

Galleries

Brian Scott Fine Art Ltd.

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In Courtenay/Comox Brian's work is easy to find. On the 'fly' -you'll find him at the airport, the public galleries throughout the region have many pieces, as do: The Blackfin Pub in Comox, the Kingfisher Resort and Spa, the Coast Westerley in Courtenay.

You can always give us a call and ask where you can see some of Brian's originals, or how to get to the Black Creek studio and gallery.

Christy Mitchell's Fine Art Studio

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Mitchell has focused on developing Monotypes, which combine traditional brush painting with a print process which produces only one image, hence the name, Monotype.

Christy Mitchell invites you to visit her gallery/studio space, just 15 minutes from the centre of Courtenay. Please call for an appointment to view

I-HOS Gallery

3310 Comox Road
Courtenay, BC
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sales@ihosgallery.com
www.ihosgallery.com



The I-Hos Gallery presents a collection of traditional and contemporary northwest coast artwork and crafts. Masks, prints, gold and silver jewelry, wood carvings, textiles and clothing produced by First Nation artists are displayed in a distinctive building on the Comox First Nations band lands located between Courtenay and Comox on Vancouver Island, British Columbia, Canada. We invite you to browse our gallery and discover for yourself the broad range of talent represented here.

Comox Valley Art Gallery

580 Duncan Avenue, Suite 100

Courtenay, BC

V9N 3P8

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contact@comoxvalleyartgallery.com

www.comoxvalleyartgallery.com

The Comox Valley Art Gallery is a non-profit society dedicated to providing a venue for, and increasing awareness of local, national, and international fine art within our community. Our new gallery gives us the opportunity to embark on new kinds of exhibition programming, art education for children and adults and development of our permanent collection.

Public Gallery

ON RESERVE

LIZ CARTER (Campbell River BC)

Large format photographs and video presentation

July 30 - September 10, 2011

Opening Reception Friday July 29th
from 7 to 9pm

Art Talk: Liz Carter - On Reserve

Saturday, August 20 from 2pm to 3pm

Being a person of First Nations ancestry far removed from her cultural roots, Carter alters the viewpoint of Western Imperialist nostalgia. She plays with commercialism from the perspective of a contemporary North American "Indian", exploring the themes of the "Noble Savage" and "Indian Princess". Staging herself as the subject of photography and film, she shops for traditional staple foods in big box stores, dressed in red attire and red heels. Absurdity and humor punctuate the deconstruction.

Liz Carter was educated at Emily Carr University and is the recipient of the Aboriginal Arts Development Award (2003) and the VADA Award (2004). She has exhibited solo at Campbell River Public Art Gallery, Two Rivers Art Gallery, in many group shows on Vancouver Island and has work in the collection of the Canada Council Art Bank and the 2010 Olympic Committee



Denman Island Arts Centre

Denman Island, BC
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www.artsdenman.com

Denman Island Art Studio Map

The Arts Denman Marketing Project is proud to announce the launch of our beautiful Denman Island Art Studio Map for 2011! The map allows you to take a self-guided tour of Art Studios on the island, and features 21 island artists, working in diverse media including painting, printmaking, fibre arts, sculpture, ceramics, jewelry, collage, book arts, shrine making, and more.

Click [HERE](#) for the front and [HERE](#) for the back

The Muir Gallery

440 Anderton Ave
Courtenay, BC
250-334-2983
info@comoxvalleyarts.org
www.comoxvalleyarts.org

The Muir Gallery is host to a variety of exhibitions featuring community artists as well as community and regional juried art shows. The Muir Gallery is also host to literary events, workshops and presentations.

South Hollow Art Studio & Gallery

218 – 5th Street
Courtenay, BC
V9N 1J6
(250) 334-0221
southhollow@shaw.ca
www.southhollow.ca

Local images. Local artists. A charming art gallery and working studio featuring a wide range of contemporary pieces including unique leaf imprints and West Coast tiles. Quality handmade papers, ink and related supplies.



Spirits of the West Coast Art Gallery

2926 Back Road

Courtenay, BC

V9N 9G9

1-877-338-2120

info@spiritsofthewestcoast.com

www.spiritsofthewestcoast.com

Our Native Art Gallery offers you a large variety of beautiful Gold and Silver Jewelry, Wood and Argillite Carvings, Marks and Prints. Visit us from 10am to 5pm Monday through Saturday or anytime at our Online Art Gallery.

