



West Shore Arts Council

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West Shore Arts Newsletter

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This newsletter is published by the West Shore Arts Council three times annually and provides West Shore Arts Council members and the community at large with news and information about arts and culture events on the West Shore.

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Calendar of Events:

Emerging Artists Show
Dates: Feb 19 to Mar 15
Place: Coast Collective
Gallery at the foot of
Heatherbell Road.

Student Art Show
Dates: May 8 to 10
Place: The Quarterdeck
at Royal Roads University

MACCA grand opening
June, details TBA

Literary Series:
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Connections

The arts are alive and well on the West Shore with the emergence this last year of two new satellite arts centres: the Metchosin Arts and Cultural Centre and the Coast Collective in Colwood. These new venues offer many opportunities for artists and crafts people to exhibit their creative works. The West Shore Arts Council, which is an umbrella organization, seeks to promote and fund new and exciting ventures in the arts as well as established events. Just connect with us and tell us your plans and we will see how we can help as a non-profit organization. We

have programs in storytelling, green mapping, the performing arts; hold art exhibitions and community fairs; arrange concert series in the park; offer bursaries and post-secondary scholarships. Our aim is to reach a wide audience with a variety of programs for different age groups. Bring us your ideas. Our role is to connect the artist, the performer, the crafts person with the public. To end on a philosophical note, let me quote John Updike: "Art hopes to sidestep mortality with feats of attention, of harmony, of illuminating connection."

Elaine Limbrick

Annual General Meeting, February 14, 2009

3 to 5 p.m. at WSAC office

(upstairs in the old Metchosin schoolhouse, 4495 Happy Valley Road)

If you haven't renewed your membership yet for 2009, plan to attend the AGM and do it there.

Proposed slate of Directors up for election:

President: Elaine Limbrick

Vice President: Gail Nash

Director: Laura Carberry

Secretary: *vacant*

Directors whose terms continue:

Treasurer: Fred Kunz

Director: Neil Gustafson

Director: Ron MacIsaac

Director: Douglas Rowe

Starry, Starry Night, 2008 December 5, 2008



Ron MacIsaac,
Robin Hopper



Herma Hammond
Liz Cullen

Mara Dhillon and
Hans Waelti



Neil and Liane
Gustafson



Keep your eye on the WSAC website

<http://www.westshorearts.org> Check it out for upcoming arts events, calls to for entry to art shows, information about grants and bursaries available to members, etc.

Literary Series

Sunday March 8, 2-4 pm. "Story of how to become a professional artist " at Coast Collective Gallery, Heatherbell road, Colwood. Thursday, March 12, 7-9 pm, "Stories of a paper artist" by Pat Cook, at WSAC office, Metchosin Elementary School. Molly Rahe Newman, Bill Valgardson and Linda Rogers are future speakers, on dates TBA.

WSAC Open House in Metchosin December 7, 2008



V.Pres Gail Nash,
Administrator Sandy Watts



The new WSAC office in the old
Metchosin Schoolhouse

Pres. Elaine Limbrick,
Counselor Jo Mitchell,
Director Laura Carberry



Upcoming Local Events

*S*ymphony of Quilts

Westshore Quilt Guild Show.

Friday/Saturday, March 27/28 10 a.m. - 6 p.m.

Sunday, March 29 10 a.m. - 4 p.m.

Special displays, live music, merchant's mall, concession, raffle quilts, door prizes, guild boutique, and, hands on demonstrations.

www.westshorequiltersguild.com

Eagle Ridge Community Centre
1089 Langford Parkway, Langford
Admission \$5.

*S*pring Flower Show (Open)

View Royal Garden Club.

Saturday, April 18th, 2009,

1 - 3 p.m.

Public viewing 1 - 3 p.m. Admission includes door prizes and refreshments. Info 250 478-2539 or

474-3780. Held at the All Saints

Church Hall off the Old Island

Highway.

294 Stewart Ave., View Royal.

*E*koos Vocal Ensemble

15th Anniversary Concerts

Saturday, April 18, 7:40 p.m.

Location TBA

Sunday, April 19, 2:30 p.m.

at Holy Trinity Church, Sooke

A tea will follow the Sooke performance.

Programme will feature favourites from medieval to modern: madrigals, sacred, art songs and Canadiana.

Tickets \$12 from members, the Broken Paddle in Metchosin and The Reading Room in Sooke.

