

Dear Friends of the Comox Valley Art Gallery,
Here are your Weekly Updates for Monday June 27 – Sunday July 3, 2011

Wow, thank you to everyone who attended and/or participated in the 3rd Annual Wearable Art Show! What a fantastic performance that was!

Congratulations to all the award recipients – photos will be coming up as soon as we get them from the photographers.

July is a month full of activities; we have a new exhibit going into the Arts & Craft Gallery, Canada's Top Ten Short Films, Get Your Arts Outside! and new exhibits opening late this month! If you are thinking about taking art classes, this is the time to register – all classes take place at the CVAG in August! Scroll down for more information!

Please note that we will be closed on Friday July 1 for Canada Day, and re-opened on Saturday July 2 – enjoy the weekend!

Comox Valley Art Gallery - At a glance: (the plus + denotes new or updated entries)

Upcoming - **+Sat. July 2-27** New Exhibit: Steps To A Likeness: Portraits by Perrin Sparks
(Campbell River BC)

Upcoming - **+Wed. July 6** Perrin Sparks Live portraiture drawing and Opening
Reception

Upcoming - **+Sat. July 16** DCBIA – Market Day and Local Colours

Upcoming - **+Wed. July 20** Films You Want to See at NIC: Canada's Top Ten Short
Films

Upcoming - **+Sun. July 24** Get Your Arts Outside! (during Classic Cruisers)

Upcoming - **+Fri. July 29** New Exhibits: On Reserve – Photography and Installation by
Liz Carter (Campbell River BC)

Gallery Notices - **Current Exhibitions: DEMARCATION // VIEWS FROM MY COMOX VALLEY**

Gallery Notices - **+3rd Annual Wearable Art Show – Award Recipients**

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UPCOMING

Saturday July 2 – New Exhibit

=== ARTS & CRAFT GALLERY === July 2 – 27, 2011



Steps To A Likeness: Portraits and Etchings by Perrin Sparks (Quadra Island, BC)

After a career of working as a surgical artist, portraying anatomy for limited color production, Perrin Sparks now enjoys creating full-sized figurative paintings and working with a live model. She works in pastels, due to the colourful quality. Pastels have also forced her to think in terms of bolder gestures due to the constraints of the medium. She was introduced to oil painting driven by portrait commission requests. In November 2005, she and her new husband moved from Texas to their lakeside home on Quadra Island, BC and in 2006 they opened Lake Haven Atelier and Art Retreat. About the artist: <http://www.perrin-sparks.com/statement.htm>

Wednesday July 6

Perrin Sparks Live portraiture drawing and Opening Reception

Live Portraiture Drawing: Wednesday, July 6 from 1pm - 3pm

Phone ahead to book a charcoal drawn portrait session with the artist - take home a treasure.

Opening Reception: Wednesday July 6 from 4pm – 7pm

Join us at the gallery to welcome Perrin Sparks! Meet her and get to know her artwork.

Refreshments will be served

Saturday July 16

DCBIA – Market Day and Local Colours

<http://www.downtowncourtenay.com/events/show/41st-annual-market-day-and-local-colours-festival/>

CVAG is open 9am – 7pm, look for us on 5th Street, on the CVAG Plaza in the Gallery and the Gift Shop!

Great Art! Great Gifts! Great Activities!

Mix and Make Art Booth on the CVAG Plaza!

On Market Day come create, make a mess and have fun at the CVAG's Mix & Make Art Booth! This kids' zone will be jam packed with arts supplies and materials for you to make your own crazy creation to take home and show your friends! Emily Taylor, our CVAG Summer Student, will be there to help you tape, glue, glitter, chalk, cut and colour your masterpiece while your parents check out what's going on at our GIFT SHOP GAZEBO!

Wednesday July 20

Films You Want to See! at North Island College, Stan Hagen Theatre, 2300 Ryan Road, Courtenay
Tickets \$10 each, available in the [CVAG Gift Shop](#), 580 Duncan Ave, Courtenay and at [Video's N More](#), 264 Anderton Road, Comox

Canada's Top Ten Short Films Official Site: <http://tiff.net/topten/shorts>

Celebrating its 10th anniversary, *Canada's Top Ten* is a unique annual event, established in 2001 by the Toronto Intl Film Festival, which promotes and honours excellence in contemporary Canadian cinema.



