

ASIAN HERITAGE MONTH

MAY 1-31, 2019 | EXPLORASIAN.ORG







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★ APRIL 27

10:00 am - Noon Opening Ceremony

Vancouver Asian Heritage Month Society (VAHMS), Simon Fraser University Woodwards

The start to Asian Heritage Month features speakers from the three levels of government, entertainment, recognition of VIP's from various areas, refreshments and appreciation of sponsors **VENUE:** SFU Woodwards World Art Centre,

149 West Hastings St, Vancouver

INFO: explorasian.org, office.vahms@gmail.com | FREE ADMISSION



★ JUNE 7

5:30 pm - 9:30 pm Recognition Awards Gala

Vancouver Asian Heritage Month Society (VAHMS)
Pan Asian performances, 10 course Chinese Dinner, silent auction, raffle and recognition awards for outstanding community leaders and organizations

venue: Pink Pearl Restaurant, 1132 East Hastings St, Vancouver INFO: explorasian.org, office.vahms@gmail.com

MARCH 7 - APRIL 23

10:00 am - 4:30 pm | Art Exhibition MARCH 31

2:00 pm - 4:00 pm

TALK: Jan Walls CALLIGRAPHY DEMO: Andrew Yang
The Art of the Brush: A Retrospective Exhibition
of Calligraphy by Yim Tse

Dr. Sun Yat-Sen Classical Chinese Garden, Canadian Society of Arts A retrospective exhibition of the late master calligrapher Yim Tse VENUE: Dr. Sun Yat-Sen Classical Chinese Garden, 578 Carrall St, Vancouver

INFO: 604-662-3207 | FREE ADMISSION, donations

APRIL 16

6:00 pm - 8:00 pm ACAM 350 Community Film Screening

Asian Canadian and Asian Migration Studies
An annual event to showcase students' work within Asian
Canadian communities (course ACAM 350: Asian Canadian
Community-Based Media)

VENUE: Fréderic Wood Theatre, 6354 Crescent Rd, Vancouver **INFO:** acam.events@ubc.ca | FREE ADMISSION





★ APRIL 17

explorASIAN 5:30 pm - 9:00 pm When The Storm Fades, National Canadian Film Dav

CANADA 100 Filipino Film Series; Emily Carr ity of Art & Design; VAHMS; Reel Canada

University of Art & Design, VAHMS; Reel Canada
A docudramedy starring a real Filipino family of typhoon survivors re-enacting their daily struggle to recover from the strongest storm in recorded history – 2013's Super Typhoon Haiyan VENUE: Emily Carr University of Art & Design, 520 East 1st Ave, Vancouver

INFO: leo@leocunanan.com | FREE ADMISSION





MIXEDROOTS ARTS AND IDEAS

★ APRIL 24

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6:30 pm - 8:30 pm Mixed Flicks: All Our Father's Relations Film Screening

Hapa-palooza; Vancouver Public Library, VAHMS
A screening of the feature-length documentary ALL OUR
FATHER'S RELATIONS and a panel featuring the film's
director, Alejandro Yoshizawa, producer, Sarah Ling
and main subject Larry Grant

VENUE: Vancouver Public Library Main Branch,
350 West Georgia St, Vancouver, Montalbano Family Theatre
INFO: hapapalooza.com, info@hapapalooza.com

FREE ADMISSION

APRIL 27

6:30 pm - 8:30 pm Tagore Spring Festival 2019

Vancouver Tagore Society

Multicultural event presenting live music and dance that include violin ensemble, flamenco music and dance, Indian classical dance, and a medley of Bengali songs VENUE: Centre Stage at Surrey City Hall,

