



Ciel Ellis SFCA, BVA

is our guest presenter Demo Artist for May 11th

Paintings that help you feel GREAT!



About our Presenter

Ciel Ellis - mentor, teacher, and full-time fine artist came after her career as a personal life coach and goldsmith. Problem solving and creating something from nothing has always been a big part of her life. It really is a passion to follow the creative inspiration for the sole benefit of bring joy and delight to other people.

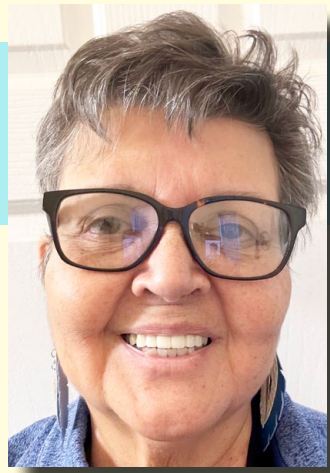
She works almost exclusively in oil paint and focuses on floral expressions. In her front garden are 11 exotic varieties of roses and peonies and she visits local locations and garden centres to expand her collection of inspiration.

Demo includes:

- a step by step discussion of the process from photograph to gorgeous painting
- A painting demonstration using a work in progress piece
- Q & A time for you to ask specific questions.

My paintings
begin in
the garden,
hands in the
dirt watching
natures magic
unfold.





Carol Alexander

Presidents Report for April

They say April showers bring May flowers We were gifted early flowers at our April members meeting. Thank you everyone who volunteered to fill the positions that were going to happen at the end of June.

The minutes will be attached to this newsletter but I just wanted to say how appreciative I am to all who keep this Art society going. By the end of this year we should have the 2017 bylaws updated, an email system which flows smoothly, all information we require often digitalized and a contract with the City of Surrey which should be easy to complete.

All because you, the members are volunteering to make us so successful and any positions moving forward will have a very smooth transition. This executive group has categorized their position so well the transitions are getting that much easier! Thank you all.

And may those May flowers bloom in every garden!

See you at the May AGM Monday, May 11, 2026 at 6:30 for social and 7:00 for the meeting and YES please attend. It will be fun with no stress.

Carol

*"As full of spirit as the month of May,
and as gorgeous as the sun in Midsummer."*

- William Shakespeare

Diane Salter Menzo



Workshop Update

This year's workshops have come to an end. Our next 2 day workshop will be on Nov 7, 8 2026 with Mariette Vermeulin. Mariette was our demo artist at the general meeting in April and gave a wonderful presentation on working wet on wet on large watercolour paper.

If you enjoyed watching her technique, and you'd like to learn more, you'll want to mark the dates for November to try out these techniques for yourself.

Registration will be open in September.

THURSDAY NIGHT CLASSES

Members and Patron Members only

Colour meets Shadow-Nature Drawing with a Dramatic Twist with Wendy Mould

Class Dates: June 4,11,18,15, 2026

Time: Evenings from 6:45 to 8:45 PM

Location: South Surrey Recreation & Art Centre - Visual Arts Room. 14601 20th Ave, Surrey BC

Cost: \$40.00

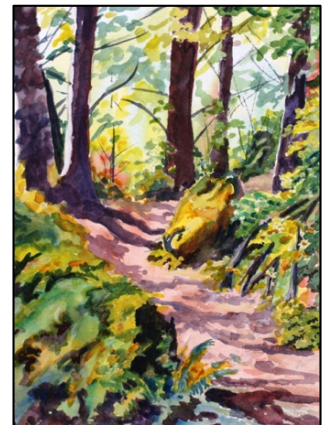
Registration: May 8 to June 3, 2026

Note: FEES ARE NON-REFUNDABLE



Bio: Wendy Mould, AFCA, CDM is a wildlife artist, teacher, presenter, video producer and writer. She is a self-taught artist whose work is driven by lifelong connection with nature. Wendy's primary focus is the West Coast of BC. Her reference materials come from her outdoor adventures that she documents with camera and sketches. Wendy has been an active member in the Fraser Valley Art Community for over 20 years, sharing her knowledge with others.

Description: In this four-part watercolour series, Wendy will guide you in uncovering the secrets of how colour, shadow and light work together to create mood and impact. Using natural subjects as inspiration, she will explore shadows, reflective and ambient light, composition and the values of and temperature of colour. Whether a beginner or experienced artist, you'll come away with fresh techniques and a deeper appreciation of how colour and shadow can elevate your creative voice.



Members: to [register](#) & [download the supply list](#), log into the members section of the SSWRAS website, select Thursday Night Classes and follow the directions to register. **Patron Members:** email thursdayclasses@artsociety.ca to have your name added to the waitlist.

