

# Arts & Entertainment



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**DANCE REVIEW**

## Choreography fails to match talents

Final ArtSpring series show disappoints

BY ANDREA RABINOVITCH  
 DRIFTWOOD STAFF

Since when did modern dance start to be called contemporary dance?

I noticed it while glued to the television watching *So You Think You Can Dance*. A strong ballet background, bare feet, floor work, off-centre spine technique and the fall and recovery dynamics spelled "modern."

The use of pop or modern music, the influence of hip hop, street jazz steps and attitudes to create a genre that has moved on from 20th-century modern, as well as the experimentation of the post modern idiom of the '60s and '70s, labels it as contemporary.

Dancers Dancing, Vancouver choreographer Judith Garay's company, performed at ArtSpring last Saturday night as part of the Made in B.C. dance on tour initiative, designed to increase communities' exposure to dance.

They call themselves "contemporary."

Opening with a piece that was choreographed by Garay and rehearsed by Gulf Islands Secondary School dance teacher Sonia Langer, the 11 young high schoolers cleanly executed simple steps in floor patterns while holding or manipulating four differently coloured

umbrellas. The dancers did a fine job of creating a charming picture of pretty fresh-faced girls moving through space.

The rest of the evening consisted of Dancers Dancing's four pieces.

The first, called *Two, The Late Edition*, was inspired by pictures from print mass media, a collage of which was placed in the lobby to peruse at intermission.

Duets that saw all the company members, with lone male Christopher Duban assuredly partnering them all, started with a snapshot of the people in the picture with the dancers using exaggerated facial expressions that then evolved into short duets.

Movement vocabulary sourced Garay's roots as a member of the Martha Graham Company in the '70s and showed some sparks of innovation in the partnering.

The dancers were all technically competent, some chosen from the Simon Fraser University Dance department where Garay is on faculty, though Desiree Dunbar and Vanessa Goodman elevated their interpretation with more artistry.

However, I felt the choreography lacked depth or any kind of comment about the people involved within the snapshots. The original score by Vancouver composer Ted Hamilton, which at one point used solo piano, was remi-

niscent of a silent movie where the plot is literal and the expression is over the top.

In the piece called *One, The Catwalk*, a solo for Dunbar, the same forced facial expression was used to convey the female image which real women have been reduced to by popular culture.

Dunbar's physical talent and ability to express an idea was wasted by choreography that, though it did garner a laugh from the audience, seemed irrelevant to the theme.

The closing piece *Quicksilver* showed just how hard these dancers work with over five minutes of very physical dancing illustrating their skill. The dancers' floor work was excellent, Goodman's clean and dynamic steps shone, and a duet between Duban and Kiri Figueirido was lovely.

Of special note was excellent lighting design by John Carter, which, for me, was a highlight of the evening.

The opening sentence of the company's website states: Dancers Dancing is continually working to develop a voice, which reflects our contemporary environment.

For this reviewer, I found the work decidedly not fulfilling that mandate and judging by the sleepy looks on some other audience members' faces at the end, I might not have been alone.



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## ARTS & ENTERTAINMENT

### MUSICIANS ON TOUR

# Blues-rock prodigy set to thrill Salt Spring

Jimmy Bowskill compared to Stevie Ray Vaughn and Black Crowes



Jimmy Bowskill is ArtSpring bound

Islanders will have the opportunity to see a 17-year-old musical prodigy when renowned Canadian blues musician Jimmy Bowskill comes to town.

Bowskill will hit the ArtSpring stage on April 27 as part of his Canadian tour before he heads off to Europe in July, promoting his third self-titled album *The Jimmy Bowskill Band*, released on March 18.

"His story is almost too unbelievable to be true, but Jimmy Bowskill is the real deal," states a recent press release. "Bowskill was discovered by Canadian blues icon Jeff Healey at the age of 11 (only one year after he picked up his first guitar) . . . Bowskill's blues style has the right amount of soul, twang and jive to lift even the bleakest of souls to rock out, and has grabbed the attention of such greats as ZZ Top's Billy Gibbons, Colin James and the late Jeff Healey."

A Toronto native, Bowskill released his debut album *Old Soul* at the tender age of 11, and his sophomore album garnered him a Juno nomination for Blues Album of the Year while he was only 15. It is incredible to think that

with Bowskill's three albums, two Canadian Indie Favourite Blues Artist awards and the 2004 CBC's Galaxie Rising Star award (amongst others) already under his belt, he has yet to graduate from high school.

Colin James is quoted as saying, "Jimmy is the best natural singer I've ever heard," while *The Night Scrawler* in the *Toronto Sun* describes, "Jimmy Bowskill was on the right side of the stage and Healey was in the middle. It was kind of like seeing Wayne Gretzky and Gordie Howe getting to play on the same line at once."

His latest album, while still essen-

tially a blues album, "starts to push the blues/rock boundaries," notes press material. "While he will never truly leave the blues genre, with his skills and technique, Bowskill is clearly bridging the gap and developing into an outstanding rock guitarist and vocalist."


Bowskill's blues/rock sound has been compared to the likes of Stevie Ray Vaughn and the Black Crowes.

"I think it's coming back around," says Bowskill. "My friends at school listen to Zeppelin and the Crowes. People want to hear that stuff again."

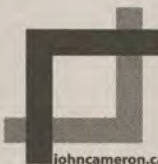
Growing up in the '90s, Bowskill could have been inspired by Nirvana or Radiohead but instead was "drawn to the blues."

"It just seemed so real," explains Bowskill. "It's just a really soulful music and it comes straight from the heart. There's nothing used to hide anything. It's just straight up."

Performing over 100 concerts a year, Bowskill will be sure to impress islanders at ArtSpring. Show time is 8 p.m. and tickets are available at the ArtSpring Ticket Centre. EyeGo to the Arts tickets are available at \$5 for high school students with valid student cards. For further information and concert tour dates see [www.jimmybowskill.com](http://www.jimmybowskill.com) or [www.myspace.com/jimmybowskill](http://www.myspace.com/jimmybowskill).



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### VISITING WRITERS

# Nim's Island author returns to source of her inspiration

Wendy Orr shares story during family visit

BY ELIZABETH NOLAN  
DRIFTWOOD STAFF

Salt Spring is known for fostering more than its share of talented writers, but few have had screaming fans roped off while they face a media frenzy on the red carpet.

That's the scene children's author Wendy Orr found recently at the Los Angeles premiere of the film made from her book, *Nim's Island*. Orr will face a slightly smaller — but no doubt equally appreciative — audience when she reads to local children at the library this week.

It's due to a family connection that Salt Spring became one of the only stops on a short visit that has included a 5,000-seat stadium in Minnesota and the famous Grauman's Chinese Theatre in Hollywood.

Orr was raised in Canada but has been living in Australia for the last 33 years, the homeland of the husband she met in college.

Now with her parents living on the island and her daughter living in Vancouver, Orr makes regular trips to B.C.

Her connections to the West Coast go back to early childhood, however, when she visited her grandparents in Swartz Bay.

In fact, *Nim's Island* can be said to have first appeared as the story called *Spring Island* Orr wrote at age nine, featuring an orphan who survives living off the beach.

Although Orr was originally educated as an occupational therapist, she took up

years ago and *Nim's Island* is her 20th published book. But her childhood connection with the area has had a profound impact on Orr.

"You can say that [experience] was my first inspiration," Orr said during an interview last week.

"I had just read *Anne of Green Gables* and I wanted to live on the little islands I could see from the ferry. I often think the story was the first draft of *Nim*."

Orr was also influenced by two little girls who coincidentally wrote to her during the same week, asking her to write books about them.

The author began thinking about a child who writes to a famous author, but how the child's life is actually the more interesting one.

The resulting story centres on a girl and her scientist father who live on a remote, Pacific island research station.

When the father's boat is wrecked during an expedition, *Nim* contacts Alex Rover, the world's most famous adventure writer, to save him. Rover turns out not to be the swashbuckling hero she'd expected but an "agoraphobic woman" instead.

*Nim* became a movie after freelance screenwriter and producer Paula Mazur took the book home from her local library in Santa Monica for her eight-year-old son.

When she realized she couldn't put it down and that the story had captivated her 12-year-old daughter and husband to boot, Mazur e-mailed Orr asking for the film rights.

The Hollywood experience was new for Orr, but much kinder and gentler than she'd expected.

All the initial arrangements were done by e-mail.

interested in their pitch, Mazur went with Walden Media, a company committed to bringing quality children's literature to the screen.

Orr reports she couldn't be happier with how the book has been translated for film, saying the characters and story are very true to how she wrote them.

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Jodie Foster, who stars as Alexandra Cross, even looks how she'd envisioned the character.

Audiences are also happy, bringing the film in at second place at the box office for its opening weekend of April 4.

Even with many unexpected appointments during her side trip to Salt Spring after the hectic L.A. premiere, Orr is very happy to be making her local appearance.

"To go to the library and read to kids — that's actually more me. This just seems very relaxing, much more my speed."

Orr appears at the library Friday, April 18 at 1 p.m. The event is suitable for children

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# Flick Pick

## There Will Be Blood



Known to audiences as "that movie about oil", Paul Thomas Anderson's *There Will Be Blood* is a complex and frustrating work of art that somehow managed to weedle its way into a Best Picture nomination.

The story is that of oil man Daniel Plainview, who in 1898 accidentally discovers the stuff welling up while he's prospecting for silver. When one of his workers dies in an accident, Daniel adopts his son H.W. and uses him as a prop in his "family business" going from town to town buying up land with oil underneath.

Most of the film takes place in the California desert's Little Boston, where Daniel's entrepreneurial aspirations clash with those of local preacher Eli Sunday (Paul Dano). The two initially have a relationship of mutual gain, the oil man getting the moral support of the church as the church gets the money provided by the well itself.

But as *There Will Be Blood* progresses, we find that Daniel is in fact a much greater tactician than Eli. By the end of the film the true nature of Daniel's plans will come to light... with dire consequences.

The overall theme, that of the ongoing struggle in American history between capitalism and religion, is fascinatingly broad yet teased out by a never-ending stream of beautifully rendered details.

In every interaction between Daniel and Eli you see the competition between two worldviews that have been inextricably linked together in the American consciousness. Both use each other's capital (Daniel's money, Eli's spirituality) to theoretically help the community as a whole, but really it's just a matter of individual gain.

At the same time, though, it can't be said that *There Will Be Blood* is some kind of left-wing pinko treatise on the evils of the USA. In fact, I think the film plays on that expectation by not giving us a single really sympathetic character with whom we can identify. It also refuses to give us a psychological explanation for Daniel or Eli's behaviour, which his all the more frustrating in that we want to know why things are the way they are.

The obvious implication is that the powers that be are in utter denial about why it is they do the things they do, and how can you know what to do if you don't know why you're doing it? The resulting moral vacuum is depressing to think about, but it's films like this that at least make us aware enough to do something about it.

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CONCERT REVIEW

# Loving Harry's musical sermons

Joined by Emily Braden for two concerts at Fulford Hall

BY PETER VINCENT  
DRIFTWOOD CONTRIBUTOR

On Salt Spring Island, and particularly at Fulford Hall, the audience can be as entertaining as the main event: friends and neighbours, ex's, crusty pensioners to country divas, all stirred up in a great cauldron of island humanity sharing a common purpose.

Last weekend, the common purpose was to lay at the feet of the inimitable Harry Manx.

Harry sits on a little chair, a poor-boy waterfront cap perched on his head, wearing thick tweeds and heavy boots, looking for all the world like Woody Guthrie riding box cars in the '50s, complete with a Bob Dylan harmonica holder.

Harry sits on a little chair protected on all sides by musical instruments: no less than six stringed instruments.

I hesitate to call them guitars. One particularly strange stringed device is referred to as a "boite cigare" — French for cigar box. An apt description.

To Harry's left is a phalanx of electronics all lit up in flashing red and green LEDs bringing forth percussion, rhythms and for all I know, a good cup of espresso. Harry is indeed a one-man band. Harry Manx. Uber busker. The only piece missing was a pair of little cymbals strapped to the inside of his knees.

And Harry plays. A wall of rich, intricate sound comes forth punctuated by a silky, husky voice that proves Harry hasn't drank enough bad whisky or smoked enough cigarettes in his lifetime.

A voice caught somewhere between JJ Cale and early Jackson Browne. If Harry has ever ridden the rails, it sounds like it's always been up front in first class.

That voice is much too pretty to have coal soot in the pipes.

Harry's tunes are as eclectic as his instruments: original songs stirred in with classic covers that are about as far away from karaoke as you can imagine. I mean really, whoever thought of playing Jimi Hendrix's Voodoo Child on a banjo? You have to admit, Harry's got some cajones.

And Harry covers the Willie Dixon classic Spoonful made famous by Eric Clapton and the Cream. I have heard that song a thousand times, but never paid attention to the lyrics until Harry did it his way.

The same could be said for his cover of The Band's Long Black Veil, about a man who went to the gallows rather than confess he had been sleeping with his best friend's wife. I didn't have a chance to ask Harry if he chose this one special for his Salt Spring audience.