Theatre

Audio Arts Collective Open Stage

Third Thursday of every month, 7:30-10. Open Stage in the Back Hall of the Community Centre.

Sid Williams Civic Theatre

442 Cliffe Avenue

Courtenay, BC

V9N 2J2

(250) 338-2430

info@sidwilliamstheatre.com

www.sidwilliamstheatre.com

The purpose of the Sid Williams Theatre Society is to stimulate and enhance artistic, economic, and cultural activities in the Comox Valley and surrounding region.

We strive, through leadership and innovation, to balance community and commercial performing arts, and to advocate arts and culture as well as business and tourism in our community.

Museums

Courtenay & District Museum & Paleontology Centre

207 - 4th Street

Courtenay B.C.,

V9N 1G7

250.334.0686

museum@island.net

www.courtenaymuseum.ca

For over 45 years we've been keen about the natural and cultural heritage of the breathtaking Comox Valley. Be our guest to find out why the Comox Valley - past and present, is one of the most plentiful places on earth. Take a fossil tour and travel 80 million years back in time; browse our galleries to delve into the stories that make our history come alive.

In addition to **Online Exhibits**, the museum is running:

Natural Bounty

Cultivating and creating in the Valley of Plenty
July 1st to the Fall

Living off the land, past and present, is explored in this exhibition of photos, artifacts and products related to settlement and agricultural life in the Comox Valley, also known in early exhibition fairs as the "Valley of Plenty".

Innovation, creativity and plain hard work are part of rural life in the Comox Valley and the Courtenay and District Museum brings out many items pertaining to this lifestyle. Spinning wheels, grinding stones, butter making tools, quilts, kitchen gadgets, hand-made tools, house furnishings and products being sold today will be displayed in Natural Bounty which will run from July 1st to the fall.

Comox Airforce Museum

19 Wing Comox
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www.comoxairforcemuseum.ca

The Comox Air Force Museum is dedicated to the preservation of the history and heritage of the Canadian Air Force on the West Coast, specifically RCAF Station/CFB/ 19 Wing Comox. The collection highlights some of the most important events and most significant figures in West Coast military aviation. The Comox Air Force Museum is the proud host of a Heritage Air Park. The Air Park hosts a number of different planes, all of which (except one) are reminders of the varied history of 19 Wing Comox and West Coast Canadian Military Aviation. The Air Park is open from May to September, from 10 a.m. until 4 p.m. each day.

Comox Valley Heritage Experience - Walking and Driving Tours

The Comox Valley Heritage Experience consists of a 16-stop self-guided driving tour, as well as four Heritage Walks in Courtenay, Comox and Cumberland. From booming coal mining towns, rural seaside farms and bustling harbours to early mountaineers exploring the deepest and highest reaches of Strathcona Provincial Park, the Comox Valley Heritage Experience offers a glimpse into the rich social, cultural, natural and industrial history of the Valley.

Visit one of four local museums to learn more about the



places and events touched on in these tours, and to pick up brochures for the Driving Tour and Heritage Walks. Brochures are also available for download from www.discovercomoxvalley.com.



Nim-Nim Interpretive Centre

Explore the history of the K'omoks First Nation at the Nim-Nim Interpretive Centre located on the traditional lands of the original Pentlatch People. The centre is named after the late Chief Joe Nim Nim and on display you will find his beaded headpiece and carved cane as well as photos of him, his family and other K'omoks people. FMI: <http://www.puntledgerv.com/interpretivecentre.html>

Agri- and Culinary Culture



From vegetables to berries, tree fruit to nursery items, and meat and poultry to artisan cheese – the Comox Valley has something for every pallet. Check out the regional farm driving tours in the 2010 Comox Valley Growers' Guide online <http://www.discovercomoxvalley.com/accommodations-and-dining/dining.htm>. This guide promotes the incredible diversity of farm fresh and value-added products available to consumers throughout the Comox Valley and lists farms, markets, wineries, bakeries and nurseries where consumers can buy-direct the incredible bounty and value-added product of the region

Events

Summer Concert Series at Simms Park

June 26-Sept 4 250-338-5371

<http://www.city.courtenay.bc.ca/news/summer-concert-series-at-simms-park.aspx>

The fifth season of the popular Simms Park Summer Concert Series is underway. Every Sunday at 7, grab your lawn chairs and blankets and experience fantastic local musicians in the beautiful outdoor setting of Simms Millennium Park.