Questions? Contact: thursdayclasses@artsociety.ca

THURSDAY NIGHT CLASSES

Members and Patron Members only

Watercolour In Light and Atmosphere

With Alice Bottrill

Dates: September 3, 10, 17 and 24, 2026

Time: Evenings from 6:45 to 8:45 PM

Location: South Surrey Recreation & Art Centre -
Visual Arts Room. 14601 20th Ave, Surrey BC

Cost: \$40.00

Registration: June 10, September 2, 2026

Note: FEES ARE NON-REFUNDABLE



Bio: Alice is a well-respected Canadian watercolour artist based in Harrison Hot Springs, BC. She is a member of the Federation of Canadian Artists (FCA) and IWS Canada, and a board director of the Canadian Society of Painters in Watercolour (CSPWC-SCPA). Her work has been exhibited nationally and internationally. Alice has given painting demonstrations at international exhibitions in Hungary, Poland, and France. In 2026, Alice will lead a team of 19 artists representing Canada at the Fabriano In Acquarello International Watercolour Exhibition in Italy. Alice paints in a fresh, loose, impressionistic watercolour style, with an emphasis on spontaneity, light, and atmosphere. She is passionate about teaching and enjoys working with artists at all levels.

Description: Alice will guide participants through the process of creating expressive landscape/seascape/and cityscape paintings using photo references she provides. Over the course of the classes, attendees will complete two projects while learning a clear, step-by-step approach to watercolour painting. Each session includes demonstrations and instruction focused on simplifying a scene to create a strong composition, establishing value and colour structure, using wet-in-wet techniques to create mood and atmosphere, developing a strong centre of interest and managing paper wetness and timing to achieve desired values. Alice will explain both the how and the why behind each step, sharing her thought process as she paints. Emphasis is placed on individual artistic development, with practical guidance to help participants paint more effectively and with greater confidence.



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ACRYLICS AND COLOUR THEORY FOR BEGINNERS

With Cheryl Bodnar

Dates: November 5, 12, 19 & 26, 2026

Time: Evenings from 6:45 to 8:45 PM.

Location: South Surrey Recreation & Art Centre -
Visual Arts Room. 14601 20th Ave, Surrey BC

Cost: \$40.00

Registration: Opens October 2, 2026

Note: Fees are non-refundable

Bio: Cheryl has been painting for many years in both oils and acrylics and enjoys both mediums for different reasons. "I try to capture the light and essence of my subject matter, whether it be the gesture of a child or the light across the prairie fields. My subject matter is primarily florals, still life, figuratives and landscapes.

Description:

We are going to work on colour studies for a short time at the beginning of every session and see what colours we can create from a limited palette. Then we will work on a painting together as a class. I'll demonstrate scumbling, perspective blocking in, and glazing, palette knife work. Come prepared to paint. We will start with a structured painting, and then, if we have time, we will work very loosely on another painting to get a free flow to our work.



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Plein Air Painting Notice:

If you are enjoying these unseasonal sunny days and are thinking about plein air starting here's what's in the works.

Plein Air will be on Tuesdays as usual, and will start the second week in May, ending in mid September. We are in the process of arranging the Glades for our first session but it is not confirmed at this time. There will be a few changes with communication and a few new sites are being explored.

New communication changes:

1. The dates and locations will be posted **on the website** under the members section in one or two month increments.
2. There will be a contact system should there be any last minute changes.
3. Non member artists (past members or friends of members) will have to rely on a member to get a list of locations and dates.
4. We will have a limited number of print schedules available each session.

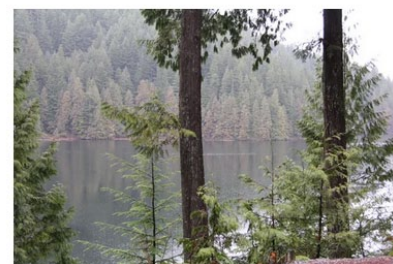
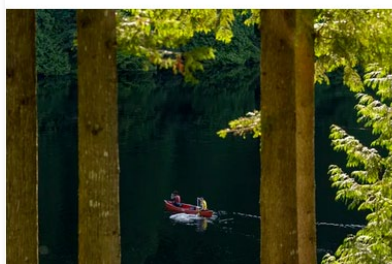
ANNUAL ARTIST RETREAT

Loon Lake Lodge & Retreat Centre

14500 SILVER VALLEY ROAD, MAPLE RIDGE, BC



MAY 11 - 14, 2026



Our **Fourth Annual Artist Retreat** will take place at Loon Lake Lodge & Retreat Centre in the UBC Research Forest in Maple Ridge from Monday, **May 11 to Thursday, May 14, 2026**. If you would like to spend several refreshing days in a secluded wilderness setting enjoying painting, sketching, hiking, dining (all delicious meals included), and socializing with your artist friends, this is for you.

