

ARTs Education Update

OCTOBER, 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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Mark your Calendar!

OUR Festivals & In-Person Exhibits are BACK!

Fall Exhibit Opens, Gordon Smith Gallery	September 24, 2023
Seylynn Strings Festival	February 1, 2023
Elementary Band Festival	February 2 & 3, 2023
Secondary Jazz Festival	February 11, 2023
Secondary Choral Festival	February 27 – March 2, 2023
Intermediate Music Festival	March 6 – 9, 2023
Spring Exhibit Opens, Gordon Smith Gallery	April 15, 2023
Art from 44, District Art Show	May 5 – 19, 2023
Arts Week	May 9 – 12, 2023 (to be determined at your site)
Dance Festival (Grades 4-12)	Date TBA
Primary Days of Music	May 30 – June 1, 2023



The Gordon Smith Gallery Grade Five Program

AFK is 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, PATHS.

The 2022-2023 Gallery Program will run from the week of September 29 until the week of February 20, 2023

You can register your class [HERE](#).



On October 1st, registration was opened to ALL classes beyond grade 5 and our District.

The Gordon Smith Gallery Self-Guided Tours

Artists for Kids invites K-12 teachers to use the Gordon Smith Gallery as their classroom, by booking a time to bring a class for a [half day self-guided tour of our fall exhibit, PATHS](#).

This is a unique opportunity for your students to engage directly with diverse works by Canadian artists and to learn through the lens of the arts.



Self-guided tours run for 2.5 hours and are available on various dates from November 2022 to February 2023. [You can book your class HERE](#).

The cost of the tour is covered by the School District for all NVSD classes.



Registration for Fall 2022 AFK After School Art Classes is still OPEN!

AFK After School Art Classes this fall is like no other - felting, ceramics, bookbinding, woodworking, collage, painting, drawing, for kids K-12!!

Please find more information on the AFK website [HERE](#).

Bursaries are available for families in financial need

Thank you all for your support with sharing this programming to families, this could not be possible without you ☺

AFK Print Program

We are thrilled to work with Charlene Vickers to bring to you, our next multiple. Through her generosity, "Fish in Astral Projection under Moons" presents an exquisite translation of Vickers' textile work that is truly unique. Vickers' generosity of time within her work is personal and exemplifies for us once more, what can be possible by allowing her story, to dream itself into being.

Truly, Artists for Kids exists because of the commitment and support of our community. On behalf of Artists for Kids, we are incredibly grateful to you, for your continued trust, and belief in what can be possible.

All proceeds to directly back to supporting kids, educators and artists in our community!

Please do reach out to [AFK](#) if you would like to know more about this limited-edition print, including the [AFK Print Purchasing through Payroll Deduction Plan](#) and the [AFK Collector's program!](#)



Professional Development Supporting the Arts

Bringing Clay into your classroom!

Amelia Butcher

SOLD OUT (please stay tuned for a second round of workshops!)

This two-part hands-on clay workshop series with artist and educator [Amelia Butcher](#) will walk you through two lessons designed specifically for elementary grades. Amelia will share practical tips and techniques for managing materials and teaching clay techniques to elementary students. AFK is launching a new clay kit this fall that teachers can sign out. In this kit, you will have all the tools needed to complete the clay lesson taught in this two-part workshop series.

Diversity, Equity and Inclusion

Resources, Considerations, and Perspectives from BC Orff

A wonderful [WEBPAGE](#) to bookmark to support your work with bringing music education to our classrooms and schools.

Forward to Better, October 21-22

ABCDE Association of BC Drama Educators

Word on the street, is that this conference is going to be incredible! The opening Keynote is Corey Payette! Details to register can be found [HERE](#)

Conferences and Workshops in the Visual Arts

BC Art Teachers Association

The BCATA's webpage on conferences and workshops is extensive, the webpage is found [HERE](#)

Annual Conference at River Rock!

BC Music Educators Association

A place for all music educators to connect with one another this October! For more information, check out their extensive site [HERE](#)

OUR Community

Presentation House Theatre

Where Ideas Play!

The PHT continues to bring local theatre to our community! Check out what's offered this fall for your classes, K-12 [HERE](#)

CBC Music

Canadian Music Class Challenge!

Every fall, CBC Music in association with [MusiCounts](#), launches the Canadian Music Class Challenge, a contest to engage music classes across the country with Canadian music. For more information, check out their webpage [HERE](#). Good luck!!

MONOVA

Connecting through story, an incredible resource!

MONOVA continues to bring to us stories of our history as a community, do check out their website [HERE](#) for more information!

Griffin Art Projects

Stan Douglas: *Allegories of the Present*

Griffin brings to our community engagement and connection through the visual arts. Check out their event calendar [HERE](#)

ARTs Blog

Thank you for all that you do! We know that every school and educator has a story to tell, we'd LOVE to know more!

If you are interested, please find [HERE](#) a doc to help you get started.

Once you're finished, you can submit your Blog [HERE](#)

Submitted by: Megan Parker, Carson Secondary School



The ESC Lobby Display is BACK!

Are you interested in display your student's artwork in the lobby of the ESC building this year?

To be eligible, each class must gather at least 50 pieces of 2D artwork, including any 3D work as you can muster. Once the work is gathered, you can drop the artwork to us at the AFK office or put it in the milk run and I will install it and send you photos. Then I will package it back up at the end of the time slot and send it back. If you are interested in displaying work in the lobby at the ESC, please sign up [HERE](#)

Elementary Music Teacher's Meet Up

The purpose of this gathering is to connect, to build together, a collective voice to support and mentor newcomers, to create dialogue and share resources, and to strengthen our community as music and arts' educators.

Please join us in the Gallery for these informal gatherings (light refreshments will be served!).

Oct. 25 • Nov. 16 • Jan. 16 • Feb. 21 • April 25 • May 24
3:30 – 4:30 pm (come when you are able!)

AFK Secondary Photo Enrichment this November!



This fall grade 10, 11 and 12 students from around the North Vancouver School District will be joining senior photo educators and artist Karen Zalamea for a two-day photo enrichment program.

Students will develop skills technical and conceptual photography skills. They will explore site-based photography and will work with historical images and documents at the North Vancouver Archives.

Students will explore the questions:

How do we learn about history through photography?
How do we learn about place through photography?

Karen Zalamea's interdisciplinary practice is rooted in photography and critically considers methodologies, materiality, and modes of presentation. Her research centres on the camera-mediated relationship between body and space, as well as the material and representational potential of the photographic surface. Her work has expanded to use photography as a means to think through and encounter broader issues of identity, memory, and uncertainty.

For more information on this Artist in Residence Enrichment program, please contact AFK.

The Iljuwas, Bill Reid Cultural Grant is Open for Applicants

Artists for Kids, supported by the North Vancouver School District and community patrons, have provided NVSD schools with the opportunity to apply for financial assistance in their work to support Indigenous Education through the lens of the Arts. This grant offers the receiving school up to \$1000

For more details on the criteria for this grant, please find more information [HERE](#)

Application Deadline: [Friday, October 28th, 2022](#)

Please complete the following [FORM](#)

Please check out our next [ARTs Education Update November 4th](#).
Happiest of October, the [Arts Education Team](#) Family!