



THE CRAFTSMEN'S ASSOCIATION OF BRITISH COLUMBIA

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EDITORIAL:

- A letter from Deirdre Spencer, Fort McMurray Arts and Crafts Guild President, and formerly President of CABC is herewith published. We really enjoy receiving correspondence to Craft Contacts and thank you all for your comments and viewpoint.

"As a member of CABC living in a remote community - I thought I would pen a few lines to others also a long way off from small towns or City States like Vancouver.

To us there is a challenge to keep in touch. We read our journals, newsletters and art books and find so much happening that is taken for granted by those in the hustle of city life.

However we can do much to help ourselves. By joining or forming arts/crafts groups locally and then promoting workshops, films, community college courses etc. By running fairs. Lobbying the Town Council, recreation department, library and being politically aware.

We should stick our necks out for high standards at fairs and local art shows, bring in a jury, anyway encourage people to set themselves higher standards. In a small community everyone has to encourage each other.

We can subscribe to magazines, newspapers, books etc. about art/crafts and join Provincial and National organizations (Ontario, outside of B.C., provides some very good information and the CCC can really help the small guild get started with the sample copies of Constitution and By-laws and registration advice. Member organizations can write for this).

You cannot stay put, you need to travel to workshops and shows and other studios, but combine them with holidays and visit everything in sight. There are often funds for small places not available in the big centres. In this company town, companies like to be seen "giving to Kulture."

By subscribing to all the art/craft magazines possible, it is fairly simple to see what is going on. then you must see to it that you don't get left out... of selection to exhibit, to visit other places to demonstrate etc. Its up to you to be somewhat pushy as nobody knows you are there, alas!

Small town newspapers often don't have the staff to write about you or your fair/shows so write it yourself.. if you like what you have written send a specially written copy to a national or provincial newspaper and a black/white photo or two, maybe the world would like to know of your remote place.

All this sounds trite but there are many communities that really don't do much for you, you have to take the lead.

Greetings from the McMurray Arts and Crafts Guild. We work hard and fight and we also make sure that all outsiders have a business license!"

- Thanks to Eleanor Cailles of Boswell we have in our library an informative publication "Hazards in the Arts", published by the 3rd Annual Conference of Hazards in the Arts and funded in part by the National Endowment for the Arts, U.S.A. The pamphlet includes articles on: toxic materials; understanding the generic names of products and not accepting code names with unlisted ingredients; an extensive list of publications available to craftspersons on health and occupational hazards in the arts and suggestions for prescribed ventilation requirements. The publication is free-write to "Hazards in the Arts", 5340 North Maynolia, Chicago, Illinois 60640 U.S.A. A copy is in the office, more editions promised.

- The next newsletter will be out in the mail at the end of August. Please note the deadline date. We wish everyone a sunny and productive summer with lots of sales and contacts with visitors.

- The financial statement audited by Dyke and Howard, Chartered Accountants is hereby reprinted.

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STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS AND EXPENDITURES
YEAR ENDED APRIL 30, 1977

RECEIPTS:	
Grant from B.C. Cultural Fund (1½ years)	\$ 22,500.00
Grant from Vancouver Foundation	2,500.00
Membership fees	3,689.50
Interest income	655.63
Advertising revenue	228.50
Donations	<u>5,812.01</u>
	\$ 35,385.64

EXPENDITURES:	
Accounting	\$ 193.00
Bank charges	24.40
Craft contacts expenses	932.54
Depreciation	385.12
Exhibition expenses	9,428.93
Insurance	276.90
Licences	230.00
Office expenses	1,083.30
Office salaries and benefits	7,481.52
Postage and mailing	1,456.35
Promotion	378.90
Rent	2,737.50
Subscriptions and memberships	100.09
Travel	1,175.86
Utilities	<u>481.54</u>
	<u>26,365.95</u>

EXCESS OF RECEIPTS OVER EXPENDITURES - to statement # 2 \$ 9,019.69

CANADIAN CRAFTS COUNCIL:

- The dates for the annual meeting are September 28th to October 2nd on Prince Edward Island. Further details when available. Please let Gail Rogers know if you want to attend. With the meeting will be the CCC Travelling Exhibition opening.

