



CULTURE CONNECTIONS

CULTURE & CONVERSATION NIGHT AT THE ORPHEUM

Friday, April 2nd 6:30–9:30pm
Smithe & Seymour



The word "chamber" indicates that the music can be performed in a small room, often in a private salon with an intimate atmosphere. Because of its intimate nature, chamber music has been described as "the music of friends." The perfect music for a C&C night.

Vancouver Chamber Choir will be performing "*The Love that Moves the Universe*" at the Orpheum. The Orpheum theatre one of the most beautiful heritage theatres in Canada.



This Friday, **Culture & Conversation** will be going to the **Orpheum Theatre** to learn about Chamber Music. This C&C night will provide us with a wonderful opportunity to experience classical music.

Chamber music is music that is written for a small group of instruments which could be performed in a palace chamber. Chamber music includes any classical music that is performed by a small number of performers.

Join Culture Connections for this special talk and performance about classical, romantic and modern chamber music on Friday April 2nd at 6:30 pm.

United Way has generously donated 40 free tickets to Culture Connections for this event.

Please email:
culture@mosaicbc.com
if you would like to join us.

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April Holidays



Mar 29-Apr 06 - Pesah or Passover (Judaism) begins. Pesah commemorates the departure of the Israelites from Egypt. Celebrated for eight days; the first two and the last two days are holidays. It is a family holiday that is celebrated with special foods like charoset (fruit and nut paste), Gefilte fish, and matzo balls.

Apr 01 - April Fools Day is a day of playing tricks. This includes sending someone on a "fool's errand," (looking for things that don't exist); and trying to get people to believe ridiculous things.



Apr 02- Sizdah Bedar is a day of festivity in the open, often accompanied by music and dancing, usually at family picnics. It takes place on the 13th day (a time of chaos when families put order aside and avoid the bad luck associated with the number 13) by going outdoors to picnic.

Apr 02 - Good Friday Christians commemorate the passion of Jesus Christ and his submission to death by crucifixion (nailed to a cross) on behalf of mankind.

Apr 04 - Easter Christians commemorate the resurrection of Jesus Christ. Families decorate eggs. Easter lore has the Easter Bunny hiding chocolate eggs throughout the house to be discovered by children on Easter morning. Many families have a traditional Sunday roast of turkey, lamb or ham in addition to hot cross buns.



Apr 05 - Ching Ming It is believed that unhappy spirits wander all over the world on this day. The Ching Ming Festival is a Chinese tradition and is a day to clean graves. People offer food to deceased relatives and burn incense. It's considered unlucky to do important business or have an operation on this day.

Apr 14 - Saka (Buddhist New Year) is the birthday of Sakyamuni Buddha, the founder of Buddhism, and extend his loving kindness and compassion to the people.



Apr 14 - Vaisakhi (Sikh New Year) is a festival of joy and happiness. It starts with the harvesting season and symbolizes wealth and prosperity to the majority of farmers in the Punjab. After harvesting the farmers are ready to spend their hard earned cash. New land is bought and farmers also have a few days to socialize and relax. Vancouver has a large annual parade to commemorate Vaisakhi Day.

Apr 22- Earth Day 40th anniversary is the largest environmental event worldwide.

Events and projects address environmental issues. It is a time for people to acknowledge that the environment is a universal concern and that much work still needed to protect our planet. www.earthday.ca.



Volunteer Opportunities

& Programs at MOSAIC



Special-Events Volunteers Needed at the South Gran- ville Seniors Centre

The South Granville Seniors Centre works together with seniors to support their well-being in ways that promote friendship, diversity and individual worth.

The South Granville Seniors Centre is a friendly and welcoming non-profit centre that provides seniors (55+) with social, recreational, and wellness programs and services. The Centre is like a second home to many of our members, who enjoy and look forward to the special events that we hold throughout the year. Volunteers are instrumental in everything we do and we could really use your help with special events!

Volunteer opportunities for most events involve setup, beverage and food preparation and service, and cleanup. We are looking for friendly, positive, and enthusiastic volunteers. We also require help with sorting, pricing, and sales for our twice annual bazaars. Except for bazaars, all opportunities take place on weekdays between 9:00-4:30.

For all events, there will be a brief training meeting on the morning of the event. We always have lots of volunteers to help out - so everyone ends up with a role that is manageable and fun.

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WORKPLACE CONNECTIONS

Helping immigrants move their careers to Canada.

We create mentorships with skilled immigrants and professional.

- It is about relationships
- Cultural exchange
- Opening career paths in Canada

Info: mentors@mosaicbc.com

ENGLISH CORNER CLUB 2010

**3:00—4:30 pm Thursdays
Community Room, MOSAIC**

Would you like to practice your English
Conversation and meet new people?

To Join: volunteerassistant@mosaicbc.com

CULTURE CONNECTIONS

Matches Newcomers with Local Hosts who will help them:

- **Practice English**
- **Meet new people**
- **Learn about Canadian Services**
- **Learn about Canadian Culture**
- **Learn about Leisure and Recreation**

Newcomers must meet with their Host once a week for two hours over a 12 week period. Must be 18 years old or more and able to speak at ELSA level 3 or better to join.

