



# News *letter*

Oct 1st, 2008

## A Message from the Board

The re-energized BAC board of directors had its “meet, greet., & re-acquaint” inaugural meeting for the 2008/2009 season with 100% attendance. New and returning members were welcomed—and it was a great pleasure to have Geraldine Parent, the new Arts Services Manager for the City of Burnaby join us. As the official representative of the City of Burnaby, Geraldine will now be a regular attendee at our board meetings— joining Brian Pound, our liaison from Parks, Recreation & Culture.

Our current art exhibition was hosted by Bill Thompson and Joci Sirak who opened their show to a well-attended audience. They will be closing soon—so hurry down to see this unique & interesting display. Next on the agenda is Judith Copland who invites you to her opening reception on October 18 from 2—4pm at Deer Lake Gallery. She will be featuring an interesting assortment of oil paintings. We look forward to seeing you there.

The construction of our new wheelchair access to the BAC offices & Deer Lake Gallery almost complete!!! Look for a press release to announce its completion, as well as details regarding an official ribbon-cutting and opening celebration of this long awaited and much-needed enhancement to the building.

Following its fairly light social/business opening meeting in September, the board is preparing for an in-depth planning/strategy/goal-setting meeting on October 6th—which will likely need to be continued at another date in order to cover all . As well, documents & details are being prepared for our annual Operating Grant application to the City—which will take place at the Oct. 15 Parks, Recreation, & Culture Commission meeting at Edmonds Centre.

The executive and board are looking forward to an exciting 2008—2009 season. We plan to be involved with the World Police & Fire Games, are gearing up for the 2010 countdown—and look forward to working more closely with our member groups.

Although the Gallery hours will remain the same as in the past few years, (Tuesday to Saturday from 11am—4pm ) the office will now be staffed on Mondays as well, so can take phone calls on that day along with the rest of the week. This additional access will better serve the members of the Burnaby Arts Council, the community, and the general public.

Sincerely,

**Harriet Tuey**

for - The Board of Directors

BURNABY ARTS COUNCIL

### The Burnaby Artist Guild

presents

an art exhibition and sale  
“Celebrating 150 Years of Art in BC”

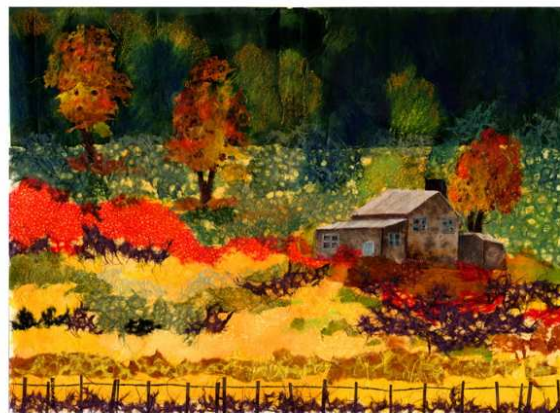
Shadbolt Centre for the Arts, 6450 Deer Lake Ave, Burnaby  
**Friday to Sunday, October 24-26, 2008**

Opening: Friday, Oct. 24 at 7:30 p.m.

**HOURS:** Friday 7-10pm, Sat. 10am-6pm, Sun. 10am-5pm

Featured artist, Roxsane Tiernan and the Guild’s many talented artists, showcase original artwork in a variety of styles & media. Artists will be in attendance and demonstrations offered. There will also be a raffle for an original painting, and sales of art cards and magnets. Free admission. Free parking.

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



Autumn Vineyard, Chigiri-e on paper by Roxsane Tiernan

#### DIRECTORS 2008-2009

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#### Office Coordinator

Monica Macdonald

# Deer Lake Gallery

## To October 12, 2008

**Joci Sirak and Bill Thomson:** photography and recycled materials and found objects.

Opening Reception: Saturday, September 20, 2-4 p.m.

Joci Sirak has a background in Forestry and immigrated to Canada from Hungary in 1998. Having always had an interest in photography, he decided to pursue a career in fine art photography at the turn of the millennium. Joci Sirak: "For me, the most important aspect of photography is composition, a search for balance with the milieu of light, shadow, colour, & sharp or fading elements." Joci uses a traditional, medium format Pentax 6X7 camera.



Chinatown I, photo by Joci Sirak



Bill Thomson also worked in the forestry industry, the federal civil service, and the marine industry. Bill began his alternative art practice in 1986. He revisits traditional perceptions of the relationship between form and function, as he transforms found and recycled materials into "one of a kind" assemblage sculpture. He often finds new or hidden meaning in the common object. Bill has exhibited his assemblages locally and internationally.

