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# CANNERY CURRENTS



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## Monthly Speakers' Series starts June 10th

### Saturday afternoon Speakers' Series

*The Pull of the Net* exhibit celebrates the importance of Canada's commercial fishing industries on both the East and West Coasts of Canada. It is a colourful, family-friendly exhibit that touches on some big topics such as Aboriginal fishing traditions, immigration, fisheries management, and the diversification of the industry over time.

To delve deeper into these topics, local experts will share their perspectives and insight on these topics with a 4-part speakers' series on Saturday afternoons from 2 to 3:30pm through the summer:

**June 10th Stó:lō – The Big River:** Stó:lō Cultural Historian, Dr. Sonny McHalsie, will share his personal connections to fishing on the Fraser River following the screening of a short film, *Stó:lō - The Big River*. The 12-minute film shares the

Musqueam and Stó:lō oral histories of how salmon came to the Fraser River.

**July 15th Working Together – How immigration shaped the local fishing industry:** Harold Steves and Bud Sakamoto will discuss how the cultural diversity in the labour force shaped the local industry regarding fishing methods, innovations, and labour organizing.

**August 12th A View from the Harbour – 100 years of change:** Representatives from Steveston Harbour Authority, Canada's largest commercial fishing harbour, will discuss the past, present and future of fishing on the BC coast.

**September 23rd Fisher Poets Afternoon:** A crew of current and retired commercial fishers will share



*"The Pull of the Net" exhibit opened May 6th*

their creative writing about the industry in this celebratory and casual afternoon.

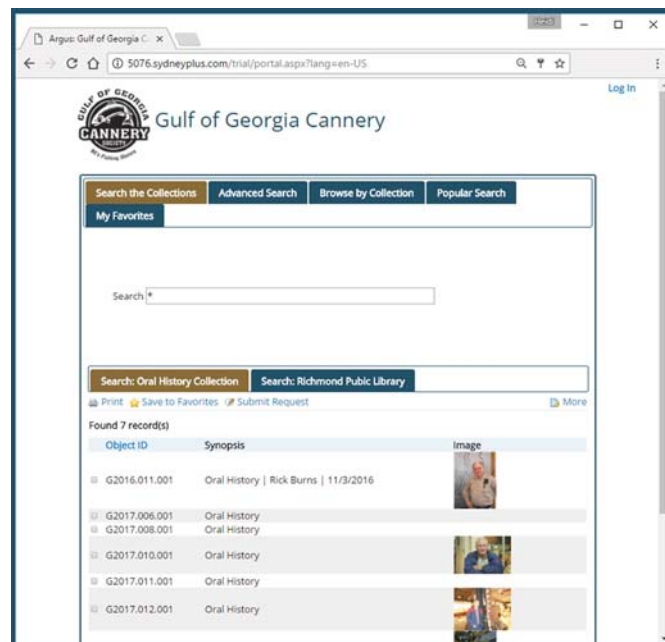
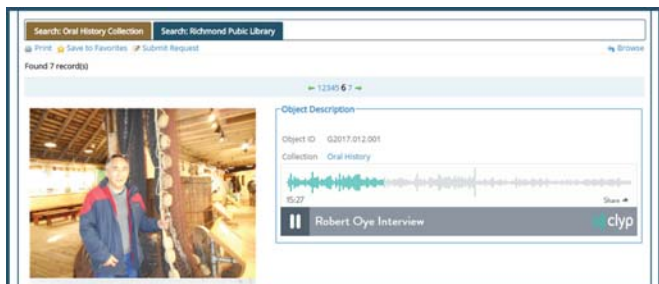
The first Speakers' Series will directly follow the **Members' Only tour** of the new feature exhibit, *The Pull of the Net*, which will be held **Saturday June 10th from 1pm**. Members will have the opportunity to reserve seats for the presentation in the theatre prior to the start of the Members' Only tour.