This excursion is your painting time and your leisure time. Each artist has the freedom to paint when, where and what they choose. There is no instructor. Last year several artists painted outdoors, most of us painted in the large art room downstairs from our sleeping quarters. One can paint early in the morning or late into the night. There are hiking trails around the lodge and a pull-barge on the lake for a short crossing to reach more trails. Comfortable shoes are recommended as the lodges and dining hall are on a hill going up from the lake. There are several outdoor fireplaces on the property and two docks where canoes are available to rent.

Johnson Yew and Arbutus Cabins are the two buildings we will be occupying. You can check out the property online at www.loonlake.ubc.ca to view photographs of the cabins, lounges, meeting rooms, outdoor decks and bedrooms. The exact full cost of the retreat will not be

known until all registrations are received as the art room charge is split amongst everyone. However, an estimate for a shared room with 3 meals per day will be in the vicinity of \$150 - \$175 per night. Depending on the number of artists, there may be some single rooms available at an extra charge.

To register please email the following details to Alyson Thorpe at a.thorpe@telus.net - name, phone number, any food allergies, and whether you will be bringing your car or need a ride. Once a \$50 deposit is received via e-transfer or cheque, your reservation is confirmed. The deposit is non-refundable unless a replacement is found. Maximum capacity is 32 participants.

If you have any questions about anything other than enrolment please contact Sandra Wagstaff at sandyw@telus.net. We plan to have a pre-retreat meeting to arrange roommates, carpooling, gate code, parking and so on.

Looking forward to another Amazing Artist Retreat.

Alyson Thorpe and Sandra Wagstaff



For further information contact Sandra at: sandyw@telus.net

To register contact Alyson at: a.thorpe@telus.net

Spring ART SHOW

Here are a couple of snap shots taken by Linda Annis who attended our Spring Art Show in April.

A Breath of Fresh Air



2026 SOUTH ROCK
ART TOUR

CALL to ARTISTS

It's time to get ready for the **South Rock Art Tour**.
The tour will happen on September **19 & 20, 2026** from **10am - 4pm**

Opening reception will be on Thursday, Sept 17th @ 7:00 pm
at the Nomad Gallery with light refreshments.

Here is the link to fill in your application form.

<https://www.southrockarttour.com/#/>

Let us know if you have any questions.

Mindy Hardiman: hardimanmindy@gmail.com Ciel Ellis: studio@cielellis.com



iAD was launched in 2004, and since then has inspired and hosted many exciting ART FESTIVALS & EVENTS in countries like Canada, United States, Spain, Saudi Arabia, India, Zimbabwe, Japan, China, The UK, and many more.

iAD Art Events are now held at all times of the year!

iAD festivals are community events. Artists in visual and performing arts, participate at numerous venues and meet all types of buyers and collectors in the White Rock area.



We officially designated October 25th as an homage to Picasso's birthday.

MAKE ART:
12 in. x 12 in.
144 square inches.
see next page for further details.



Mayor, Wayne Baldwin with Chris MacClure and a painting of Picasso

White Rock BC is our iAD base, and home by the sea.

The city of White Rock in BC Canada, hosted our flagship events for many years.

What started as a single day celebration, slowly turned into week long, then month long, and now it's iADX365.

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International
Artist Day
October 25th
internationalartistday.com

CALL FOR ARTISTS

TO CELEBRATE INTERNATIONAL ARTIST DAY 2026

INTERNATIONAL ARTIST DAY (IAD) is a special date dedicated to honoring artists and their contributions to society. The global celebration recognizes the impact of art and the creative minds behind it. Because art—be it through music, photography, painting, dance or any form—captures the essence of the human experience: the joys, sorrows, struggles, and hopes. The day celebrates artists who bring these expressions to life through their work.

Did you know that White Rock is the official world home of IAD? The City of White Rock has provided the Uptown Gallery space in Central Plaza, White Rock, for the month of November as a venue for this year's International Artist Day celebration. Chris MacClure, the founder of IAD, is calling upon artists interested in participating in a group showing that celebrates IAD 2026, to be part of this show.

A large portion of wall space has been dedicated to showcase a “small introduction” show for local artists. Up to 3 pieces of art can be entered per artist, at \$5 per submission. The image must not exceed 144 sq.in., may be framed or unframed, must be ready for hanging and the retail price should not exceed \$300. 15% will be deducted on any sales to cover expenses and refreshments and advertising.

To engage public interest and attendance there is an anticipation of participation by artists showing work to be present in the gallery on certain occasions to discuss their process with the public.

If you are interested in participating in the show, please contact Chris at the email below and include your website or IG account or in lieu, a jpg of your work. There is limit on how many pieces can be included overall so do not delay. Some jurying by committee will take place.

