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In the two weeks since the WHO declared the COVID-19 pandemic, we have seen our worlds change in substantial ways. With social distancing, many of us have made significant changes to our lives in order to help "flatten the curve". With the challenge of income loss, layoffs and a reduction of personal contact, the role of the Arts in social and mental health has become paramount in keeping us connected, thoughtful and whole.

In this edition of the Digest, we highlight which events and Arts groups have been impacted by COVID-19, so that the community can adjust their schedules accordingly. As well, we highlight groups that need our support during this pivotal time in our history. Please stay tuned to our social media for updates to additional events throughout this period.

Adversity has always been fertile ground for the Arts. When times seem dark, let us be the light in which these seeds can flourish. Join the chorus, as we sing #OnwardArts!

CANCELLED

Vancouver Opera has ended their season, including *Another Brick in the Wall* (April 23-May 2).

The Humours of Love show at Place des Arts on April 4 has has been cancelled.

Vancouver Island Market, originally scheduled April 10-11, is cancelled.

Crafted Vancouver, May 2-25, is cancelled and will resume in 2021.

The BC Ukrainian Cultural Festival is cancelled for 2020.



POSTPONED

The following events are currently <u>postponed or will be shifted</u>, with organizers looking into dates later in 2020:

Art Vancouver (Apr 16-19)

Madiha Aijaz at the Contemporary Art Gallery (April 17 – July 5)

Great Okanagan Beer Festival (May 6-10)

North Van Arts Art in the Garden (May 30-31)

Island Mountain Arts Beginners Acrylic Painting with Michelle Gazely (May 2)

Opus Art Supplies *local workshops* will be rescheduled. Call your store for updates.

RESCHEDULED

Chef Meets BC Grape have shifted their Okanagan event to June 27, with the Vancouver event moved to September 17.

The Glasshouse Estate Winery Jazz in the Vine Tribute to Fats Domino with Kenny "Blues Boss" Wayne, originally schedule for March 19, will now be shifted into September 2020

Also, the *Blue Moon Marquee* performance for Jazz in the Vine for April 16 will be shifted to October 2020.



SUPPORT & STAY TUNED



Ballet BC have now confirmed the cancellation of both Program 2 & 3, ending the 2019/20 season. Please consider donating your ticket or make a donation to support Ballet BC.

With postponement of the Vancouver International Dance Festival, consider donating your ticket for a tax receipt.

IMA's **ArtsWells** is <u>still a go</u>. Stay tuned to their site for programming details.

South Delta Artists Guild are still accepting entries for the Gallery 1710 Oil & Water exhibition, scheduled May 28 – June 27.

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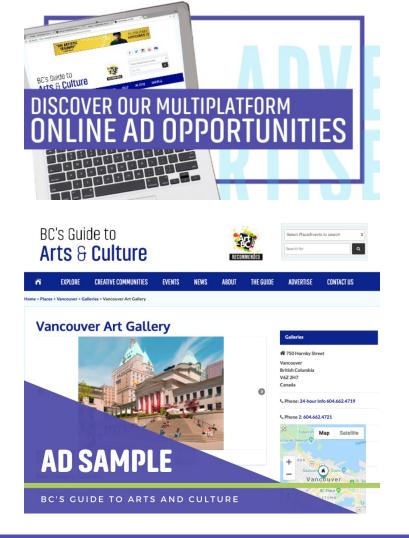
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