SHANNON KING

## MEMBERS' OUTING: West Coast Railway Heritage Park on June 17th

Join us for an exciting day trip out to Squamish to visit the West Coast Railway Heritage Park, and enjoy a private guided tour. **Saturday, June 17th** from 8am to 4pm. Society members, friends and family are welcome to join. Round trip transportation and admission is included for \$20 per person. After visiting the park, we will stop for lunch in Squamish (lunch cost on own), before returning to the Cannery in Steveston. To register, or for more information, please contact Mimi at 604.664.9006 or by email: [mimi.horita@gocannery.org](mailto:mimi.horita@gocannery.org).

## New Collections Database



(above left) Detail of a database record showing the embedded audio player that can be used to listen to each interview.  
 (above) Database portal screen showing some of the Oral History Collection records available for viewing.

The Society has a new collections database! Thanks to funding received from the New Horizons for Seniors Program in 2016 for our Oral History Project, we were able to purchase new web-based database software. Currently, users can search, view, and listen to audio from our Oral History Collection. Over the next while we will be working to add more of our collections to give people access to our historic photos, reference library, archive, and artifact collections. Be sure to keep checking back to see our updates and new additions! To access the database, go to [www.cannerycollections.org](http://www.cannerycollections.org)

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## FROM THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

### Report from AGM

This past April 22nd, the Cannery Society held its Annual General Meeting. Existing board members Everett Pierce, Eileen Carefoot, Elizabeth Batista, Paul Schaap, Dave Semple and Kit Grauer were re-elected for another two-year term. We also welcomed new member Susan Stiene, who joined the board for the first time. Susan is a resident of Richmond and a former manager at YVR and brings with her a wealth of business acumen.

The membership approved the 2016 audited financial statements which

were presented with a \$26,000 surplus. This surplus will be moved into the Contingency Fund for future use in an emergency.

This general meeting included the presentation of revised Society Bylaws as per the new BC Societies Act. Significant changes to the Cannery Society's Bylaws included:

- Voting by proxy to be allowed at AGM and Special General Meetings
- The requirements to remove a Director reduced to a 2/3 vote of Directors
- Chair may vote in a board meeting in case of a tie vote

- One Director may serve as both Treasurer and Secretary
- Removal of term limits for Board Chair
- Allow for signing authority of Directors beyond Chair and Vice-Chair

Thank you to member Robert Kiesman for his advice in revising our Bylaws. If you would like a copy of the new Bylaws or the 2016 statements, please email our Executive Director, Rebecca, at [rebecca.clarke@gocannery.org](mailto:rebecca.clarke@gocannery.org).

REBECCA CLARKE

Condolences to the family of Nora Medenwalt who passed away last December. Nora was a long time board member of the Society and teacher in the Richmond School District. She will forever be remembered for her positive energy and the knowledge she brought to the Cannery.

Our condolences to past Board Chair, Kim Evans, who lost her husband Jack, this past April. Jack was well loved and respected in the Steveston community and will be missed.

## WHAT'S NEW AT THE CANNERY

### Music at the Cannery Starts July 7th



*"Cannery Row" on the Tank Deck in summer 2016.*

Join us for another season of Music at the Cannery! This year, we are bringing back past favourites of our series and adding new and exciting musicians to our lineup.

The season will kick off on July 7th with our popular series regular – Cannery Row. With a sold out

show last year, their performances are always unique and spectacular with their diverse musical style that ranges from roots and blues of Memphis, the bayou rhythms of Louisiana, the latin percussion sounds of Cuba, and all the way back to the fiddle jig of east coast Canada.

The series will then continue every Friday night in July and August with (in order) Willy Blizzard, Harpdog Brown, Norine Braun Trio, Rockline, Irish Wakers, Sibel Thrasher and ending with special guests Company B Jazz.

Tickets will be \$7 at the door and will take place rain or shine! Concerts will be outdoors on the Tank Deck, or indoors in case of inclement weather. Doors will open at 6 pm and each show will start at 6:30pm. We look forward to seeing you there!