Above, Harry Manx takes the stage, while below, Emily Braden performs.



I love Harry's covers.

If you haven't heard Harry's cover of Bruce Springsteen's I'm on Fire, it really is the Manx "must-have" track. It's the opening cut on the 2007 Juno-nominated CD entitled In Good We Trust, on Stony Plain Records. (You will find a little sample at <http://www.stonyplainrecords.com>.)

He did not play this at his concerts last weekend, likely out of fear that some members of the audience would end up rolling their eyes up into their heads swallowing their tongues. His cover of this tune will tear your heart out.

His latest CD was recorded live at the hallowed ground of the Glenn Gould studios in Toronto with his musical body-double Kevin Brett. When these two musicians join forces, it is absolute magic.

Again, on this CD, you will find an interesting mix of originals and covers of greats like Muddy Waters. If you were one of the unfortunates

who missed the weekend concerts, take a listen at [www.dogmycatrecords.ca](http://www.dogmycatrecords.ca).

I would be remiss if I didn't mention Harry's other instrument on stage, Victoria's Emily Braden, who was forcibly dragged through the whole Manx songbook.

That meant having the chops to go from East Indian ragas to Big Mama Thornton blues to frenetic scat jazz riffs.

She didn't miss a beat, taking whatever was thrown at her. That's a tough job at the best of times, made even more difficult with an abbreviated rehearsal schedule.

Of course, Harry Manx's performance at Fulford Hall is preaching to the converted.

As Harry pointed out, "It's one of the few times I can go home after a concert." That all changes this week, as Harry and family board a flight to Australia, where he will be performing for the next two months.

We will keep the porch light on, Harry.

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<b>LIVE ENTERTAINMENT</b> <b>Simply Organic.</b> Free organ recital with Barry Valentine at All Saints. 10:10 a.m., followed by muffin & coffee for \$2. <b>OTHER ACTIVITIES</b> <b>Zen Meditation.</b> Group meets at 210 Cedar Lane every Wednesday, 7-9 p.m. Info: 537-2831. <b>Reel Drinks.</b> Film social event with random draw for pint of beer. Salt Spring Inn. 6 p.m. <b>Texas Hold'em Poker.</b> New Wednesday poker series begins at The Local. <b>John Newlove Event.</b> Documentary and readings at ArtSpring. 8 p.m., with wine tasting at 7.	<b>LIVE ENTERTAINMENT</b> <b>Open Mike.</b> Thursdays with Dale and Dave at the Fulford Inn Pub. 7-10 p.m. <b>Blues Night.</b> With Dave Roland & friends, featuring KC Kelly, just back from New Orleans. Moby's Pub. 8-11 p.m. <b>One Night Stand.</b> With Matt & Tom. Shipstones. 9 p.m. <b>Sweet Strings Concert.</b> Salt Spring Fiddle Troupe fundraiser. Lions Hall. 7 p.m. Info: Randy, 537-8902. <b>OTHER ACTIVITIES</b> <b>SS Weavers &amp; Spinners Guild.</b> Texture & Clinic. ArtSpring. 10:30-noon. <b>Green Drinks.</b> I-SEA-sponsored discussion at the Fulford Inn. 5-8 p.m. <b>Soil Removal Bylaw Meeting.</b> Islands Trust-sponsored public input meeting on proposed bylaw at the Harbour House Hotel Green Room, 7 p.m.	<b>LIVE ENTERTAINMENT</b> <b>Sounds of the Silver Screen.</b> Multi-media SS Concert Band presentation of music and scenes from the movies, plus film premiere by Matt Kollar. ArtSpring. 8 p.m. <b>Ed &amp; Gail Peekeekoot.</b> Perform at El Zocalo Cafe. 7-10 p.m. <b>IODE Spring Fashion Show &amp; Luncheon.</b> Annual event at the Harbour House. Noon. Info: 537-2652/537-4743. <b>OTHER ACTIVITIES</b> <b>Come &amp; Read.</b> New reading program at SS Library for kids 8 & under, led by two Grade 6 students. Fridays, 3-5 p.m. <b>West African Dance Classes.</b> Mohammed Andre Durateau of Guinea, Marielle Comeau and Iroko offer live percussion dance classes. Fridays at All Saints. 4:30-6 p.m. <b>Wendy Orr Author Reading.</b> Nim's Island author visits SS Library. Ideal for ages six to 12. 1 p.m.	<b>LIVE ENTERTAINMENT</b> <b>Hey Boy Hey Girl.</b> Live band at the Oystercatcher. 9 p.m. <b>Come Together.</b> Monthly African dance party with Iroko, Wontanara Drum & Dance and DJ Hinga. Beaver Point Hall. 8 p.m. (Doors at 7:30.) <b>El Zoco Locos Quartet.</b> Performs at El Zocalo Cafe. 7-10 p.m. <b>OTHER ACTIVITIES</b> <b>Salt Spring Garden Club Annual Plant Sale.</b> Farmers Institute, 1 p.m. sharp. <b>Mount Belcher Improvement District.</b> AGM at the Portlock Park portable. Info: 537-5347.	<b>LIVE ENTERTAINMENT</b> <b>Gene Grooms and Friends.</b> Every other Sunday at the Fulford Inn. <b>Flora Scott Trio.</b> Sunday dinner jazz at Salt Spring Inn. With Damian Graham and Ken Lister. 6-9 p.m. <b>OTHER ACTIVITIES</b> <b>Earth Day Celebration &amp; Green Calendar Launch.</b> Slide show of island photographers' work and live music at The Fritz theatre. 3:30-5 p.m. <b>Earth Day Celebration Choir.</b> A celebration of earth and human solidarity — in song. GISS multi-purpose room. Bring a pebble! 1:30-2:30 p.m. <b>OCP Review.</b> First draft town hall meeting. Lions Hall. 1-4 p.m. <b>Compassionate Communication.</b> Workshop in non-violent communication for individuals, couples, families or workplace. 9:30-4. Info: Ingrid, 653-9122.	<b>ACTIVITIES</b> <b>Osho Kundalini Moving Meditation.</b> 5:30 p.m. 537-2799. <b>CARE Open House.</b> New employment resource centre event. 105 McPhillips Ave. 11:30 a.m. - 2:30 p.m. <b>Eckhart Tolle Practising Presence Group.</b> 7:30 p.m. 537-2799. <b>Salty Yarners Knitting Group.</b> At Stitches. 7:30 p.m. Info: 538-0211. <b>Fire Hall Site Purchase Referendum &amp; Trustees Election.</b> Qualified electors/registered landowners can vote between 9 a.m. and 6 p.m. at the Ganges fire hall. <b>SSI Fire Protection District.</b> AGM at the Ganges fire hall, 7:30 p.m. <b>Tues April 22</b> <b>ACTIVITIES</b> <b>Universal Dances of Peace.</b> Sacred circle dances and chants for Earth Day. Lions Hall. 7 p.m. <b>SS Transportation Commission.</b> Meets at I-SEA meeting room. 7 p.m. Public welcome. <b>Fulford Community Hall Association.</b> AGM at the hall. 7 p.m.	<b>ACTIVITIES</b> <b>Simply Organic.</b> Free organ recital with Barry Valentine at All Saints. 10:10 a.m., followed by muffin & coffee for \$2. <b>Painters Guild Life Drawing.</b> Drop-ins welcome. ArtSpring. 9 a.m. to noon. Info: Jose, 537-1121. <b>Art Critique.</b> The Good, the Bad and the Ugly! Look at paintings the way jurors look at them. Group discussion. SS Painters Guild. Info: Jose, 537-1121. <b>GI School Board.</b> Special meeting to vote on the 2008/09 calendar. School board office. 1 p.m. <b>SS Garden Club.</b> Ted Baker speaks on Becoming Best Friends with your Dirt. Meaden Hall. 7 p.m. <b>SSI Golf &amp; Country Club.</b> AGM at the clubhouse. 5:30 p.m. <b>OCP Review.</b> First draft open house and town hall meeting. Lions Hall. Open house from 1-2:30 p.m.; town hall from 2:30-4, and 7-9 p.m.

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- Semi-Pro** — Will Ferrell continues his comedic look at professional sports: this time it's basketball in 1976. The maverick ABA is a fast-paced, wild and crazy basketball league that rivals the NBA and makes a name for itself with innovations like the three-point shot and slam dunk contest. Jackie Moon (Ferrell) is a one-hit wonder who used the profits from the success of his chart-topping song "Love Me Sexy" to achieve his dream of owning a basketball team. But Moon's franchise, the Flint Michigan Tropics, is the worst team in the league and in danger of folding when the ABA announces its plans to merge with the NBA. If they want to survive, Jackie and the Tropics must now do the seemingly impossible — win.

### CABLE TV

- Attention Shaw Cable TV Channel 11 viewers** — The Daily is your source for stories reflecting Salt Spring and southern Vancouver Island people and places. The program is about half an hour in length and repeats continuously during the day and evening with new stories added daily. On Wed., April 16, see a story about saving the Creekside rainforest. On Tues.-Wed., April 22-23, it's the Salt Spring Arts & Entertainment Report. For further details about community programming, call 537-1335.

### EXHIBITIONS

- J. Mitchell Gallery** presents the Spring Show, with work by 37 gallery artists, from April 4 to 22.
- Tina Spalding** is the featured artist for April in the **Salt Spring Coffee Co. cafe** in Ganges.
- Inspiration** — a **SSI Painters Guild** show and sale. April 4-20 at **ArtSpring**, from 10-5 daily.
- Size Matters** — Small works by gallery artists. **Steffich Fine Art**. Sat., April 5-19.
- The multi-artist and multi-media **DanceArt** show hangs in the **ArtSpring lobby** for the month of April.
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# Secret 'in the moors' at centre of original Stagecoach comedy

Follow the on-stage clues in a family-friendly mystery

BY AMY GEDDES  
DRIFTWOOD STAFF

A death can be an ending, but for Stagecoach theatre students, it was a beginning.

Stagecoach's next play begins with a funeral.

Set in a manor amidst the misty Yorkshire moors, the widow Lady Clare Rogers dies, possibly leaving an inheritance.

A funeral follows that unfolds into a plot laced with mystery and comedy.

And that's just about all Stagecoach students knew of the play when their teachers initiated a brainstorming/playwriting process in September.

The scene was given to the 18 students, and from there, it was up to them to etch out the characters they wanted to play.

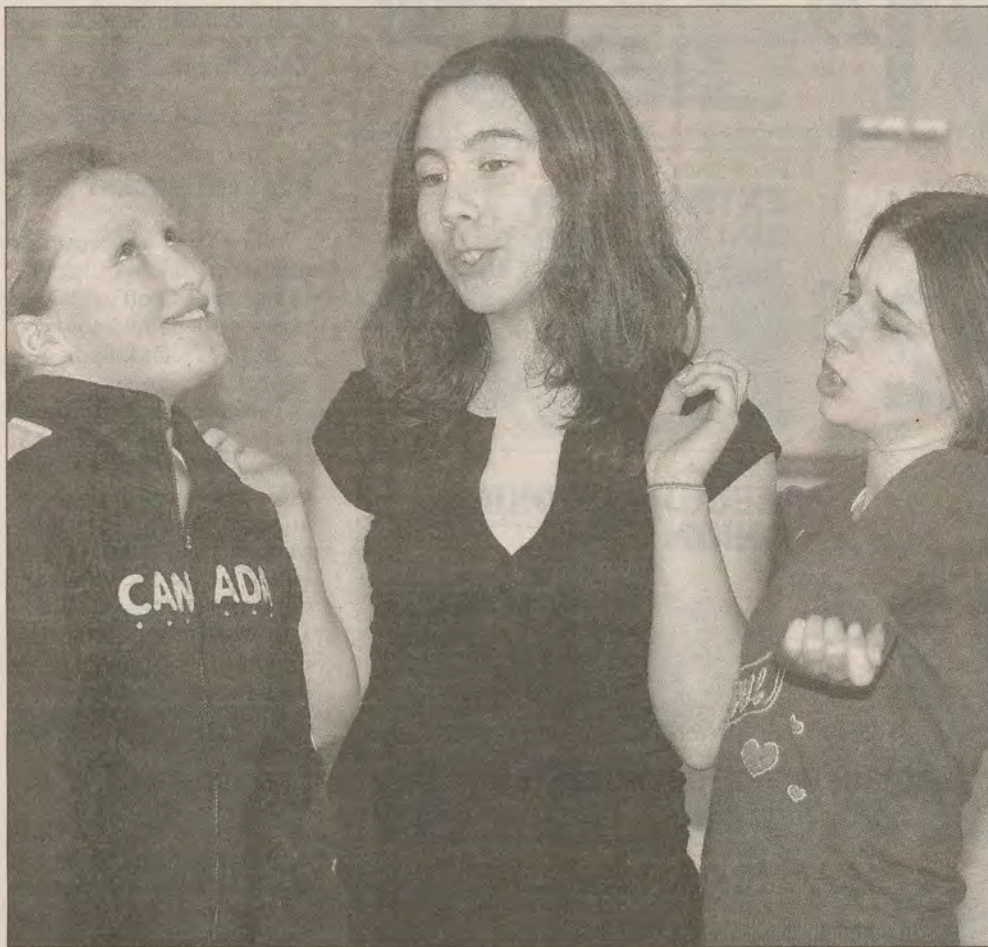
The result, seven months later, was a student-teacher collaborative production called *Will of the Mist*, a comedic musical mystery that boasts an original script and music score.