[Above the Knee](#) Greg Atkins, Canada

Jack's suit-and-tie career never quite fit. As he summons the courage to dress for the job he wants, he risks changing the way his co-workers and his wife see and treat him.

[Les fleurs de l'âge](#) Vincent Biron Canada

Selling ice cream, smoking pot, falling in love, dealing with family: it's just another summer day for a regular group of school kids.

[I Was a Child of Holocaust Survivors](#) Ann Marie Fleming Canada

Director and animator Ann Marie Fleming adapts Bernice Eisenstein's acclaimed illustrated memoir about living second hand the traumatic Holocaust memories of the generation before her.

[The Legend of Beaver Dam](#) Jerome Sable Canada

This musical horror comedy follows an unlikely hero – nerdy Danny Zigwitz – at a summer camp listening to fireside stories.

[Lipsett Diaries](#) Theodore Ushev Canada

Deconstructing a visionary in experimental film, this animated documentary presents the incredible creativity and emotional tumult that defined filmmaker Arthur Lipsett's life.

[The Little White Cloud That Cried](#) Guy Maddin Canada

Guy Maddin's latest short started with him and his friends at a cottage with a 16mm camera, with underground queer filmmaker Jack King in mind. Let the shoot begin...

[Marius Borodine](#) Emanuel Hoss-Desmarais Canada

A mockumentary about inventor Marius Borodine who is on the brink of completing his master stroke creation when something goes terribly awry.

[Mokhtar](#) Halima Ouardiri Canada

Based on a true story, Mokhtar recounts the tale of a young boy in a remote Moroccan village as he adopts a fallen owl.

[On the Way to the Sea](#) Tao Gu Canada

On May 12, 2008, the largest earthquake in China's history devastated the Wenchuan region.

Director Tao Gu visits his parents' home to capture the physical and emotional aftermath

[Vapor](#) Kaveh Nabatian Canada

In this stunning portrait of a shattered psyche, a Mexican man begins to understand his life when he confronts his own deep-seated phobias.

Sunday July 24

Get Your Arts Outside! (during Classic Cruisers)

<http://www.cvclassiccruisers.com/>

The Gallery and the Gift Shop will be open Sunday during the 25th Anniversary of the Comox Valley Classic Cruisers Show and Shine in downtown Courtenay

More details to follow regarding Get Your Arts Outside!

Friday July 29

New Exhibits:

=== PUBLIC GALLERY === July 30 - September 10, 2011

ON RESERVE

Photography and Installation by Liz Carter (Campbell River BC)



Opening Reception..... Friday July 29th from 7 to 9pm
 Performance: Liz Carter & [Ken Blackburn](#)..... Friday July 29th from 7:30pm to 8pm
 Art Talk: Liz Carter - On Reserve..... Saturday, August 20 from 2pm to 3pm

Being a person of First Nations ancestry far removed from her cultural roots, Carter alters the viewpoint of Western Imperialist nostalgia. She plays with commercialism from the perspective of a contemporary North American "Indian", exploring the themes of the "Noble Savage" and "Indian Princess". Staging herself as the subject of photography and film, she shops for traditional staple foods in big box stores, dressed in red attire and red heels. Absurdity and humor punctuate the deconstruction.

Liz Carter was educated at Emily Carr University and is the recipient of the Aboriginal Arts Development Award (2003) and the VADA Award (2004). She has exhibited solo at Campbell River Public Art Gallery, Two Rivers Art Gallery, in many group shows on Vancouver Island and has work in the collection of the Canada Council Art Bank and the 2010 Olympic Committee.

