



Mariette Vermeulen

is our guest presenter Demo Artist for April 13th

Working large in watercolour



About our Presenter

Mariette Vermeulen, painter, watercolourist and draughtsman, born in Hamilton Ontario was educated as an illustrator at Sheridan College in Brampton, Ontario. She holds an undergraduate and masters degree in English Language and Literature from the University of Utrecht in the Netherlands.

With her love of painting and drawing, she captures the beauty of flowers and landscapes in her art. She has taught a variety of classes in watercolour and oils in Europe, the Middle East and her present home in Langley, BC.

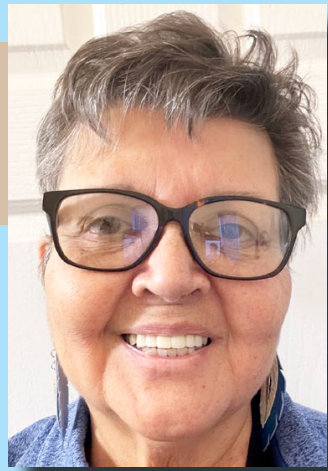
Demo includes:

“Working large in watercolour” I will be demonstrating what my process is from pencil sketch to large sheet, how to paint using wet in wet in Watercolours

Email: mariettehome@me.com

Facebook : Mariette Idsinga-Vermeulen Fine Art

Instagram: @mariettehome



Carol Alexander

Presidents Report for April

I took the Thursday night class with Violet Smythe. What a wonderful class. A full slate of 16 members and all enjoyed the class very much!

I hope everyone realizes how fortunate we are to have volunteers that organize and put on these wonderful events. From Art Markets and Art Shows, to Art classes, weekend events, Plein air painting, websites, Facebook pages, sunshine memberships, emails, zoom, our handbook, newsletter, communications coordinator, treasurer, secretaries, drop in painting. I could go on for longer! We are so fortunate!

Our Annual General Meeting is coming up and a few members have fulfilled their volunteer obligation. We simply cannot run without more perhaps newer members stepping up.

Within the next few months we should have the last of the major requirements taken care of and then the balance of 2026/2027 should run very smoothly. Please consider helping by offering your time and volunteer (even 2 people per position) We cannot succeed without volunteers. Stay safe and keep up enjoying life and art!

Carol



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.

Karen and Melanie

THURSDAY NIGHT CLASSES

Members and Patron Members only

Introduction to Landscapes with Soft Pastels

With Barbara McDonald

Dates: April 2, 9, 16, 23, 30, 2026

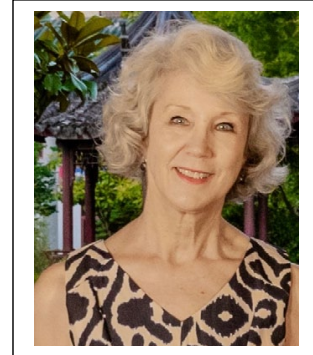
Time: Evenings from 6:45 to 8:45 PM

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

Cost: \$50.00 (5 classes)

Registration: **March 6 to April 1, 2026**

Note: **FEES ARE NON-REFUNDABLE**



Bio: My interest has always centred around art. I have been an art educator and have a bachelor's and master's degree from UBC in art education. In addition, I have studied at the Emily Carr University of Art and Design. Since I retired, I have continued learning, creating and trying new media. Working with soft pastels has been a pleasure as it is a combination of drawing and painting, can be realistic or abstract, and the colours are beautiful.

Description: **5 lessons with 5 different themes:** 1. Skies 2. Water's edge: beach or pond 3. Rivers or creeks 4. Fields and paths 5. Forests or parks. I will do 2 demos per week; attendees can follow me on the first demo and **then use their own photos on the same theme for the second.** I will present demonstrations for participants to follow, and we will try various techniques and surfaces together. We will discuss composition, colour theory and a few ways to apply pastels. I prefer to work on the edge between realism and abstraction, and we will discuss those ideas. I will introduce participants to other artists who work with pastels.



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.com** to have your name added to the waitlist.

THURSDAY NIGHT CLASSES

Members and Patron Members only

Abstracting the Landscape in Oils & Cold Wax **With Marney-Rose Edge**

Dates: May 7, 14, 21, 28, 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: April 3 to May 6, 2026

Note: Fees are non-refundable

Bio: Marney-Rose is a Vancouver-based artist who paints the fragility in nature. She has been a full-time artist for 15 years with over 20 years painting experience who loves to teach and share her extensive knowledge. Marney-Rose paints in a variety of mediums choosing the best one for expressing the subject. She is a signature member of the Federation of Canadian artists, the Canadian Society of Painters in Watercolour.



Description: The landscape becomes more painterly and impressionistic through abstraction. I will guide you to simplify the complexity of the landscape into shapes exploring with colours, textures and mark making. Additionally, we will be covering the usual suspects of composition, values and what makes a painting interesting and captivating. Learn more about using tools, with both additive and reductive processes and new ways to use materials. Discover this fun, freeing and very versatile medium.



