We acknowledge...

It is our honour and privilege to be doing this work in Burnaby on the ancestral and unceded homelands of the hənqəminəm and Skwxwú7mesh speaking peoples. We are grateful for the opportunity to be on this shared territory. We look forward to deepening our relationships with all the Indigenous peoples of these territories.

Burnaby Festival of Learning encourages all residents to learn more through *Indigenous History in Burnaby*, a guide created by Burnaby Village Museum in collaboration with a number of First Nations partners over the course of several years.

Ímesh (to walk)

**Self-guided Indigenous land and art walk**

[www.sfu.ca/brc/imeshMobileApp.html](http://www.sfu.ca/brc/imeshMobileApp.html)

The Bill Reid Centre (BRC) and technology partner SNF New Media Lab at SFU have launched ímesh, an iOS app containing two walks on SFU’s Burnaby campus, and adjacent Burnaby Mountain Park. The walks promote a physical engagement with the diverse worldviews represented by Indigenous art on Burnaby campus, and create a stronger awareness of the Coast Salish territories on which SFU is situated.

The recently launched Coast Salish Place Names Walk takes land acknowledgements beyond words, and using the views from Burnaby Mountain, shapes an embodied engagement with locations that are significant to the skwxwú7mesh (Squamish) and səliłləwətaʔɬ (Tsleil-Waututh) First Nations.

Welcome

The Burnaby Festival of Learning takes place May 7-11th, 2021. Now in its sixth year, the Festival will shine a spotlight on Burnaby’s multiple non-profits and event partners to celebrate the exciting initiatives that you — the people of Burnaby — are involved in creating.

The Festival is an initiative of Simon Fraser University and The City of Burnaby. A Festival by the community, for the community — we could not produce it without the assistance of dedicated community partners and individuals who welcome the public and give us a glimpse into the transforming, supportive, fun, and interesting shapes and textures of our incredible, diverse city.

The overarching goal of this year’s Festival is: **community-building through on-the-ground learning opportunities.** It will be a Festival that meets you (virtually) where you’re at. We hope to build lifelong learning opportunities through enlivening, creative and social events that ultimately catalyze new, long-term relationships and partnerships, adding depth to the social and cultural fabric of Burnaby.

We look forward to taking this learning journey with you.
FEATURED EVENTS

OPENING NIGHT PARTY

(Re)imagining Tomorrow:
Honouring Our Past, Embracing Our Present, Designing Our Future

Friday, May 7, 2021 7:00pm – 8:15pm
Online Event

In keeping with the festival’s vision to inspire curiosity, exploration, and meaningful connection, this year’s opening event explores the theme of past, present and future. Through this lens, we are excited to feature a diverse group of performers and speakers who will share their creativity and insight – providing a vision forward. The evening provides insight into what we can learn and reclaim from our past to address the current challenges we face and build a more equitable, sustainable future, together.

The opening event is an opportunity to showcase BIPOC leaders and bring the community together to facilitate conversation and engagement in a fun virtual medium.

MC:
Johnny D Trinh is an interdisciplinary, community-engaged artist, arts educator, spoken word poet, and speaker. Johnny’s pedagogy is rooted in the constant goal of fostering a sense of empowerment, agency, and compassion through socially engaged, community based art.

Speakers include:


Janice Callangan: Founder and Director of NewNewStudios. Janice founded NewNew Studios as a hope for the future of the design industry, where other People of Colour feel represented and celebrated.

Golsa Golestaneh has extensive experience in community organizing and advocacy directed towards creating better futures for immigrant and refugee youth in BC.

Performance by:
Old Soul Rebel is the musical musings of Chelsea D.E Johnson and Lola Whyte and was named one of “11 Best New Bands” by CBC Radio Canada. Serving you bad ass rock n roll with a little bit of soul.

Sponsored by:

shadbolt centre

Many Nations Mini-Galleries

May 7, 10 & 11, 2021 | 9:30am to 4:00pm
Self-led event

Located outside the South Burnaby Neighbourhood House: 4460 Beresford St, Burnaby, BC V5H 0B8

The Many Nations Mini-Galleries project consists of two display cases built explicitly to display art. The Mini-Galleries will host artwork by local Burnaby artists from diverse backgrounds. During its launch at the Burnaby Festival of Learning, the Mini-Galleries will be situated outside South Burnaby Neighbourhood House. The galleries will display a scannable QR code to access expanded information about the art and the artists.

The United Way of Lower Mainland funded the Many Nations Mini-Galleries’ construction through their Local Love funds. Emily Carr University of Art and Design has contributed finishing funds towards this project. The Mini-Galleries are currently stewarded by a resident committee and supported by the Burnaby Neighbourhood House.

Hosted by:
FEATURED EVENTS

DOXA DOCUMENTARY FILM FESTIVAL FILM SCREENING

The Burnaby Festival of Learning is excited to partner with DOXA Documentary Film Festival to present: Tell Them We Were Here (dir. Keelan Williams and Griff Williams, US, 2020).