=== ARTS & CRAFT GALLERY === July 29 – August 27, 2011

FOOD SOURCE

Paintings by Megan Dulcie Dill (Powell River BC)

These small scale oil paintings reflect the vibrant diversity of local area food sources and their growth cycles. Megan Dulcie Dill explores current thoughts on food today in her abstract versions of shellfish, salmon, berries and other offerings in life's foodchain. Dill is concerned with finding a balance between natural occurrences and controlled actions through her artistic process. Luminous shapes emerge and come alive in her paintings through texture, colour and shifting lines.

A full time painter Megan Dulcie Dill incorporates her love for the natural world in her paintings. She is a graduate of the Nova Scotia College of Art and Design and the University of Toronto and is involved with various community arts initiatives while dividing her time between Powell River and Savary Island. She has participated in shows across Canada and her work can be found in collections across North America.

GALLERY NOTICES

CURRENT EXHIBITS

=== PUBLIC GALLERY === June 10th - July 23, 2011

<http://www.comoxvalleyartgallery.com/exhibitions2011.html>

DEMARCATIION: Artist Blaine Campbell (Vancouver BC)

Large format photography, light box, projection and installation, Guest curated by Megan Wilson (Cumberland BC)

Demarcation is a selection of work which investigate the ethos/mythos of nature in the collective Canadian psyche; the constructed ideal and processes of manipulation.

Blaine Campbell holds a BFA in photography from Emily Carr University as well as a B.Math (Waterloo) and M.Sc. (University of Calgary). The recipient of the National Award in the BMO 1st Art! Invitational juried competition and the Emerging Artist Award from the Contemporary Arts Society in Vancouver, Blaine was recently selected to create a permanent installation in the lobby of the National headquarters of the Canadian Association of University Teachers. His work has been exhibited at the Republic Gallery, The Surrey Art Gallery, the Reach Gallery Museum, and the Museum of Canadian Contemporary Art and in the Netherlands. He is represented by the Republic Gallery in Vancouver.

=== ARTS & CRAFT GALLERY === June 3rd - June 29th, 2011

<http://www.comoxvalleyartgallery.com/exhibitions2011.html>

VIEWS FROM MY COMOX VALLEY: Artist Bev Byerley (Courtenay BC)

Acrylic paintings on canvas, accompanied by Mussels and More Pottery from the CVAG Gift Shop

For Bev Byerley the landscape is a tapestry of rich colours, textures and patterns. Most of the paintings in this series are scenes from the same path she walks each day, but subtle changes in light, weather, and seasons constantly shape and re-shape the familiar into fresh new imagery.

Born in Gimli, Manitoba, painter, printmaker Bev Byerley became a resident of the Comox Valley in 1965. After graduating from high school in 1977, Bev furthered her studies in an oil painting course at the Banff School of Fine Arts in Alberta. With plans to be an illustrator, Bev was accepted into the commercial arts program at Capilano College in North Vancouver and upon completion of this course, worked for a graphic artist in downtown Vancouver. Bev is best known in the Comox Valley for her acrylic landscapes of the west coast and of Newfoundland.

3rd Annual Wearable Art Show – Award Recipients

Congratulations to the entire Cast of this year's show! It was a spectacular sold out event – see you next year!

Audience Choice (by vote) - The Paperbag Princess, created by Amanda Smetana, performed by Sherri Couzens

\$150 From First Insurance Agencies plus 2 wknd passes to VI MusicFest

Best Use of Recycled Materials - The Paperbag Princess, created by Amanda Smetana, performed by Sherri Couzens

\$100 sponsored by the CVRD

The Wow Factor - Beach Bride, created and performed by Joanne Pringle

\$100 sponsored by the City of Courtenay

Best Performance - Hecate Queen of Night, created by Kari Glass, performed by Taelor Pelusey

\$50 CVAG plus \$50 and two tickets to a Fall production from Ctny Little Theatre

Most Poetic - The Bevan Road Princess, created by Zabie and Shiva Perry, performed by Shiva Perry

\$50 from CVAG & \$50 g/c from Laughing Oyster Bookshop

Best Use of Textiles - Enlightened Woman, created by Roberta and Tamara Ling, performed by Tamara Ling