Geared for a family audience, it will be performed by Stagecoach Mainstage program students, aged nine to 13, at ArtSpring from April 24 to 26.

"These students are comedians by nature so we thought we'd make use of their talent," said Simon Henson, the play's head scriptwriter and Stagecoach's administrator, who knew the students had long wanted to perform a mystery.

Comedy was an element Henson felt necessary to take the "sinister" edge off to make it suitable for young viewers and families.

Stagecoach invites audiences to "come and unravel the secret hidden in the moors" with four befuddled detectives, a comedic gardener-housekeeper duo,



Stagecoach actors, from left, Codi Maya McIninch, Eartha Lister Linnell and Eva Olynyk rehearse for their upcoming *Will of the Mist* performance. PHOTO BY SIMON HENSON

Sniffer the clever bloodhound, who is more intelligent than his owner, a Latin lover, and a gang of riddle-solving youth sleuths and a host of other intriguing characters.

With music and lyrics by Karen Arney, choreographed by Sue Newman and with creative input and character-building from the students, Stagecoach emphasizes creating this play was a collaborative effort where creative ideas often surfaced during classroom workshops.

Stagecoach used the creation of *Will of the Mist* as a teaching tool which put Henson in dual role of teacher and scriptwriter.

He said it was a challenge to front both at the same time, but it also allowed him to tailor the script for each

of his students.

Henson assures audiences, "There is no filler or fluff. Each scene and bit of dialogue is important."

The play, that sees slapstick comedy numbers flanked by serious and touching scenes, is the grand finale to Henson's career as Stagecoach administrator since he will be retiring this month.

"It's my final bow," he said.

Stagecoach hopes to publish the piece in a script catalogue for other school groups to use in the future.

*Will of the Mist* will be performed at ArtSpring on April 24 and 25 at 7 p.m. and on April 26 at 2 p.m.

Tickets available from the ArtSpring Ticket Centre cost \$12 for adults and \$6 for children.

**"These students are comedians by nature so we thought we'd make use of their talent."**

SIMON HENSON  
Stagecoach administrator

Also watch for Stagecoach's upcoming performances: Turns, a spotlight theatre performance at 7 p.m. on April 28 and a term-end dance recital on May 31 at 7 p.m.



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## ARTS & ENTERTAINMENT

### JAZZ REVIEW

# Jodi Proznick show conjures memories of Ronnie Scott era

ArtSwings series closes with Sunday afternoon event

BY PETER VINCENT  
 DRIFTWOOD CONTRIBUTOR

When I was a kid running amuck in London, I snuck into Ronnie Scott's (the jazz mecca of the known universe) to see Weather Report.

The year isn't important, but let's just say that Carnaby Street was still the centre of the fashion world. It was an unforgettable ensemble of musicians, but the guy who stole the show was the stand-up bass player, Miroslav Vitous, a tall, lanky musician with unbelievably big hands.

No longer did the drummer seem like an over caffeinated Gene Kruppa. In fact, Cahill laid down a drum solo that left most of the audience staring in disbelief. It was that good.

From that point on, everyone on stage seemed to overcome the opiate effects of jet lag. Jazz emerged.

And it was a beautiful thing. Steve Kaldestad, fresh off six years marinating in the SOHO jazz scene of downtown London showed off his experience throughout, particularly in the bluesy, lounge melodies. The man was breaking hearts.

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His thumb to pinky wing-span must have been more than a foot. His slender fingers slid up and down that fret board like silk with superhuman precision and speed. From that night forth (at least in my books) Miroslav Vitous became the god of stand-up bass, to which all other musicians must aspire.

I am sure Jodi Proznick hadn't stepped foot on earth that night I sat nervously peeling the label off a Tuborg beer in the back row of Ronnie Scott's. But age is not the only difference between these two bassists. There is that physical thing.

The stand-up bass towers a good foot and a half above the diminutive Jodi. Observing her wrestling with that giant instrument, one has to wonder why her parents didn't buy her a cello. But there is a very essential similarity between Proznick and my bassist hero: a near preternatural love of the bass and the haunting, heart thumping sounds it can produce.

And produce she did. Accompanied by her pianist/husband Tilden Webb, sax player Steve Kaldestad, and drummer Jesse Cahill, the quartet hit the stage on a sunny Sunday afternoon at ArtSpring to a small but appreciative crowd. Fresh off a round of cross-country awards ceremonies, including the Junos in Calgary, and I am sure a frenzied series of small concerts such as this ArtSpring date, the quartet got off to a bit of a cool start. So cool, that for the first number of songs, I suspected the drummer had the wrong sheet music in front of him. I began to yearn for my garden.

And then it clicked. Whether it was my woefully unqualified ears, or that the band had reached cruising altitude, something shifted.

But of course, the band is called the Jodi Proznick Quartet for a reason: Jodi Proznick. Given her slight stature, it was inspiring listening to her make that stand-up bass talk.

One original piece entitled The Earl of York, written for her 28-pound house cat, turned into a perfectly syncopated phrasing of a giant feline rumbling across the kitchen floor.

On the other side of the spectrum was her beautiful, haunting piece written in memory of a friend passed away, entitled Les Spaces.

When Proznick plays within herself, it is breathtaking. There were times that when I squinted, and looked out through the corner of my eye, I was transported back to Ronnie Scott's, bell bottoms and all.

Finally, kudos to ArtSpring and the sponsors who made this ArtSwings series happen.

As Jodi Proznick rightly stated, we are so lucky to have a venue for these kinds of performances on our little island.

Jazz and classical music have fallen on hard times, as seen in the CBC's eviscerating of their FM programming on CBC Radio Two. Salt Spring is one of the blessed areas that has a facility like ArtSpring to support and attract these performers.

I sincerely hope they continue to bring in these rare musicians.

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**DANCING IN THE STREETS:** Members of Lasquirkus — a circus crew from Lasqueti Island — parade through Ganges Saturday, promoting their performance at Beaver Point Hall later that day.

CONTEMPORARY DANCE

# Lobby Dancers strut their stuff for the last time on April 25

International Dance Day marked at ArtSpring

In celebration of International Dance Day, Salt Spring's Lobby Dancers will make their final free appearance of the season in ArtSpring's lobby on Friday, April 25.

For the past four months the Lobby Dancers, a group of community dancers aged eight to 60 years, have been performing a contemporary dance piece in the ArtSpring lobby. It was created with Boston choreographer Danny McCusker last December.

Next Friday's show is performed in celebration of International Dance Day prior to the evening's Will of the Mist stage event by Stagecoach School for the

Performing Arts. Adding to the festivities, DanceArt, a month-long, dance themed art show will be on display in the lobby.

It begins at 6:40 p.m. "Even if you have already seen the Lobby Dance, you can view it from another vantage point and it will appear to be an entirely different choreography," notes a press release. "If you have not seen it previously, then this is your last chance!"

The performance is presented by Anna Haltrecht, the Made in B.C. Dance on Tour dance outreach coordinator and co-organizer Robbyn Scott.

It is sponsored by ArtSpring, Made in B.C. Dance on Tour, Dance Outreach, Salt Spring Coffee Company, Antler Ridge Dance Studio, Cats Pajamas Studio and The Dance Centre in Vancouver.

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International Dance Day was created in 1982 by the International Dance Committee of the International Theatre Institute, UNESCO, to be celebrated every year on and around April 29. The date commemorates the birthday of Jean-Georges Noverre (1772-1810), the creator of modern ballet.

LITERATURE

# Jane Rule essays on tap

Official launch events on Galiano and in Vancouver

A final book of essays by the late Jane Rule of Galiano Island has just been released by Sidney's Hedgerow Press.

According to press material, "Rule compiled *Loving the Difficult* in the months before she died in November 2007 of complications from liver cancer."

Only eight of the 38 essays had previously been published and most were written after Rule's retirement from fiction in 2000. The last piece in the collection, detailing the collapse of her famous swimming pool, was written just weeks before her death.

"Internationally acclaimed author of seven novels and three previous essay collections, Rule was an absorbing storyteller, a wise observer of human character, an astute political commentator and a fearless spokesperson for lesbian and gay rights.

"In *Loving the Difficult*, Rule reflects, with her usual wit, wisdom and honesty, on many subjects: political (censorship, same-sex marriage, income tax, the welfare state) to the personal (her education, her life as a writer, her partnership of 44 years with Helen Sonthoff, grief, old age, death)."

The book also contains family photographs from throughout Rule's life, including some from her childhood, some from her life with Helen Sonthoff and some of her Galiano home.

An official launch will take place in Vancouver at Heritage Hall on Main Street on Wednesday, April 23 at 7:30 p.m. and a further celebration will take place at Galiano's community hall at 4 p.m. on Saturday, May 3.

All are welcome at both events. For further information on the book and the events, see [www.hedgerowpress.com](http://www.hedgerowpress.com).

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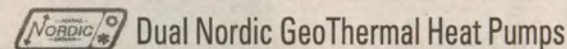
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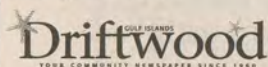


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### AFRICAN DANCE

# First of monthly African drum, dance nights opens doors at Beaver Point

Master musicians and dancers set to lead the way

For lovers of African music, rhythm and dance, the event of the season has arrived on Salt Spring.

On Saturday, April 19, Wontanara Drum & Dance presents the launching of a monthly drum and dance spectacular called Come Together! African Dance Party!

"We're talking eye-popping performances by Iroko, Wontanara Drum & Dance and special performances from master musicians and dancers from Africa," states a press release. As well, Victoria-based DJ Hinga will spin authentic African grooves, carrying dancers at Beaver Point Hall on into the night.

"The need for monthly gatherings, where people on the island are able to celebrate great music and culture, all while dancing the night away, became apparent to me," said Marielle Duranteau, organizer and co-teacher of the

popular weekly West African dance classes running on Salt Spring. "I wanted to create a venue where people in the community could celebrate African culture, which is so rich and diverse in music and dance."

Marielle and Mohamed Duranteau have been teaching dance classes on the island since July 2007. If people want to learn some great moves and get a sneak preview of the resonant sounds of Iroko in preparation for the event, they can drop in to the ongoing classes at All Saints By-the-Sea on Fridays from 4:30 to 6 p.m.

Doors for the April 19 dance open at 7:30 p.m. and the show starts at 8.

Advance tickets are \$15 and available at Acoustic Planet and Salt Spring Books, or \$18 at the door. Children 12 and under get in for free.

For more information about this event or the ongoing West African dance classes, contact Marielle at mariellecomeau@hotmail.com or by phone at 250-885-6315.



Marielle and Mohamed Duranteau of Wontanara Drum & Dance are part of Saturday night's African dance party.

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### FOLK DANCE

# Spectators' spots available for fifth annual dance festival

Popular event runs May 2-4 at Fulford Hall

With the fifth annual Salt Spring Island Folk Dance Festival falling into place for the May 2-4 weekend, it's time for islanders to make plans to watch some of the fun.

This year the festival founder Rosemarie Keough has extended an invitation to all islanders to watch the daytime workshops from the balcony at Fulford Hall and "view how joyful international folk dancing can be."

Spectators are welcome on Saturday and Sunday, May 3-4 from 9:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.

Registration for the festival fills up fast, but Keough said, "should you find this cultural activity - filled as it is with good fellowship, happiness and exercise - is to your taste," she can be reached by e-mail at rosemarie@keough-art.com to get names on the invitation list to fully participate in next year's workshops, parties and feasting.

The Salt Spring Island Folk Dance Festival is co-hosted annually by Rosemarie and her husband Pat.

This year's event features the culture of Armenia and Portugal in dance, music, instruments, costume and fabulous food.

Over the course of the weekend, participants learn several authentic village dances from expert teachers.

"This event is enthusiastically supported by off-islanders who come from near and far," said Keough's invitation.

"The festival is so popular that this year's registration, which opened in January, was completely filled within two weeks."

"So although I cannot invite you to dance or to share meals with us, you are very welcome to come during the daytime to watch. Also for next year, please be in touch if you'd like to dance, or might be interested in volunteering to assist with cooking and cleaning."

California, and Marianne Taylor from New Hampshire, will be teaching Armenian and Portuguese dances.

Together they share over a century of dance instruction.

"And not only are they both fabulous teachers," said Rosemarie, "they are wonderful dancers! Not only that, they are both musicians. What a lot of talent!"

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ROASEMARIE KEOUGH  
 Festival founder

Folk Voice Band of Seattle will play much of the music throughout the weekend.

"The selection of this band was made in direct response to requests following the previous festival for recreational international dancing during the evenings," says Rosemarie.

"Folk Voice Band's repertoire includes dance music from the Balkans to Scandinavia, from Russia to Wales and everything in between. You can hear them at www.folkvoiceband.com.