CARINA HARRIS

### YOU'RE INVITED: MEMBERS' POTLUCK

Please join us for our annual Members' Potluck at the Cannery on **AUGUST 27th (SUNDAY) at 5:00 pm.**

We are hoping for some summer sunshine, so that we can set the tables out on the south deck behind the cannery and enjoy the view of Steveston harbour. In case of rain, our party will move indoors.

Please bring a dish to share  
-- Last name starts with:

A - J: Appetizer

K - P: Hot or Cold Entree

Q - Z: Dessert

*Bring your own beverages.  
Hope to see you there!*

### Duane Murrin Artwork at the Cannery Store



New to the Cannery Store this month is the artwork of the North Shore's Duane Murrin. After many years as a graphic designer, Duane became a self-taught artist. His west coast landscapes are influenced by works of the Group of Seven and Art Nouveau. Duane says "living on the west coast has provided me with an abundance of visual stimulation. I love to search for locations that are seasoned with character. I look for trees with personality, twisting and writhing with stories to tell, their roots would into undulating hills alive with golden moss and tall grasses."

You can find Duane's vibrant images on art tiles in either 4"x 4" or 8"x 8" sizes, as well as coasters and lanterns. They make the perfect west coast accent to your home, or a great gift.

ROB HART

## Thank you for your support all new & renewing members

(AS OF MAY 15 2017)

Please note your name appears here only when you renew or join.  
It does not appear in every issue.

### Honorary & Lifetime Members

Jim Barlow

Bud Sakamoto

Robbie Johnson

### Corporate Members

Steveston Buddhist Temple

### Individual & Family Members

Del Boyko

Shirley Kruger

Marion Bruce

Lucille Lashman

Eileen Carefoot

F. Mary Lawrence

Sheila & Doug Carnahan

Don McLeod

Urey Chan & Carole Eng

Pat Montgomery

Inga Christensen

Anne Ptucha

Mary Chun

Walter & Shirley Nieboer

Kathleen Devlin

Lynda Rathburn

Marlene Duncan

Patricia Restiaux

Sheila Dutka & family

Nathalie Roemer

Ryan Garnett

Jane Rogers

Kit Grauer

Jeanine Scaramozzino

Lynn Green

Paul Schaap & family

Sue Halsey-Brandt

Dave Semple

John & Mary Horton

Frank Stephan

Phillip Howard

Susan Stiene & family

John Huey & family

Dorota Szflabowicz

Joan Kellinghusen

Aaron & Shannon Turner

George Kimura

Ralph & Edith Turner

Jim Kojima

Ed & Dorothy Zyblut

## New to the Cannery Team!



Meet our new heritage interpreters (from left to right):  
Emma, Tara, Pam and Haley

### UPCOMING EVENTS

**June 3-4: Doors Open: Under the Rafters**  
11am and 1pm Behind the scenes tours

**June 10: Members' Gallery Tour**  
1-2pm Tour new *The Pull of the Net* exhibit  
with curator Shannon King

**June 10: Speakers' Series**  
2-3pm Stó:lō – The Big River

**June 17: Members' Outing**  
8am-4pm Westcoast Railway Heritage Park  
\$20 per person - register in advance

**June 17: Aboriginal Day Celebration**

**July 1: Canada Day at the Cannery**  
11am-6pm Celebrate Canada 150!

**July & August: Music at the Cannery**  
Friday nights from 6:30pm (doors at 6pm)

**August 27: Members' Potluck**

### BECOME A MEMBER OR RENEW TODAY !

I wish to join the Gulf of Georgia Cannery Society :

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Postal Code \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Fax \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_

Cheques payable to: Gulf of Georgia Cannery Society |  
12138 Fourth Avenue, Richmond, B.C. V7E 3J1 | Telephone: 604-664-9009



Corporate \$60     Family \$35     Individual \$20     Senior (55+) \$18     New

Renewal     Change of Address     DONATION (amount) \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Please check here if you do NOT wish to have your name published as a new or renewing member.

As a member of the Society, we will be sending you updates on events and information about the Cannery. Please check below if you do NOT wish to receive these emails.

I do NOT wish to receive email updates from the Society