REPORTS, REVIEWS, REQUESTS:

- Daphne McLaren, Fort St. John sends an excellent year-end report which we are printing in full. Many interesting events have taken place.

"Another busy year for the North Peace Potters' Guild of Fort St. John, B. C.!! There have been a couple of "firsts" for our Guild and each has been an unqualified success! inservice workshop sessions and Studio mini sales. The first mentioned covered such fields as glaze making and testing, decals and lustres, unusual slab work, types of handles, and raku work. Our more experienced potters handled these workshops and they proved to be of immense value and encouragement to our inexperienced members - particularly when at no charge! Our first sale held at our Studio was approached with some trepidation wondering if we would get the public support. We were most pleasantly surprised at the unqualified success of the venture to the extent that we are now planning on a repeat early in the Fall. Having a series of mini sales on our own premises, where there is no overhead, could easily prove to be far more practical with less effort expended.

In partnership with the local Painters' Club, we staged a large, well-publicized three day pre-Xmas sale. It was held in the main foyer of the City Hall and both groups staged it on a superior level. The first day was preview only with no "holds" permitted. We find from past experience this is the best way to handle large sales despite the fact that a long line-up usually forms outside prior to the doors being opened for the first sale period! As a result of this sale, arrangements were made with City Hall to have a permanent showcase in their foyer which, along with our Studio showcase, we manage to change about every month.

Last Fall we had a most informative two day Workshop under the expert tutelage of Kay Dodd from the Coast. It was a member participating session, in part, and we found this of immense help inasmuch as errors in judgement can be detected at once and corrected. An instant outdoor brick kiln was built for sawdust firing and loaded with pots, wide experimenting with glazes - including line blends, simple equipment improvisation, showing of color slides, critique on design and form, and wheel throwing techniques, were some of the

areas dealt with. Many of us are now successfully employing methods and procedures demonstrated by Kay.

We are currently busy preparing our booth for the upcoming city Art's Fair. This constitutes our second major exhibition and sale of the year. And then for a well earned "summer recess" before commencing on another busy Fall season!

- Bulletin Editor, Barbara Hillary, Salmon Arm reports on news in the arts activities through the Salmon Arm Arts Council. The Shuswap Potters held a raku firing and annual windup potluck supper in the backyard of Joan Brooke's home. Anne Stalker is opening a shop in Kamloops and is looking for crafts/arts to sell. Contact The Artezen Shop, (behind the Pizza Hut) Kamloops, phone (604)372-7448.
- Lots of news from Tawasi, Arts Council news bulletin from Port Alberni. Editor Jan Peterson report on music, drama and arts activities. We are listing the crafts under exhibitions and sales. Like to mention the opening date, July 6th at Reynolds Garden Shop, Port Alberni of the "Valley Arts and Crafts Store". Officers Elspeth Watson, Gladys Wilson and Mary Cowley are still looking for quality craft which has been approved by a selection committee. Some staffing is required by each member. Membership fee is \$20.00. For more information write to Tawasi, Box 261, Port Alberni, B.C. V9Y 7M7 or phone (604)723-6647 (Gladys Wilson).
- The Potters Guild of British Columbia has expanded its quarterly periodical and is inviting interested persons to advertise in the "Information Supplement" that accompanies the magazine. Write Jeanne Sarich, 315 West Cordova Street, Vancouver, B.C. V6B 1E5 for price list.
- Community Craft Cottage wishes to announce that as of June 25/77 they will be amalgamating all their services in the spacious premises of the Richmond store at 7577 Elmbriidge Way, Richmond, B.C. V6X 2Z8, (604)278-0313.
- Canadian Conference of the Arts has published a booklet, "Who Does What". This is a descriptive Guide to National Arts Associations, Arts Services Organizations and Arts Unions. Price \$3.00, write CCA, 3 Church Street, Suite 47, Toronto, Ontario M5E 1M2.
- Jacaranda Wools, high quality New Zealand yarns can now be obtained at moderate prices with discount terms starting at 20 pound sales. The firm also supplies New Zealand black and white fleece. Specialty lines include hard twist wools for warping, burbas for welfts or heavy knits and super to soft double knitting wools, available in undyed shades of spun fleece to delicate tones and brilliant orange, scarlet and peacock. Besides weavers, craftspeople who crochet, embroider, handknit or machine knit will find the yarns interesting. For catalogues send 50 cents and your address to Jacaranda Wools, 2354 Kings Avenue, West Vancouver, B.C. V7V 2C4 or phone (604)926-6640.
- Just a reminder the Kerrisdale Arena, 5670 East Boulevard at 41st Avenue, Vancouver, B.C. is offering space available through July and August. For information write A.W. Shore, Manager, Board of Parks, 2099 Beach Avenue, Vancouver, B.C. V6G 1Z4 or phone (604)681-1141.
- B.C. Ceramics '77 catalogues are still available for \$1.15 (includes postage) from Hanna Kristmanson, 724 Plymouth Drive, North Vancouver, B.C. V7H 2H7. Be sure to include address. This is a catalogue of the recent successful exhibition at the Vancouver Centennial Museum sponsored by the Potters Guild of B.C. Suzanne Goldman will hold a workshop with "low temperature ware" on Saturday, August 27th, 10am to 4:30pm. Ms. Goldman is from California. Write Jean Sarich, 10761-140th Street, Surrey, B.C. V3T 4N7 for application. Limit 30 persons.