13450-104 Ave, Surrey

INFO: VancouverTagoreSociety@gmail.com, by donation, light refreshment

MAY 1 - 21

Mon-Fri, 9:30 am - 5:00 pm Neil Pan's Art Exhibition

Taiwanese Canadian Cultural Society
Born in Taiwan, and immigrated to Canada in 1988.
His collective heritage and life experiences are reflected in his art works

venue: Taiwanese Cultural Centre, 8853 Selkirk St, Vancouver INFO: tccs.ca, info@tccs.ca, 604-267-0901

FREE ADMISSION

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MAY 1 - 26

art exhibition: One Photo One Thought

The Cradle our Spirit Photo Club, with members in Canada and Japan, exhibits their photographs ranging from landscapes, to abstracts to portraits

VENUE: Gallery Bistro, 2411 Clarke St., Port Moody INFO: gallerybistroportmoody.com, gallerybistroportmoody@gmail.com, 604-937-0998



MAY 2019 EVENTS • PORT MOODY ARTS CENTRE

VENUE: Port Moody Arts Centre, 2425 St Johns St, Port Moody INFO: pomoarts.ca, info@pomoarts.ca, 604-931-2008

MAY 2 - 30

Tender Formations - Julia Nygra

Port Moody Arts Centre

Stories of love passed down by Nygra's family have inspired her collection of traditional and contemporary Indian pottery. | FREE ADMISSION

MAY 2 - 30

Spirit of India | *Port Moody Arts Centre* Celebrating the art and culture of India with exhibitions and events that showcase the work of South Asian artists, writers and performers living in BC. | FREE ADMISSION

MAY 2

6:00 pm -8:00 pm

OPENING RECEPTION: Spirit of India & Tender Formations Port Moody Arts Centre

An exhibition of diverse artwork mediums and styles by 26 South Asian artists. Be inspired by the art, enjoy refreshments and meet the artists. | FREE ADMISSION

MAY 11

1:00 pm - 4:00 pm

Spirit of India Festival | Port Moody Arts Centre
Join us as we welcome spring and celebrate South Asian art
and culture. The Spring Festival features art, music, cultural
performances, demonstrations, and activities. | FREE ADMISSION

MAY 23

7:00 pm

ARTIST TALK: Julia Nygra – Tender Formations

Port Moody Arts Centre

Our Ceramic Artist in Residence shares her process, her journey and the stories of love that inspired this collection of traditional and contemporary Indian pottery. I FREE ADMISSION

MAY 2

5:30 pm - 7:00 pm Artful Mending

UBC Learning Exchange

Presentation and exhibit on an artful form of mending called "boro." This ancient Japanese tradition celebrates "waste" fabrics in beautiful, humorous and creative ways

VENUE: UBC Learning Exchange 612 Main St, Vancouver INFO: learningexchange.ubc.ca, angela.phan@ubc.ca FREE ADMISSION

MAY 2

7:00 pm NAJC at COPANI 2019

National Association of Japanese Canadians

Bring together Japanese descendants from across the Americas. Learn about COPANI and the legacy of Nikkei pioneers VENUE: Join the online event through zoom: zoom.us/j/138543147 INFO: najc.ca, national@najc.ca | FREE ADMISSION

MAY 3 & 4

3:00 pm - 5:00 pm Chinese Art and Culture

Origo Club Art Gallery

Drop by and join us to explore the Chinese culture and traditional Chinese Art techniques, especially in Thangka, Porcelain, and Zisha

VENUE: Origo Club, #110 - 6888 River Rd, Richmond INFO: origoclub.ca, info@origoclub.ca, 604-285-8889

FREE ADMISSION

MAY 4

1:00 pm - 3:00 pm Remembering Jim Wong-Chu: Readings from Chinatown Ghosts

Asian Canadian Writers' Workshop

The first Chinese Canadian poetry book ever published; the poems speak eloquently to the Chinese Canadian experience **VENUE:** Havana Theatre, 1212 Commercial Dr, Vancouver **INFO:** asiancanadianwriters.ca, info@ricepapermagazine.ca

