

New Spring Art Classes at the Burnaby Art Gallery

BURNABY, BC—From bookbinding to printmaking workshops, the Burnaby Art Gallery (BAG) is offering a wide array of new art programs this spring. Public programs at the BAG are designed to encourage interaction with works in the exhibitions and the City of Burnaby Permanent Art Collection. With an emphasis on printmaking and related media, BAG’s experienced instructors help students balance skill development with personal expression and creative thinking.

“The Burnaby Art Gallery has some enticing new programs on offer for children and adults this Spring, including *Collage Party*, a free family event and *Printmaking & Pinot* classes for adults, inspired by the feature exhibits this season. Participants are encouraged to explore their creativity in the cozy atmosphere of the Fireside studio,” says Christina Froschauer, Fine Arts Programmer.

Starting May 16, participants can explore printmaking techniques with expert instructors while sipping on their choice of pinot in a relaxed environment. *Printmaking & Pinot*, a new, one day, three-hour series, makes for the perfect Mother’s Day gift! Choose between May 16, May 30, or June 20 or attend all three sessions. In *Bookbinding 202*, previous participants of *Bookbinding 101* learn advanced techniques to construct a cloth bookcase, a box and a hardcover book.



For children, starting Saturday, April 21, ages 4-6 years and 6-9 years can participate in *Collage Masters*, a new series of classes where children explore patterns, mixed materials and various printmaking processes to create a collage masterpiece. Young artists are inspired by the gallery's David Ostrem exhibit *Why Won't You Be Art?*

New this spring is *Nature Prints*, a series of classes for children ages 6-9 years taking place on Saturday afternoons starting May 26. Children delve into the world of printmaking with natural objects found in the park, such as various leaves, needles, flowers, twigs, reeds and other plant-based materials to make relief prints, stamps, and collographs.



Get creative with the whole family on Sunday afternoons with BAG's popular *In the BAG Family Sundays* series, a free monthly drop-in program sponsored by ABC Recycling. Tour the gallery and then head into the studio for family-friendly art projects with a different theme each month; create comical collages on April 22, learn photo abstraction techniques on May 20 and have fun creating cartoon creatures on June 17. New for families this season is a *Collage Party* taking place on June 1, 5-8pm. Create your very own collages from comic books while exploring Vancouver artist David Ostrem's exhibition displayed in the gallery.

Looking ahead to summer, registration is now open for the Burnaby Art Gallery's week-long summer art camps. Young artists unleash their creativity with fun, engaging, hands-on art classes while making new friends. Adults can also join in the summer fun with new summer workshop series including *Art on a Paddle*, *Printmaking & Wine* and *Drawing & Wine*.

Pick up a Burnaby Art Gallery Spring / Summer Program Guide in person or view online: <https://www.burnaby.ca/Assets/Spring+Summer+2018+Biannual.pdf>.

To register for programs, call 604-297-4422 or register online at burnaby.ca/webreg.

Full Listing of Spring Programs

April

Artful Duo

Fridays, April 13-May 4

\$25.40, 2-5 years + parents

9:30-10:30am; 11:15-12:15pm

Parents and preschoolers tap into their imagination while exploring and experimenting together.

Collage Masters

Saturdays, April 21-May 12

\$35.00, 4-6 yrs, 10-11am; 11:30am-12:30pm

\$60.40, 6-9 yrs, 1-3pm

Children explore patterns, mixed materials and printmaking processes.

Tea & Tour

Tuesday, April 24

2-3:30pm, \$7.50, 55 yrs +

Join us for a guided tour of our current exhibit and finish with tea and treats.

May

Bookbinding 202

Fri-Sat, May 18-19

\$105.00, 18 yrs +, 10am-4pm

In this dynamic workshop, learn techniques to construct a cloth bookcase, a box and a hardcover book. Requirement: Bookbinding 101 or a previous Art of the Book program.

Printmaking & Pinot

Wednesday, May 16 or May 30

\$30.00, 19 yrs+, 6-9pm

Explore different printmaking techniques with our expert instructors while sipping on your choice of pinot. Wine included.

Imagination Station

Fridays, May 25-June 15

\$25.40, 2-5 years

9:30-10:30am; 11:15-12:15pm

Combine fun art projects with creative play in this fun parent and me studio time. Experiment with different themes from popular rhymes, songs and storybooks.

A Bug's Life: Macro Art

Saturdays, May 26-June 16

\$35.00, 4-6 yrs, 10-11am; 11:30am-12:30pm

Budding artists zoom in for a close up of ants, caterpillars and lady bugs while experimenting with drawing, mixed-media and printmaking.

Nature Prints

Saturdays, May 26-June 16

\$60.40, 6-9 yrs, 1-3pm

Children delve into the world of printmaking with natural objects, exploring relief prints, stamping and collographs.

Festival of Learning: Workshop for Teachers

Tuesday, May 29, 3:30-5pm, 18 yrs+, free

Contact gallery for registration

Calling all teachers! In this hands-on workshop, we share how art can be the connection between disciplines and a tool to engage students to explore the world around them.

June

Printmaking & Pinot

June 20

\$30.00, 19 yrs+, 6-9pm

Explore different printmaking techniques with our expert instructors while sipping on your choice of pinot. Wine included.

Tea & Tour

Tuesday, June 19

2-3:30pm, \$7.50, 55 yrs +

Join us for a guided tour of our current exhibit and finish with tea and treats.

Family Programs

In the BAG: Family Sundays, 1-4pm, drop in, all ages

Get your mind humming with a tour of the gallery and then into the studio for family-friendly art projects. A different project is featured each month.

April 22: Comical Collages

May 20: Photo Abstraction

June 17: Cartoon Creatures

Collage Party

Friday, June 1, 5-8pm | Free

Drop in and explore David Ostrem's photo-collages and create your very own collages from comic books.

Gallery Talks & Tours

Artist Q & A and Film Screening

David Ostrem: Why Won't You Be Art?

Thursday, April 26, 6pm | Free

Gallery Tour

Arts Alive 2018: Burnaby Secondary Schools

Sunday, April 29, 2pm | Free

Artist Talk

Jeff Ladouceur: Pearl Path

Sunday, June 24, 2pm | Free

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ABOUT THE BURNABY ART GALLERY

Since 1967, the Burnaby Art Gallery (BAG) has been dedicated to collecting, preserving and presenting a contemporary and historical visual art program by local, national and internationally recognized artists. The BAG acts as a leader in the collection, preservation and exhibition of artists who choose to work on paper—the only public art museum in Canada dedicated to works of art on paper. Through our collection and exhibition practices the BAG endeavours to represent the best and most promising Canadian artists. The BAG cares for and manages over 5,000 works of art in the City of Burnaby's Permanent Art Collection.

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