\$50 from CVAG plus a \$50 gift card from Fabricland

Photo albums on Facebook (photos will be posted to the CVAG website at a later date)

By Billy Pipe:

<https://www.facebook.com/home.php#!/media/set/?set=a.10150290583224976.382622.673154975>

By Ron Pogue:

<https://www.facebook.com/home.php#!/media/set/?set=a.220863457937155.55702.100000405064768>

Do you love the Visual Arts and the Comox Valley Art Gallery? Your support can WIN you a Nautical Themed Spa Gift Basket valued over \$150

Raffle Tickets at CVAG Gift Shop – Just \$2 each or 3 for \$5

Raffle tickets will be sold until 5pm on July 30th, 2011 and also available at the AGM June 11 and the Wearable Art Show on June 16, 17 and 18

Winners names will be published after the draw on **August 2nd at 11am at CVAG**. Tickets may be sold and purchased only in BC. Chances are 1 in 550 to win the basket. BC Gaming Event License 34763
Problem Gambling help Line: 1-888-795-6111 or www.bcresponsiblegambling.ca 19+ to play! Know your limit, play within it

What is in these baskets?

- **Anti-stress mist -Warm Buddy Co.- Vancouver-** A blend of pure essential oils that will create a relaxing and stress free environment
- **Spa rock-Hanne Christensen-Denman Island-**An exfoliating spa rock to take care of your rough spots
- **Scented Soy Candle-Christina Baldwin (Olive life)-Langley-**Forest Blend Soy Candle made with essential oils
- **Cranberry Jam-Cranberry Mama-Black Creek-**Mandarin Orange Flavour (no additives, no preservative)
- **Protective hand cream-Bee treasures-Courtenay-**Super moisturizing hand cream made from mineral & essential oils and beeswax
- **Sterling silver earrings-Silver Suspensions-Tsawwassen-**Sterling silver earrings with freshwater pearl iridescent green beads
- **Ceramic starfish-Gale La Porte-Errington-**Adorable, nautical and metallicly shiny decorative sea creature
- **Spa wrap hot bean bag-Warm Buddy Co.-Vancouver-**Natural moist heat wrap therapy, the ultimate stress relief Contains only all natural grains, herbs and essential oils
- **Large ceramic mug-Mussels & More-Campbell River-**Unique, gorgeous and completely practical pottery inspired by beach creatures
- **Art Card-Jamie Scarrow-Comox-**Beautiful nature scenes featuring local wildlife
- **Hand-bound journal-Gwen Kushner-Campbell River-**Shiny, swirly, nautical hand-bound notebook journal
- **Camera/cell-phone bag-Susan Pope-Qualicum-**constructed with new and recycled fabrics and notions. Has a variety of uses
- **Soap-Simple Luxuries-Lantzville-**Locally made, natural, & delicious smelling gentle soaps

CVAG FILM SERIES – Spring/Summer 2011

Films You Want To See!

at North Island College, Stan Hagen Theatre, 2300 Ryan Road, Courtenay

Wednesdays at 7:00pm May 25, June 15, July 20 & August 24, 2011 Tickets \$10 each, available in the CVAG Gift Shop, 580 Duncan Ave, Courtenay and at Video's N More, 264 Anderton Road, Comox
www.comoxvalleyartgallery.com/eventsfilms.html

CANADA'S TOP TEN SHORTS - BEST OF THE BEST

Wednesday, July 20, 2011 at 7:00pm

Directors: various

Year: 2010 Runtime: various

Language: various Country: Canada
Genre: various Rated: Unrated

BETWEEN THE FOLDS

Wednesday, August 24, 2011 at 7:00pm

Director: Vanessa Gould

Year: 2010 Runtime: 56 mins

Language: English Country: USA

Genre: Documentary, Art, Math Rated: Unrated

2011 Summer Art Education at CVAG

Do you want to get creative this summer? Do you want to dance, sing, sculpt, paint, draw, design, animate, act, video tape or photograph? The Comox Valley Art Gallery guarantees they will have something for you! The entire month of August has every day jam-packed with different workshops, art camps and classes for people of all ages and all experience levels.

