to begin. You will already have noticed the progress already done to the front yard.

The Burnaby Arts Council has been asked to assist with a new project being hosted by the City—a weekly program during the summer of free entertainment to be held at the Civic Square outside the Main Library near Metrotown.

Keep your eyes open for information and scheduling for the upcoming BCarts150 — Burnaby's celebration of the province's 150th anniversary which is being held at various locations around our city between May 25—29. The full slate of dates, times and locations for a wonderful VISUAL ARTS PROGRAM of artworks, photography, film, animation, graphics exhibitions will be outlined in the Now newspapers around the second week of May. The PERFORMING ARTS section of this gala festival will feature the most outstanding musicians, singers, speech artists, and dancers who will be coming to Burnaby from every region of the province.

Thanks again to the volunteers who have come forward to help cover the BAC office during Monica's vacation.

Sincerely,

Harriet Tuey

for - The Board of Directors
BURNABY ARTS COUNCIL

Annual General Meeting

BURNABY ARTS COUNCIL

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 11

7:00 P.M.

Burnaby Arts Council

6584 Deer Lake Ave, Burnaby

Burnaby Celebrates BC 150

The Burnaby Arts Council presents an exhibition of:

*Burnaby 1x1 Art Project - mixed media**
and
Photography & Graphics

Juried work by Metro Vancouver artists

at the Shadbolt Centre for the Arts

6450 Deer Lake, Burnaby

May 25-29

*a second exhibition of the Burnaby 1x1 art project is scheduled at Brentwood Town Centre Mall for this summer.

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Deer Lake Gallery

To May 25, 2008

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

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

May 31-June 22, 2008

Gary Liemen: pastel, chalk and watercolour paintings

Reception: May 31, 2-4 p.m.

Gary Liemen returns to the Deer Lake Gallery with his most recent work which, he says, has improved immensely over the last few years. Gary Liemen's subjects may be portraits, landscapes, cityscapes, or florals. And while his medium may remain constant, Gary Liemen uses a variety of brushes and unconventional materials such as razor blades, sandpaper, steel wool, string, sponges, toothpicks, to create unique effects in his paintings.



A watercolour, chalk and pastel by Gary Liemen

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 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.

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. 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

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 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 or 604-699-9850. Deadline May 5. www.momentumplanet.com or 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 call 604-943-3313. Deadline is June 20.

MAILMANIA 3 3rd BIENNIAL: An open call for submissions for an exhibition of all forms of **Mail Art**: Post Cards, Letters, ATCs, Artis-

tamps, Envelopes or whatever will mail. Exhibition will be in Studio J—1324 Broad St, Victoria, BC, September 18-September 27, 2008. Email daleroberts@shaw.ca. Website: <http://mailmaia3.blogspot.com>. Deadline for submissions is September 4.

North Vancouver Community Arts Council is accepting applications for the Fall 2008/Winter 2009 exhibition schedule at CityScape Community Arts Space. For information, contact the Arts Council by email at nvartscouncil6@telus.net or call the office at 604-988-6844. Deadline for entries is Saturday, May 17.

Timeraiser in association with Volunteer Vancouver is calling all visual artists to submit work for jurying. Timeraiser is a silent art auction whereby participants bid volunteer time, instead of money, to agencies that need their skills and energy. www.timeraiser.ca. Any questions, please contact Jennifer 1-800-263-1178 x 247 or jgrebel@timeraiser.ca. Deadline June 2, 2008.

Literary Contests:

The Burnaby Writers Societys' 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, awarded. Entry fee \$5/entry or \$10/ three entries. Deadline is May 31, 2008. For information, go to 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. Entries should involve the Sea to Sky region —recreation, history, natural beauty, etc. Open to residents of BC. Deadline June 1, 2008. Cash prizes and publication awarded. Contact Jude at 604-892-4997 or visit www.squamishartscouncil.org.