The Salt Spring festival falls a few days after International Dance Day on April 29, which is also being marked with an April 25 event at ArtSpring.

In addition, folk festival teachers will visit

## Spirit of Salt Spring



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6 PM	:00		Le Téléjournal	Heads Up		News	The Simpsons	News	News			CityCooks	That '70s Show	The Simpsons	News	News	News	CBC News: The National	News	Drake & Josh	
	:30			Mechanics/(-00) Minuscule	SportsCentre		King of the Hill				CTI News	Vancouver Report	CityNews International	Family Guy		KING 5 News				iCarly iLike Jake	
7 PM	:00	NHL Hockey Stanley Cup Playoffs - Detroit vs. Nashville (Live)	Virginie	Lemur Street	SportsCentre	El News	According to Jim	Entertainment Tonight	Etalk (N)	The Land	Degrassi: Next Gen.	Wheel of Fortune	That '70s Show	Two and a Half Men	Wheel of Fortune	Evening Magazine	Rick Steves' Europe	CBC News: The National	Entertainment Tonight	Malcolm in the Middle	Sportsnet Connected
	:30		L'Épicerie	Undersea Explorer		The Insider	The Simpsons	Ent. Tonight Canada	Access Hollywood	Pure in Heart	Friends [Part 2 of 2]	Jeopardy	That '70s Show	Two and a Half Men	Jeopardy	Inside Edition	Oregon Field Guide		The Insider	Prank Patrol Telekinesis	MLB Baseball - Seattle vs. Oakland (Live)
8 PM	:00		La petite séduction	Galileo's Sons		Deal or No Deal (N)	Coach	Big Brother: 'Til Death Do You Part (N)	Criminal Minds	Vancouver Nights	Wife Swap	America's Next Top Model (N)	'Til Death (N)	Democratic Presidential Candidate Debate	Deal or No Deal (N)	Illicit: The Dark Trade (N)		CBC News: The National	Big Brother: 'Til Death Do You Part (N)	Fries With That?	Oakland (Live)
	:30			In This Corner (N)			Coach		Elephant's Memory (N)	Iranian Pop		America's Next Top Model (N)	Back to You (N)						Monster Warriors		
9 PM	:00	the fifth estate	Grands Reportages [Partie 1 de 2]	MegaBridges Denmark to Sweden	Boxing Rumble at Rama IV - Molitor vs. Beltran Jr.	Inside Hollywood Celebrity Surgery (N)	The Standard	'Til Death (N)	American Idol 1 of 7 Voted Off (N)	Sabor Latino	Grey's Anatomy Sometimes a Fantasy	Girlicious Public Image (N)	Girlicious Public Image (N)	American Idol 1 of 7 Voted Off (N)	Law & Order: Criminal Intent Amends	The Truth About Cancer (N)		CBC News: The National	Criminal Minds Elephant's Memory (N)	Futurama My Three Suns	
	:30						Ustat	Back to You (N)												Shadow Raiders	
10 PM	:00	CBC News: The National	Le Téléjournal	For King and Country The Path to Victory	Boxing '05 Bout	Stunt Stars To Live or Die (N)	Cold Case Rampage	Family Guy	CSI: NY Like Water for Murder (N)	Hola Que Tal	Grey's Anatomy What I Am	Men in Trees Wander/ Lust (N)	Seinfeld	Q-13 Fox News at Ten	Men in Trees Wander/ Lust (N)	Law & Order: S.V.U. Executioner (N)		Thunderheads	CSI: NY Like Water for Murder (N)	Falcon Beach Local Heroes	Sportsnet Connected (Live)
	:30							Family Guy					Seinfeld								
11 PM	:00	The Hour	Le Téléjournal (-45) Fosse aux lions	Between the North Pole and New York City		News	It's a New Day	News	News	TV Patrol	News	Reviews on the Run	Frasier	Family Guy	News	News	Unnatural Causes Bad Sugar/ Place Matters	CBC News: The National	News	Mystery Hunters	Sportsnet Connected
	:30									CTV News	CTI News	The Tonight Show With Jay Leno (N)	CityNews International	Frasier	King of the Hill	ABC News Nightline	The Tonight Show With Jay Leno (N)		David Letterman	Ghost Trackers	
12 MID	:00	Arrested Development	La zone	The Perfect Home	Off the Record	Chelsea Lately (N)	Everybody Loves Ray	Entertainment Tonight	The Daily Show	Jai Fiji	Conan O'Brien	Jimmy Kimmel Live (N)	South Park	RENO 911!	Jimmy Kimmel Live (N)	Conan O'Brien	Gourmet's Diary	The Hour	(N)	Futurama My Three Suns	Ultimate Fighter 7
	:30	This Hour 22 Minutes	(45) Fosse aux lions		Billiards	Late, Late Show (N)	PR Maxx	Ent. Tonight Canada	The Colbert Report				South Park	M*A*S*H					Late, Late Show (N)	Malcolm in the Middle	

## THURSDAY APRIL 17

5 PM	:00	(4:00) NHL Hockey Stanley Cup Playoffs - Boston vs. Montreal (if necessary) (Live)	Match! Agent double	Timothy/(-15) Mama	(4:00) NHL Hockey Washington vs. Philadelphia	CHEK News	Growing Pains	Early News	CTV News at Five	Punjab Times	A Channel News at 5	The Ellen Degeneres Show (N)	My Wife and Kids	Malcolm in the Middle	KOMO 4 News	KING 5 News	Charlie Rose	The Hour	KIRO 7 News	SpongeBob SquarePants	(4:00) MLB Baseball - Toronto (Live)
	:30		L'Union fait la force (N)	Babar		News	Happy Days	Global National		Phoenix World News		CityCooks	That '70s Show	The Simpsons	ABC World News				CBS Evening News	SpongeBob SquarePants	
6 PM	:00		Le Téléjournal	Mentors/(-15) Tommy	NHL Hockey Stanley Cup		The Simpsons	News	News			CityCooks	That '70s Show	The Simpsons	News	News	News	CBC News: The National	News	Drake & Josh	
	:30			Reach for the Top			King of the Hill			CTI News	Vancouver Report	CityNews International	Family Guy			KING 5 News				Drake & Josh	
7 PM	:00	NHL Hockey Stanley Cup Playoffs - Western	Virginie	Profiles of Nature The Last Jungles in Africa	Playoffs - Colorado vs. Minnesota (if necessary) (Live)	El News	According to Jim	Entertainment Tonight	Etalk (N)	The Land	Degrassi: Next Gen.	Wheel of Fortune	The King of Queens	Two and a Half Men	Wheel of Fortune	Evening Magazine	Rick Steves' Europe	CBC News: The National	Ent. Tonight (N)	Malcolm in the Middle	Sportsnet Connected
	:30		Belle-Baie			The Insider	The Simpsons	Ent. Tonight Canada	Access Hollywood	Pure in Heart	Friends	Jeopardy	The King of Queens	Two and a Half Men	Jeopardy	Inside Edition	Ask This Old House		The Insider	Prank Patrol Lake Monster	MLB Baseball - Seattle vs. Oakland (Live)
8 PM	:00	Conference Quarter-final Game 5 - Calgary vs. San Jose (if necessary) (Live)	Le peuple invisible	Big Ideas for Planet Drive		Are You Smarter Than a 5th Grader?	Coach	Survivor I Promise... (N)	Eli Stone Soul Free (SF) (N)	What's in Vancouver? Main Office	Scrubs	America's Most Smartest Model	Smallville Descent (N)	Are You Smarter Than a 5th Grader?	Lost Ji Yeon	My Name Is Earl (N)	Nature What Females Want and Males Will Do	CBC News: The National	Survivor I Promise... (N)	Fries With That?	Seattle vs. Oakland (Live)
	:30			Design: E2	SportsCentre		Coach									30 Rock (N)				Monster Warriors	
9 PM	:00			Francesco's Italy The Garden of Italy		"To Be Announced"	The Standard	The Office (N)	CSI: Crime Scene Investigation A La Cart	Teri Meri Duniya	Don't Forget the Lyrics	Supernatural Mystery Spot	Supernatural Mystery Spot	Don't Forget the Lyrics	Lost Meet Kevin Johnson	The Office (N)	Nova Marathon Challenge	CBC News: The National	CSI: Crime Scene Investigation A La Cart	Futurama	
	:30			Score Golf TV (N)			Messages	My Name Is Earl (N)		Sadabahr Nagmae						Scrubs My Manhood (N)				Shadow Raiders	
10 PM	:00	CBC News: The National	Le Téléjournal	Why Democracy? Bloody Cartoons	Poker Night		Cold Case War at Home	Big Love The Baptism	ER .As the Day She Was Born (N)	Mor Deo Koi	To Be Announced	The Murdoch Mysteries Annoying Red Planet	Seinfeld The Slicer	Q-13 Fox News at Ten	Eli Stone Soul Free (SF) (N)	ER .As the Day She Was Born (N)	Frontline Sick Around the World	The Nature of Things Weather Report	Without a Trace 4G	Falcon Beach The Blame Game	Sportsnet Connected (Live)
	:30									Desi Rhythms			Seinfeld The Dinner Party								
11 PM	:00	The Hour	Le Téléjournal	For King and Country The Path to Victory		News	It's a New Day	News	News	TV Patrol	News	Realty Television	Frasier	Family Guy Chick Cancer	News	News	Rolling	CBC News: The National	News	Mystery Hunters	Sportsnet Connected
	:30									CTV News	CTI News	The Tonight Show With Jay Leno (N)	CityNews International	Frasier I Hate Frasier Crane	King of the Hill	ABC News Nightline	The Tonight Show With Jay Leno (N)		David Letterman	Ghost Trackers	
12 MID	:00	Arrested Good Grief	La zone	National Geographic Battle of the Arctic Giants	Off the Record	Chelsea Lately (N)	Everybody Loves Ray	Entertainment Tonight	The Daily Show	Punjabi Vibes	Conan O'Brien	Jimmy Kimmel Live (N)	South Park	RENO 911!	Jimmy Kimmel Live (N)	Conan O'Brien	Mexico: One Plate	The Hour	(N)	Futurama	Pratt & Taylor
	:30	Canadian Reflections	(45) Fosse aux lions		Billiards	Late, Late Show (N)	PR Maxx	Ent. Tonight Canada	The Colbert Report	Desi Rhythms			South Park	M*A*S*H					Late, Late Show (N)	Malcolm in the Middle	

## FRIDAY APRIL 18

5 PM	:00	(4:30) NHL Hockey Stanley Cup Playoffs - Nashville vs. Detroit (if necessary) (Live)	Lizzie McGuire	Timothy/(-15) Mama	(4:30) NHL Hockey Stanley Cup Playoffs - N.Y. Rangers vs. New Jersey (Live)	CHEK News	Growing Pains	Early News	CTV News at Five	Punjab Times	A Channel News at 5	The Ellen Degeneres Show (N)	My Wife and Kids	Malcolm in the Middle	KOMO 4 News	KING 5 News	Charlie Rose	The Hour	KIRO 7 News	SpongeBob SquarePants	(4:00) MLB Baseball - Detroit vs. Toronto (Live)
	:30		L'Union fait la force (N)	Babar		News	Happy Days	Global National		Phoenix World News		CityCooks	That '70s Show	The Simpsons	ABC World News				CBS Evening News	SpongeBob SquarePants	
6 PM	:00		Le Téléjournal	Fetch! With Ruff Ruffman Kratts' Creatures		News	The Simpsons	News	News			CityCooks	That '70s Show	The Simpsons	News	News	News	CBC News: The National	News	Thumb Wr./Prank Endurance	
	:30						King of the Hill			CTI News	Vancouver Report	CityNews International	Family Guy			KING 5 News					
7 PM	:00	CBC News	Janette	Emily of New Moon A Shadow in His Dream	SportsCentre	El News Canada	According to Jim	Entertainment Tonight	Etalk (N)	The Land	Degrassi: Next Gen.	Wheel of Fortune	The King of Queens	Two and a Half Men	Wheel of Fortune	Evening Magazine	Rick Steves' Europe	CBC News: The National		Ghost Trackers	Sportsnet Connected
	:30				NHL Hockey Stanley Cup	The Insider	The Simpsons	Ent. Tonight Canada	Access Hollywood	Pure in Heart	Friends	Jeopardy	The King of Queens	Two and a Half Men	Jeopardy	Inside Edition	KCTS Connects			Adrenaline Project Mush	MLB Baseball - Seattle vs. L.A. Angels (Live)
8 PM	:00	To Be Announced	Paquet voleur	The Royal Loved and Lost	Playoffs - Conference Quarter-final Game 5 - Dallas vs. Anaheim (if necessary) (Live)	Life Is Wild Animal House (N)	Sikh Virsa	House Son of Coma Guy	Ghost Whisperer Slam	Weekly News Forum CTS Night Club	Grand Star	Reaper	Friday Night Smackdown (N)	House Son of Coma Guy	Desperate Housewives Sunday	Most Outrageous	Washington Week	CBC News: The National	Ghost Whisperer Slam	Avatar	
	:30																				
9 PM	:00		On prend toujours un train	Michael Palin Journey's End		Women's Murder Club	The Standard	Canterbury's Law Sick as Your Secrets (SF) (N)	Duel (N)	Here Comes Ajumma	"Bewitched" ★★ (Com, '05) Nicole Kidman.	Stargate: SG-1 Babylon		Canterbury's Law Sick as Your Secrets (SF) (N)	Duel (N)	Dateline NBC	Bill Moyers' Journal	CBC News: The National	Moonlight The Mortal Cure	Futurama	
	:30						3D Dialogue													Bleach	
10 PM	:00	CBC News: The National	Le Téléjournal	The Perfect Home (N)		20/20	Cold Case Sandhogs	Numb3rs Graphic	Nip/ Tuck Lulu Grandiron (N)	Open Concert		The Collector The Mother	Seinfeld The Betrayal	Q-13 Fox News at Ten	20/20		"That's Entertainment! II" ★★★★★ (Mus. '76) Fred Astaire.	the fifth estate	Numb3rs Graphic	Death Note Silence Gundam S Destiny	Sportsnet Connected (Live)
	:30												Seinfeld The Pie								
11 PM	:00	The Hour	Le Téléjournal	Perspectives Call It Karma		News	It's a New Day	News	News	TV Patrol	News	Reviews on the Run	Frasier	Family Guy Barely Legal	News	News		CBC News: The National	News	Shadow Raiders	Sportsnet Connected
	:30									CTV News	CTI News	The Tonight Show With Jay Leno (N)	Ed and Red's Night Party	Frasier	King of the Hill	ABC News Nightline	The Tonight Show With Jay Leno (N)		David Letterman	Storm Hawks The Lesson	
12 MID	:00	Arrested Sack	La zone	RX for Survival Deadly Messengers	Off the Record	Chelsea Lately (N)	Everybody Loves Ray	ECW Wrestling	CSI: Miami	Vancouver Masala	Conan O'Brien	Jimmy Kimmel Live (N)	South Park	RENO 911!	Jimmy Kimmel Live (N)	Conan O'Brien	Burt Wolf: Travels	The Hour	(N)	Futurama	Ultimate Fighter 7
	:30	Kenny vs. Spenny	(45) Fosse aux lions		Score Golf TV	Late, Late Show (N)	Kingstar Media			Music Bank			South Park	M*A*S*H					Late, Late Show (N)	Invader Zim	