MAY 4 - 31

Chinatown Through a Wide Lens: The Hidden Photographs of Yucho Chow

Chinese Canadian Military Museum

Images from Chinatown's first and most prolific photographer **VENUE:** Chinese Cultural Centre, 2nd Floor Gallery,

555 Columbia St, Vancouver

INFO: yuchochow.ca, info@yuchochow.ca| FREE ADMISSION

MAY 4

11:00 am - 4:00 pm

The Pull of the Net: A Multicultural Celebration

Gulf of Georgia Cannery Society

Celebrate the multiculturalism of the Canada's West Coast fishing industry, featuring performances, workshops, food tastings, demonstrations, and exhibits

VENUE: Gulf of Georgia Cannery National Historic Site,

12138 Fourth Ave, Richmond

INFO: gulfofgeorgiacannery.org/events | FREE ADMISSION

MAY 4

11:30 am - 5:30 pm

Ikebana Spring Show | *Vancouver Ikebana Association* Annual display of Japanese Flower Arranging, demonstrations and workshops

VENUE: Álan Emmott Centre 6650 Southoaks Cres, Burnaby INFO: vancouver-ikebana.ca, vancouverikebana@gmail.com FREE ADMISSION



RICHMOND ART GALLERY

MAY 2019 EVENTS • RICHMOND ART GALLERY

VENUE: Richmond Art Gallery, 7700 Minoru Gate, Richmond INFO: richmondartgallery.org, gallery@richmond.ca, 604-247-8300

MAY 3

6:00 pm - 7:00pm Artist Tour with Karen Tam

Richmond Art Gallery

Exhibiting artist Karen Tam discusses her research on Chinese Canadian artist Lee Nam and the re-creation of his studio for the Richmond Art Gallery exhibit | FREE ADMISSION

MAY 4 - JUNE 30

Mon - Fri: 10:00 am - 9:30 pm Sat - Sun: 10:00 am - 5:00 pm

ехнівітіом - Karen Tam: With Wings Like Clouds

Hung from the Sky | Richmond Art Gallery

This immersive exhibition by Montreal-based artist Karen Tam reimagines Lee Nam's painting studio in Victoria's Chinatown, to evoke the presence of this unknown artist | FREE ADMISSION

MAY 4 - 26

Sat - Sun: 1:00 pm - 2:00 pm

Multilingual Tours in English and Mandarin

Richmond Art Gallery

Learn more about the Karen Tam exhibition with free drop-in exhibition tours in either English or Mandarin | FREE ADMISSION

MAY 18

1:00 pm - 2:30 pm

Before I was a critic I was a human being: Reading with Amy Fung & Kim Nguyen

Richmond Art Gallery

Writer Amy Fung will read sections of her debut collection of creative nonfiction stories on Canada's mythologies of multiculturalism alongside writer/curator Kim Nguyen FREE ADMISSION

MAY 4 - 5

11:00 am - 4:00 pm

Miao Hui Festival | Tian-Jin Temple

To promote a cultural heritage and development with inspiring performances, amazing prizes, fun activities, and delicious food!

VENUE: Tian-Jin Temple: 3426 Smith Ave, Burnaby

INFO: tianjintemple.org/en, info@tianjintemple.org, 604-568-9880 FREE ADMISSION





★ MAY 4 explorASIAN 2:00 pm - 4:00 pm Opening Reception

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Tuesday - Sunday, 10:00 am - 6:00 pm EXHIBITION: "Just Breathe" Art Exhibition – Scenes, sounds, and scents in romantic watercolours

Esmie Gayo McLaren (MELD Arts), VAHMS

Be inspired by the fresh and uplifting watercolour paintings by Asian-Canadian artists, Celia Leung and Esmie Gayo McLaren, as they celebrate nature and nurture