- Two Canadian publications doing excellent reporting are Arts West, Western Emerging Arts, 67-50 Haddon Road S.W., Calgary, Alberta T2V 2X7, phone (403)252-5279 and Canada Crafts, G.P. Publications, 380 Wellington Street West, Toronto, Ontario M5V 1E3. The first has in the latest edition colour coverage of the weavers in Oaxaca, Mexico; Siebner and Spreitz from Victoria; wood sculptures of the Americas '77 to be held in West Vancouver and a complete diary of art events in the four western provinces. We recommend this magazine to you as worth its yearly price of \$10.00. The editors are making a real attempt to publicize the contemporary art scene to the public in the west. The latter magazine has in its June/July edition a article on House of Ceramics in Vancouver and Richard Yates, leatherworker who lives in Mt. Lehman, B.C. In addition there is an article on Chinese fabric artists (new and old). Price per year is \$10.00.

UPSTAIRS GALLERY:

- Now showing the exquisite work of the artists whose pieces were chosen for the Canadian Craft Council's travelling exhibition. These pieces go eastward soon. Try to see them while in Vancouver.

WORKSHOPS AND EDUCATIONAL OPPORTUNITIES:

Continuous enrollment Craft Cottage floor loom classes for 6 weeks with Diane Mortenson, write 7577 Elmbridge Way, Richmond, B.C. V6X 2Z8 or phone (604) 278-0313.

Now to August 5 Weaving and Spinning courses for info write Wool Shed, Box 2, Fulford Harbour, Saltspring Island, B.C. VOS 1E0 or phone (604)653-4464.
 July 4 - 8 Malin Selander, noted designer, weaver, teacher and author from Sweden will hold a "Designers Workshop". Sponsored by the Vancouver Weavers Guild at Aberthau, 4397 West 2nd Ave., Vancouver, B.C. 5 day course, 9:30 to 3:30 is \$75.00. For registration send cheque to Evelyn Jensen, 2920 West 12th Ave., Vancouver, B.C. V6K 2R3. Limit 15 persons. Please note this is not for beginners.
 July 4 - 8 Art workshops for elementary teachers. For complete survey of summer workshops write Place des Arts, 166 King Edward St., Coquitlam, B.C. V3K 4T2 or phone (604)526-2891.