Chris MacClure goldencactusgallery@gmail.com (604) 839 3049

Chrismacclure.com

Marilynhurst.com

ART IN THE GARDEN

Find your inspiration in Darts Hill Garden

Darts Hill, 2026 Artist in Residence program

Here is a close-to-home opportunity that should prove exciting to SSWRAS members. The folks at Darts Hill are eager to support local artists and welcome applications from artists in the local area.

This is a great opportunity for SSWRAS members.

Melanie Kuzminski

Photographers, painters, and multimedia artists find inspiration in Darts Hill Garden Park in all seasons of the year.

The Darts Hill Garden Conservancy Trust Society supports and encourages temporary art and art making in the garden. We are happy to continue our support for art in the garden again in 2026

Artist in Residence Application 2026

The Darts Hill Garden Conservancy Trust Society (DHGCTS) is accepting applications from local artists on an annual basis for its Artist in Residence Program (AiR).

The AiR is a self-directed program offering opportunities for artists to work outdoors in Darts Hill Garden Park, 1633 170th St. Surrey, BC, V3S 9X3.

This residency accommodates artists working in painting, drawing, installation, photography, sculpture, print, fibre, video, film, literary, and applied arts for the production of new or ongoing bodies of work.

In exchange, artists will schedule at least 4 days during Garden Open days (Saturday or Sunday only) to interact with the public through their art, with the possibility to exhibit their AiR project in the garden.

In exchange, artists will donate a piece of art created during their residency to the DHGCTS with the understanding that the donation may be auctioned, sold, or gifted as deemed appropriate. Additionally, in cooperation with the artist, DHGCTS reserves the right to reproduce images of selected artwork which may be sold to the public. Donations must be received by the Society within six months of the completion of the residency.

A tour of the garden before submitting proposals will be available on request.

Qualifications

This residency is open to artists throughout the City of Surrey and all other communities from Squamish to Hope. The DHGCTS is seeking artists who will benefit from outdoor work experience in the garden and have an ongoing, self-directed, independent practice. Multiple artists may apply together, and collectives are welcome. Suitability and limitations of the outdoor environment of the garden park will be taken into consideration when assessing submissions. Artists are required to become a member of the DHGCTS in order to participate in the programme, but do not need to be members to apply.

Interested artists wanting to apply to the Artist in Residence programme for 2026 can download and read The Guiding Principles and download and complete The Artist in Residence (2026) application form.

DEADLINE for applications: NOON, on May 15, 2026

For questions or more information, please email:
info@dartshill.ca

Call For Artists

SURREY ART GALLERY



Hi everyone,

The Surrey Art Gallery at Bear Creek has invited our society to participate in a fall group exhibition at the gallery. This show would be displayed throughout the public corridor spaces around the theatre, café, and seating areas — a wonderful opportunity for strong visibility.

They are looking for approximately 50 works by our members that reflect your experiences of the Bear Creek area in any season. While a few details are still being finalized, the gallery is keen to get things moving and has asked for promotional images to begin their marketing.

If you already have a Bear Creek–inspired piece (or are planning one) and would like to be considered for promotional material and the exhibition, please visit the link below for full details and to register your interest:

<https://form.jotform.com/260307207032241>

More information will follow as plans are confirmed, but this is a great opportunity to showcase our work in a well-loved community space.

Thanks,
Jess Rice



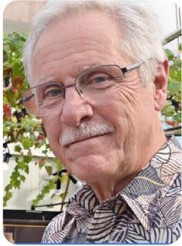
"The month of May is the gateway to summer."

Jean Hersey

You are Cordially Invited to attend this 3 day Art Show & Sale!

Wine and Food items are available for purchase.

May 8-10, 2026



Brian Croft

Glass House Estate Winery
23449 0 Ave, Langley

Friday 5pm - 9pm
Saturday 11am - 7pm
Sunday 11am - 5pm



Bryan Coombes



Joyce Trygg



Brent Cooke



Sharon Ferreira



Lorn Curry



Jacqueline Stuerzi



Joie Pare



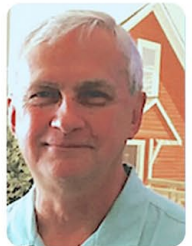
Richard Brodeur



Emily Lozeron



Lynn Sykes



Ken Nash



Catherine Shepperd



Ada Chung



Helen Teichroeb



Judy Vanderveen



Drew Keilback



Guv Hollington



Ciel Ellis



westart.ca

25% of all Art Sales will be
donated to the Langley Meals
on Wheels organization.