VENUE: Jeunesse Gallery of Fine Arts, 2668 West 4th Ave., Vancouver

INFO: esmiegayomclaren.com, 604-737-2438

FREE ADMISSION

MAY 4

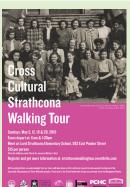
4:00 pm - 6:00 pm Opening Reception for Journeying Through Chinatowns Exhibition

Dr. Sun Yat-Sen Classical Chinese Garden
Celebrate the opening of Journeying Through Chinatowns, a group
photography exhibition documenting historic Chinatowns in Richmond,
Vancouver, and New Westminster as sources of living heritage
VENUE: Dr. Sun Yat-Sen Classical Chinese Garden,

578 Carrall St, Vancouver

INFO: vancouverchinesegarden.com,

education@vancouverchinesegarden.com, entrance by donation



★ MAY 5, 12, 19, 26

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11:00 am - 1:00 pm &
1:30 pm - 3:30 pm
Cross-Cultural
Strathcona

Walking Tours
A coordinated effort by
more than seventeen
Downtown Eastside
Community organizations
(See strataconawalkingtour.
eventbrite.com or
explorasian.org for a
complete list of partners)
The cross-cultural walking

tour brings awareness of the contributions of early immigrant communities then and now, and the richly layered history of Vancouver's downtown eastside neighbourhoods. The walking tour celebrates Vancouver's Diversity for Asian and Jewish Heritage Months

VENUE: Lord Strathcona Elementary School, 592 East Pender St, Vancouver

INFO: strathconawalkingtour.eventbrite.com, media: carmelayatanaka@gmail.com

ADMISSION: \$15.00 per person (FREE for children and moms on Mother's Day)



★ MAY 5

explor**ASIAN** 10:00 am - 12:00 pm **Chinatown Walkabout**

Chinese Canadian Historical Society of BC, VAHMS

Chinatown - Past, Present and Future

Join John Atkin, Bob Sung and Hayne Wai for a Chinatown walkabout. The tour will cover Chinatown's origins, early history, unique architecture, and its evolved role in recent decades and future plans for a UNESCO World Heritage site designation. **VENUE:** Meeting point in front of the Chinese Cultural Centre,

50 East Pender St, Vancouver

INFO: RSVP at office.vahms@gmail.com, by donation

7:30 pm My Homeland

Canadian Iranian Foundation Festival of Iranian Folk music

VENUE: Kay Meek Centre 1700 Mathers Ave, West Vancouver INFO: 604-913-3486, nezakati.parviz@hotmail.com



★ MAY 7

explor**ASIAN** 1:30 pm - 2:30 pm Embrace the Chicken, **Book Launch**

VAHMS, Vancouver Public Library and Orca Book Publishers Author, Mahtab Narsimhan, latest young readers' novel about a young girl torn between being respectful to her Indian mother, and trying to fit into her new life in Canada

VENUE: 9th floor programming space at the Central Branch of the Vancouver Public Library, 350 West Georgia St, Vancouver INFO: office.vahms@gmail.com | FREE ADMISSION

MAY 10 - 11

1:00 pm - 4:00 pm

Taste of Taiwan | Taiwanese Canadian Cultural Society Chef from Taiwan will showcase Taiwanese cuisines **VENUE:** Taiwanese Cultural Centre, 8853 Selkirk St, Vancouver INFO: tccs.ca, info@tccs.ca, 604-267-0901 | FREE ADMISSION

PAINTING DEMO: June 1 & 2, 11:00 am - 4:00 pm **EXHIBITION: ALL THAT LIGHT - Paintings by Monica** Gewurz and Farahnaz Samari | Lipont Place

This exhibit reflects the material world and the immaterial soul. Both artists have captured the ephemeral effects of sunlight upon land and sea in textured landscapes

VENUE: Lipont Place, 4211 No. 3 Rd, Richmond INFO: allthatlight.eventbrite.ca, lipontplace.com FREE ADMISSION