Member News

Burnaby Writers' Society's next Workshop meeting will be Thursday, May 8, 7:30 p.m. at the Shadbolt Centre for the Arts, 6450 Deer Lake Ave, Burnaby. Drop in visitors are always welcome. Feel free to bring in a brief piece of writing, with six copies, for discussion and critiquing. For more information, email info@bws.bc.ca or visit www.bws.bc.ca.

The *BWS* next ReVisions Open Mic Reading will be Wednesday, May 21 at 8 p.m., Myles of Beans Coffee House, #1-7010 Kingsway, South Burnaby. Everyone is welcome. Bring your prose or poetry to share, or just drop in to listen. For more information, contact Sheila at 604-522-7272 or email srfearless@shaw.ca. Admission is free.

VAGABOND PLAYERS presents
***Here on the Flight Path* by Norm Foster**

May 22 to June 14th, 2008

Thursday to Saturday - 8:00 p.m.

Sunday matinees - 2:00 p.m.

The Bernie Legge Theatre,
Queens Park, New Westminster.

For information and tickets: 604- 521-0412

Royal City Concert Band, directed by Earl Hobson, presents a concert of musical theatre overtures and songs. Delighting the audience will be special guest G. Francis Ellenton, singing ballads from *Brigadoon*, *My Fair Lady*, and *Oklahoma*. Thursday, May 15 at 7:30 p.m., James Cowan Theatre, Shadbolt Centre for the Arts, 6540 Deer Lake Ave, Burnaby. For tickets, call the Box Office at 604-205-3000.

The Maple Leaf Singers invite you to join them in celebrating 40 years of music and memories May 31 and June 1.

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, information@maple-leaf-singers.com

The Burnaby Rhododendron and Gardens Society (BRAGS), with sponsorship by the City of Burnaby, is once again hosting **Burnaby's Beautiful Garden Tour** on Sunday, July 20 10 a.m.-4 p.m., rain or shine. This is a self-guided tour of seven unique, private gardens located throughout the City of Burnaby. Tickets can be purchased for \$10 at Burnaby City Hall and most community centres. Each ticket includes a map and a brief description of the gardens. Master gardeners will be in attendance at each location, along with the owners and volunteer hosts. They will be glad to answer questions and identify plants of interest.

BRAGS is a non-profit society so proceeds will benefit the citizens of Burnaby. For more information, visit www.brag.ca, or email info@brags.ca or call Faye at 604-434-5921.

Burnaby Rhododendron and Gardens Society (BRAGS) holds monthly meetings at 7:00 p.m., first Wednesday each month, Discovery Room, at the Burnaby Village Museum. Information: www.brag.ca, email info@brags.ca, or call Jackie 604-420-0275.

May 7: Elaine Cramer, **Hydrangeas**

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

The *National Nikkei Museum and Heritage Centre* presents :

The Sakura Tree to May 30. Paintings by Karen Brownlee created to illustrate the children's book, *The Sakura Tree*, written by Carolyn McTighe. The story follows three "picture brides" who immigrated to Canada in the early 20th century. Karen's watercolours present elements of Japanese Canadian life c. 1880-1920 until 1940 in the Lower Mainland.

May 23, 7 p.m. Artist talk by Karen Brownlee

May 24, 2 p.m. reception

RSVP to nogiwara@nikkeiplace.org

Also, Nikkei Place invites the public to book launch, signing, and author talk on Thursday, May 22, 7-9 p.m. Books/authors:

Hiroshima Immigrants in Canada, 1891-1941 by Michiko Midge Ayukawa

The Triumph of Citizenship, The Japanese and Chinese in Canada, 1941-67 by Patricia E. Roy

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

The Clef Society of Burnaby

Annual Music Festival and Concerto Competition

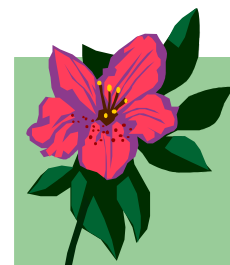
Piano, orchestral instruments, voice

May 6—May 10 9:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m.

Willingdon Church, 4812 Willingdon Ave, Burnaby

Free Admission

For information call Barbara 604-421-5765



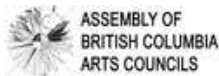
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