Online Event

SYNOPSIS:

San Francisco was arguably the countercultural epicentre of the latter part of the 20th century—a refuge for artists and weirdos, a place where political activism proliferated, a city in which to live and make art free of commercial pressures. Tell Them We Were Here traces the throughline of that history into the 21st century, probing the artistic practices of seven notable Bay Area artists. Each is interested in challenging the transactional value of art, and all seem to be more interested in a life, rather than a career, in the arts. These artists have developed art practices that directly benefit their communities and centre ideas of civic responsibility, social activism and healing divisions of inequality in spite of the Bay Area’s increasingly unequal and unaffordable realities. Featured artists include Sadie Barnette, Amy Franceschini, Jim Goldberg, Lynn Hershman Leeson, Alicia McCarthy, Tucker Nichols, Nigel Poor and Michael Swaine.

Tell Them We Were Here is available to stream during the Festival. This film has been carefully selected, and pays homage to the large number of community-based art events presented at the Festival this year by the incredibly creative folks of Burnaby!

RELATIONS FIRST - WITH TA7TALÍYA MICHELLE NAHANEE

Monday, May 10, 2021 | 11:00am – 12:00pm
Online Event

A one-hour, virtual introduction to decolonizing your relations to the land, your work and your community. While the teachings & critical Indigenous theory shared by Ta7taliya Michelle Nahane are grounded in Squamish worldview, they are applicable across Indigenous Territories. Whether you are new to these conversations & practices, or you are wanting to reconnect to, and re-inspire, your unlearning journey, join us!

Hosted by Nahane Creative:

BURNABY SOUNDWALK

Sunday, May 9, 2021 | 12:00pm – 5:00pm
Self-Guided Walk

Sunday’s event includes a sound installation.

Let your ears lead you. Follow our planned route and take a Soundwalk to connect with the unique voice of your environment, your city, and the world around you in a safe, active, and musically interesting way.

Acoustic installations are scheduled for the Sunday, May 9th 12:00pm–5:00pm event!

This event is self-directed, allowing for maximum personal safety. A sound-map and accompanying information sheet will be shared in advance, and there will be physical markers along the route to help guide your way.
SCIENCE RENDEZVOUS
Saturday, May 8, 2021 | 10:30am – 11:00pm
Online Event
Science Rendezvous takes over universities, colleges and major cities to stage the biggest Canadian national STEAM celebration – make sure you are a part of this!
SFU’s Faculty of Science is thrilled to stage this year’s event virtually through live online activities and presentations, virtual games and demonstrations, panel discussions and chat pages, online instructional videos and resources, and live-streamed viewing opportunities – all from the comfort of your own home.
This is your chance to connect with our university scientists and researchers, experience the magic of their scientific discoveries, and build your own breakthrough inventions that you can call your own!
Special Presentation by:

INDIGENOUS VOICE SPEAKER SERIES
Explore a range of topics with Indigenous speakers and knowledge keepers. Community members are invited to bring and ask questions of the speakers during these interactive online sessions (dates & signup of full series).
Presented in partnership by Burnaby Village Museum and Burnaby Public Library.

ARE WE REALLY CHANGING? REFLECTIONS ON RECONCILIATION
Monday, May 10, 2021 | 7:00pm – 8:30pm
Online Event
If we have not changed the way we introduce ourselves to each other and this land then what are we reconciling? If resource exploitation, racism and colonization continue today, how can we change? Join Brandon as he looks back at some highlights of his 27-year artistic journey and shares what you can do to tackle reconciliation in your own life.

WEAVING AND LEARNING THROUGH ART
Tuesday, May 11, 2021 | 7:00pm – 8:15pm
Online Event
Join Nicole as she explores the importance of plants within Coast Salish culture. This interactive session will feature a rope-making demo where participants will have the opportunity to learn basic weaving techniques. To participate in this hands-on demonstration, come prepared with rope, yarn or pick up a prepared bundle from the Burnaby Village Museum before event date by calling 604.297.4565.

Register for events at: WWW.FESTIVALOFLEARNING.CA/EVENTS
FESTIVAL SCHEDULE

ONGOING EVENTS
SATURDAY, MAY 8 – TUESDAY, MAY 11

Burnaby Soundwalk – self-guided tour during Festival with installation available on Sunday, May 9 from 12:00pm – 5:00pm (pg. 4)

DOXA – Documentary film Tell Them We Were Here is available to stream at any point during the Festival (pg. 4)

Green Business: What is a hair boom? Streaming on-demand in Hopin

How to Make a Terrarium Streaming on-demand in Hopin

Many Nations Mini-Galleries – Self-guided access to Galleries on May 7, 10 & 11 (9:30am to 4:00pm) (pg. 3)