MAY 11

тацк: 2:00 pm - 2:30 pm

TEA CEREMONY AND DIALOGUE: 2:30 pm - 4:00 pm Lam Wong: Cha Dao (the Way of Tea) in the Garden Lam Wong Art

Join artist, Lam Wong for a talk, tea ceremony and dialogue at the Chinese Garden. We will have teas, conversations about tea, eastern philosophy, art and life

VENUE: Dr. Sun Yat-Sen Classical Chinese Garden,

578 Carrall St, Vancouver

INFO: lamwong.com, 604-662-3207 ext. 205

FREE with Garden admission



Vancouver Public Library

★ MAY 14 explor ASIAN 6:30 pm Sampaguita

Perspectives, A Celebration of Filipino-Canadian Writers

VAHMS, Vancouver Public Library Join the Vancouver Filipino-Canadian Writers Collective for an evening of poetry, short stories, and monologues from the city's best emerging writers of Filipino ancestry

VENUE: Montalbano Family Theatre, Vancouver Public Library INFO: vfcwcollective@gmail.com | FREE ADMISSION

MAY 15 - JULY 31

Dragon Jars and Lotus Bowls: An exhibition of Asian Ceramics

Co-presented by the Canadian Society for Asian Arts and the Museum of Vancouver

Chinese and Southeast Asian ceramics exhibition celebrating the 100th Birthday of Jean MacKay Fahrni, a ceramic artist, Past President of CSAA, and collector; and the 50th Anniversary of the Canadian Society for Asian Arts

VENUE: Museum of Vancouver 1100 Chestnut St, Vancouver INFO: museumofvancouver.ca, 604-736-4431

MAY 18

2:00 pm - 4:00 pm

May Mehfil Recital | Ismaili Council of BC, Host Imtiaz Propat The annual May Mehfil Recital at the Ismaili Centre Social Hall on the second floor, featuring writers and performers of Asian Heritage **VENUE:** Ismaili Centre 4010 Canada Way, Burnaby INFO: aajmagazine.ca, 604 396-2072 | FREE ADMISSION

1001 Night Tales - Scheherazade

Anahita Group of Arts and Culture, Hafez Literature Club A theatre and dance production that includes many stories in the form of dance from all over Asia and the Middle East **VENUE:** Michael J Fox Theatre, 7373 Macpherson Ave, Burnaby INFO: 604-396-6777, Liafallah16@gmail.com

MAY 18 | 2:00 pm | VENUE: H. R. Mac Millan Space Centre MAY 18 | 4:00 pm | VENUE: Vanier Park

MAY 25 | 2:00 pm | VENUE: Totem Poles in Stanley Park

MAY 25 | 4:00 pm | VENUE: Canada Place MAY 25 | 5:30pm | VENUE: Jack Poole Plaza JUNE 1 | 2:00 pm | VENUE: Deer Lake Park, Burnaby

JUNE 1 | 4:00 pm | venue: Deep Cove Park, North Vancouver

Around the City We Sing | Egret Music Centre A short outdoor program of our favorite Taiwanese Folk Songs, beginning with a tribute to Vancouver. (Weather permitting) INFO: egretmusic@gmail.com | FREE ADMISSION

MAY 22

Taste of Indonesia: Bali Experience

Consulate General of the Republic of Indonesia Authentic Indonesian cuisine in your neighborhood through this 2019 KULINER Initiative

VENUE: The Holy Crab, 1588 Robson St, Vancouver INFO: kuliner.ca, congen@indonesiavancouver.org

MAY 25

11:00 am - 5:00 pm

Asian Heritage Arts and Culture Festival

Richmond Chinese Community Society

A public event with stage performances from different cultural groups and booths

VENUE: Lansdowne Centre (near food court area),

5300 No 3 Rd, Richmond INFO: info@rccs.ca, 604-270-7222 | FREE ADMISSION

MAY 25

3:00 pm

BOOK LAUNCH: "A Woman in Between: Searching for Dr. Victoria Chung"

Chinese Canadian Historical Society of BC and Dr. Sun Yat-Sen Classical Chinese Garden

Ten years in the making, "A Woman in Between" brings together the intriguing story of Dr. Victoria Chung, the first Asian Canadian to earn a medical degree in Canada. Meet authors Dr. John Price and Dr. Ningpu Yu!