*Insect Head #6*, Found and Recycled Objects by Bill Thomson

## October 18 to November 9

**Judith Copland:** presents still life and landscapes in bold and vibrant colour. Energetic brushwork characterize Judith's paintings. She is known for her rich landscapes and her unique and ironic portraits.

Opening Reception: Saturday, October 18, 2-4 p.m.



*Peaches and Cream*, oil by Judith Copland

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

**The North Vancouver Community Arts Council & CityScape Community Art Space** announce the fourth annual "Anonymous Art Show", a group exhibition and fundraising event of work on 8" x 8" canvas. The paintings are sold anonymously and are priced at \$100, with \$50 going to the artist. The exhibition will open November 27 and runs to December 13. Deadline for canvases is November 15. For information or to acquire canvases, call 604-988-6844 or email [nvartscouncil@telus.net](mailto:nvartscouncil@telus.net).

**Art that Barks:** An invitational show at the Heaventree Gallery, 661 E. 15th Ave, Vancouver, opening November 13, 7-9 p.m. The AD-AV Society of British Columbia ([animalvoices.org/ADAV](http://animalvoices.org/ADAV)) invites artists to exhibit their animal-themed pieces. All styles and mediums, and ages, are welcome. Proceeds go to promote the Humane Seal Campaign. Deadline—before November 13th! For more details or to volunteer, contact [shamrockstudio@shaw.ca](mailto:shamrockstudio@shaw.ca).

**The Council of Surrey** invites submissions for Earth Matters, a juried art exhibition taking place at the Surrey Art Gallery from December 20 to March 1. This exhibition invites artists to reflect upon contemporary issues on the environment, sustainability and the natural world. For information and entry forms, contact the Arts Council at 604-585-2787 or visit [www.artscouncilofsurrey.ca](http://www.artscouncilofsurrey.ca). Deadline for entries is Monday, December 1.

The **Delta Arts Council** is calling for entry to artShots, an annual province wide, month-long juried exhibition of photographic art set for November. The "Top Ten" will be displayed on the website and exhibited in Delta Municipal Hall for 3 months. Entry forms are online [www.deltaartscouncil.com/artshots/artShotsentryform2008](http://www.deltaartscouncil.com/artshots/artShotsentryform2008), or by telephoning the Arts Centre at 604-943-9787. Deadline for entries is October 15.

The Seymour Art Gallery in North Vancouver once again presents **disCOVEery 2009**. This year's theme is "Shoes!" and is open to all BC artists. Exhibition runs Jan 5-Feb 1, 2009. Delivery of work for jury selection is Saturday, Oct. 18, 2008 at the gallery. A \$300 award, 1st, 2nd, and 3rd prizes, and an honorable mention given. For information, call 604-924-1378 or email the gallery at [info@seymourartgallery.com](mailto:info@seymourartgallery.com).

The **Kingston Arts Council** is again sponsoring the KINGSTON PRIZE, Canada's major portrait competition worth \$10,000. The Kingston Prize competition is for recent portraits of Canadians, either paintings or drawings. The Prize will be awarded by a jury and a People's Choice Prize will be based on ballots received during the exhibition. The closing date for entries is May 1, 2009, with an exhibition in October. Rules and entry forms are on the website [www.kingstonprize.ca](http://www.kingstonprize.ca).

# Member News

*Burnaby Writers' Society's* fall season opens with a workshop meeting on Thursday, **October 9** at 7:30 p.m. in Studio 211 at the Shadbolt Centre for the Arts, 6450 Deer Lake Ave, Burnaby. New members and drop-in visitors are welcome. Meetings are held on the 2nd Thursday of each month, September to June. For more information, contact [info@bws.bc.ca](mailto:info@bws.bc.ca).

The BWS hosts ReVisions open mic readings Oct 15, 8 p.m. at Myles of Beans Coffee House, #1-7010 Kingsway, South Burnaby. Admission is free, and everyone is welcome to read their work in this friendly venue. For more information or to sign up to read, contact Sheila at 604-522-7272 or [srfearless@shaw.ca](mailto:srfearless@shaw.ca).