Contact: 604 254 9626 or

culture@mosaicbc.com

April Activities

All Events are Free

Or by Donation



Thur 1- New Music on Ancient Chinese Bells 7pm Vancouver Inter-Cultural Orchestra's Co-Artistic Director and composer Mark Armanini has stories and musical discoveries from his recent trip to Wuhan, China to study the famous Zeng Hou Yi Tomb Bells. Central Library 350 West Georgia St. Info: 604-331-3603.

Tue 6 - Speaking of Dance 7:30pm An illustrated series of public lectures and discussion groups presented by artists, critics and other creative thinkers. Central Library 350 West Georgia St.



Wed 7 - Teen Comics Workshop 4:30-6pm. Comic artist and instructor Emily Carr's digital and contemporary comics instructor and comic artist Julian Lawrence. Drawing materials. Must register.

Central Library 350 West Georgia St.

Thu 8 - Spring Book Sale 10am-9pm Thousands of books for sale. Prices from .55 to 2.25. Cash and carry. Bring your own bag. Central Library 350 West Georgia St.

Sat 10 - Women's History Fair 1-4pm Displays, exhibits, collections and programmes from museums, archives, historical societies, cultural groups and others. Central Library 350 West Georgia St.

Mon 12 - International Day of Reflection on the 1994 Genocide in Rwanda 7:30-9pm.

An annual *Day of Reflection on the Prevention of Genocide Everywhere* on the anniversary of the start of the Rwandan Genocide. Central Library 350 West Georgia St.

Tue 13 - Deciphering the Language of Film 12-1pm

Film has a grammar all its own. Katherine Monk, national film critic and film studies instructor offers insight into elements of film language. UBC Life and Career Centre UBC Robson Square, 800 Robson St.



Thu 15 - What's So Great About Mozart? 7-9pm

Investigate the magic and mystery behind the genius of W.A. Mozart. Explore his life and his music. Evening of music and stories. Central Library 350 West Georgia St.

Sat 17- Vaisakhi Parade and Celebration

In addition to the parade and procession, Nagar Kirtan hymns and floats, free food (graciously prepared by local residents and businesses), live music and rides. Begins at the Gurdwara Dashmesh Darbar Temple, at 12885 85th Avenue in Surrey.

Mon 19 - Malls R Us 7-9pm

What do Al Gore, science fiction, gothic cathedrals and roller coasters have in common? All come together in filmmaker Helene Koldawsky's *Malls R Us*, a feature documentary with a multiplex of reflections and revelations. Central Library 350 West Georgia St.

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Tue 20 - Women in War: Myanmar 7pm

Speakers from the Myanmarese community will share their stories of working in refugee camps and will reflect on how women have been affected by the ongoing instability in the region Central Library 350 West Georgia.

Tue 20 - Techniques to Learn Any Language 12-1pm

ROBYN MATTHEW, author of *Language Logic: Practical and Effective Techniques to Learn Any Foreign Language*, offers some essential strategies for excelling in language learning. UBC Life and Career Centre UBC Robson Square, 800 Robson St.



Thu 22 - UBC Health Safety: UBC Foreshore Cleanup 3-6pm

HSE staff will be enjoying our second annual foreshore cleanup along the waterfront below the campus. We will scavenge the beaches for garbage left by visitors and that left by the tide. All waste will be sorted and recycled if possible. UBC Foreshore NorthWest Marine Drive Info Craig Smith (604) 822-5909; smith@hse.ubc.ca

Thu 22 - The Land Conservancy of BC presents: Wild Wonders - Selections from the International Wildlife Film Festival 7-9pm

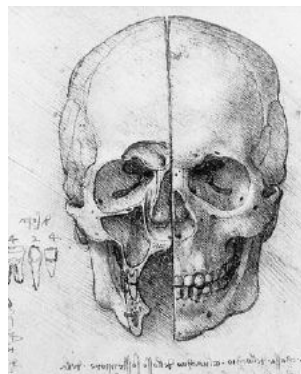
Celebrate with a screening of three award-winning films Door open at 6:30. By donation. Theatre C300, UBC Robson Square 800 Robson St.



Thu 22 - ScrapArtsMusic celebrates Earth Day 7-10pm

Celebrate Earth Day with ScrapArtsMusic a 5-member invented instrument group known around the world for their beautiful 145+ sculptural instruments made from recycled materials! Stanley Industrial Alliance Stage, 2750 Granville St Info: Justine Murdy (604) 669-2112.

Ongoing



Every Tuesday To May 2-The Mechanics Of Man

exhibit of the *Anatomical Manuscript*, 34 pen-and-ink anatomical drawings rendered by Leonardo da Vinci. Vancouver Art Gallery. 750 Hornby St. 604-662-4719



To May 23-The Edward Curtis Project, Photographs by Rita Leistner

Photographs taken during residencies in five First Nations located in the Arctic, Haida Gwaii, Vancouver's downtown eastside, Arizona, and Oklahoma. North Vancouver Museum Galleries, 209 West 4th St, Tue-Sun, 12-5pm Info: (604) 990.3700