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Questions? Contact : thursdayclasses@artsociety.com

THURSDAY NIGHT CLASSES

Members and Patron Members only

ACRYLICS AND COLOUR THEORY FOR BEGINNERS

With Cheryl Bodnar

Dates: June 4, 11, 18, 25, 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: 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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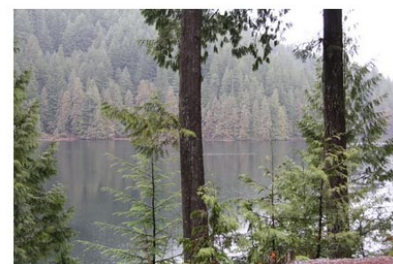
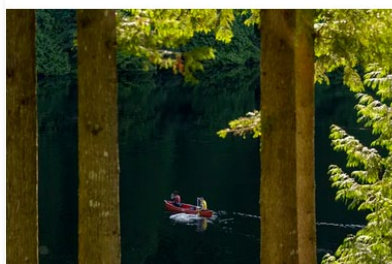
ANNUAL ARTIST RETREAT

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



*A Breath of
Fresh Air*

SATURDAY & SUNDAY

April 11-12, 2026

9:30 am - 4 pm

LOCAL ARTISTS

HUNDREDS OF
ORIGINAL ART WORKS

LARGE VARIETY OF
MEDIA & STYLES

FREE ADMISSION

FREE PARKING

LIVE MUSIC

Turnbull Gallery

South Surrey
Recreation and Arts Centre
14601 20th Ave. Surrey



Cash & Cheque

Visit us at
SSWRAS.com



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

*"April hath put a spirit of youth in
everything."*

- William Shakespeare



*"April is a promise that May
is bound to keep."*

- Hal Borland



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



"Sweet April showers do spring May flowers."

- Thomas Tusser

What have you been up to?



Norm Carriere

Has sold his painting at the Pelican Rouge.



Wishing everyone a very Happy Easter filled with family, friends and great food!

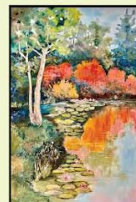
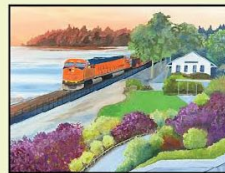
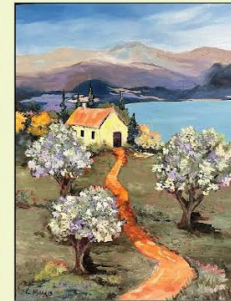
SOLO EXHIBITION BY CATHERINE SHEPPARD

Realism in Pastel

Showcasing 22 Art pieces in pastel
MARCH
11th to APRIL 9th
Turnbull Gallery
14601 20 Ave, Surrey



ACS GALLERY | April Duo Exhibition @ artscouncilofsurrey.ca & Newton Cultural Centre



Arts Council of Surrey GALLERY present
DUO EXHIBITION
April 2 - 29, 2026
RECEPTION:
April 11th, 2026 | 1-3pm
featuring

LINDA MORRIS
presenting
**'From Palette to Canvas:
A World of Colour'**
In-Person Viewings
in the ACS GALLERY
at the Newton Cultural Centre
604.594.2700

ACS GALLERY TALKS®
online April 15

Virtual Viewings
Virtual Exhibition at
artscouncilofsurrey.ca

ARTIST STATEMENT | Linda Morris is a local artist who has been painting for many years. She specializes in oil paintings, oil pastels, and acrylic painting. She loves all the bright colours of nature, and the almost spiritual nature of the painting itself. She became inspired by all forms of painting when her father passed on, and continues this wonderful form of therapy. She has continued to expand her painting skills with various classes, and also teaches the students at Cloverdale Recreation Centre. Linda's art has evolved over the years, as she is becoming more abstract in her approach to the painting, "seeing it as an extension of herself, showing her love of animals and the beautiful province that we live in." She belongs to the Arts Council of Surrey, Langley Arts Council, Semiahmoo Arts, and the South Surrey and White Rock Art Society. She has won several awards, including Third Place in the ArtsPacific juried show for her painting "Majestic Mountain", Third Place for her "Bearly There" animal painting for the juried Just Pets exhibition through the Arts Council of Surrey, and Honourable Mention in the Teravarna juried International 13th Abstract Online Exhibition.

MORE INFO:
SEMIAHMOOARTS.COM



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

ART SHOW



May 8-10
2026



Glass House Estate Winery
23449 0 Ave, Langley

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

LOCAL ARTISTS

HUNDREDS OF ORIGINAL ART WORKS

LARGE VARIETY OF MEDIA & STYLES



westart.ca

This show is in partnership with Langley Meals on Wheels and hosted by Glass House Estate Winery. Partial proceeds of art sales will be donated to Langley Hospice Society.



LIVE MUSIC!



Catherine Sheppard will be participating in this Art Show at the Glass House Estate Winery.



CHILLIWACK ARTS COUNCIL

Art Startup Challenge Applications Now Open



The Art Startup Challenge is BACK, and we'll be welcoming a new cohort of artists and creatives this Spring!