Rossi



John Gilliat

**LIVE
MUSIC!**

Art in the Garden

SATURDAY, July 25 and
SUNDAY, July 26 - 10am to 4pm



*Join our local artists
and artisans in
a garden setting*

*Music
provided by "The Chaff"
featuring Jim Morrison
and Eddie Ram*

FREE
ENTRY

- ORIGINAL ART
- JEWELLERY
- FABRIC ART
- DRIFTWOOD ART
- POTTERY
- HOME DECOR
- WEARABLE ART
- PRINTS/ART CARDS

13808 19A Ave. Surrey



UPTOWN GALLERY PRESENTS

The Wild Among Us

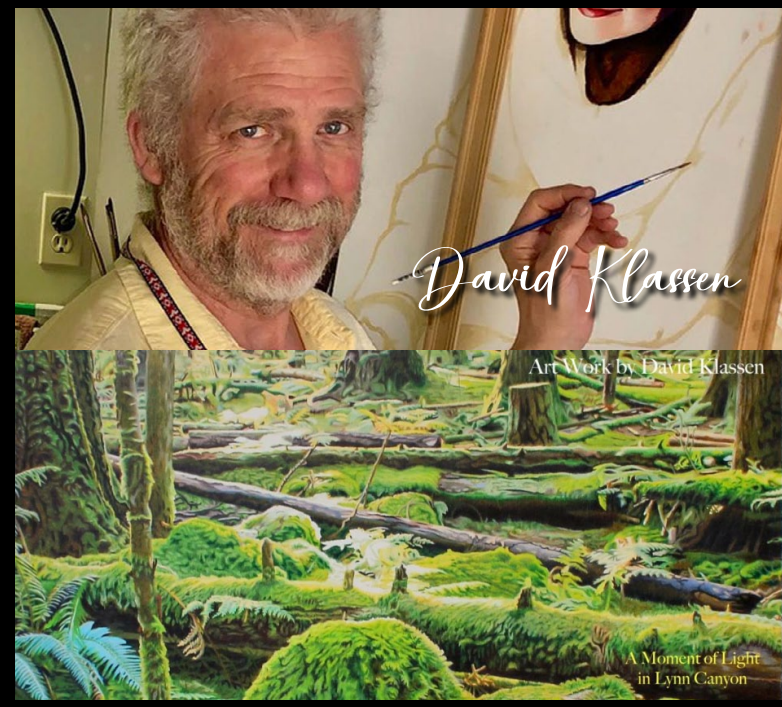
August 3rd to 27th, 2026

15140 North Bluff Road in White Rock



Bruce R. Hiebert

A Unique Visual Art Exhibition



David Klassen

Art Work by David Klassen

A Moment of Light
in Lynn Canyon



Catherine Sheppard

Tuesday to Friday - 1 to 5 PM

Saturday - 10 AM to 5 PM

OPENING RECEPTION:

Saturday, August 8th - 6-8 PM

Join us for some light refreshments
and to meet our artists.



WHITE ROCK
City by the Sea

What have you been up to?

Norm Carriere

Has sold his painting that was in the Spring Art Show at the Turnbull Gallery.

Congratulations!

"The worlds favourite season is the spring. All things seem possible in May."

- Edwin Way Teale



"I know you're out there"

NOTICE:

Semiahmoo Gym Facility will be shut down from June 20 to June 24.

They will be redoing the flooring.





Remember to drop by the Oceana PARC Playhouse to view the artwork, some of which is pictured below.

Art is now displayed at the Oceana PARC Playhouse on 1532 Johnston Road.

Some of the artists showing their work are new to the society and may not know how the payment for sold paintings work. 7% PST tax should be added to your picture.

“As a reminder if a painting sells, the Playhouse takes 20%. The treasurer is given the full amount by cheque, then writes a cheque for the Playhouse (20%) and the artist (80%).”

If the buyer pays by cheque, they should make it out to South Surrey White Rock Art Society. If an artists needs to remove a painting for whatever reason, please contact Rita or Cheryl so we can coordinate with the artist. Please do not contact the venue directly.

Cheryl Vandenberg and Rita Dahlie are responsible for the Oceana PARC Playhouse.



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| 1. Lucille Loose | 4. Rita Dahlie | 7. Suzanne Danielsen | 10. Cheryl Vandenberg |
| 2. Norm Carriere | 5. Pat Vickers | 8. Catherine Brown | 11. Tammy Bailey |
| 3. Pamela Orth | 6. Eileen Fong | 9. MaryEllen Johnston | 12. John Vicente |



**ANOTHER
GREAT VENUE
TO SHOWCASE
YOUR ART!**



**White Rock Beach Beer
Company 15181 Russell Avenue, White Rock**

Any type of art is acceptable no larger than 16x20.
Make your own label with name and price of each art piece.

Only 3 - 4 paintings per person.