The *Japanese Canadian National Museum* presents **Wild Birds: carvings by Tad Yesaki and photographs by Roy Hamaguchi**, Oct. 2-Dec. 24, 2008. This exhibition celebrates wild birds through the works of two Nikkei artists, Tad Yesaki and Roy Hamaguchi. Reception: October 9 at 7 p.m.. In conjunction with the exhibition, the following programs will also be held: **Two Cranes, Two Continents** Nov. 6 at 7 pm, Roy Hamaguchi gives digital presentation on two species of cranes, a North American and an Asian species; **Carving Demonstration** by Richmond Carvers Society Nov. 22, 2-4 pm; **From Dumpsite to Dragonflies** Nov. 29 at 2pm, Patricia Banning-Lover and John Lowman tell an inspiring story of how Wild Bird Trust turned the former industrial area at Maplewood Flats into the North Shore's first Wildlife sanctuary. For more information, contact the centre at 604-777-7000 or go to [www.jcnm.ca](http://www.jcnm.ca). Nikkei Place, 6688 Southoaks Crescent (at Sperling), Burnaby.

**75TH ANNIVERSARY CONCERT & REUNION** - calling all New Westminster & District Band alumni - please join us for a weekend of reminiscing and rehearsing with a concert on Sunday - be sure to bring your instrument! November 22 & 23, 2008. More info see [www.nwdband](http://www.nwdband) or call 604 524-6618.

## BOOK LAUNCH

### *A Black Tie Affair and Other Mystery Stories*

By Elizabeth Elwood

Author of *To Catch an Actress and Other Mystery Stories*

**Thursday, October 23, 2008**

**Reception and book signing: 6:00 pm**

**Bernie Legge Theatre, Queens Park, New Westminster**

Reception takes place prior to the opening night performance of

The Vagabond Players 2008 -2009 Season

*Cliffhanger* by James Jaffe

Curtain 8:00 pm

Play Tickets \$15.00

Reservations: 604-521-0412

Praise for *A Black Tie Affair and Other Mystery Stories*

"Well-crafted stories which will delight mystery fans." - *Kirkus Discoveries*

"This book will be loved by readers of traditional British authors such as Dorothy Sayers or Agatha Christie." — Jan de Grass, *The Coast Reporter*

"Elwood's believable situations, natural dialogue and wit make her stories a pleasure to read." — Annie Boulanger, *Burnaby Now*

"Another fine production of the Beary family ... I found great enjoyment reading the stories. There is a very pleasant tone and ambiance around these people ... very good descriptive imagery that sets a scene ... Original and evocative. There are many [examples] I could cite that elevate [the author] from the common run of writers in the

**AHA!**

artists helping artists

## AHA! Wine & Cheese and Silent Auction Fundraising Event

In celebration of Community Living month, the Artists Helping Artists (AHA!) Coop, in partnership with the Burnaby Association for Community Inclusion (BACI), are hosting a Wine & Cheese and Silent Auction event on Friday, October 24 at the AHA! Studio.

**Event Date:** October 24, 6:30-8:30 p.m.

**Place:** 250 Willingdon Avenue, Burnaby (entrance & parking in the rear)

**Tickets:** \$25. Contact Moe at 604-291-2242, Christine at 604-299-2425 or Monica at the BAC at 604-298-7322

AHA! Provides artists of all abilities with space and means to pursue their artistic expressions.

Event guests will meet amazing artists and view their art, sample some wonderful wine & cheese, and bid in the Silent Auction.

If you would like to donate an item for the Silent Auction, please contact Christine at 604-299-2425 or Kate at 604-431-8282. All donations will be recognized and tax receipts will be issued.

**All proceeds go to support the AHA! Cooperative.**

# October 2008

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				BWS Workshop meeting 7:30 at the Shadbolt. Pg 3.		
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			BWS ReVisions Open Mic readings 8:00 see page 3.			Gallery Opening: Judith Copland
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	Deer Lake Gallery: Judith Copland. To Nov. 9			Book Launch: A Black Tie Affair... by Elizabeth Elwood	AHA! Wine & Cheese Silent Auction Event See page 3 for more.	Burnaby Artist Guild Show & Sale, Fri-Sun at Shadbolt. Page 1.
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**Website:** [www.burnabyartscouncil.org](http://www.burnabyartscouncil.org) **Email:** [nfo@burnabyartscouncil.org](mailto:nfo@burnabyartscouncil.org) **Telephone:** 604-298-7322

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

## Elections - Elections

Now is the time to bring the arts forward as an important election issue. Bring up your questions and formulate your ideas and discuss them with the candidates directly. Find out your candidate's views on support for the arts community.

This newsletter is available by email. If you wish to REDUCE THAT CLUTTER AROUND YOUR HOUSE, please email Monica and ask for the newsletter to be emailed only. Email: [info@burnabyartscouncil.org](mailto:info@burnabyartscouncil.org).

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