SATURDAY, MAY 8

Tai Chi Chuan For Everyone
10:00am – 11:00am

Science Rendezvous
10:00am – 11:30pm

Gimme Shelter Meditation Project
11:00am – 4:00pm

Shadow Art: One of My Favourite Things
11:00am – 11:30am

It’s a Fact! Or is it? The Turbulence of Gender
1:00pm – 2:00pm

Trek and Talk for Newcomers
1:00pm – 3:00pm

Online Collage Studio: Explore your Inner-artist Through Collage
1:00pm – 2:00pm

Community Yoga for Absolute Beginners: Childrens Session
1:00pm – 2:00pm

From Theory to Practice: Stakeholders’ Walkability/Wheelability Audits in Burnaby Neighbourhoods
1:30pm – 3:00pm

Supporting Transgender and Gender-Creative Children
2:00pm – 3:15pm

Community Yoga for Absolute Beginners: Adult Session
3:00pm – 4:00pm

Women Transforming Cities
3:00pm – 4:00pm

Gardening for Newcomers
3:00pm – 4:00pm

Burnaby Soundwalk without Installation

DOXA – Documentary film, Tell Them We Were Here, available to stream at any point during the Festival

SUNDAY, MAY 9

Mapping our Community: Photography Series
10:30am – 12:00pm

Burnaby Soundwalk with Installation
12:00pm – 5:00pm

Language of Islamic Art: Learn How to Read and Build Geometric Patterns
1:00pm – 2:00pm

Many Nations Mini-Galleries Artist Talks
1:00pm – 2:00pm

DOXA – Documentary film, Tell Them We Were Here, available to stream at any point during the Festival

FRIDAY, MAY 7

Many Nations Mini-Galleries
9:30am – 4:00pm

Opening Night Party
(Re)imagining Tomorrow: Honouring Our Past, Embracing Our Present, Designing Our Future
7:00pm – 8:00pm

DOXA – Documentary film, Tell Them We Were Here, available to stream at any point during the Festival

Register for events at: WWW.FESTIVALOFLEARNING.CA/EVENTS
MONDAY, MAY 10

Many Nations Mini-Galleries
9:30pm – 4:00pm

Relations First - with Ta7taliya Michelle Nahane
11:00am – 12:00pm

Rhythm 'N' Rhyme Musical Adventures
11:30am – 12:00pm

Wildlife Conservation Show & Tell with OWL
1:00pm – 2:30pm

SFU Living Lab
2:30pm – 3:30pm

BCIT: Trades Programs for Underrepresented Groups
3:30pm – 4:30pm

Tune Twister
4:00pm – 5:00pm

An Introduction to Audio Recording with DAW
6:00pm – 9:00pm

Indigenous Knowledge Keeper & Herbalist Plant Walk
7:00pm – 8:15pm

Indigenous Voices Speakers Series: Are We Really Changing? Reflections on Reconciliation
7:00pm – 8:30pm

Burnaby Soundwalk without Installation
DOXA – Documentary film, Tell Them We Were Here, available to stream at any point during the Festival

TUESDAY, MAY 11

Many Nations Mini-Galleries
9:30pm – 4:00pm

Life on the Front Lawn
1:00pm – 2:00pm

BCIT: Laser Cutting/Engraving
10:00am – 11:00am

BCIT: 3D Printing
11:00am – 12:00pm

History Gone Viral: Public Health and Quarantine in Nineteenth- and Twentieth-Century Canada
11:00am – 12:00pm

BCIT: Open Education, Changing Practices, and Social Justice
12:00pm – 1:00pm

BCIT: Zero Waste at Home
1:00pm – 2:00pm

Serious Games – Serious Science: How Video Games are Changing the Way we do Research
2:00pm – 3:00pm

BCIT: Explore Sustainability Projects
3:00pm – 4:00pm

Indigenous Voices Speaker Series: Weaving and Learning through Art
7:00pm – 8:15 pm

Burnaby Soundwalk without Installation
DOXA – Documentary film, Tell Them We Were Here, available to stream at any point during the Festival
TAI CHI CHUAN FOR EVERYONE
Saturday, May 8, 2021 | 10:00am – 11:00am
Online Event
Have you ever seen individuals or groups exercising in unison performing graceful body movements in slow motion? You are invited to join an interactive presentation which demonstrates the ancient practice of tai chi chuan. Learn about its benefits for personal physical, mental, and spiritual health and well-being. Be prepared to follow in the privacy of your home as we introduce the basics of this martial art, with emphasis on developmental exercises. Everybody can benefit from this mild activity, including seniors and persons with disability who will find this especially helpful in maintaining balance and flexibility. No previous experience or special equipment required – come as you are!

Hosted by: Voices of Burnaby Seniors Society

GIMME SHELTER MEDITATION PROJECT
Saturday, May 8, 2021 | 11:00am – 4:00pm
In-person event
Event location and assigned time-slots will be emailed in advance of the event
Relish in the comfort that only a childhood blanket fort can offer! Participants are invited to close their eyes and experience a calming meditation session underneath a large, colourful blanket, handmade by the artist and installed in a natural setting. The fort offers an immersive art experience. It creates a tranquil space for contemplation and meditation, allowing participants to connect to their inner child and feel the security of a structure built for soothing the senses and facilitating safe outdoor connection with nature and others in their community.