If interested call **Adam Lipschultz** at 604-839-4392
or e-mail: lipschultzadam@gmail.com

*"May, more than any other month of the year,
wants us to feel most alive."*

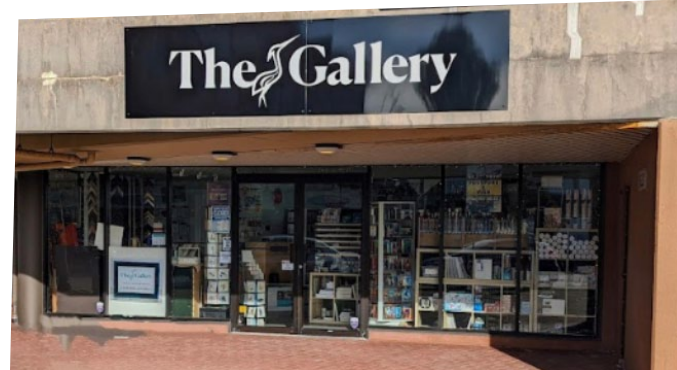
- Fennel Hudson

Our local gallery store in Whiterock:

The Gallery, Framing & Art Supplies

has agreed to offer a 10% discount to our membership. A list of names of our 2026 membership has been given to the owner.

The Gallery store also reminds us to make sure the members mention the discount before they ring it into the till.



<https://whiterockframing.ca/>

#4 15223 Pacific Ave White Rock BC - Tel: 604-670-5595

Contact Qing Mao - Membership Coordinator if you have any questions.



HILLTOP MEDICAL CLINIC

We will be changing the display in early July 2026 - date TBD.

LOCATION: Hilltop Medical Clinic, - 15331 16 Avenue, 2nd Floor, Surrey.

CO-ORDINATORS: Caroline Baasch - cbaasch@shaw.ca

Cheryl Bodnar - cherylann.rn@gmail.com

We need the following APPROXIMATE sizes.

If you have smaller work, let us know the size we will do our best to accommodate it.

Paintings with glass can be no larger than 16 x 20"

- 6 paintings - 20" height x 16" width (including frame) – max size or slightly smaller

- 5 paintings - 24" x 24" – max size or slightly smaller

- 6 paintings - 30" x 30" – max size or slightly smaller

- 1 paintings - 36" width x 48" height – max size or

- 3 paintings - 36" height x 48" width max size or slightly smaller

1. Work will be displayed for 4 months at a time.

2. Artists are responsible to drop off and pick up their art.

Artists must sign a release form when paintings are brought to the venue – no exceptions. The release form will be available for signing at the venue.

3. Insurance of individual pieces will be at the artist's discretion.

4. All hanging will be overseen by the co-ordinators

5. Information for labels is to be sent to the co-ordinators a week or so ahead of the scheduled installation. Labels will be made up by the co-ordinators and must include:

ARTIST'S NAME

TITLE OF PIECE

MEDIUM

SIZE

PRICE

ARTIST'S CONTACT INFO (email, phone or however you would like to be contacted).

6. Interested buyers must contact the artist and arrange payment. THE CLINIC WILL NOT HANDLE ANY PAYMENTS.

Once a purchase has been made, a co-ordinator will meet the artist at the clinic and hand over the painting.

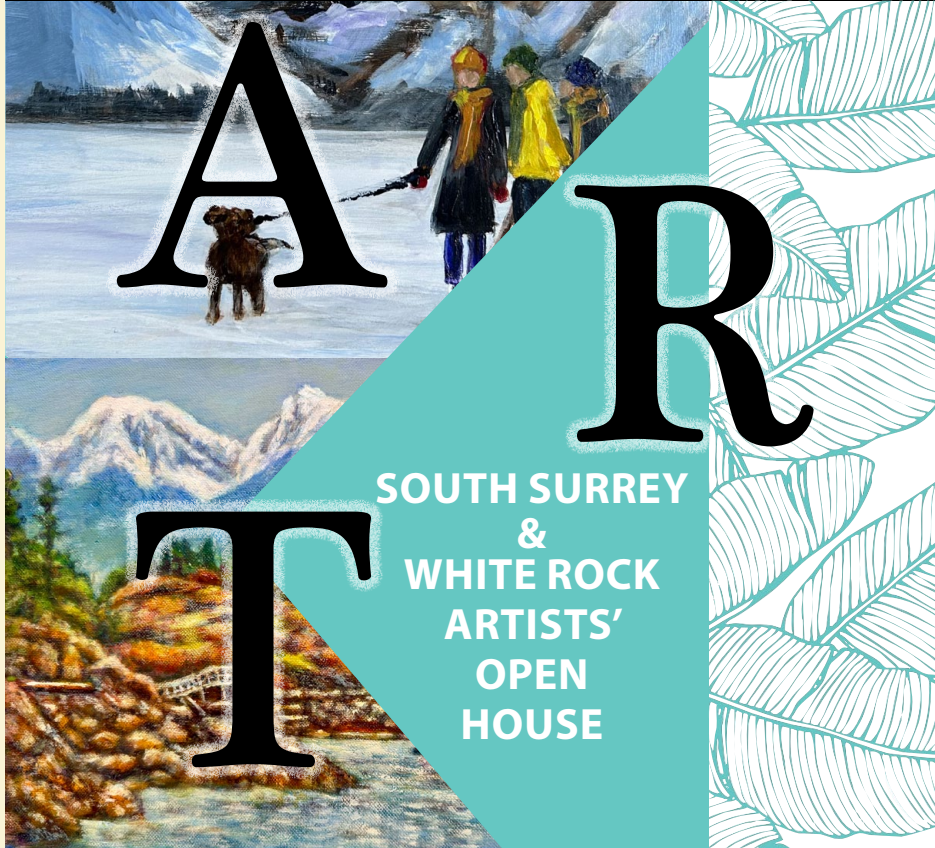
PLEASE DO NOT TAKE WORK DOWN WITHOUT A CO-ORDINATOR PRESENT.