The Filberg Festival

July 29-August 1

61 Filberg Road
Comox, BC V9M 2S7
(250) 334-9242
info@filbergfestival.com
www.filbergfestival.com



Festival Hours:
Fri-Sun 11-8, BC Day Mon 11-6



Advance Tickets available as supplies last: \$13 single day, adult, at all outlets 12 years and under free

Since its beginnings 29 years ago, the principal objective of the Filberg Festival has been to encourage excellence in all forms of arts and crafts, and to assist in the promotion and sale of quality work. The Festival has established a world-wide reputation for the excellence of the work of our juried artisans, and today is western Canada's largest juried outdoor arts show.

Set amongst the stately trees and gardens of the Filberg Heritage Lodge and Park in Comox, the Filberg Festival is truly a unique event. Wander through the grounds surrounded by beautiful gardens, rustic out-buildings and a magnificent view of Comox Harbour and the Beaufort Mountain Range. Aside from the amazing variety of arts, crafts and entertainment one can experience at the Festival, strolling around this spectacular setting is truly a revitalizing experience.

Hornby Festival 2011

July 28-Aug 6 250-335-2715

boxoffice@uniserve.com
www.hornbyfestival.bc.ca

Established in 1982 the Hornby Festival has grown into an acclaimed 10 day event. Our programming includes classical, jazz, world beat and traditional genres of music, modern dance, children's programming, theatre and spoken word. Join us for Festival 2011 as we continue to bring leading and innovative world class artists to our stages.

Comox Nautical Days

July 30-Aug 1 250-338-1120

ravensjourney@shaw.ca
www.comoxnauticaldays.ca

This year's Nautical Days will feature favorite Nautical events like the *Bullhead Derby*, *Canoe Jousting*, *Dragon Boat Racing* and the *Build, Bail & Sail Race*, as well as an exciting lineup of *entertainment* on the main stage, and fun *kid's activities*.



Featuring **more than 100 artisan and craft booths** where you can find all sorts unique, locally crafted works of art? Enjoy upbeat stage entertainment every afternoon and grove the night away at Captain Cracker's Family Dance, featuring hot acts such as local rockers XLR8, and Nova Fire Spinning Troupe.

Denman Island Studio Tour

August 13 – 14 250-335-1224

artsdenmanregistrar@telus.net

www.artsdenman.com

Arts Denman will host their annual Denman Island Studio Tour on the August long weekend. The Studio Tour is a wonderful opportunity to watch artists at work in their own studios, or to purchase original and limited edition works of art.



Comox Valley Exhibition

August 26-28

Comox Valley Exhibition Grounds

Headquarters Road

Courtenay, BC

V9J 1P2

(250)338-8177

cvea@mars.ark.com

www.evexhibition.com

The Comox Valley Exhibition will educate and entertain the public about the diversity of Comox Valley Agriculture with environmental awareness.



Alpine Wine Weekend

August 26&27

Wine enthusiasts unite! This event provides a fabulous venue for vineyards to connect directly with guests in a beautiful mountain setting.

The Alpine Wine Weekend includes a wine festival at the Ravel Lodge with wine samples from various vineyards, appetizers, a silent auction, live entertainment and a BBQ. The events continue with cooking demonstrations and a wine pairing dinner at the Alpine Resort on Saturday, August 27. The dinner will highlight local food in a 5-6 course meal with wine pairing and presentation by a professional sommelier. Don't miss this unique opportunity to indulge in great wine and food while celebrating summer with a view! For more information visit

www.mountwashington.ca

Vancouver Island's Originals Only Art Show

August 6-7

www.originalsonly.ca

All artwork at the Originals Art Show is original and created by the artist who is present in the booth during the entire show. The show is open to artists living on Vancouver Island and the surrounding outer islands only. The focus of the show is to present original works of art to the general public. Participants are restricted to traditional art forms of paintings, drawings and sculpture.

The Big Time Out

August 12-13

www.thebigtimeout.com

We'll be showcasing the great music, creative collaborations and unique surprises that have been the signature of Cumberland Village Works shows since 2005. The Big Time Out music festival will be back in Cumberland on August 14 and 15 featuring Bedouin Soundclash, Kim Churchill, OKA and many more, the festival will be weaving its intricate mix of music, magic and sunshine in downtown's Village Park.