

# by a thread September 27 - November 1, 2014

#### Comox Valley Art Gallery + Comox Valley Community Arts Council Members Show

#### Participating Artists:

Hennie Aikman Cathy Albrecht Sam Albrecht Karen Alexandre Corre Alice

Heather Alton Dante Ambriel AVANH

Laurie Bartlett Claude Bigler Ingrid Bollegraaf

June Boyle
Jeff Brett
Jenna Burrell
Caron Byrne
Jean Cockburn

Maryann Kym Coyle Diane Crenna Don Cunningham

Robin de Lavis Sunday Dennis Tashi Draper

Deborah Dumka April Dyck

Jane Ellerington

Bill Friesen
lan Fry
Heili Garcia
Fran Goldberg
Kelly Gough

Kelly Gough Sylwia Gustyn Jeff Hartbower Kerensa Haynes Judy Hilgemann Linda Hodgins Barb Hutson

Martha Jablonski-Jones

Sheron Jutila Marci Katz Margaret Kelly Lori Ann Kenney Joan K. Kirby Dan Kirk Lisa Kirk Tracy Kobus Brian Latta

Lainie Laughlin Joyce Lindemulder Roberta Ling George Littlechild

Gayle Lobban Evelyn M.

Ani MacGillivray Jeanne MacGrotty David Maclean

Jennifer Margetish

Medwyn McConach

Medwyn McConachy Roberta Meilleur Cynthia Minden Robert Moon Antonia Olak Zbigniew Olak

Marilyn Peters Izzy Pichette Jennifer Pickford Renée Poisson John Powell Clive Powsey

Candace Pritchard

Sue Pyper

Christine Randolph

Julie Samson
Jessie Schut
Trish Smith
Terri Stelfox
Helen Utsal
Elke van Breemen

Ed Varney

Althea J. White Madeleine Wood



# by a thread

The exhibition BY A THREAD showcases artwork produced by the wide-ranging membership of the Comox Valley Community Arts Council and the Comox Valley Art Gallery. The exhibitionincludes work by emerging, mid-career and established cultural workers, who have all responded to theme of (hanging) BY A THREAD.

The response to our call for submissions (we received 120 artworks) was overwhelming. The work includes fibre-based art, visual art, video, interactive media, print + written word, performance and site installation. The work involves traditional, experimental and hybrid creative approaches.

The result is an exhibit that weaves together a vast array of interpretations, processes, concepts and media. As diverse as the work is, it is linked by a common theme.

(hanging) BY A THREAD evokes subjective and collective images such as risk, vulnerability, play, resilience, innovation, uncertainty, reinvention, adaptation, hope and alternative perspectives. Terry Helwig, Founder of *The Thread Project*, a global work created in response to 9/11, states: *Some say our world is hanging by a thread. I say – a thread is all we need.* 

## community make-art collaboration

Artists Sarah Bergeron, Fiona Thomson and Lukas Roy invite you to participate in a community art making collaboration for the duration of the BY A THREAD exhibition.

The project started with Sept. 2 workshops at North Island College and CVAG, and will continue in CVAG's George Sawchuk Gallery. The artists have seeded this project through their experiments with drawing, painting, collage, sculpture and text, to find places of intersection and dialogue with the theme. The community is invited to participate and contribute to this make-art project by adding responses, inspirations and interpretations in relation to the theme (hanging) BY A THREAD.

Art-making materials will be provided on site, and new work will be continuously added to the exhibit by the project organizers. Join us at the gallery and add your thread.

# by a thread engage/participate

**Community MAKE ART project**: You are invited to add your own response to the theme (hanging) by a thread. Come by any time during gallery hours. Materials are provided, and work will be added to the exhibit in CVAG's George Sawchuk Gallery.

**Weaving demonstration** with textile artist Jo Swallow, whose exhibit "The Blues Project" is in the CVAG community gallery, Fridays and Saturdays from noon to 1 pm, until November 1.

**Performance** "Leaves of Time" with multidisciplinary artist Medwyn McConachy on Fridays and Saturdays from noon to 1 pm, until November 1.

Discover Art Saturday MAKE ART Project: 11 to 1 pm on October 11.



GALLERY: TUE - SAT 10-5 GIFT SHOP: MON - SAT 10-5

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Exhibition Co-host: CV Community Arts Council



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