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Basket-weaver Solange Desormeaux demonstrates her craft at the Saturday market in Ganges.

CONCERT BAND

# Music meets the movies in Sounds of the Silver Screen

Friday night-only show celebrates best in film themes

BY GAIL SJUBERG  
DRIFTWOOD EDITOR

Fans of film and the music that brings the movies alive won't want to miss the Friday night Sounds of the Silver Screen show at ArtSpring.

Salt Spring Concert Band is presenting the multi-media evening that includes great arrangements of hit movie music, some of the films' trailers and a film created especially for the April 18 event.

"It'll be fun for every age," said band director Dawn Hage. "They'll get to see the movies and hear the music in one night."

The idea for the movie-themed concert came from results of a community-wide "favourites" survey the band conducted last year.

"We conducted a community-wide survey to find out what pieces were favourites with our audiences over the last decade," said Hage. "The number one choice was the soundtrack from Pirates of the Caribbean."

"We have also included a selection of two from the movies on most of our concerts and they are always a big hit, so I thought that a concert of nothing but movie music would be a lot of fun."

Hage was thrilled to find

all kinds of excellent concert band music spanning more than five decades of movie making. The classic Sound of Music and westerns such as The Magnificent Seven and The Good, the Bad and the Ugly are among pieces from earlier eras, while Pirates of the Caribbean: At World's End is the newest film to hit the screen.

The big-band jazz style of The Incredibles theme, plus music from Superman and Chicken Run will be a hit with all ages in the audience.

A "spooky" movie medley includes themes from gems such as Edward Scissorhands, Beetlejuice and Tales from the Crypt, and the high drama of The Legend of Zorro and Gladiator will also be recreated in music.

Mainstream films won't completely dominate the night, however, with More, the theme from the groundbreaking 1962 Italian film Mondo Cane, on the program.

Hage notes how comparing movie trailers from different film eras will be another interesting aspect of the concert.

"Actually, I was surprised to find that there were trailers for movies such as The Magnificent Seven," said Hage. "Special effects and flashy highlights have come a long way, but there is something very appealing about the slower, simpler style as well."

The evening's main event is the premiere of a short

film created by Matt Kollar to accompany an arrangement for concert band of the Fortuna Imperatrix Mundi from Carmina Burana by Carl Orff.

California musician and filmmaker Kollar is the son of Leslie Kollar, who plays tenor sax with the concert band.

"When I talked to the band about the idea of combining films and music on a concert, Leslie told me that was something her son did," explained Hage. "He was very happy to create a film to whatever music I gave him, so when I found the arrangement from Carmina Burana, I thought it would provide an exciting background for an original film."

"Matt has had a lot of fun making this film, and it will be a complete surprise for the band and the audience on Friday night."

The arts centre lobby and stage will also be decorated in theme, including props borrowed from Island Star Video's annual Oscar Night parties.

Sounds of the Silver Screen runs for one night only, so people should pick up or reserve their tickets from ArtSpring as soon as possible.

They cost \$16 for adults, \$10 for youth and the concert is eligible for the \$5 EyeGo to the Arts admission for high school students who show a valid student card.

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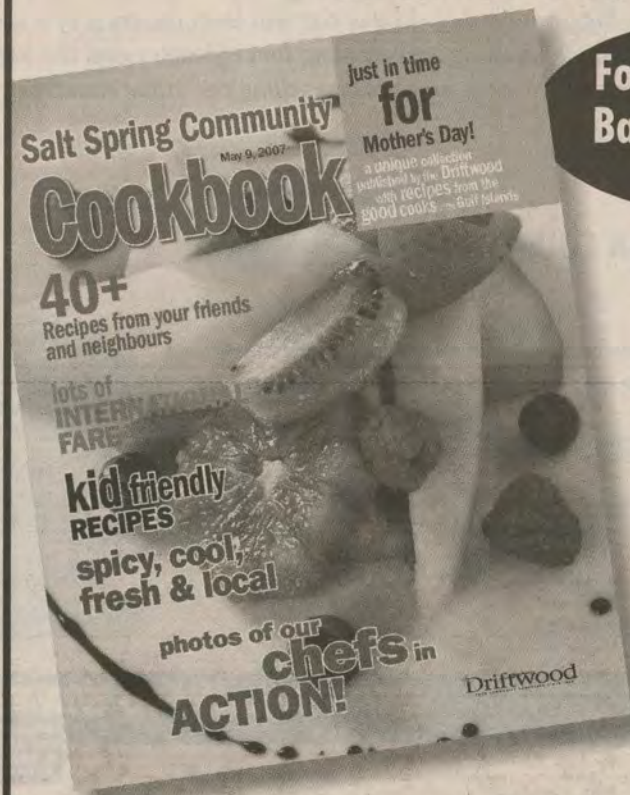
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NEW CAR REVIEW

## 2008 Chevrolet Avalanche maxes out on comfort

Kid-friendly vehicle also boasts fuel-management system

BY JEANNIE OWENS-WALLACE

SPECIAL TO THE DRIFTWOOD

Living the real Canadian experience to the fullest may require a vehicle with hauling capability, cargo capacity and off-road compatibility. GM fills this tall order with the 2008 Chevrolet Avalanche, topping it with

cherry-on-top comfort and the appeal of a stylish family ride.

This GM cocktail is one part SUV and one part pickup truck. The secret to this transformation is an ingeniously designed fold-down outer mid-gate. Raise the mid-gate and place panels over the truck box for a secure SUV; lower the mid-gate and strap-in the panels along the box for a totally unique truck.

**"Personally, I enjoy driving the Avalanche," says Jenner. "I like the versatility, room and comfort that it provides for my family."**

FRED JENNER  
General Manager

Fred Jenner, general manager of Jenner Chevrolet Corvette, drives an Avalanche.

His family's involvement in sports and community activities, as well as the travelling they do, make the Avalanche the right choice for them.

"Personally, I enjoy driving the Avalanche," says Jenner. "I like the



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## Avalanche is one cool ride

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versatility, room and comfort that it provides for my family."

Built on Chevrolet's platform for their full-size SUV, the Avalanche has a great deal of room to spread out on.

The Avalanche's powerful engine is a 5.3-litre V8 engine for 320 horsepower on the two-wheel-drive version and 310 horsepower on the four-wheel-drive model.

In an attempt to save on fuel, GM has an active fuel management system on the Avalanche that moves from eight cylinders to four when the engine is cruising at a steady speed; a transfer that was so seamless I didn't notice a difference in power.

Just like the crantinis I like to make, GM can't totally hide the amount of fuel consumed when the hangover at the pumps the next morning belies the amount of gas it takes to fill the Avalanche's tank.

Fuel ratings based on gasoline (the Avalanche can also run on E85 ethanol) are 15.4 litres per 100 km in the city and 10.4 litres per 100 km on the highway.

While the Avalanche may not be made for commuting (unless it's into a logging camp), it is meant for so much more.

The only prerequisite to owning an Avalanche might be a love of the outdoors. Jenner adds, "The Avalanche appeals to a broad range of people mainly for its versatility."

The Avalanche has a 5'3" long cargo box. Once the mid-gate (a foldable door between the cargo box and cab, with storage pocket for rear glass) is removed and the rear interior seats lowered, the cargo bed of the Avalanche extends to 8'2" long.

The width of the cargo box is 4'2" long. Pre-grooved treads run the length of the bed — quad ready.

It's people-ready too. On either side of the cargo box, there are grab handles to pull up on and extra, lockable storage units.

Tinted (solar ray) glass, assist steps, manual foldaway power adjustable heated side

mirrors and 17-inch wheels are standard on the exterior. Avalanches come with heavy-duty towing equipment since they can pull 3,720 kg (8,200 lbs).

I test drove the top-of-the-line Avalanche LTZ that has power retractable assist steps (perfect for petite people), roof rails and side bars, sunroof; polished aluminum 20-inch wheels and halogen fog lights.

These accessories are really garnishes to the intoxicating concoction of SUV/truck that is the 2008 Chevrolet Avalanche, as the lingering side-glances from other motorists and passers-by seemed to attest.

Mind you, from where I sat in the driver's seat, those looks could have been anxiousness. Far from meek, the menacing grille and size of the Avalanche are intimidating.

That's precisely why it's so surprising how comfortable the Avalanche is to drive and maneuver, smooth to control and quiet to be in.

Electronic stability control, dual stage driver and front passenger airbags and front-to-rear, side curtain head bags are standard.

There are obvious disadvantages in visibility, so the rearview camera system is a must have since otherwise it would be impossible to know what's directly behind you if near the bumper.

The LTZ came with a complete entertainment package and all the interior accoutrements you'd expect on a luxury GM car. That would mean OnStar, XM satellite radio, power adjustable pedals, power adjustable leather-appointed power reclining front bucket seats, dual-zone air conditioning and a six-disc CD player with MP3 playback, as well as a rear DVD monitor with a pair of remote headset controls.

Cruising around in a ride this cool you can imagine how hard it was to convince my kids we had to bring it back to the dealership. They looked so darned happy ensconced in their comfy sofa-like setting I didn't have the heart to tell them how tricked out the 2008 Chevrolet Avalanche looks with the sunroof open and the mid-gate down. Might as well go for a soda ....

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## CLASSIC CARS

# Tale of two Auburns reveals classic passion

Vancouver-bought vehicles saved from obsolescence

BY ALYN EDWARDS  
SPECIAL TO THE DRIFTWOOD

How the 1928 Auburn 8-115 convertible sedan made it from the world-class Brussels Auto Salon in Belgium to a showroom on Vancouver's downtown Georgia Street may never be known. What is known is that in 1929, a mining entrepreneur named Barney Boe was returning home from an outing at the Vancouver Rowing Club in Stanley Park when he spotted the gleaming black four-door convertible and decided to buy it.

It was a Sunday and the dealership was closed. But Boe had already travelled around the world from his native Norway to the goldfields of Alaska and B.C.'s Cariboo region, and he wasn't going to let the fact that the dealership was closed stop him from buying the car.

He copied down the emergency number from the dealership door and got the salesman to come in to service the car and take his 1927 Studebaker roadster in on trade. The big, beautiful Auburn had an 8 cylinder engine with 115 hp and would do 85 miles per hour

— a nearly unheard of speed for the day. It cost \$2,095, which was four times what most people were used to paying for their automobiles.

Boe was born in Norway in 1887 — the oldest of seven children. He left home at age 14 because he couldn't get along with his stepmother. He made his way to America by working on sailing ships and landed in San Francisco just before the earthquake and devastating fires of 1905. He learned English from a Chinese cook while washing dishes in a restaurant.

From there, he travelled to Alaska to work the goldfields with his cousin. In 1909, he travelled south to New Westminster, just east of Vancouver, where he helped log Queens Park when it was virgin timber. In the teens, he apprenticed as a plumber, eventually starting his own business — B. Boe & Son on Vancouver's downtown Seymour Street across from the Hudson's Bay store. His son-in-law Bill Duncan ran that business until 1973.