During the event, every participant will need to wear a mask; hand sanitize their hands before and after the workshop. The workshop leader/artist and a volunteer will ensure that all guidelines are followed. Only one individual or bubble group living in the same household will be allowed per session. Each session will have 30 minutes allotted. Ten minutes for arrival, 15 minutes under the blanket, and 5 minutes for participants to exit the area and allow the next individual or bubble group to arrive.

Hosted by: Jennie Johnston & North Burnaby Neighbourhood House

SHADOW ART: ONE OF MY FAVOURITE THINGS
Saturday, May 8, 2021 | 11:00am – 11:30am
Online Event
Children aged 4-10 will learn how to use light and shadows to draw one of their favourite things. Facilitated by artist Ana-Francisca Haas, family members are encouraged to photograph their children while the child draws one of their beloved objects. Parents will then encourage their child to tell a story about why this item is so favoured.

Following the workshop, the photographs will be compiled and shared on the We Are Burnaby website, an online magazine featuring local written and visual stories. We Are Burnaby amplifies and celebrates community voices by showcasing the resilience and determination of Burnaby community members.

Hosted by: Ana-Francisca Haas & Burnaby Neighborhood House

Register for events at: www.festivaloflearning.ca/events
COMMUNITY EVENTS

MAY 8, 2021

BURNABY IS WHERE WE LEARN AND GROW

Saturday, May 8, 2021 | 12:00pm – 1:00pm
Online Event

Local filmmaker and Burnaby Festival of Learning Community Ambassador, Yunuen Perez Vertti will showcase the collaboratively made short-film, constructed by the community members who attended her stop-motion workshops!

The collaborative animation piece explores how location and place influence learning, and how different ways of learning shape our growth.

Yunuen will demonstrate how to use the stop-motion app after screening the short finale!

Hosted by: Yunuen Perez Vertti

ONLINE COLLAGE STUDIO: EXPLORE YOUR INNER-ARTIST THROUGH COLLAGE

Saturday, May 8, 2021 | 1:00pm – 2:00pm
Online Event

Why learn the art of collage? Collage is considered to be the most democratic and accessible form of art. You can do it at any age, with no previous skill, and with basic materials (bring your old magazines, newspapers, junk mail flyers, and a glue stick)

Collage is an art therapy tool similar to meditation when you create images and new meanings out of old magazines. You also foster your right brain and spark your creativity muscle. The goal of this online studio is to spark a genuine interest among various audiences in Burnaby by informing about collage, its history and current state as an art practice in Canada and the World.

“As an emerging mixed media artist, I love collage and love sharing my knowledge and skills about it with anybody interested.” Maide Akan

This is an all ages and experience workshop. Ability to hold scissors and use a glue stick are the only requirements.

Hosted by: Maide Akan, Byrne Creek Secondary, Grade 10

SUPPORTING TRANSGENDER AND GENDER-CREATIVE CHILDREN

Saturday, May 8, 2021 | 2:00pm – 3:15pm
Online Event

This 1 hour and 15-minute workshop for parents and caregivers aims to help parents learn and reflect on how to best support their transgender and gender-creative children (12 years old and younger). Family support is critical to supporting children and youth with gender identity and expression. Our goals for the attendees include offering a sanctuary for learning and acceptance of their child and a community of support for them and their children.

The afternoon will offer dialogue on gender basics, gender identity and sexual orientation, parental feelings and conflict, affirming vs. non-affirming parenting, finding the right community for you, your child and your family, the benefits of diversity, and we will offer a list of resources.

The event will be for parents and caregivers only, and we request that no children attend. This is to preserve a safe space where parents can feel able to ask sensitive questions and explore topics that may relate to their families.

Hosted by: Information Children and SFU

Register for events at: WWW.FESTIVALOFLearning.CA/EVENTS
COMMUNITY EVENTS

MAY 8, 2021

WOMEN TRANSFORMING CITIES
Saturday, May 8, 2021 | 3:00pm–4:00pm
Online Event
Empowering self-identified women and girls can transform our cities into spaces that work for all people. Learn about the changes cities can make to improve the lives of women and girls through community engagement, inclusive policies, and equitable representation. This interactive workshop is presented by Women Transforming Cities. Participants will also be invited to partake in an intersectionality online card game to further their understanding of how important it is for a city to be equitable for all of its citizens. This program is presented in partnership with the Burnaby Public Library.
Hosted by: Burnaby Public Library

GARDENING FOR NEWCOMERS
Saturday, May 8, 2021 | 3:00pm–4:00pm
Online Event
Community Gardening is a hobby shared across many cultural communities that helps people to bond over their love of plants. It can help to foster the practice of learning and living “Everyday Multiculturalism”.
Culture Chats invites newcomers to learn the basics of container gardening and growing herbs! Participants engage with one another and bring nature into their homes through a series of three workshops about plant care and growing and cultivating seeds. Learn about food security and get resources about community gardening activities in our neighbourhoods.
Hosted by: Culture Chats