July 4 - 15 West Kootenay Summer School of Quilting. Write Jean Burt, Box 466, Fruitvale, B.C. V0G 1L0.
 July 4 - 15 Harold VanTongerlon and Ron Lewis "Sculpture Metal Casting" workshop at Dept. of Industrial Education B.C.I.T.) 3750 Willingdon, Burnaby, write UBC, Dept. of Contd. Ed., Vancouver, B.C. V6T 1W5.
 July 5 - 8 Quilting course at Craft Cottage, Richmond. Pat Cairns teacher.

July 11 - 30 Okanagan Summer School of the Arts. Including performing and visual arts. Info. Box 141, Penticton, B.C. V2A 6J9 phone (604)493-0390.
 July 11 - 29 "Ceramics Workshop" with Simon Braffman at Burnaby Art Centre, 4949 Canada Way, Burnaby, B.C. V5G 1M2. \$65.00 for 3 weeks.

July 11 - 15 Floor loom techniques with Diane Mortenson at Craft Cottage, Richmond. Phone (604)278-0313.
 July 12 - 15 Four day rigid heddle loom weaving with Suzanne Gaston-Voute. Suzanne has an interesting article in the latest edition of Shuttle, Spindle and

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Dyepot magazine on double weave with rigid heddle. This course should prove interesting, held at Craft Cottage, Richmond, address above.
July 18 - 29 Violet Belsham and Gerda Glas, Fabric Arts Workshop, beginners and advanced courses in weaving, design and spinning at Burnaby Arts Centre, 4949 Canada Way, Burnaby, B.C. V5G 1M2, write for registration, total cost \$75.00.

July 18 - 22 Craft Cottage principal, Diane Mortenson will hold "Loom Shaped Clothing" course at 7577 Elmbridge Way, Richmond, B.C. V6X 2Z8.

July 25 - 29 Diane will also teach a double weave course at the Craft Cottage Richmond studio.
August 2 - 5 Beginners course using knitting machines sponsored by Singers Co. at Craft Cottage, Richmond, B.C.
August 5-12-19-26 For Young People, "Creative Explorations" at Craft Cottage, phone (604)278-0313 or write for details.

✓ August 8 - 26 A delightful course for craftspersons' children living on the mainland or visiting in Vancouver.
August 8 - 26 Ceramic Workshop with Simon Brafman at Burnaby Art Centre, 4949 Canada Way, Burnaby, B.C. V5G 1M2. For both courses with Mr. Brafman, \$100.00 for this one \$65.00 for 3 weeks. (see July 11).

August 8 - 12 Intermediate course on knitting machines, a follow-up of August 2nd course at Craft Cottage, Richmond.
August 20 - 21 Mary Frame directs 2 day spinning and dyeing course at Craft Cottage.

August 22 - 25 Off-loom course with Judy Arnold
August 23 - 26 Off-loom, 2 courses with Mary Frame. Both at Craft Cottage.

August 27 Suzanne Goldman workshop "Low Temperature Ware" write Jeanne Sarich, 10761-140th St., Surrey, B.C. V3T 4N7.
September 21 - 23 Fruitvale, West Kootenays, (10 miles from Trail). A quilting workshop (see July 4-15 for details).

During the summer Kelly and MaryLou Peacock want to hear from craftsmen interested in weekend or longer camp-out workshops at their ranch on the Kelle River, write Box 24, Westbridge, B.C. VOH 2B0.

April 1978 First or second week in month Mary Elizabeth Laughlin of Sacramento, author of "More than Four". An 8 harness weaver workshop sponsored by Cromptons Loom Loft, Vancouver, B.C. Details in fall newsletter.

OUTSIDE THE PROVINCE:

July 4 - August 26 ... Courses in all craft disciplines are being held by the League of New Hampshire Craftsmen. For brochure of courses write the League at 205-North Main Street, Concord, N.H. 03301 U.S.A.

EXHIBITIONS AND SALES:

Now to July 4 Fort Langley Museum, Painting - Port Kells Art Club; Weaving - Langley Weavers; Pottery - Fraser Valley Potters Guild.