This summer at the CV Art Gallery, there is an art camp or course for you!

Registration begins on June 4th and class sizes are small so make sure to sign up early!

For more information, email Emily Taylor at summer@comoxvalleyartgallery.com

Visit our Facebook page or website at www.comoxvalleyartgallery.com

Creative Dance and Improvisational Theatre with Jade de Trey

Dates: Tues-Fri, Aug 2-5, 2011

Ages: Ages 5 - 7

Fee: TBA

Time: 2pm-3:30pm

Description: This class is all about laughing playing and feeling happy! We will use our voices and imaginations to do all sorts of improvisational dance & theater games. Children will have fun, learn balance, focus, gain self confidence and body awareness.

About the instructor: Jade de Trey is a teacher and performer of creative dance and theatre. She is trained in modern dance, contact improvisation dance, improv theatre and singing. Jade has a passion for teaching to all ages. She loves to help people to express themselves more truthfully, with abandon. She is the founder of Methuselah Dance troupe who performs regularly at local events and festivals.

Creative Dance and Improvisational Theatre with Jade de Trey

Dates: Tues- Fri, Aug 2-5, 2011

Ages: Ages 8-12

Fee: TBA

Time: 10am-12pm

Description: Calling all youth who want to spend four days learning some really fun, super creative movement and theater games! Using the body, voice and imagination we will laugh a lot, be silly and wild in a bunch of dance & theater games that you can try at home! The week will boost children's confidence, increase body awareness and some new friends will be made! No experience needed!

About the instructor: Jade de Trey is a teacher and performer of creative dance and theatre. She is trained in modern dance, contact improvisation dance, improv theatre and singing. Jade has a passion for teaching to all ages. She loves to help people to express themselves more truthfully, with abandon. She is the founder of Methuselah Dance troupe who performs regularly at local events and festivals.

Creative Dance, Theatre and Vocal Improvisation with Jade de Trey and Joanna Finch

Date: Saturday, August 6, 2011

Ages: Adults (18+)

Skill level: Everyone

Fee: TBA

Time: 1:30pm - 5pm

Description: Come and have an afternoon of creative and collaborative fun! Let your noisy mind go and your body mind become free. Using creative movement, brain compatible education, theatre and the voice we will explore, in a light-hearted manner, things such as relationship, trust, silence, grace, community, laughter and fun! Participants will be guided and learn simple improvisational explorations. We will be peaceful, playful, energetic, and yet be kind to our bodies. We will laugh and be silly in theatre group improvisations and use our voices in new, abstract, and creative ways.

3D Animation Camp with Gilles Toupin

Date: Mon-Fri, August 8 -12, 2011

Ages: 9 -13

Skill Level: Beginners to Intermediate

Fee: \$280 + hst (all supplies and technology included)

Time: 9:00am-2:30pm

Description: Are you aged 9-13 and interested in film, acting, or web design? Do you want to learn more about what it means to be "Green"? Then this week-long "Green-themed" 3D Animation Camp is for you! Learn how to create your own 3D animation movie on a "Green" topic of your own choosing such as endangered species, recycling or climate change. You will become a master of high-tech media equipment including green screens, video cameras and the latest movie-editing and special effects programs! There are only 12 students per class so you're sure to make friends and get all the help you need to make your movie just the way you want! Best of all, you will publish your creation on a popular film website, and keep it on a DVD so all your friends and family can see - even after they've attended the grand film screening at the end of the week! Sign up soon to ensure your spot before August 5th!

About the instructor:

Gilles Toupin is a teacher employed by School District 72. He has a BA in Music and a MDE (Master of Distance Education). He has an extensive background in computer technology and has been passionate about the profession for 24 years.