COMMUNITY YOGA FOR ABSOLUTE BEGINNERS
Children session:
Saturday, May 8, 2021 | 1:00pm–2:00pm
Online Event
Are you curious about yoga for yourself or your children? Want to dip your toes in without the commitment? Now is your chance!
Heights Yoga & Wellness Centre will offer introductory classes for those new to yoga. The introductory sessions will entail a short practice class, followed by a Q&A. Instruction will highlight the basic postures/poses of a Hatha Yoga sequence, and will offer modified postures for various levels.
Hosted by: Heights Yoga & Wellness Centre

Adult session:
Saturday, May 8, 2021 | 3:00pm–4:00pm
Online Event
Heights Yoga & Wellness Centre will offer introductory classes for those new to yoga. The introductory sessions will entail a short practice class, followed by a Q&A. Instruction will highlight the basic postures/poses of a Hatha Yoga sequence, and will offer modified postures for various levels.
Hosted by: Heights Yoga & Wellness Centre

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COMMUNITY EVENTS

MAY 9, 2021

MAPPING OUR COMMUNITY: PHOTOGRAPHY SERIES
Sunday, May 9, 2021 | 10:30am – 12:00pm Online Event
Artist, Rebecca Heyl and Métis herbalist and educator, Lori Snyder, with support from the Burnaby Neighbourhood House lead a three-part workshop series exploring the possibility of creating a community map using photographic processes. Mapping will be used as a way to show what is of value to the community. Smartphone tips and techniques will be provided to teach you how to best capture images from around your community. Images will be shared and will represent a multiplicity of perspectives.

The workshops culminate at the Burnaby Festival of Learning in May, with an online nature walk, featuring an introduction to traditional plants led by Lori Snyder. Following the nature walk, participants will learn how to create a map of local plants captured by the sun on a large fabric mural using the “Cyanotype photographic process.

Pre-festival workshop dates & times:
Sunday, April 25, 2021 | 11:00am – 12:00pm
Sunday, May 2, 2021 | 11:00am – 12:00pm
Hosted by: Rebecca Heyl, Lori Snyder & North Burnaby Neighbourhood House

LANGUAGE OF ISLAMIC ART: LEARN HOW TO READ AND BUILD GEOMETRIC PATTERNS
Sunday, May 9, 2021 | 1:00pm – 2:00pm Online Event
This workshop offers a unique opportunity for participants to receive knowledge and skills in Islamic Geometric Art alongside artist Aia Tarazi. Attendees will gain basic knowledge about arts of Islamic lands and learn the skills required to build sophisticated samples of basic geometric patterns, the same skills used for many centuries to create masterpieces. Mastering the basic geometric techniques will not only equip attendees with practical skills that are immensely useful in all fields of handcrafts and design, but it will also spark creativity and expand worldviews.

Each attendee will leave the workshop with one drawn pattern.

“Burnaby is a welcoming and generous community to many refugees from the regions of Syria, Iraq, Afghanistan, Turkey, Iran, etc. Integration with their new community may lead to mutual enrichment through interaction and learning from each other. Thus I view this Skills-Shop as a chance for the wider community in Burnaby to learn more about the art related to the culture of its Muslim residents and gain pattern constructing skills.” — Aia Tarazi

Hosted by: Aia Tarazi

MANY NATIONS MINI-GALLERIES ARTIST TALKS
Sunday, May 9, 2021 | 1:00pm – 2:00pm Online Event
Participate in an artists’ talk with local Burnaby residents, Seham Gedrabo (Libya) and Amber Ross (Tr’ondëk Hwëch’in First Nation and a member of Crow Clan) and learn about their art and process.

You can view their work during the Festival outside the South Burnaby Neighbourhood House. The Many Nations Mini-Galleries consists of two moveable display cases built explicitly to display art at multiple locations throughout Burnaby.

The galleries will feature a scannable QR code to access expanded information about the art and the artists.

The Mini-Galleries are viewable: May 7, 10 & 11, 2021 from 9:30am – 4:00pm
4460 Beresford St, Burnaby, BC V5H 0B8
Hosted by:
COMMUNITY EVENTS

MAY 10, 2021

RHYTHM ‘N’ RHYME MUSICAL ADVENTURES
Monday, May 10, 2021 | 11:30am – 12:00pm
Online Event

Families with children (ages 0-6) will learn songs in different languages and explore music through different musical mediums. Feel free to join in with shakers, sticks, or anything that makes sounds!

Rhythm ‘N’ Rhyme Musical Adventures is a music program that offers children an opportunity to explore music through Cantonese & Mandarin songs, nursery rhymes, dance and movement, storytelling and various percussion instruments.

Support is offered to families by creating a fun learning environment where little ones can learn not only their heritage language but also build a strong musical foundation.

*Hosted by: Eveline Yu*

WILDLIFE CONSERVATION SHOW & TELL WITH OWL
Monday, May 10, 2021 | 1:00pm – 2:30pm
Online Event

Interested in local wildlife and conservation efforts in your community? The Orphaned Wildlife Rehabilitation Society plays an important role in efforts to protect and conserve local animal life.