7. Because this is not considered an official White Rock South Surrey Art Society Outside Venue, artists do not have to pay commissions.



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ART TOUR



SOUTH SURREY
&
WHITE ROCK
ARTISTS'
OPEN
HOUSE

Saturday & Sunday
September 19 & 20
10am - 4pm

Use the website to
plan your trip
www.southrockarttour.com/#/

Pick up a brochure
with a map at your 1st stop or pick
one up at the Opening Reception on
September 17 at the Nomad Gallery &
Framing Studio in White Rock.

WHAT'S HAPPENING at

15142 North Bluff Rd (Central Plaza Shopping Mall) White Rock



Mary Ellen Bullock will be showing her art at the Pelican Rouge Cafe for the month of May.
Lucia Steeg will be showing her art at the Pelican Rouge Cafe for the month of June.
Wendy Brunett will be showing her art at the Pelican Rouge Cafe for the month of July.
Wayne & Sandy Wagstaff will be showing their art at the Pelican Rouge Cafe for the month of August.

We are currently booked until December 2026. If you would like to be on the waiting list or have any questions, please contact CAROLINE BAASCH at cbaasch@shaw.ca

PELICAN ROUGE CAFÉ UPDATE

15142 North Bluff Rd (Central Plaza Shopping Mall) White Rock

HOURS: Mon - Friday - 6:30 am - 4 pm / Saturday - 8 to late due to Open Mic / Sunday CLOSED



OWNERS: Dianne & Helen (they are very excited to have a monthly rotation of new artwork)

CONTACT: Please contact me, CAROLINE BAASCH – as the owners are very busy.

My email: cbaasch@shaw.ca

My Phone numbers: 604-531-7248 (home)
604-318-9983 (cell)

Feel free to text me

PLEASE NOTE: GROUPS OF ARTISTS ARE WELCOME TO SHOW THEIR WORK, but will be allocated 1 month to do so.

SPACE: The “art wall” space is separated by “pillars”. As a result, there are 3 separate (but adjacent) areas along the length of the one wall.

TWO OF THE AREAS: measure approximately:
8.5 feet wide x 4.5 feet high

THE THIRD AREA: measures approximately:
5.5 feet wide x 4.5 feet high

PLEASE GO TO THE PELICAN ROUGE AND LOOK AT THE SPACE BEFORE YOU MAKE ANY HANGING PLANS.

DISPLAY TIME: Work will be displayed for a month at a time.

It is up to artists if they wish to take all the space, or if they would like to share the space.

Generally your time will start at the beginning of the month and will end at the end of the month. I have left these times flexible and will help co-ordinate the taking-down and hanging times between artists if necessary.

HANGING YOUR WORK:

PLEASE HANG/TAKE DOWN YOUR WORK AFTER 4 PM.

This is by the owners request.

There will be a hammer, nails and sticky-tac or masking tape available to use for labels. It is kept behind the counter. *Ask Diane or Helen for it.*

If you need help, please let me know and I can help you if I am available.

BOX OF CARDS: You may include a small box of greeting cards.

Make a record of how many cards you have and leave this at the shop.

Mark each cards one price (eg. \$5) - NOT 5 for \$20.00

SMALL ORIGINALS & PRINTS: You may bring a small shoebox size of small prints and/or originals.

LEAVE YOUR BOX OF ORIGINALS, PRINTS & GREETING CARDS IN THE COFFEE SHOP FOR THE MONTH FOLLOWING YOUR DISPLAY.

FOR EXAMPLE: If you display in April, you may leave your items for the month of May.

SALES: The owners will handle all sales and take a 20% commission. Leave an inventory of your work with Helen or Dianne so they can mark off any sales.

LABELS: Please create your own printed label and include:

Title / Medium / Size / Price.