Create-Your-Own Website Workshop with Gilles Toupin

Date: Saturday, August 13, 2011

Ages: 18+

Fee: \$250 + hst (all supplies and technology included)

Time: 10:00am-3:30pm

Description: Have you been thinking about creating a website for your artwork or business? This workshop will show and give you everything you need to do it! Here's what's included:

- Your own personal domain name's registration (one year) & database and server set-up
- A basic template (so your website will be visible immediately) that you can spice up however you like!
- Installation of two modules of your choice! (such as calendar, blog or photo gallery).
- 2 email addresses in your domain such as "myname@mydomain.com"
- 1G data transfer per month and 500MG of storage
- Two hours of free technical support (online via email or Skype)
- Ultimately: Your own personalized website that you can easily maintain yourself!

About the instructor:

Gilles Toupin is a teacher employed by School District 72. He has a BA in Music and a MDE (Master of Distance Education). He has an extensive background in computer technology and has been passionate about the profession for 24 years.

Camp Creativity! with Instructors Samantha Garstang & Emily Taylor (assistant)

Date: Mon-Fri, August 15-19, 2011

Ages: 7-13

Fee: \$300 + hst (all supplies included except painting clothes)

Time: 9am – 4pm

Description: Are you aged 7-13? Do you want to explore art and creativity? Well, this jam-packed, exciting art camp is for you! Our instructors will help you to find your own unique style through play

with all sorts of art materials and methods! Each day you will learn something new, and create something completely different! You will craft and take home your own stories, clay pieces, paintings, "Zine" book, multimedia creations and more. A small class size will guarantee you to make friends and get all the one-on-one help you need. You will come together with friends, new and old, and create a group mural that will be displayed at all sorts of events. Write, draw, collage, transfer, photograph, bind, paint, sculpt, discover, create, collaborate – you will get a taste of everything the arts have to offer in this super creative, super FUN art-camp!

About the instructors:

Samantha Garstang, B.FA Emily Carr, is an interdisciplinary artist whose work includes mixed media, ceramics, printmaking, painting, writing, video, and photography.

Emily Taylor loves art and people and is studying Communications, Art and Technology at Simon Fraser University and CVAG's summer staff, returning to university in this fall.

Free Expression Painting with Caroline James

Date: Thurs-Sun, August 25 – 28, 2011

Ages: 18+

Skill level: From absolute beginners to long-time artists!

Fee: \$295 + hst

Time: August 25: 5pm-8pm and August 26-28: 9am-4pm

Supplies needed:

- Inexpensive brushes: 2 small for details, 1 medium round, 1 medium flat and one large (1/2in.) round.
- "Saran"/plastic wrap for covering your paints overnight
- plastic spoons (2 or 3)
- large yogurt containers or glass jars (2)
- rags or paper towels
- An 8.5" x 11" spiral bound note book and pen for writing
- loose, comfortable painting clothes

Description: This course is geared towards students at all levels, and is especially useful as a beginning place for those with no previous painting experience. Using the most basic materials, this course is designed to create a safe and respectful environment in which students can begin to explore their creative potential through process or free expression painting. In the case of more experienced artists, this class will challenge them as a way of breaking out of established routines, loosening up and removing creative blocks and rejuvenating their professional practice moving them into deeper levels of expression. Analysis or evaluation of the work produced is not the focus of this class and no one will see or judge the work that you do unless you choose to share it with classmates. Discussion will focus on the experience of learning to trust the intuitive and healing voice of spontaneous expression, identifying blocks to creativity and utilizing them as a catalyst for development and reinvigoration.

GIFT SHOP NOTICES

The Gift Shop has had a freshen up!

Over this past weekend, we have painted a large wall in the Gift Shop, giving the interior a bright and lightened up look!

Come by and see the new look and feel while browsing our shop.

Feature Artist: June 4 – July 23, 2011

Mussels and More Pottery (Campbell River BC)

Pottery Seashell Dinnerware is beautiful, functional and decorative. Each piece is uniquely hand crafted from high fired porcelain clay in Campbell River BC. Platters, bowls, plates and mugs, these vibrant and colourful pieces are all microwave, oven, dishwasher and food safe - perfect for that special gift!

Mike and Jan Sell are the creators of Mussels & More Pottery. Their home based studio is situated in Campbell River, BC overlooking the waterfront and commercial fishing docks on Discovery

Passage. They hope their pottery will give you pleasure by bring a little part of the ocean they love into your home.