Join us to learn about the current work being done by this organization to combat threats to our local ecosystems. You’ll be able to observe a raptor (the bird kind, not the dinosaur kind) up close!

*Hosted by: Burnaby Public Library*
COMMUNITY EVENTS

MAY 10, 2021

TUNE TWISTER

**Monday, May 10, 2021 | 4:00pm – 5:00pm**
**Online Event**

This workshop by Westcoast Women in Engineering, Science and Technology, led by Science World, will introduce children in Grades 4-5 to the science of sound. Participants will use Tune Twister, an easy-to-use, open source app with a dynamic interface to demonstrate how acoustics are affected depending on the digital effects that are applied to music. Kids will learn about electronic audio filters, waveforms, frequency, pitch and how speed impacts sound, all in an accessible and fun workshop format.

Hosted by: Westcoast Women in Engineering, Science and Technology (WWEST) & Science World

AN INTRODUCTION TO AUDIO RECORDING WITH DAW

**Monday, May 10, 2021 | 6:00pm – 9:00pm**
**Online Event**

Learn to make and edit audio recordings with the free Digital Audio Workstation (DAW) Reaper app and your computer (Mac, Windows, or Linux). Gain a skill that will become increasingly useful for everyone – the ability to record and produce basic audio recordings, for podcasts, video soundtracks, or to create music. Join us for a guided tour of this free, but fully functional Digital Audio Workstation, and learn to make some basic soundscape compositions using whatever tools you have available.

This workshop follows the Burnaby Soundwalk event scheduled for Sunday, May 9, 12:00-5:00pm, offering participants an excellent, guided opportunity to record wild sound.

A computer with the DAW Reaper app installed is required for this workshop. Download DAW Reaper here: [https://www.reaper.fm/download.php](https://www.reaper.fm/download.php)

Hosted by: Martin Reisle

INDIGENOUS KNOWLEDGE KEEPER & HERBALIST PLANT WALK

**Monday, May 10, 2021 | 7:00pm – 8:15pm**
**Online Event**

Indigenous peoples have used wild plants for centuries as food and medicine. Come discover how these plants support us physically, emotionally and spiritually with Lori Snyder, a Métis herbalist and educator. You’ll learn how to identify medicinal and edible plants – native and non-native – in our urban landscape, and you’ll discover how their properties can improve wellness. There will be a short walk outside the library to learn about the plants growing around us.

Hosted by: Burnaby Public Library

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IT’S A FACT! OR IS IT? THE TURBULENCE OF GENDER

Saturday, May 8, 2021 | 1:00pm – 2:00pm

Many societies and cultures think of gender as a system of binaries. But is gender really all that certain? What about those who do not fit into either of the two boxes? And how do different theories about gender help to shed light on these questions? It is an important topic to explore because the gender binary helps to create and sustain social hierarchies – including harmful ones. It is a key factor in perpetuating power, privilege, and status. However, there are always those who speak up and speak out to challenge the gender binary system in the struggle for equality, social justice, and fairness.

Hosted by: Faculty of Arts and Social Sciences

TREK AND TALK FOR NEWCOMERS

Saturday, May 8, 2021 | 1:00pm – 3:00pm

Refugee womxn are found to be at greater risk for social isolation and many suffer from the layered discriminatory effects of their gender, race, and religion in Canadian society. Establishing a new home here is not only limited to finding a house, a school, or a job. Making a place a home is also about creating community and feeling like you belong. The goal of this project is to provide a safer and welcoming space for newly arrived refugee womxn to engage with each other and others through a holistic wellness approach that merges the benefits of mental and physical health. For this year’s Burnaby Festival of Learning, our one-day event is aimed at international students and Burnaby community members who identify as refugee womxn. Together, we will explore green spaces in Burnaby through movement and engage in rich discussion afterwards while enjoying food sourced from local restaurants.

Hosted by: Talking Trekkers & SFU Office of Community Engagement

FROM THEORY TO PRACTICE: STAKEHOLDERS’ WALKABILITY/WHEELABILITY AUDITS IN BURNABY NEIGHBOURHOODS

Saturday, May 8, 2021 | 1:30pm – 3:00pm

How can community members with varying accessibility and mobility needs impact change in their own communities? Come join this session to learn how you can advocate for positive change in your neighbourhood using the SWAN (Stakeholders’ Walkability/Wheelability Audit in Neighbourhoods) assessment tool. The tool has been developed to inform and empower community members. This interactive panel will feature representatives from Creating Accessible Neighbourhoods, the City of Burnaby, and SFU researchers. They demonstrate how this tool was collaboratively developed with real-world input, and how it has been put to work in Burnaby neighbourhoods.

Hosted by: CAN, City of Burnaby & SFU
SFU EVENTS

MAY 10, 2021

SFU LIVING LAB
Monday, May 10, 2021 | 2:30pm – 3:30pm
SFU’s Living Lab is an applied research program that facilitates sustainability-themed research at SFU by creating structured collaborations between staff, faculty and graduate students. The program aims to provide opportunities for applied research and experiential learning that improve the sustainability of SFU’s three campus communities.