Boe became the owner of the Cariboo Gold Mines at Keithley Creek near Likely in the wild west B.C. Interior. The Auburn regularly travelled hundreds of miles from Vancouver through the perilous Fraser Canyon's gravel



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Jack Cliffe with the very rare 1930 Auburn speedster he restored from a pile of parts found in the basement of a North Vancouver home. It was his second Auburn project, the first being the 1928 model once owned by Barney Boe.

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### AUBURNS

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roads and up through the British Columbia interior. The car would log 200,000 miles in just a few years.

The Auburn convertible sedan ended up with Boe's son and disaster struck. In the late 1930s, the general store at Keithley Creek burned to the ground with the Auburn parked next to it. The back end of the car, with its wooden framework and the wooden top bows, was burned beyond repair. Barney Boe Junior discarded the entire rear section after deciding to turn the car into a boat-tail speedster, which was an exotic body style also manufactured by the Auburn Cord Duesenberg company of Auburn, Indiana.

Sadly, the younger Boe never completed the work on the Auburn. He went missing in action during World War II after being shot down over Holland in 1943. The partially dismantled Auburn looked like it would end up in the scrap heap and be lost forever.

Flash ahead to 1970. An elderly man spots a photograph of Bart Nygard's 1932 Auburn convertible coupe on the wall of Nygard's used furniture store on Lonsdale Avenue in North Vancouver. The man tells Nygard he knows where there is another Auburn. Six weeks

later, he would come back to the store after remembering who owned the car.

During the war, a woman named Phyllis Duncan had donated the Auburn to the war effort so women could take classes to learn how to repair cars. Nygard telephoned his fellow vintage car enthusiast Jack Cliffe and the hunt was on.

**The Auburn regularly travelled hundreds of miles through the perilous Fraser Canyon's gravel roads . . .**

Cliffe was a B.C. Hydro lineman with a passion for cars. He had restored a Ford Model T and a Ford Model A sports coupe. The thought of finding a rare Auburn convertible sedan became an obsession.

By searching the telephone book for the rural Fraser Valley community of Langley, Cliffe traced Duncan to a 50-acre farm in south Langley. The now decrepit Auburn was stored in the barn there. Duncan was Boe's daughter and Boe,

the original owner of the Auburn, was still very much alive.

An unusual deal was struck between Duncan and Cliffe. She would put up \$8,000 to restore the sad remains of the once magnificent automobile and Cliffe would do the restoration. And it would become their "mutual" property.

The painstaking restoration took five long years. The rear section of the car had been discarded years before along with the convertible top bows and mechanism. Cliffe sourced out the owners of the six other similar Auburn convertible sedans that were still in existence and found one owner in Chicago who agreed to supply measurements and patterns for the missing pieces.

When the car was finished, Cliffe drove the Auburn to Langley to take Phyllis and her father for a drive. It was the first time the Auburn had been on the road in almost 40 years.

In the years since, Cliffe took Boe and Duncan for many rides in the Auburn. Boe passed away at the age of 105 in 1992. Duncan died six years ago. The Auburn lives on as a memorial to Boe's life of adventure and accomplishment.

But the story of Jack Cliffe and Auburn motorcars doesn't end there. Ten years after he completed the restoration of the 1928 Auburn

convertible sedan, Jack would hear an almost unbelievable story about pieces of another Auburn that were stored in the basement of a North Vancouver house. And it was an ultra rare Auburn boat tail speedster.

Long-time car enthusiasts remember a yellow and black eight cylinder Auburn speedster running around

North Vancouver back in the 1950s. Could this be that car? Cliffe had to have what was left of the Auburn stored in the North Vancouver house. He paid \$250 for the chassis, hood, radiator shell and wheels, and began to find the other parts he needed.

The parts Cliffe couldn't find he made from patterns taken from a Seattle car he

tracked down. Today, the red and black 1929 Auburn boat tail speedster, that was once one of Vancouver's sportiest cars, is stored in garages at Cliffe's Coquitlam home alongside the 1928 Auburn convertible sedan that Boe bought on a Sunday out of a showroom on Vancouver's Georgia Street nearly 80 years ago.

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# Is buying a used car a good way to save?

Spring is here and you might be shopping for a new car, but your finances do not allow you to buy a brand new one. And, since your older vehicle is slowly dying away, you must move fast. What about a good used car? It might turn out to be the best deal you'll ever find in the automotive market. Especially if you go for a late-model used car or truck.

Buying a used car is not the risky business it used to be some 20 years ago. Indeed, most recent vehicles have proven to be very reliable even after more than 10 years on the road. What's more, there is an incredible array of used cars and trucks on the market so their prices can be very attractive.

Many new car dealers have a great choice of recent used cars and trucks that come, most of the time, with an interesting warranty. Some car companies have even set up a special used car program for their best items.

But before you rush off to a dealership, look through newspapers and start making a choice. Try to find earlier automotive articles on the vehicles you might

be looking for. You might also want to buy one of those consumers' publications that rates used cars to learn about their strong and weak points. Finally, don't try to look for the "deal of the year." Try to find the best vehicle possible at the best price possible. A good used car can give you years of service at a fraction of the price of a new one.

### Why choose a late model used car?

When shopping for a used vehicle, try to concentrate on the late-model ones.

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Indeed, cars and trucks built over the last three to five years include a lot of new technology, which can provide better performance, reliability or safety.

This aspect is often overlooked, because many consumers with older cars or trucks may not be aware of newer, safety technology, such as antilock braking systems (ABS), electronic stability control (ESC), airbags or even brake assist.

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### 20 years ago.

As well, a more recent used car offers better fuel economy technology. You may end up paying a little more for a late-model used vehicle, but some of that money will be recouped with better fuel economy. Chances are also good that the salesperson guiding you in your purchase will know more about the vehicle after it's been on the market for a few years or months!

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it. This solution is not possible in fancier wheels.

Therefore, the proud owner of a beautiful car with great-looking wheels must be equipped with the best wheel-cleaning materials on the market.

Indeed, a quick visit to your local auto parts store will let you discover a full array of brushes and products to help you keep the wheels clean. While you're there, if you want to keep those fancy wheels straight, why not buy a torque wrench and follow the manufacturer's recommendations to properly tighten the lug nuts? As insignificant as it may seem, such advice will help you avoid warped disk brakes.

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## Island soccer star Beijing bound

Victory clinches Olympic spot

BY SEAN MCINTYRE  
DRIFTWOOD STAFF

Clare Rustad's soccer career has already featured some pretty big games and that's not about to change as she and her teammates prepare to take on the world's best at the 2008 Beijing Summer Games.

Rustad and the rest of the Canadian national women's soccer team clinched a spot in the Olympic games after defeating Mexico 1-0 in Ciudad Juarez last week.

"The atmosphere was just unbelievable," Rustad said from her apartment in North Vancouver Tuesday morning. "Of the 23,000 fans, I think maybe 10 of them were Canadian."

Despite the Mexican side's home-field advantage, another strong defensive performance from the Canadians set the stage for the game's lone goal.

Rustad, who estimates she's only been home for five days in the past seven weeks, would like to think things are back to normal now that she's able to catch up on her laundry and water her plants.

Then again, she questioned what a normal life is supposed to look like.

On Saturday, Rustad's team finished up the Olympic qualifying tournament with a one-all draw against the heavily favoured U.S. team. The Canadian squad came out of the Confederation of North, Central Amer-



Clare Rustad, right, fights for the ball in recent soccer action.

ican and Caribbean Association Football event with a 3-0-1 record.

The second-place finish marks the first time a Canadian soccer team has qualified for the Olympics in 24 years. It is the first such appearance for the women's program.

Rustad, who played the full 90 minutes in matches against Mexico and the U.S., said finishing the tournament in second place is a great sign for the team's Olympic aspirations.

But, she added, the days when Canada and the United States dominated the world of women's soccer are long gone.

"Women's soccer has really come a long way lately," she said. "Teams have done a lot of catching up and the

competition is much stronger."

On Monday, Rustad found herself in a competition of an altogether different kind during an interview with staff at the University of Toronto's Faculty of Medicine.

She's already been accepted into medical school at McGill University this fall, but is keeping her options open.

"I was still so shellshocked that Toronto looked like a great place to live," she said.

After a two-week break, Rustad will rejoin teammates at a training camp in Vancouver before heading to Washington, D.C. to compete in a friendly international game against the United States. In May the

"Women's soccer has really come a long way lately."

CLARE RUSTAD  
Player, Canadian National Women's Team

team heads to Australia. In June, they're off to Korea. She said the team hopes to arrive in Beijing a week before the Olympics begin on Aug. 6.

Robert Rustad and Nancy Macdonald said they won't likely be able to make the trip to see their daughter play in China, but will be cheering her and the team on wherever they may find themselves.

"She's worked really hard for this," Robert said on Monday in an interview from his home on the island's south end. "This is something she decided she was going to do."

Rustad and her siblings, he said, have always been encouraged to set up realistic goals.

Since they were a young age, they've taken the initiative and set out to accomplish their dreams, he added.

"After that, you've got to go out there and work your socks off."

Rustad said she hopes to stop by the island during her break to visit family and friends before competition resumes later this spring.

## Week's top bowlers named

High scores in recent bowling league play were:

Special Olympics, March 26: Gloria Dale, 157, 145, 141; Mahjor Bains, 180, 213, 156; Stuart Elliott, 143;

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Jimmy Beck, 160.  
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SPORTS & RECREATION

# Unlucky number six plagues Flames in first playoff series

Referees need to recognize playoff game importance



Patrick Cwiklinski

LET'S TALKSPORTS

The 2008 Stanley Cup Playoffs, minus the Vancouver Canucks, got underway last week and with them came the controversy of any good playoff series.

The Calgary Flames and San Jose Sharks battled it out in sunny north California with the underdog Flames taking a quick 1-0 series lead over the powerhouse Sharks.

Game 2 looked as if it was going to be another entertaining match-up against these two teams, but it just didn't feel like luck was on the Flames' side.

Six straight penalties resulting in Calgary spending over 10 minutes of the first 40 minutes of the game killing off penalties, was enough to get Flames head

coach Mike Keenan furious, and for good reason.

The Flames found themselves falling behind because of some really questionable calls from the referees who seemed to be more interested in making the game a living hell for Calgary instead of giving out equal punishment or at least something that was justified.

I'm not usually one to side with Mike Keenan or his Flames, but in this case there's a really good argument for why they're so upset over the extra attention.

So if the Flames had won the game would it have been

such a big deal? Of course not.

But the fact that there was shady officiating accompanied by a loss is enough to make any team bitter.

Meanwhile, you have the Sharks in their home arena in front of a sell-out crowd, but do they get six straight penalties?

No. I'm sure it has something to do with the team being more disciplined than the Flames, but still you can't help thinking that there's a mini-game of "favourites" going on with in this very important playoff game.

But before Flames fans get all angry and start sending letters to the NHL demanding those referees be fired, I'd like to point out that mistakes do happen and, believe it or not, officials are also human.

Players have their off-nights and so do refs. The stakes may be higher if

a ref makes a bad call in a win or go home situation and I agree that they should be fair and able to balance out the penalties somehow unless one team is way out of hand, but at the end of the day is it really worth the angry interviews and evil eyes if you're not going to change anything anyway?

You want referees to be people who regulate games to stop them from becoming riots and, most of the time, at least in the NHL, I think they do a pretty good job of doing just that. On the flip side, you can't give out penalties because either you're intimidated by the fans or you yourself don't really see what's going on or you weren't paying enough attention.

My message to refs all across the NHL: Do your job, but save the penalty box homecoming for the regular season.

TENNIS

## GISS takes on best in tennis court fight

Tennis players rally after late start

With less than three weeks to go before the provincial finals begin, the Gulf Islands Secondary School (GISS) 2008 tennis season may be the shortest organized sports season in town.

But the limited timeline, brought about by a two-week spring break, miserable weather and an overlap with basketball, soccer and baseball seasons isn't dampening the spirits of head coach Jack Barclay.

"We're struggling, but fortunate to have a lot of talented kids on the team," he said before taking to the courts at Portlock Park Monday afternoon.

A team comprising five

boys and five girls will make a trip to Vancouver Island Thursday where the team will play Shawnigan Lake and Brentwood Bay secondary schools.

Despite the host schools' reputations as tennis superpowers, GISS players proved worthy opponents in 2007.

"These are strong tennis schools," Barclay said. "That's what they do, whereas I'm always trying to create a team."

Barclay said a firm commitment from several players means Salt Spring stands a good chance of repeating last year's strong tourney showing on Vancouver Island.

The team also plays Frances Kelsey Secondary School before the end of the month to wrap up the Spring tennis season.

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**PONY CLUB:** Salt Spring Pony Club members participating on B, C and D teams at a regional quiz event gathered for a photo with their winners' ribbons.

EQUESTRIAN

# Pony club members show good horse sense at quiz

Several qualify for national event

Salt Spring Island Pony Club members attended the regional quiz, a test of knowledge and horsemanship, held in Comox on April 7.