This month, their pottery is featured in the gift shop and the Arts and Crafts Gallery.

ABOUT the Gift Shop:

The CVAG Gift Shop offers one of the best selections of high quality handmade crafts and artwork on Vancouver Island and is the single most important fundraiser for The Gallery. We are well known as the destination for locally made personal and significant occasion gifts. Featuring the best of Comox Valley produced arts and crafts, we offer a wide selection to suit all tastes and budgets including pottery, glass, jewellery, metal work, wood work, fabric arts, paintings, prints, art cards and more.

The Gift Shop features work from close to one hundred different artists, some of which have been selling work in the shop for a great number of years and new artists are added regularly. Excellent relationships with participating artisans contribute to the success of this largely consignment retail venue. Repeat customers result from great customer service, and regular local customers bring family and friends in to visit, both the Gallery and Gift Shop.

Rhonda Burden, Gift Shop Manager Website: www.comoxvalleyartgallery.com/shop.html
Email: shop@comoxvalleyartgallery.com

CALLS & OPPORTUNITIES

Campbell River Art Gallery annual Wearable Art Fashion Show and Auction – July 23, 2011
Exhibition: August 10-17, 2011

Deadline for Applications: June 30, 2011
Entry Fee: \$25.00 & Entry is Juried

CRAG's annual Wearable Art Fashion Show and Auction offers prizes of up to \$1,000, spread between five categories: Audience Choice, Best of Show, Best Use of Recycled Materials, Best Performance, and Ethnic Expression. Artists will work with a choreographer and dancers. The latter should be arranged by you but we may be able to assist.

We're looking for art created for the human body. Let your imagination fly. Mailed submissions should include a self-addressed envelope and provide a short CV, and sketches/photos of up to three proposed entries.

We're looking for wearable art that shows creativity, imagination, innovative use of materials and construction, with a wow factor that explodes the notion of costume design. Shipping is covered by the artist. Some entries may be selected for an exhibition to follow in our Main Gallery from August 10-17. We're also looking for dancers and volunteers to help with this event. Check our website at: www.crartgallery.ca or call us at 250-287-2261

City of Burnaby - Edmonds Pool and Community Centre Public Art Project **Creation of Works of Art**

The City of Burnaby is seeking an artist or artist collective. The party selected will be engaged to develop a concept(s) for a public art project that will be located at the entrance to the new Edmonds Pool and Community Centre in Burnaby, BC. This Request for Expression of Interest (RFEOI) provides an exciting opportunity for a new work of public art for the City of Burnaby, as outlined in the RFEOI as posted on BC Bid.

This RFEOI is being issued electronically through the BC Bid website (www.bcbid.gov.bc.ca) where any interested party may download the RFEOI documents directly from the aforementioned website. No registration, tracking or other recording of RFEOI document holders will be performed by the

City. All addenda, amendments or further information will be published on the BC Bid website. It is the sole responsibility of the respondent to monitor the website regularly to check for updates.

Submissions must be delivered, in duplicate, including a soft copy on a CD or memory stick, in a sealed envelope, clearly marked "RFEOI #55-04/11 Request for Expression of Interest Edmonds Pool and Community Centre Public Art Project," on or before 3:00 pm, local time, **Thursday, July 7, 2011**, as follows:

By hand or courier: 6161 Deer Lake Avenue, Burnaby, BC, V5G 1M2
Late submissions will be returned unopened. Submissions and/or amendments will not be accepted by facsimile or email.

City of Burnaby, 6161 Deer Lake Avenue
Burnaby, British Columbia V5G 1M2
Phone: 1 (604) 294-7370
Fax: 1 (604) 294-7529
Email: purchasing@burnaby.ca

MEMBER NOTICES

Members who wish to include visual art community news may send it to me by Friday afternoons. Please be assured that every effort is taken to include member news in a timely manner – unfortunately if something is missed, in an effort to respectfully keep emails to a minimum, it will be posted in next week's news.