This event will feature three Living Lab projects that are designed and led by SFU graduate students to help SFU meet its sustainability targets. The presenters will talk about how their work is examining the carbon impact of streaming media, benefits and challenges of replacing operational vehicle fleets with low or zero-emission vehicles, and sustainable single-use alternatives to petroleum-based plastics.

Hosted by: SFU Sustainability Office

MAY 11, 2021

LIFE ON THE FRONT LAWN
Tuesday, May 11, 2021 | 10:00am – 11:00am
How has the evolution, role and neighbourhood regulation of lawns in urban and suburban communities informed our ideas about home? Following an analysis of the ways lawns can affect human behaviour, participants will explore the ways in which the choice of a lawn impacts other species.

Attendees will be introduced to the Rights of Nature and to movements that promote this ecological philosophy.

Hosted by: Faculty of Arts and Social Sciences

HISTORY GONE VIRAL: PUBLIC HEALTH AND QUARANTINE IN NINETEENTH- AND TWENTIETH-CENTURY CANADA
Tuesday, May 11, 2021 | 11:00am – 12:00pm
The challenges we’ve been facing since early 2020 have deep roots in our social, political, cultural and economic history. Come learn about these roots – explore how our history of public health crises reveals the role of governments in the long-standing inequality that plagues public health.

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SERIOUS GAMES – SERIOUS SCIENCE: HOW VIDEO GAMES ARE CHANGING THE WAY WE DO RESEARCH
Tuesday, May 11, 2021 | 2:00pm – 3:00pm
Can eSports aid data science? Learn how in this engaging discussion and tour of some of the latest findings from cognitive science. See how replay files from eSports games have been used to study the way in which people learn and acquire expertise over time.

Participants will leave this workshop with a better understanding of the types of careers that exist in cognitive psychology and will explore how to apply the findings from eSports research into their own lives to enhance their own ability to learn.

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TRADES PROGRAMS FOR UNDERREPRESENTED GROUPS

Monday, May 10, 2021 | 3:30pm – 4:30pm

More than ever, it is critical that we increase the presence and participation of women and diverse groups in the trades. Find out about the Electrical Foundations program, funded by the Federal government, that will begin in February 2022.

LASER CUTTING/ENGRAVING

Tuesday, May 11, 2021 | 10:00am – 11:00am

Join us to learn about laser cutting, a service offered by MediaWorks at BCIT, a digital lab and makerspace. Discover what laser cutting is and how to produce a basic design. After this introductory session, you will be able to make a simple customized key ring to show off your new skills!

3D PRINTING

Tuesday, May 11, 2021 | 11:00am – 12:00pm

Curious about 3D Printing? Then join us for this fun, free virtual workshop to create a 3D printed key chain that you can take home or give to a loved one. In this session, we will cover some of the basics of 3D modeling and printing. We will explore a free online tool called TinkerCad to create and modify 3D models, set up your models for 3D printing in CURA, and print your work using our 3D printers at BCIT MediaWorks.

OPEN EDUCATION, CHANGING PRACTICES, AND SOCIAL JUSTICE

Tuesday, May 11, 2021 | 12:00pm – 1:00pm

Open Education includes Open Educational Resources (OER), which are openly licensed learning materials that can be freely used, reworked and retained, and Open Educational Practices (OEP) which invite students to engage in work that is relevant beyond the classroom. Join this session to learn more about Open Education, how it is facilitating new pedagogical approaches, and what links it to social justice.

ZERO WASTE AT HOME

Tuesday, May 11, 2021 | 1:00pm – 2:00pm

Want to reduce your waste at home, but don’t know where to begin? Not sure what to do with an item you don’t want any more? Can clothing be recycled? Or plastic packaging? The BCIT Green Team is doing a presentation to help answer these questions. We hope to inspire a few simple changes that will make a big positive difference to the environment!

EXPLORE SUSTAINABILITY PROJECTS AT BCIT

Tuesday, May 11, 2021 | 3:00pm – 4:00pm

Join the British Columbia Institute of Technology’s (BCIT) School of Construction and the Environment and Facilities Department to learn about the North End of the campus and see how we use living labs to innovate and teach sustainability. Learn about the successes and challenges of living lab projects and explore solutions for creating sustainable communities. We will examine a living lab project that demonstrates sustainable practices on campus and that reduced greenhouse gas emissions by 50-75% in six buildings. Learn about the wood waste-to-energy facility, which will use 250,000kg of wood waste from on campus programs to heat buildings in the area. Approximately 45 minutes.
BURNABY FESTIVAL OF LEARNING TEAM

Tara Flynn
Festival Director
I work closely with multiple Festival partners to ensure collaborative engagement and to support event creation. It is important that the event creation process is smooth and inspiring for everyone involved. In developing events with community, I’m guided by values like inclusion, diversity, creative expression and knowledge creation, to name a few. It is a joy when I am able to align my vision of engagement and values with those of the folks I work with! I wholeheartedly believe in the value of co-creation. Co-creation results in a Festival program we can all enjoy, participate in, and benefit from. Prior to my role at the BFOL, I worked in Development for DOXA Documentary Film Festival and Vancouver International Jazz Festival. I have studied documentary filmmaking, photography, creative writing and completed my degree in Sociology with a concentration in First Nation Studies at UBC.