✓ During the months of July and August the Sculpture Symposium Society of B.C. will hold a wood sculpture symposium at Klee Wyck Park, which overlooks the Capilano River between West and North Vancouver. (Drive over Lions Gate Bridge, Marine Drive to Taylor Way, turn right at first stop light). Ten

sculptors will participate. 5 Canadians, (Indian carver Calvin Hunt, Alan Chung and Barry Cogswell are the 3 B.C. artists) 3 from the U.S. and 2 from South America. The sculptors will be working in the Park and visitors are welcome. All pieces will remain in West Vancouver. This is the second large symposium to be held on the lower mainland. The first was the stone sculpture created by North American, Japanese and European sculptors at the Van Dusen Botanical Gardens and the pieces are now placed amongst the attractive garden display, a gift to Vancouver City. There is a detailed account of this important symposium in Arts West magazine.

Now to July 6

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Cale gallery?*

"Treasures of London". A superb display of gold and silver functional and adornment pieces from the 17th to 20th century. Also a workshop of six native Indian gold and silver craftsmen and the world-renowned Peter Page of England. (Studied with Bill Reid). If on the lower mainland be sure to see this tremendous exhibit. In the adjacent room is a fine example of Ksan crafts, leather, wood and prints.

Now to July 17

Sculptors Society of B.C. exhibition of major outdoor sculpture on the grounds of Century Park, adjacent to the Burnaby Art Gallery, Gilpin at Canada Way.

July 1 - 2

Grindrod Pleasure Faire and Crafts, camping provided. Grindrod is south of Salmon Arm on Highway 97A.

July 1

Circle Craft's Summer Market, CPR Station, Cordova St., Vancouver, B.C. 40 craftspeople will display and sell work. 11am to 10pm daily.

July 2 - 3

First Annual Black Mountain Bluegrass '77, Black Mtn. Rodeo Site, Kelowna, B.C. For info. please contact Paula Gustafson, P.O. Box 278, Yarrow, B.C. VOX 2A0 or phone 823-6178.

July 3

Salish Weavers Guild, UBC Anthropology Museum, Marine Drive, Vancouver, B.C.

July 6

Opening of Valley Arts and Crafts store, North Port, Port Alberni, B.C. (see reports, reviews etc.).

July 8

Vancouver Art Gallery, 1145 West Georgia St., Vancouver B.C. Exhibition of 23 wallhangings fabricated by Mexican rya needle craftsmen and designed by 23 Canadian visual artists including Tony Onley, Gordon Smith, Claude Breeze and Jack Shadbolt.

July 9

'77 Summer Craft Fair, recreation complex, 1800 Parkinson Way, Kelowna, B.C. 9am to 9pm. All invited. Demonstration and instruction in the Art of Ukrainian embroidery at UBC Museum of Anthropology. Work executed by Luba Kut and Mary Bogdan.

July 23

Arts and Crafts Fair, 10am to 10pm, Chase, B.C. Booth rentals \$1.00 or \$5.00 per group. Write Salmon Arm Arts Council P.O. Box 1181, Salmon Arm, B.C. VOE 2T0. Beaver Valley Craft Faire, Fruitvale, B.C. For booth space or just visiting contact Jean Burt, Box 466, Fruitvale, B.C. VOG 1L0.

July 29

12:30 Buchanan Building, UBC, Vancouver, B.C. Mr. T. Nikami, Curator of Idemitsu Art Gallery, Tokyo speaking on "Medieval Chinese Ceramics in Japan". Sponsored by the Asian Art Society. As well,

July 31

Mr. Nikami will speak at 2pm in the Centre for Continuing Education, UBC, Vancouver, B.C. on "New Perspectives in Asian Ceramics".