Salt Spring was represented in four divisions, reported rider Kaya Hunter, with the peewee and B groups competing only as individuals.

Emma Thomas placed third in the peewee division.

Hunter said the Salt Spring Island "Bs" placed as follows: in first place was Kaitlin Fraser, second place,

Sierra Boudreau, in fourth place was Sonja Kornelsen and in fifth place was Sam Charlton.

The C and D divisions competed both as teams and individuals.

Salt Springers Hunter and Cara Akerman joined forces with Carly Reynolds of Duncan and placed second as a team, with Hunter and Reynolds placing second and third respectively as individuals.

Two D teams from Salt Spring attended the event.

The first team was made up of Hannah and Elise Pearson, Becky Mason and Robin Bulger.

As a team they placed

first and as individuals Elise Pearson and Mason placed fourth and fifth respectively.

The second D team was made up of Sarah Rowse, Nima McDuff, Hannah James and Chloe Esposito.

The top four individuals from the B and C divisions will go on to represent the B.C. Island Region at National Quiz in October in Ottawa.

"We are grateful for the support of GVM and Thrifty's," said Hunter, "and of course to Wendy Charlton of the pony club for her enthusiasm and encouragement as a stable-management mentor and coach."

YOUTH SOCCER

# Alonso squad still in A-Cup play

All other metro and selects players finished their season

One Salt Spring soccer player is still in the running to compete in the provincial A-Cup championship with his Victoria United Selects team.

Adrian Alonso's U14 squad won its quarter-final match against Vancouver Selects 1-0 last Saturday. The team now advances to the semi-finals against Richmond this weekend, putting it in striking distance of a provincial cup berth.

In seasonal league play, Alonso's squad took second in its pool, garnering 25 points and a 7-4-5 record.

All other Salt Spring metro (girls) and selects (boys) players have been knocked out of A-Cup competition following the conclusion in March of their off-island soccer season.

Callum Gunn's U17 selects team, coached by Randolph Cuthbert (Cutty), garnered kudos from the Lower Island Soccer Association when it took first place in the U18 Div. 2 league with 38 points. The team won 12 games, tied two and lost only four all season.

However, the team was knocked out in the second round of provincial A-Cup play to Burnaby in a 3-1 match.

U16 Salt Spring selects player Keegan Pearson's Victoria United team placed

second in its pool after league play (28 points, 9-1-2), but then lost to a Burnaby team (1-0) in A-Cup quarter-finals.

Kevan Brown's U15 team placed fourth in its pool (27 points, 8-3-8) and lost its first round of cup play against Peace Arch Selects in a 2-1 match.

On the girls' side, Salt Spring U15 metro players Sierra Lundy and Grace Morgan's team ended the season sixth overall with 36 points and an 11-3-6 record. Their team lost the A-Cup quarter-finals 2-1 to Surrey.

Meredith Raddysh's U17 squad also finished sixth overall (24 points, 6-6-6) and was knocked out of cup play in the quarter-finals 1-0 against Coquitlam.

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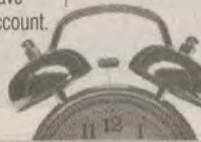
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### Clancy, John Anthony (Jack) MBE, MC, CD. LCol (Rtd.)

Graduate University of Toronto, 1940. Served Canada with distinction. WW II; paratrooper British 6 Airborne Division; escaped POW; D-Day; Korea; Commanding Officer 2 R.C.R. London.

Born August 27, 1918 in Walkerton, Ontario and died peacefully March 17, 2008 on Salt Spring Island, B.C. Beloved husband of the late Joan Marion Clancy (nee Mollison) (2006). Predeceased by daughter Ann (1999), granddaughter Allison Kelly (1988) and son Sean I (1946). Jack will be greatly missed by his loving children Michael, James (Debbie), Mark, Julia, Robin, Sean Andrew (Jennifer); grandchildren Jonathan, Kate, Allison, Daniel, Elliot, Jasmine, Nicholas, Emily and Alex. Jack will be remembered by his family and friends for his faith, commitment to public service, kind heart, generous spirit and his bravery and indomitable courage.

Special thanks to Doctor David G. Woodley and to the Mollies. Requiem mass on August 27, 2008 at 11 am at Our Lady of Grace Church, 135 Drake Road, Salt Spring Island. In lieu of flowers please consider a donation to Lady Minto Hospital Foundation, 135 Crofton Rd., Salt Spring Island, B.C. V8K 1T1.

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#### DEATHS



### OSBURN, Muriel Sinclair

It is with sadness that we announce the passing of Muriel Osburn (nee Sinclair) on April 12th, 2008 at the age of 92 years.

Muriel Jarvis Sinclair was born in Toronto on April 3rd, 1916. She attended Branksome Hall in Toronto, and spent her summers in Algonquin Park at Camp Tanamakoon. Muriel had always wanted to be a nurse and upon graduation she enrolled in the nursing program at the Hospital for Sick Children in Toronto and graduated with honours.

In 1943 Muriel enlisted with the Canadian Army as a Nursing Sister with the Royal Canadian Army Medical Corps. She was posted overseas at the No 24 Canadian General Hospital in Surrey, England. One of her patients was Major Fred Tilson who lost both legs in action and he requested Muriel accompany him in his wheelchair to Buckingham Palace when King George V awarded him the Victoria Cross.

In 1945, Muriel volunteered to join the Canadian Army of Occupation in Germany as a nursing sister and was stationed near Oldenburg. It was here that she met William Osburn who was also serving with the Canadian Army. When discharged in 1946, Bill and Muriel returned to Canada and were married in Toronto on June 14th, 1947. They settled in West Vancouver, B.C. and resided there for many years, raising two children. Upon Bill's retirement in 1977, they moved to Salt Spring Island, first residing on Sunset Drive and moving to Brinkworthy Estates in 1990. For the past two years, Muriel has been a resident of Lady Minto Hospital and the concern & support of the caring staff has been much appreciated by the family.

Muriel always enjoyed nursing and was on the staff when Greenwoods Care Facility first opened. Upon her retirement, she volunteered with the Thrift Shop and Seniors for Seniors and enjoyed evenings with friends at the local Legion.

Muriel was predeceased by her husband of 57 years, Bill, in 2004. She will be held forever in the hearts of daughter Jayne Lapointe (Raymond), son Peter Osburn and grandson Garth Lapointe and her dear friend Wendy Smith. Muriel will be sadly missed and lovingly remembered by her sister Gwynneth (Ginty) Powell, of Toronto, ON and brother Robert (Bob) Sinclair, of Mississauga, ON and their children and families.

A memorial tea service will be held on Friday, May 9th at 2:00 pm in the ECU Recreation Room of Lady Minto Hospital, 135 Crofton Road, Salt Spring Island.

Friends wishing to do so may make a donation in memory of Muriel to the BC SPCA Salt Spring Island Branch (PO Box 522, Salt Spring Island, BC, V8K 2W2) or The Royal Canadian Legion Branch 92 (120 Blain Road, Salt Spring Island, BC, V8K 2P7).

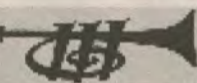
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**ArtSpring Treasure Fair Annual Auctions & Community Flea Market**  
July 17-19, 2008  
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**UNITARIAN FELLOWSHIP**  
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**CAMPGROUND HOSTS**, wanted for new campground. Mature couple with trailer preferred. For more information please call 537-7861.

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**SCHOOL DISTRICT #64 (Gulf Islands)**  
Invites applications for a **Grade 7/8 French Immersion Teacher** at Saltspring Island Middle School (temporary, 1.0 FTE)  
For further information, refer to School District #64 website at [www.sd64.bc.ca/staff.html](http://www.sd64.bc.ca/staff.html).

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Must be flexible, have an eye for detail and be able to work independently. Duties include maintaining cleanliness of cottages and upkeep of laundry. Some reception, painting and light groundskeeping duties may be required. 20 - 32 hrs/week.  
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**CAREER OPPORTUNITY Full Time/Part-time Position REQUIRED IMMEDIATELY**

We currently have an opportunity available for a highly motivated team player to join our fast paced insurance office. Insurance experience would be an asset but not essential. Training, a competitive salary and benefits package will be provided to the successful applicant.

If you are a mature energetic, people person, looking for a challenging career on Salt Spring, you may be the individual we are looking for.

Please forward your resume to:  
SeaFirst Insurance, 1103-115 Fulford-Ganges Road, Salt Spring Island, B.C., V8K 2T9



**SUMMER DAY CAMP LEADERS**  
Salt Spring Island Parks & Recreation

Salt Spring Island Parks and Recreation Commission is looking for innovative and enthusiastic leaders to create a fantastic experience for participants of its 2008 Camp Colossal summer daycamp program. Camp Colossal is a 42 day, Monday to Friday program, that takes place in July and August with a focus on local outdoor activities and crafts for children in the 5 to 12 age group, as well as a number of off-island day trips. Must be able to work one-week in mid June for training and program set-up.

This is a bargaining unit position (CUPE Local 1989). Camp Leaders will be employees of the Capital Regional District (CRD) and are paid every two weeks at a rate of \$13.30/hr plus 11% in lieu of benefits (14.76/hr).

First Aid Certification, a Class "4" B.C. Drivers Licence and a clean driving record are mandatory. Lifeguard Certification is an asset.

Reply in writing, on or before April 18, 2008, including a resume and references, to:

**Camp Colossal**  
Salt Spring Island Parks & Recreation Commission  
145 Vesuvius Bay Road  
Salt Spring Island, B.C. V8K 1K3  
Email: [parc@saltspring.com](mailto:parc@saltspring.com)

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**YOGA-ALL LEVELS**  
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**MEET the AUTHOR**  
**WENDY ORR**, author of Nim's Island  
**Friday, April 18 1:00 pm at the Library**  
Author Wendy Orr reads from her book and discusses making the film Nim's Island.  
For ages 6 - 12. Adults welcome.  
Door prize draw - Nim's Island book  
Salt Spring Island Public Library



**Stagecoach School for the Performing Arts**  
Spotlight Programme presents  
**'Turns'**  
Monologues, Poems, Scenes, Improv, Games from Shakespeare to Dickens and Seeger  
\*One night only\*  
**Monday April 28, at 7pm,**  
Tickets at ArtSpring Box Office  
Adults \$12, Children \$6



**Enrollment Deadline April 17th**  
*Limited spaces Kindergarten to grade 6*  
Come join our child-centred learning community based on compassion and respect for each child and the world.  
Enrollment package on website:  
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[saltspringunitarians@telus.net](mailto:saltspringunitarians@telus.net)  
[www.unitariancongregation.org/saltspring](http://www.unitariancongregation.org/saltspring)

**Women's Scrapbooking Workshop**  
**Saturday, April 26th • 11 am-3 pm**  
*"Honouring the women that shaped our lives"*  
Bring photos, memorabilia and craft supplies (some scrapbooking supplies will be provided)  
Amanda 537-0717  
(A free vegetarian lunch will be provided)  
A great way to connect with other women and creatively organize old photos  
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**Stagecoach School for the Performing Arts**  
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Tickets at ArtSpring Box Office  
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MONDAY 10AM

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**HELP WANTED**

**EXPERIENCED PAINTERS** wanted. 538-1685.

**INTERESTED** in joining us to walk our talk toward sustainability? Could you see yourself as an educator of sustainability who happens to serve excellent coffee? Salt Spring Coffee Co. in the town of Ganges is looking for full time, mature, experienced, responsible Baristas & Shift Supervisors. Positions available immediately! Please send resume with Cover letter to: jennifer@saltspringcoffee.com

**LOOKING FOR** mature, hard working, goal oriented, high school students for B&B assistant position. Full/part time available. Full training provided. Please call 537-5980 for an interview.

**SALT SPRING AIR** is looking for a part time Dispatch/Reservations Agent. We need a highly motivated individual who can work independently in a fast paced work environment. Knowledge of MS Office, exceptional phone skills, attention to detail, & good situational awareness is required. Must be available to work weekends. Medical, Dental, & flight benefits available. Please fax resume & cover letter to 537-9698 or email in Word format to lisa@saltspringair.com.

**SERVERS REQUIRED** for Fine Dining Restaurant on Salt Spring, Bocado's Bistro. Call: 538-1622.

**SSI TRANSITION** House, On-Call Support Worker: Working with women and children affected by violence and abuse. Please see full job posting at www.iwav.org; application deadline April 28/08.

**YARD MAN** required at Salt Spring Garbage. Bring in resume and talk to Robin, 360 Blackburn. 30 hrs./wk.

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**PETS REMEMBERED**

**TUPPENCE GENT**, Oct. 24, 1997 - April 8, 2008.

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A special thanks to Drs. Sacha & Dave and to all the staff at the Gulf Islands Vet. Clinic.

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Phyllis & Fred.

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**FREE GARAGE** sale. Sunday, Apr 20, 1 - 5. Wicker cabinet, plastic table & chairs, fabric, feathers, cedar posts & wood scraps, computer table, men's & women's clothes, books, picture frames, cedar planters. 274 Trincomali Hts.