Cierra Johal
Digital Communication and Event Assistant
As the Burnaby Festival of Learning Digital Communication and Event Assistant, I work very closely with the team, helping in administrative work and focusing on marketing and communications for the festival. I love working for BFOL as this festival helps to better the community and brings organizations and residents together which only makes the City of Burnaby stronger. With the festival going online this year, I am excited by the new opportunities we can explore because I believe learning and thriving as a community is even more important in times of isolation.

Janet Yan
Graphic & Web designer
As the Graphic & Web Designer for this year’s Burnaby Festival of Learning, I create visual concepts and ideas to inspire and engage our community members. It is challenging for sure due to the pandemic but I’m excited to deliver this year’s festival in a new online platform, bringing such a fun-filled experience to people in a different way. That’s what designers do — think creatively and find innovative ways to solve problems. I believe this year’s festival will be extra special because we are closer to each other than ever with only a click away on the computer. There is no excuse to miss the fun. Can’t wait to see you all in May!
Yunuen Perez Vertti  
*Community Ambassador*

I’m humbled and excited about taking on the role of Community Ambassador for the festival this year. As Community Ambassador, I hope to strengthen the relationship between the Festival and the Burnaby community at large, to help spread the word about the festival and to ensure it becomes a safe space for the community to connect around engaging and inspiring experiences. The programming’s diversity already inspires me, and I’m looking forward to learning and growing as I attend all the wonderful events.

Dorothy Macsabejon  
*Event Assistant*

My name is Dorothy Macsabejon. I am a new addition to the Burnaby Festival of Learning. I just joined this past month as an Event Assistant. I work in collaboration with the BFOL team on administrative and communications work for the festival. I was excited to be a part of the team, and have enjoyed working for BFOL. This festival is an amazing opportunity to get the community together, and to connect and celebrate learning through various community-based events. In light of the uncertainties of the past year, I have learned the value of facilitating events like BFOL for the community, even in a virtual setting, as it gives residents and organizations within the City of Burnaby a chance to still feel connected during these times of isolation. The festival is right around the corner, and I can’t wait!

**PLANNING COMMITTEE:**

Heidi Schiller, *City of Burnaby Liaison* (Burnaby Public Library)  
Bettina Cenerelli, *Chair* (Faculty Arts & Social Sciences, SFU)  
Ana Maria Bustamante (Burnaby Intercultural Planning Table)  
Andrea Lam (Burnaby Public Library)  
Angela Boal (Marketing, City of Burnaby)  
Asmita Lawrence (Culture Chats)  
Carol-Ann Flanagan (Society to End Homelessness)  
Cynthia Henson (SFU Faculty of Science)

David Jordan (Arts Services Manager, City Of Burnaby)  
Deirdre Grace (BCIT Library)  
Evelyn McGowan (Purpose Society, Burnaby Youth Hub)  
Francis Santos (Marketing, City of Burnaby)  
Jessie Williams (Faculty Arts & Social Sciences, SFU)  
Kevin Brandt (Burnaby School District)  
Liliane De Oliveira (Burnaby School District)  
Simone Brandl (Burnaby Neighbourhood House)
With the tremendous support and effort from these community members, artists, and individuals, this Festival has been produced with a passion for lifelong learning, growth and development. Thank you!

COMMUNITY PARTNERS
- BCIT
- Burnaby Neighbourhood House
- Burnaby Public Library
- Burnaby Village Museum
- Creating Accessible Neighborhoods (CAN)
- Culture Chats
- Emily Carr University of Art & Design
- Head Waze
- Heights Yoga & Wellness Centre
- Information Children
- Nahane Creative
- Orphaned Wildlife Rehabilitation Society (OWL)
- Rashid Designing and Consulting
- Rhythm & Rhyme
- SFU Office of Community Engagement
- SFU Faculty of Arts and Social Sciences
- SFU Faculty of Science
- SFU Sustainability Office
- Talking Trekkers
- United Way Lower Mainland
- Voices of Burnaby Seniors Society
- Westcoast Women in Engineering, Science and Technology (WWEST)
- Women Transforming Cities

PRESENTERS
- Ashley Dunne
- Brad Dirks
- Eveline Yu
- Gail McCain
- Heather McCain
- Jen Marchbank
- Kale Gosen
- Kamaria Kuling
- Kate Elliot
- Leah Wiener
- Lori Snyder
- Meaghan Spencer
- Muhammad Qureshi
- Nadia Springle
- Naima Osman
- Reema Faris
- Robin Barrett
- Sandy Eix
- Ta Altaiya Michelle Nahane
- Tasha Henderson
- Trudi Goels
- Tson Gebremedhen
- Yani Kong

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- George Rahi
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