



Photo: Phoenix Art Workshop

The Art of Workshops

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Whether, drawing or painting, live model or still life as your subject, introduction to history of art or studying contemporary works, art workshops offer an inside look at the creative you!

Art Workshops are available in your own community or they can be a wonderful weekend getaway. Art programs are for everyone interested in learning about art and developing the creative talents we all have.

Vancouver Island Art Workshops (see below) have a history of hosting renowned instructors and promise an exciting line-up scheduled! Mary Stewart AFCA, owner and founder, is an award winning artist with a very hands-on approach to arts education. Great selections of workshops are offered in different mediums and can range from learning new techniques to finding you own voice.

In Richmond, the **Phoenix Art Workshop** (see page 41) offers art classes emphasizing visual literacy, design, individual creativity and interests. Here, there are a myriad of courses to direct your brushstrokes!

The **Danny Chen Art Studio** (see page 41) welcomes the young and old, skilled or new to the world of art. Danny cultivates not only their skill but also their passion for art through gentle persuasion, endless patience and ready praise for effort.

Island Mountain Arts, (see page 117), based in picturesque Wells, is home to the Summer School of the Arts. They offer professional development opportunities with renowned instructors for emerging and established artists and craftspeople.

Workshops at these destinations and more promise a creative journey spent with engaging instructors and likeminded individuals focused on artful discovery!