

ARTs Education Update

SPECIAL EDITION 2022

Welcome to the ARTs Education Update, we hope this will be a useful place for you to find support for the awesome care that you give to our kids!

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Arts Fall Teaching Exhibit Announcement!

Did you know that NVSD is probably the only school district in Canada that owns and operates an art gallery that is home to an extensive collection of Canadian Art, representing a significant cultural asset to our community? The gallery is our place, beyond our vibrant schools. It is a welcoming place for our community to share their stories and to learn from each other. It is a place of memory and experience that we are incredibly grateful to have to welcome each other across the district.



We are all about to take a much needed summer break! We wanted to share with you though, our preliminary work for the upcoming Fall Exhibition to have in the back of your mind while you are doing all things summer! The gallery is a place to support you in the extraordinary work that you do with your students. We invite you to think about the possibly of collectively, learning together next year through this lens.

Paths

"Paths are the habits of a landscape. They are acts of consensual making. It's hard to create a footpath on your own...Paths connect. This is their first duty and their chief reason for being. They relate places in a literal sense, and by extension they relate people.

Paths are consensual, too, because without common care and common practice they disappear: overgrown by vegetation, ploughed up or built over (through they may persist in the memorious substance of land law). Like sea channels that require regular dredging to stay open, paths NEED walking."

– Robert MacFarlane, *The Old Ways: A Journey on Foot*

What story does a pathway tell? How do paths connect us? Paths, the 2022-2023 teaching exhibition at the Gordon Smith Gallery will feature artwork by over 20 Canadian artists exploring paths, both real and imagined, through the mediums of painting, drawing, sculpture, photography, collage, and printmaking. The works in the exhibition will show us that a path can be used to communicate a direction, a line of thought, or a plan for action. Paths can also be seen in representations of the natural world, taking the form of forest trails, migratory patterns, maps, and water ways. We invite you to join us at the Gordon Smith Gallery this fall to explore Paths, an exhibition offering opportunities for cross-curricular, place-based inquiry as well as rich connections to social and emotional learning.



John Hartman, Vancouver, 2011. Four-plate etching. 11 ¾" x 19 ½"

Visiting OUR Gallery this Fall

AFK will be offering a full-day program at the Gordon Smith Gallery to grade 5 classes (including split classes) in the school district. In each program, led by AFK art educators, students will create art inspired by our fall teaching exhibition. The 2022-2023 Gallery Program will run from the week of September 29 until the week of February 20, 2023

Registration opens on September 6. Please register your class [HERE](#).



Festivals at NVSD!

Let's get excited about the return of our festivals and events next year! If you are interested in getting involved, please take the first step in marking your calendar with our District Arts Events for the next school year. Super excited!!

September 24, 2022

AFK Fall Exhibit Opens, Gordon Smith Gallery

December 1, 2022

AFK Spring Break Camp Registration Opens

February 1, 2023

AFK Summer Camp Registration Opens

February 1, 2023

Seylynn Strings Festival

February 11, 2023

Secondary Jazz Festival

February 27 – March 2, 2023

Secondary Choral Festival

March 6 – 9, 2023

Intermediate Music Festival (mornings only)

April 15, 2023

Spring Exhibit Opens, Gordon Smith Gallery

May 5 – 19, 2023

Art from 44, District Art Show

May 30 – June 1, 2023

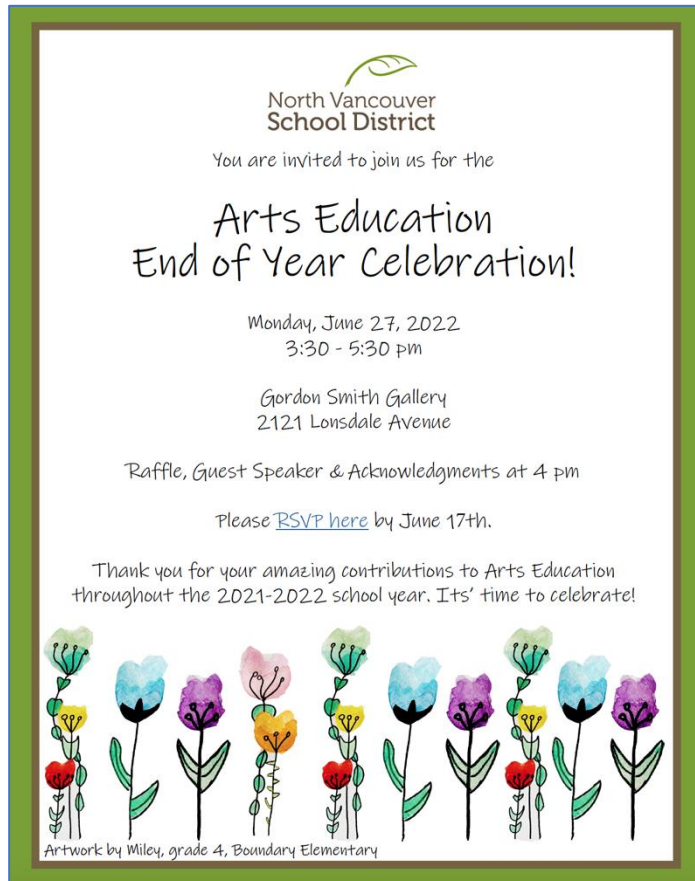
Primary Days of Music

May 9 – 12, 2023

Arts Week

Congratulations!

Please join us on June 27th at the Gordon Smith Gallery for a Year End Celebration!



This is a much needed time to connect and celebrate the tenacity, vision and sheer joy, you have given to so many, big and small, in the Arts! ☺

This event is a special thank you to the many people who helped bring arts education into their classrooms, school and our district. Let's recognize who we are and what can be possible, awesomeness!

Please RSVP [HERE](#) by June 17

Wishing you the
Happiest of Summer!

Arts Education Team