FOR EXAMPLE:

SUNSET
Watercolour
24 x 24 inches
\$350.00
Miriam Bloggs

ADVERTISING: Please contact the newsletter at: newsletter@artsociety.ca with a few pictures of the work you will be hanging. This should be done at least a month before you hang you work.

All other advertising is up to the artist.

good luck



ART SHOW SCHEDULE

2026

FALL SHOW

October 17 & 18
2026

ART MARKET

May 23 & 24
2026

ART MARKET

November 21 & 22
2026



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*"May is the month of
promise and the sweet
beginnings of summer."*

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Thursday Afternoon DROP-INS are Up and Running!



Drop-in painting group has started up again after our summer break.

We meet every Thursday from 1-4 pm in the studio at the South Surrey Recreation Centre.

There are no instructors so bring your own ideas and supplies and paint with our friendly group.

There is no charge for members and patron members. For non-members, there is a \$5 weekly fee.



Warning signs of a scam

Scammers often contact you pretending to be from the SSWRAS especially an executive member. They are at it again...

Know when to be suspicious.

Always phone 1st!

Never send money without being doubly sure.

Join the Team and Make a Difference

SSWRAS's mission statement states:

A huge thanks and warm welcome to our new Communications Coordinator - Priya Barmi

Priya and I spent a couple of hours today going over the in's and outs of MailChimp. There is a lot to learn, but she's a lot more computer savvy than I am, and she can type!! :) In order to make the transition as smooth as possible I am going to ask that when requesting an email to be sent out to the membership, you let Priya know which audience(s) the email should go to. Just until she gets the swing of things. The categories that we send emails to are the following:

1. **Paid Membership**
2. **Paid Membership and Patrons**
3. **Patrons**
4. **Elected Board**
5. **Volunteer Board**
6. **Wait List Thanks to everyone for your patience during the transition. Once we do switch over officially we will let you know. If you have any suggestions on how to help in the switch we are open to ideas.**

It is a privilege to be able to volunteer for South Surrey Art Society and I will do my best to run it as smoothly as Carolyn did. Looking forward to working with all of you. - Priya

Carol Alexander - cjapaints@hotmail.com

Drena Hambrook is our Sunshine Representative

She is responsible for sending out cards for occasions where our members need a little pick me up notice from the SSWRAS.

Just let her know when you or your loved one is ill or in the hospital.

You can also donate art cards to her for this purpose.

Drena Hambrook's email drenahambrook747@gmail.com



PATRON MEMBERS

Did you know that you can now register for Thursday Night Classes?

Registration for Patron Members opens 1 week prior to the start of class. As a Patron member you can have your name added to the wait list at any time, however, Full Members get first priority to register for the class. One week prior to the class any open spots will be filled by those Patron Members on the wait list.

To add your name to the waitlist for a Thursday Night Class simply contact the Coordinators at **thursdayclasses@artsociety.ca**. Please identify the class name in your subject line and identify yourself as a Patron member in the body of the email.

Any and all open spots in the class will be filled from those on the waitlist. They will get notified by email that they are confirmed for the class. Details on how to pay for the class will be forwarded to you.



REMINDER to Members

anyone can join when wanting to post to the SSWRAS Facebook page.

This will include any information for art and shows.

OUTREACH

Just a reminder that the Outreach Committee will take your new or gently used art supplies to distribute to organizations that need them. You can bring any donations (except books or frames which other members may be able to use) to the next meeting or contact Pat Vickers or Karen Huckell. Our donations are very appreciated and thanks to everyone for passing along items in the past.

e-mail us at outreach@artsociety.com

PAT VICKERS and KAREN HUCKELL



ART APRONS



The cost is **\$30.00** + PST with the Society logo embroidered on the face. The Authentic T Shirt Company Apron is Navy, 12 oz 100% cotton with two waist level patch pockets, 1 pen pocket and 1" wide neck and waist ties. We have 30 aprons in stock.

Aprons can be ordered on the members' section of the website:

click on this link to log into the website <https://sswr.com/sswr-merchandise> and follow the directions. Payment is by credit card.

Delivery: Instructions for pick up will be included in your order confirmation sent to you by email.

Upcoming ART Demo Presenters:



**Monday,
May 11th**

- Ciel Ellis

*Paintings that help
you feel GREAT!*



The next official membership meeting is:



AGM - Monday, May 11th

in the Turnbull Gallery

**at the South Surrey
Recreation and Arts Centre**

14601 20th Avenue, Surrey

6:30 pm



NEWSLETTER SUBMISSIONS

If you have any news to share with us like art shows you are in, sold paintings or trips you have taken. Send your pictures and information to Catherine Sheppard at

newsletter@artsociety.ca

**The deadline for submissions for your June
newsletter will be May 25th**