Wearable Art Fashion Show & Silent Auction July 23, 7pm at the Campbell River Art Gallery

Very limited seating and last year we sold out! This is a vital new fundraiser for the Gallery, much needed due to BC government cutbacks. Tickets are \$30. Urge your friends to attend in support. They will definitely get their money's worth in a great evening of entertainment!
www.crartgallery.ca

***Fashion Show: July 23, 2011, 7pm, Location TBA
Exhibition: August 10-17, 2011***

Originals Only Art Show and Sale - Summer Show 2011

Saturday and Sunday August 6th & 7th from 10am to 5pm
Comox Marina Park, Comox Waterfront, Admission: FREE

A semi-annual juried art show designed to focus on the traditional fine art forms of painting, drawing and sculpture. All art is original and created by the artist who is present in the booth during the entire show. The focus of the show is to present original works of art to the general public.

The Originals Only Fine Art Show is organized by a group of Comox Valley artists who volunteer their time and energy to help other artists show and sell their work. They come from a wide variety of disciplines and groups within the fine art community.

Sid Williams Theatre – special event, discount for CVAG members

STAR SPIRIT PERFORMANCE EVENT – SID WILLIAMS THEATRE – JUNE 29 – 730PM
FEATURING

ZACCHEUS JACKSON “SLAM” POET

RAP meets STORYTELLING ... cultural heritage urban style!

Zaccheus is a full-blood member of the Blackfoot people. He is born in Alberta and now calls Vancouver home, working full time as a performing artist. He has won many awards in poetry

competitions across Canada. He has toured and Canada and the USA doing his unique blend of storytelling in the form of “guerrilla poetry”. Zaccheus has done many workshops and events for at risk youth. Zaccheus works with “Full Circle First Nations Performance Company” in Vancouver.

ALSO FEATURING

A screening of the FILM “CRY ROCK” (2010) by Banchi Hanuse

“Cry Rock” is a film about the last remaining elders and storytellers in the Nuxalk language of Bella Coola. The documentary blends interviews set against the wild beauty of the Bella Coola valley with vivid watercolour animations. “Cry Rock” illuminates the intersection of Nuxalk history, place and spirit that are at the heart of an oral storytelling tradition. This film is made available through the courtesy of the World Community Development Education Society.

THE STAR SPIRIT SERIES was started by the Sid Williams Theatre Society in 2007 to celebrate the rich First Nations Cultures of Western Canada, and to present cutting-edge new work by Canadian First Nations artists and performers at the Comox Valley’s community theatre. The Star Spirit Series for 2010-2011 is made possible with the support of the Department of Canadian Heritage and the British Columbia Arts Council.

Tickets

\$15 adults -- \$10 SWTS Members, World Community Development Education Society Members, **CVAG Members -- \$5**

Students. Available at the Sid Williams Theatre Ticket Centre – #250-338-2420 or online at www.sidwilliamstheatre.com

The Potters Place – featured artists for July

Opening Reception, Friday July 8th at 7-9pm

Maeva Collins and special guest artist Allan Burgess

Maeva Collins is a potter who works and lives in Courtenay in the Comox Valley on Vancouver Island, B.C. I specialize in unique pit and wood fired ceramic art and functional pottery.

Alan Burgess, educated at Camberwell School of Art and Crafts in London and Industrial Ceramic Design and Technology at Stoke-on-Trent College, England, has been a potter and teacher all his life. He was Head of the Ceramics department at Bolton College of Art in England and Chair of the Fine Arts department at North Island College, Courtenay, BC. He mainly produces functional work using stoneware and porcelain, the surfaces of which are decorated using a variety of techniques. He also produces larger vessels and bowls, some of them wood-fired, which are the vehicles for drawings and surface enrichment.

The Potters Place, 5th and Cliffe Ave, Courtenay BC 250-334-4613

Members who wish to include news may send it to me by Friday afternoons (You must be a member in good standing and it needs to be art community related please). Please be assured that every effort is taken to include member news in a timely manner – unfortunately if something is missed, in an effort to respectfully keep emails to a minimum, it will be posted in next week’s news.

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Sincere thanks,
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