VENUE: Dr. Sun Yat-Sen Classical Chinese Garden, 578 Carrall St, Vancouver, Hall of One Hundred Rivers INFO: cchsbc.ca. info@cchsbc.ca

FREE ADMISSION but registration is required

2:00 pm - 5:00 pm **Philippines Historama**

PCHC-MoM Society and KABAYAN: Filipino Students Association UBC A 3-hour narrated historical music, dance presentation on the history of the Philippines

VENUE: Frederic Wood Theatre, 6354 Crescent Rd, Vancouver INFO: pchc-mom.ca, pchcmom.info@gmail.com

MAY 25

3:00 pm - 6:00 pm

Scripting Aloud Special Staged Reading event

Pan Asian Staged Reading Society

Diverse scripts by diverse writers – for our diverse community, and a borderless audience. If this is your reality (or you want it to be), this event is for you!

VENUE: BC Artscape, 268 Keefer St, Vancouver

INFO: scriptingaloud.ca, info@scriptingaloud.ca | FREE ADMISSION



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9:00 am - 1:00 pm

Indonesian Batik Workshop: Experience Batik Painting

Permai BC Association supported by Consulate General of Indonesia, VAHMS

Learn Indonesian batik making by an instructor

VENUE: Museum of Vancouver, 1100 Chestnut St, Vancouver,

Joyce Walley Room

INFO: indonesiavancouver.org, pensosbud@indonesiavancouver.org FREE ADMISSION

MAY 30

7:00 pm

Vancouver Launch of C.E. Gatchalian's **DOUBLE MELANCHOLY**

Vancouver Asian Canadian Theatre, Kathara Pilipino Indigenous Arts

A Filipino-Canadian author C.E. Gatchalian's memoir, DOUBLE MELANCHOLY (Arsenal Pulp Press)

VENUE: The Junction Pub, 1138 Davie St, Vancouver

INFO: cegatchalian.com, cynara@arsenalpulp.com, 604-687-4233 FREE ADMISSION

MAY 30

8:00 pm

Sound of Dragon Ensemble meets Melody of China

Sound of Dragon Society

Vancouver's Sound of Dragon Ensemble meets San Francisco's Melody of China in the first collaboration between two professional cross-cultural ensembles of Chinese roots from across the border **VENUE:** Western Front, 303 E. 8th Ave, Vancouver

INFO: soundofdragon.com, soundofdragon@gmail.com,

778-881-7123 | FREE ADMISSION

9:00 pm

VAFF Dim Sum After Dark

Vancouver Asian Film Festival Society Celebrate Asian heritage Month with VAFF over late night dim sum and movie in this delectably novel event that will leave you drooling for more

VENUE: Pink Pearl Chinese Seafood Restaurant,

1132 E Hastings St, Vancouver INFO: vaff.org, info@vaff.org

MAY 31 | 11:00 am - 4:00 pm JUNE 1 | 11:00 am - 4:00 pm Japanese Book Sale

Nikkei National Museum & Cultural Centre **VENUE:** 6688 Southoaks Cres, Burnaby **INFO:** nikkeiplace.org | FREE ADMISSION

JUNE 2 - 4

Asian Canadian Studies at Congress 2019

Asian Canadian and Asian Migration Studies, Congress of the Humanities and Social Sciences. University of British Columbia A series of workshops on Asian Canadian Studies that invite participants to rethink what and how they teach within histories of colonialism, imperialism, and capitalism

VENUE: The Nest, 6133 University Blvd, Vancouver INFO: acscongress.arts.ubc.ca, acs.congress@ubc.ca

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