**BUILDING SUPPLIES**

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**MOVING & DOWNSIZING**, all sorts of "stuff." April 19, 8am - 11am. Please no early birds. 120 Acland Rd. 4

**MOVING SALE**. Sat. Apr. 19, 9am. 168 Main St. Building supplies kids stuff and more. No early birds. 5

**MULTI-FAMILY/ Moving** sale: Lots of everything - kitchen stuff, kids stuff, books, clothes, furniture & cool miscellany. 158 Broadwell Rd. Saturday, April 19, 9am - 1pm. Rain or shine. Parking available at 151 Broadwell. 6

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# Sidewalk Superintendent

## The business beat of the Gulf Islands

By Peter McCully

### Salt Spring Air goes carbon neutral

• Co-owner Philip Reece is pleased to announce some pretty lofty developments over at Salt Spring Air. As of Tuesday morning, the company has become a carbon-neutral airline.

The airline also announced the addition of the "Empress of Vesuvius" to its fleet. The new plane joins the "Empress of Ganges" and "Empress of Fulford."

"The names are a new move, and look great painted on the side of each plane in old fashioned Bright Red script," Reece said.

Salt Spring's very own airline has received wonderful support from travelling locals since opening in 2003, with the business having grown steadily since then.

This year is no exception, as founder St. Clair Mccoll states, "I have been very fortunate to have the support of the local community and a great management team. To ensure we continue to grow we have increased

our service by adding another DHC-2 Beaver to our fleet and three members of my management team have joined me as share holders in the company."

They are Reece, long-time office manager Lisa Cherneff and chief pilot Martin Herbert.

• Friends Fitness, the little gym that could, is embarking on its second year of business.

The fun-loving fitness team is pleased to announce the addition of dancer/yoga buff/aquafit teacher/cook Alina Janzenas as day manager. Well-known Salt Springer Catherine Bennett runs Pump Primers and is the organizer at Meals On Wheels is the new afternoon manager.

Increased membership, new equipment and the hiring of two new gym managers means the fitness club can get people moving seven days a week.

Darlene Steele, a Friends Fitness owner/operator, has started her

own personal training business. She has completed the BCRPA certification and is accepting clients to work out of the gym or from their home.

• Salt Spring Vineyards is up for sale. The island's first winery, established in 1997, the site is BC Agritourism Approved Farm and a BC Tourism Approved Accommodation.

"For many years, [my husband] Bill had a dream of living on an island, owning a small farm and living independent of the city, and his early retirement ten years ago presented us with a chance to pursue that dream," says co-owner Janice Harkley in a press release. "We are fortunate to have been part of the wonderful Salt Spring community, building a profitable business in an area we love. A new owner will find a wonderful community for living, working and enjoying life, wine and fresh natural food."

### This Week's Horoscope by Michael O'Connor

#### Aries (Mar 21 - Apr 20)

Your focus is becoming stronger and sharp, yet you are also open to investigate alternate possibilities. This could activate new attractions yet could also produce some jealousy or indecision. If the former, encourage stronger expressions of love and affection. If you feel undecided, make a pro and con outline list. Either way, you may want to break out of a rut or launch actions that will give you more leverage somehow. If you are looking into short or long term training you are on track, according to the star charts. Changes in your public and professional life are bringing opportunities for expansion and/or adventure, but you have to earn some stripes to qualify.

#### Taurus (Apr 20 - May 21)

You have about one more week for rest and retreat before the pace quickens. Hopefully for the sake of productivity you have been able to take care of some business behind the scenes. Set your intentions to complete what you can but also to rest a little more because the pace will quicken. You will be in the mood to flirt with new prospects, perhaps in both business and pleasure. Speaking of your favourite topic, do you have something to learn to realize fulfillment of your desires. Every aspect of life involves certain skills. Wisdom asks you to 'create' successful relationships versus wanting to simply 'have' them. If you sincerely ask how you will get answers.

#### Gemini (May 21 - Jun 21)

A strong determination to establish a more efficient base of operations is in focus. Amidst socializing and making new friends you are getting more serious about your life somehow. You may feel determined to confront fears and break old habits. Consider the technique of associating pain to the habits you wish to break. This requires sincerity and a determined activation of your imagination that actually impacts you emotionally. Joining forces with others could prove to be a source of empowerment. What friends, groups and/or organizations attract you in this regard? Fame is calling yet infamy could result if you do not pay due attention. Benefits from other people's generosity are coming your way; receive them with full gratitude.

#### Cancer (Jun 22 - Jul 22)

Major forces and players on your stage are inviting, encouraging and perhaps challenging you to learn and grow. Be willing to pay attention to the details, for your own sake. Be willing to learn and ask questions often. Take a strong lead to win other's confidence. This is a good time to ask authorities for favours and earned rewards, but you had better act on it now lest you miss this window of opportunity. Change is the law and you current duty requires that you simply accept it and avoid getting lost in sentimentality about the good old days. Besides, memory is selective and emotion embellishes. There are times for remembering but now is the moment to make new memories.

#### Leo (Jul 23 - Aug 23)

A spirited and adventurous approach these days is the key to overcoming obstacles. Whether these are coming from within or without, affirm your determination to prevail. Each step is necessary

and this one is about claiming power from a wayward imagination. Our society's excessive concern with safety and survival is leading to paranoia and imprisonment. We can either feed the fear or we take command of our mind and imagination. Can we truly trust those who aim to protect us when they privately profit from the process? Health is a personal responsibility and includes body, mind, heart and soul. Awaken your spirit to prevail; remember you connection to source.

#### Virgo (Aug 24 - Sep 22)

Deep investigations about what you truly want and need in your life continue. Courage is required because once you know you will be challenged to take new actions. Are you open to new expressions and possibilities or attached to your current status quo? Willingness is a sign the spirit within you is alive and that you are connected to it. Clean, clear and cleanse to meet your future with high energy. By about this time next week you will be on a new track and tending to these details will be too late for this cycle. Ideally, you are determined to break through inner and outer blocks and oppositions. Your creative power is rising; get all your papers and affairs in order to meet it.

#### Libra (Sep 23 - Oct 22)

Key players on your stage are pushing you to take action. Your willingness to both teach and to learn, as the situation requires, is ideal. Loyalty to higher causes requires faith in yours and their abilities. You gain strength by honouring your feelings. Tune-in to your intuition to be confident of your direction. What you once considered noble and secure is no longer as valid as it was. This may be due to outer realities yet you are changing as well. Your confidence will increase as you surrender to the changing times. Intend to investigate and to do some background research to prepare and to learn more. Embrace a flow of change in your lifestyle.

#### Scorpio (Oct 23 - Nov 21)

You prefer to be strong, independent and silent these days. You need time to assess your life situation. Where should you push and where should you yield? Weigh the quality of your desires carefully. Affirm to yourself that you will give fully when the situation is right, otherwise conserve your energies. Stay alert and let the moment speak for itself and when to take deliberate action. Keep an open mind and be open to opportunities and creative possibilities, especially in your public and professional life. However, be careful not to take on too much at once and spread yourself too thin. Activate healthy attitudes.

#### Sagittarius (Nov 22 - Dec 21)

A creative and playful approach to realizing your power potential continues. Your focus is probably steadier these days than it used to be and you do not want to be distracted. Invite participation to stimulate your mind and imagination as necessary, and then return to your focus. Aim to consolidate a more reliable base with the bigger picture of your life over the long term in mind. In other words, if you continue along as you are right now will you meet the future with health and clarity of mind? Excess of any kind implies imbalance and perhaps addiction of some kind. The middle path includes doing the good things and not simply curbing the negative. Exercise your vision and aim for healthy moderation.

#### Capricorn (Dec 22 - Jan 19)

To increase your power potential you must be willing to gain new knowledge. Some would say, 'get more education'. Perhaps you can begin your studies at home by securing a space and establishing a study rhythm. The more you can enjoy the learning process the better. A life without some kind of purpose can prove to be very depressing. Rise to the challenge by activating a focus that meets both outer demands and suits your own needs as well. There is no rush as this cycle will continue for about another 30 months yet a year can fly by so take the initiative now.

#### Aquarius (Jan 20 - Feb 19)

Your schedule is getting busier and your challenge is to manage your time wisely. Fortunately, your mind is sharp and alert these days. Opportunities are as available as your willingness to meet their requirements. Work smart by making clear plans and getting right to the point. This is a good time to initiate your intentions, perhaps for the rest of the year as you will be busier and distracted next week. You are probably in the mood to get a lot done so get to it, for the sake of a productive flow. Look to the future and do not rely too much upon past actions and expressions. Deep changes are brewing within; make efforts to tune into their requirements.

#### Pisces (Feb 20 - Mar 20)

Generating a new momentum implies creating a more reliable mode of expression. Are your offerings consistent with your abilities? Sometime we offer more than we can deliver and other times we can deliver more than we say. If either of these are the case, make efforts to create a better balance. How can you know? Reach out for constructive criticism. People will usually offer their opinions when asked. These can prove valuable as those who conduct market research are aware. Take a patient approach and be willing to refine the quality of your expressions and actualize your highest potential.

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## Green calendar to be launched amid Earth Day festivities

Sunday, April 20 at The Fritz

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A special Earth Day celebration hosted by the Salt Spring Conservancy and The Fritz Movie Theatre will also be the first chance to see the result of a partnership between the organization and theatre owner Michael Levy.

On Sunday, April 20, the conservancy will launch its "green" calendar, a fundraising project made possible by Levy's donation of art, format and business plan.

A well-known island photographer, Levy has published his work previously in two calendars and a large coffee table book. In each of those projects he donated a portion of his proceeds to the conservancy.

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Levy was deep into the planning stages for a new Salt Spring calendar when he realized that health and time concerns would not allow him to do the marketing or to put in the necessary hours at the Saturday market where most sales are made. He decided to offer the entire package to the conservancy to use as a fundraiser instead.

For Jean Gelwicks, the conservancy board member who oversees the Stewards in Training program that brings school children from Grade 2 to Grade 8 into nature, the offer couldn't have come at a better time. The program costs nearly \$20,000 a year, and relies on receiving grants from funding agencies — funding that didn't look like it was going to come through.

"That's when Michael came to me with the calendar. I thought, 'Brilliant!' If this works we will not have to rely on the grants. If we still get them, that's great, but we can guarantee the program will go ahead for next year."

Having already worked out the design, layout, images and size of the calendar, Levy saved the conservancy endless hours of decision making. He also offered a business plan idea that would see green businesses sponsoring months, taking care of the production costs and eliminating financial risk for the organization.

Armed with a list of green businesses they wanted most to work with, conservancy volunteers were amazed by the response.

"They came on board enthusiastically," Gelwicks reports, "and they were all really sold on the schools program."

The green sponsors are Foxglove Nursery, Fritz theatre, Gulf Islands School District, Harbour House Hotel, Institute for Sustainability, Education and Action, Moonstruck Organic Cheese, Salt Spring Natureworks, the Pinch Group, Salt Spring Cheese, Salt Spring Gelato Delizioso, Salt Spring Books, Salt Spring Coffee Co. and Stowel Lake Farm.

As Gelwicks points out, the calendar is "green for a reason." It is being printed on 100 per cent recycled paper, will not be wrapped in plastic or other packaging, and its size wastes no paper in the printing process. Sponsorship has allowed a reasonable price of \$14.95 to be set.

Levy has been especially impressed by the generosity and cooperation of the business partners. For example, he cites the fact that the island's two small cheese producers came together to sponsor one month.

"That's the kind of spirit we need to see more of on Salt Spring," he said. "It's a great kind of model of what we can do in the community, and demonstrative of the business ethic that has to develop here if we are going to survive."

As the owner of The Fritz, Levy knows how much local business owners are asked to contribute to every kind of

cause and how much they do respond. He acknowledges it can be difficult, but believes if money is unavailable, people should be donating time, effort and skills into making the community better.

He also strongly believes the conservancy and the Stewards in Training program are important to the island's future.

"We can't preserve every green space, but the conservancy is doing an incredible job prioritizing what needs to be saved," including recent victories such as the preservation of Mount Erskine. "The schools program is passing on the knowledge of what we need to do to preserve Salt Spring."

Gelwicks agrees. She says the practice of immersing kids into a different island ecosystem each year causes them to look very closely at where they live and start to fall in love with it.

That strategy will also be enacted during the calendar launch and Earth Day Celebration this Sunday at The Fritz. Levy is donating the space and the popcorn for a big-screen show by nine local photographers, whose loving portraits of Salt Spring will be set to music by Peter Prince.

"If you can't be outside and everywhere on Earth Day, this show will take you to places you've been and places you've never been, and you'll see it all through the artists' eyes. This is going to be awe-inspiring," Gelwicks promised.

The Earth Day Celebration includes testimonials by school children, cake and artistic work by Birgit Bateman, Robert Bateman, David Borrowman, David Denning, Tangachee Goebl, Wendy Hilliard, Kim Kornbacher, Michael Levy and Shari Macdonald.

The free event runs from 3:30 to 5 p.m. (and the show starts at 3:45) at The Fritz.



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