In partnership with Community Futures South Fraser, this 8-week in-person program is built for emerging artists ready to tackle the business side of their craft, including market research, marketing, budgeting, and pitching, all in a space that gets what it means to be an artist.

DATES: Weekly from April 1 to May 27, 2026

Top it off with a live pitch event for a chance to win \$3,000, \$1,500, or a residency at the Chilliwack Cultural Centre.

Applications close March 21, 2026



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 |

NOTICE:

Please read the information below if you are interested in hanging a painting at the Peninsula Clinic. There are 16 spots.

Send your request to communications@artsociety.ca

The Location is Peninsula Medical Clinic, 109 - 15388 24th Avenue, Surrey (next to Pure Pharmacy). Access to the clinic is from parking lot at the rear of the building.

The paintings will hang for approximately 4 months.

Please note your art must be framed and have a hanging wire due to the type of system used at the clinic.

Paintings should be no larger than 12 x16'. There is one space for a larger painting.

Please provide the following information:

• name of painting • medium • framed size • price • artist's name • artist's phone number

Dates: Changeover is determined by clinic, approximately every four months and occurs after clinic hours, usually around 6:30.

The changeover requires that artists pick up and drop off their work in a timely manner. The clinic is a small space and the owner has stayed late to accommodate us so socializing is discouraged.

Please write your Name and Name of the Painting on the back of the painting.

As the clinic is open for patients until 6:00 pm and sometimes they run late, we ask that you do not pick up or drop off prior to 6:30 PM. We may ask that you give way to those who are only picking up when they arrive. Space is limited so this might help with managing the traffic.

I sincerely appreciate your participation in the display at the clinic.

Tammy and Karen



**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

"Oh, the lovely ficklesness of an April day!"

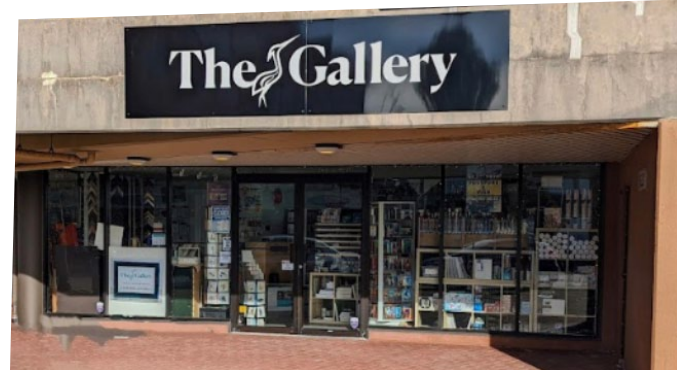
W. H. Gibson

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.

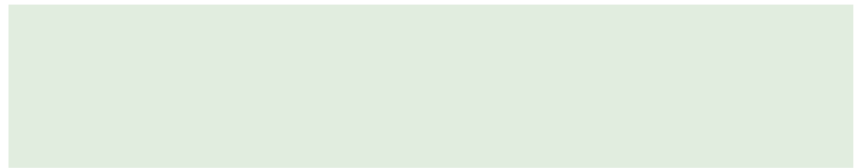


WHAT'S HAPPENING at

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



Linda Morris will be showing his art at the Pelican Rouge Cafe for the month of April.



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

November 21 & 22
2026



www.sswras.com

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.



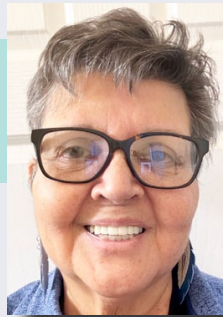
Warning signs of a scam

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:

SSWRAS is a society of individuals committed to advancing arts and culture in the cities of Surrey and White Rock by developing community partnerships, supporting continuous learning, inspiring creativity, promoting local art, and fostering community through fellowship.

Our society could not realize the goals of our mission statement without members serving as volunteers to support our education and outreach activities. ALL members are expected to contribute in some way as volunteers during their membership.

Where do you see yourself helping?

The new board positions are announced at the AGM and generally start as of June – however the position of Calendar Coordinator is currently vacant and it would be very helpful if someone can step up for this role as soon as possible. Jess Rice, webmaster will provide information on what's needed and how to update the Calendar.

The following board positions need to be filled for next year:

Workshop Coordinator

Communications Coordinator

Membership Coordinator

Calendar Coordinator

Co-Secretary

Please read through these position descriptions (check the email sent out) and see if there is an opportunity that fits with your interests. Positions can be shared if two or more people would like to work together. Board members have free membership and no fee for participating in art shows while serving on the board.

If you are interested and would like to know more about how you can contribute, please contact the current coordinators who will be happy to have a chat and go over the roles and tasks and/or the President, 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://sswras.com/sswras-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:

by Shalini

April 13th

- Mariette Vermeulen
*Working large in
watercolour*



The next official membership meeting is:



Monday, April 13th
in the Turnbull Gallery
**at the South Surrey
Recreation and Arts Centre**
14601 20th Avenue, Surrey
6:30 pm



NEWSLETTER

NEWSLETTER SUBMISSIONS:
Please e-mail Catherine Sheppard at
newsletter@artsociety.ca
DEADLINE April 25th for MAY

*thank
you*

