Eve's Easel Talk

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Suzanne Northcott is the new owner of the Fort Gallery in Fort Langley. Suzanne is a popular artist and art instructor. Drop in for a visit with Suzanne and her partner Brock Smith, at the gallery located at 9048 Glover Road in Fort Langley.

Opus Framing & Art Supplies opened its new location in Langley, Sept 1. (See their ad on page six of this issue.)

Marshall Clark Galleries in Tsawwassen celebrated its grand opening August 8-10. Watercolor artist Neil Erickson of Delta, and several artists with the South Delta Artists' Guild exhibited in the Gallery. The Gallery is located on 56th St. in Tsawwassen (across from Starbucks).

Multimedia artist, *Carol Wolfe Olsen* of Surrey, was recently elected director of the Langley Arts Council. This talented artist is also active with the White Rock and South Surrey Art Club, and the Surrey Arts West Society. In addition, Carol is busy promoting her group *Artists Three*, with *Katherine Knott* and *Anna Kopcok*. Incidentally, Anna spent the Summer in Yugoslavia, where she had a successful art show.

Jan Saborio, a professional artist from Surrey, was recently interviewed on KVOS Bellingham television, by Red Robinson. Jane is currently touring France, and giving lessons there. *Neil Erickson*, a Delta professional artist also recently appeared on television, in an interview with Patti McGreggor for "Arts Around Town", on Delta Cable TV. He'll soon be on Delta TV again with Lana Hart of "You Gotta Have Art".

Surrey Artist *Karla Cummins* has advice for other artists. She recently learned the hard way why it's not a good idea to submit original artwork to art competitions. Pressed for time, Karla was forced to quickly submit an original watercolor to a recent card competition. Karla says the organization assured her they would be careful with her artwork. Unfortunately, it was returned to her, folded, via the mail. Karla warns when submittals are requested, do as they ask and send a copy -- don't send the original, or you'll risk damage to your artwork.

To see the latest in art reproduction, drop in to **ZheeClay Arts**, 1618 West 75th Ave in Vancouver (see their ad on page 7). Ron Ling uses digital photography to reproduce artwork onto canvas or waterpaper. It's amazing technology.

Surrey Arts Centre is offering a Volunteer Tour Guide Training Program. An information meeting will be held Thursday, Sept 11, 10:00 am at the Galley. This is a great opportunity to become involved with your community Art Gallery, learn more about art, and work with both children and adults.

Sympathies are extended to *Bev Mahoney*, longtime treasurer of the Surrey Arts West Society. Bev's mother recently passed away. Sympathies are also extended to the Norris family. Longtime Vancouver Sun cartoonist *Len Norris* died August 12, in the Langley Memorial Hospital at the age of 83. *(Continued next page.)*



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Gathie Falk, a prominent Vancouver artist was named to the Order of Canada. The award was established in 1967 to recognize outstanding achievement and service. Falk, 69, has been delighting artists and art lovers for years with her multimedia talents.

West Vancouver artist *Susanna Blunt* visited Buckingham Palace last March, to present Prince Edward with a portrait. The portrait, of the prince as a young boy, was a gift for his 33rd birthday. Blunt is an accomplished portrait artist, who travels the world on commissioned assignments. The artists will open her private studio to interested individuals. Call her at 926-5078.

Cindi Hoflin is moving on from her role as president of the Alliance of Pacific Visual Artists (APVA). Her unique and creative ideas, as well as her energetic personality will be missed, although Cindi will continue using her artistic talents to document jazz musicians internationally. Cindi's main focus, however, is to pursue a political career at the municipal level. During her reign with the APVA, Cindi helped evolve the idea of using recyclable materials, such as CD cases. The CD case becomes an instant miniature frame for drawings, paintings and other artwork. It's an effective way to reduce waste, help the environment and promote art. The project is aptly called "DisCover", and it will tour throughout BC. Currently, it's on display at the Nelson Centennial Art Gallery (Sept. 18-28).

Fraser River Galleries, in Fort Langley offers live model sketching every Wednesday Night, 7:30 to 10:00 pm. Call 888-0206 to reserve a spot. Drop in fee is \$8.00. You can also check out model sketching at *Basic Inquiry Studio*, Vancouver, 681-2855; or *Drawing on Life Art Group*, White Rock, 531-9427.

The West Vancouver Sketch Club celebrates its 50th Anniversary this year. Be sure to take in their Anniversary show at the Ferry Building Gallery, in West Vancouver, Sept 2-14.

Surrey Painting and Crafts Society has changed their meeting location to the Surrey Art Centre, in the main building. Call Jan at 590-3928 for more information about the club.

White Rock and South Surrey Art Club has changed its name to White Rock and South Surrey Arts Society. Contact Sue at 538-5577 for more information about the group.

White Rock & District Community Arts Council has moved to #14 - 15531 24 Avenue in South Surrey. Phone number remains the same: 536-8333. Grand opening is Sept 19.