<http://members.shaw.ca/ekooschoir/>

*M*usic across Three Centuries

The Civic Orchestra of Victoria, with Guest Conductor Dr. Charles Barber (*Civic Orchestra founder*)

Saturday, February 28, 2009 at 2 p.m., Alix Goolden

Performance Hall, 907 Pandora Avenue at Quadra.

Programme:

Dvorák — *Symphony no. 8, op. 88, G major*

Schubert — *Ave Maria* variations

— Jason Sherbundy, piano

Mussorgsky — *Khovantchina: Introduction*

Gershwin — *Rhapsody in blue* — J. Sherbundy, piano

See www.civicorchestraofvictoria.org regarding tickets

Call for Artists

The Coast Collective Gallery is calling artists to submit works to celebrate the arrival of the flowers of Spring. This show will be accompanied by a display by the Victoria Flower Arrangers' Guild April 2 - 5, and possibly other related displays.

This Fine Art Show will be juried by way of digital images. All accepted artwork will contain some version of a flower in bloom - real, fanciful or abstract; in a garden, a vase, a child's hair; in the floral print of a dress or tablecloth, painted on a pot, or printed on a book cover - any form or version. Any medium of 2- or 3-dimensional work smaller than 40 inches in any dimension will be considered. Each Artist is limited to 3 entries. No work needs to be delivered to the Gallery prior to acceptance and no adjudication fees apply. Digital images may be submitted by e-mail to deborahcz@shaw.ca, or if images your work are already displayed on a website, that website address may be submitted with clear indication of which works on the site are to be considered in the jurying process. An application form is attached, or will soon be available on our website: www.coastcollective.ca.

Application forms, images, and/or information about where to find them on a website must be received no later than March 1, 2009. Artists will be notified by March 8 about what works have been accepted. Further instructions about the delivery of accepted works will be provided at that time. No hanging fee will be charged, and a 30% commission will be retained by the Gallery for each piece sold. For more information, contact Deb Czernecky at deborahcz@shaw.ca.

Juan de Fuca Parks and Recreation

February

Valentine's Day Skate

Saturday, February 14 2:15 – 3:45 p.m.

Bring your sweetheart for free.
JdF ARENA 2 for 1 Admission.

Pro D Day SKATE

Friday, February 20 1 – 2 p.m.
JdF ARENA Twoonie Admission

Pro D Day SWIM

Friday, February 20, 1 – 3 p.m.
JdF POOL Regular Admission

March

Pro D Day SWIM

Friday, March 5, 1 – 3 p.m.
JdF Pool Regular Admission

Pro D Day SKATE

Friday, March 5, 1 – 2 p.m.
JdF ARENA Twoonie Admission

FREE Swim by Coast Capital Savings

Tuesday, March 10 7:30 a.m. – 8:30 p.m.
Juan de Fuca POOL FREE Admission

Bear Mt. Arena Curling Classic

March 26-29

Join us for the 4th Annual Bear Mt. Curling Classic and witness a truly amazing international field competing for the \$81,000 purse. Tickets available at Juan de Fuca Rec Centre & the Victoria Curling Club. Bear Mountain Arena.

April

Kinette Club of Juan de Fuca

9th Annual Easter Egg Hunt

Saturday, April 11 10 a.m.

Join us at 10:00 a.m. to hunt for eggs in the upper field behind Juan de Fuca Library. \$3 entry is donated to Cystic Fibrosis, egg hunt open to 13 years and under in three categories. 'Hunters' receive a goody bag for their efforts! Hosted by Kinettes Club of Juan de Fuca (Victoria) and sponsored by Thrifty Foods, Cascadia Pure Water and Rogers Chocolates.

JdF Recreation Centre Upper Hill Cost: \$3 Donation

Evergreen Exhibition's Spring Home & Garden Show

April 17, 18, 19

Join us for the 21st annual Home Show at JdF.
Bear Mountain & JdF Arenas

Pro D Day SWIM

Friday, April 17 1 – 3 p.m.
JdF Pool Regular Admission

Arts for All Ages

Dance, music, drama, photography, silversmithing, ceramics, the culinary arts ... ARTisipACTION for people of all ages at the Juan de Fuca Recreation Centre, Centennial Centre and the JDF 55+ Activity Centre.

Find out more when you pick-up the latest Activity Guide covering January to April 2009.

www.jdfrecreation.com.



Visit The Blue Hall Gallery in the old Metchosin schoolhouse. Open Sundays 10 to 4.