July 30 - 31

"UKKEE Days" at Long Beach, Vancouver Island in Uclulet Recreation Hall Grounds. Artists and craftspeople

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- August 1 can sell their work at 10% commission or rental of \$10.00 (artist's choice). To reserve place write Long Beach Arts Council, Box 468, Ucluelet, B.C. VOR 3A0 or phone Minnie Hornidge 726-7081, Corinna Perry, 726-4356 or Shirley Martin, 726-7138 - all area code (604). B.C. Day 2nd Annual Barnes Creek Country Fair, Recreation Grounds, Edgewood, B.C. For booths write Skye Faïres, Box 51, Edgewood, B.C. VOG 1J0 or 1146 Victoria Drive, Vancouver, B.C. V5L 4G5 or phone (604)254-3970. The Island's Arts and Crafts Festival, Willows Beach Park in Victoria, B.C. Sponsored by the Quality Committee of the UVIC Craftsfaire. Contact Gina Rohr, 1320 Point St., Victoria, B.C. (604)384-1667.
- August 4 - 6 "Green Mountain Family Country Fair" Apex Aspen Ranch, Penticton, B.C. No charge for booth space, donation accepted. Selling crafts permitted. For reg. call, City Hall, Recreation Dept. (604)492-3043 or write Bob Minty, Apex Aspen Ranch, Box 426, Penticton, B.C. V2A 6K6, closing date August 19/77.
- August 27 - 28 Port McNeill Fall Fair. For info. write Mt. Waddington Regional Arts Council, P.O. Box 916, Port Hardy, B.C. VON 2R0.
- September 10 - 11 10am to 4pm Arts and Crafts Fair at Minoru Park, Richmond, B.C. Registration \$10.00 per allotted space, provide your own furniture. For info write Hazel Vanslyke, 1090 Housman St., Richmond, B.C. V7E 4A3 or phone (604)277-3045. Enclose cheque, name, address, phone and your craft.
- September 11 "Art in Action" art and craft only exhibition and sale Holy Trinity Cathedral, New Westminster, B.C. For brochures write 514 Carnarvon St., New Westminster, B.C. V3L 1C4 or phone (604)521-2511.

OUTSIDE THE PROVINCE:

- June 24 - July 24 "The Metalsmith", The Henry Gallery, University of Washington, Seattle, Washington 98195.
- July 30 - August 7 ... Bow River Arts Fair at Lacombe Centre by Fish Creek Park, Calgary, Alberta. For full info. to enter write Prairie Front Workshop, #300-223 12th Avenue SW, Calgary, Alta. T2R 0G9 or phone (403)262-7443.
- August 4 - 27 Madeleine Chisholm, one woman show at Canadian Guild of Crafts (Quebec), 2025 Peel Street, Montreal, P.Q.
- December '77 Christmas Craft Fair. The Canadian Craft Show, 458 St. Clements Ave., Toronto, Ont. M5N 1M1. Steven Levy is now taking enquiries for space, write above address.

EDITOR'S NOTE:

There are many excellent museums and civic art galleries showing the work of craftspeople both present and past. From Victoria to Halifax, specially in the smaller cities and rural communities there are excellent displays planned for summer travellers. Both Craft Canada (pages 28 to 41) and Arts West (green centre fold) give many listings. Take advantage to view the work created by craft artists while "roaming 'round." Canada is developing a unique and distinct art-form and the crafts are leaders in the new age.

CLASSIFIED:

- COUNTRY CRAFTS - #9-10302 135th Street, Surrey, B.C. V3T 4Y8, 585-1922, for macrame enthusiasts, spinners and weavers. Jute, beads, books, handspun wool, fleece, dyes, Indian spinners and looms (locally made). Classes available.
- WEAVERS' LOFT - 1021 Government Street, Victoria, B.C. V8W 1X6, (604)388-6306, Lilly Bohlin's weaving school offers three week workshops the year round covering all aspects of weaving, spinning, design and fibers.
- POTTERS - Eagle #2 kerosene lampburners plus collars, fits 3"chimney, not a cheap imitation. \$10.50 per dozen postpaid. Please include tax numbers or 7% sales tax. Old Egmont Craftworks, Egmont, B.C. VON 1N0.

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