

VISIONS

ART STUDIO TOUR 2012

Cowichan Valley's Visions artists and artisans welcome you to their studios for their annual summer studio tour from Friday, June 29 to Monday, July 2, 2012.

Fifteen studios will be open, some of them with guests, so that 20 artists will be showing, demonstrating and selling their work during the four-day event.

The tour will take you through the enchanting Cowichan Valley to charming rural properties and gardens, impressive oceanfront locales and country roads you've never before seen and will never forget.

All these artists' studios are open year 'round, some by appointment, but during the Studio Tour all Visions artists taking part in the tour will have their studios open at the same time, from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. each day of the tour.

Free year 'round brochure/maps are available from Visions artists, libraries, community centres, visitors' information centres as well as from members.

You can also download the brochure/maps from the Visions website www.visionsarttour.ca

We appreciate your interest in the Arts in the Cowichan Valley and the continuing support of our sponsors named in the brochure and on our website.

Enjoy the tour.

Terry Harrison, President

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Cowichan Valley Artists

Year 'Round Studio Guide & Map

2012 Summer Tour & Sale
June 29th - July 2th 10-5pm

Watch for Visions artists at these additional events in the Cowichan Valley during 2012

COMBINE A VISIT TO BAMBERTON WITH A GREAT SHOWING OF ART BY VISIONS ARTISTS

Sunday, July 8

Celebrating Bamberton's 100th birthday.

Sunday, July 8 from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m.

A family-oriented day in the country where you can enjoy entertainment, tours, food and art.

What more could one ask?

AN ENCAMPMENT OF VISIONS ARTISTS SURROUNDED BY GRAPEVINES

Saturday, September 15

Visit Unsworth Vineyard and Winery

and Amuse' Bistro on Saturday, September 15

during the week of the Cowichan Valley Wine Festival and you'll find Visions Artists in their tents alongside the grapevines. Mixing art and vines has become a tradition in the Cowichan Valley so don't miss this special event with wine, food and art.

CULTURE DAYS 2012 A CANADA-WIDE EVENT

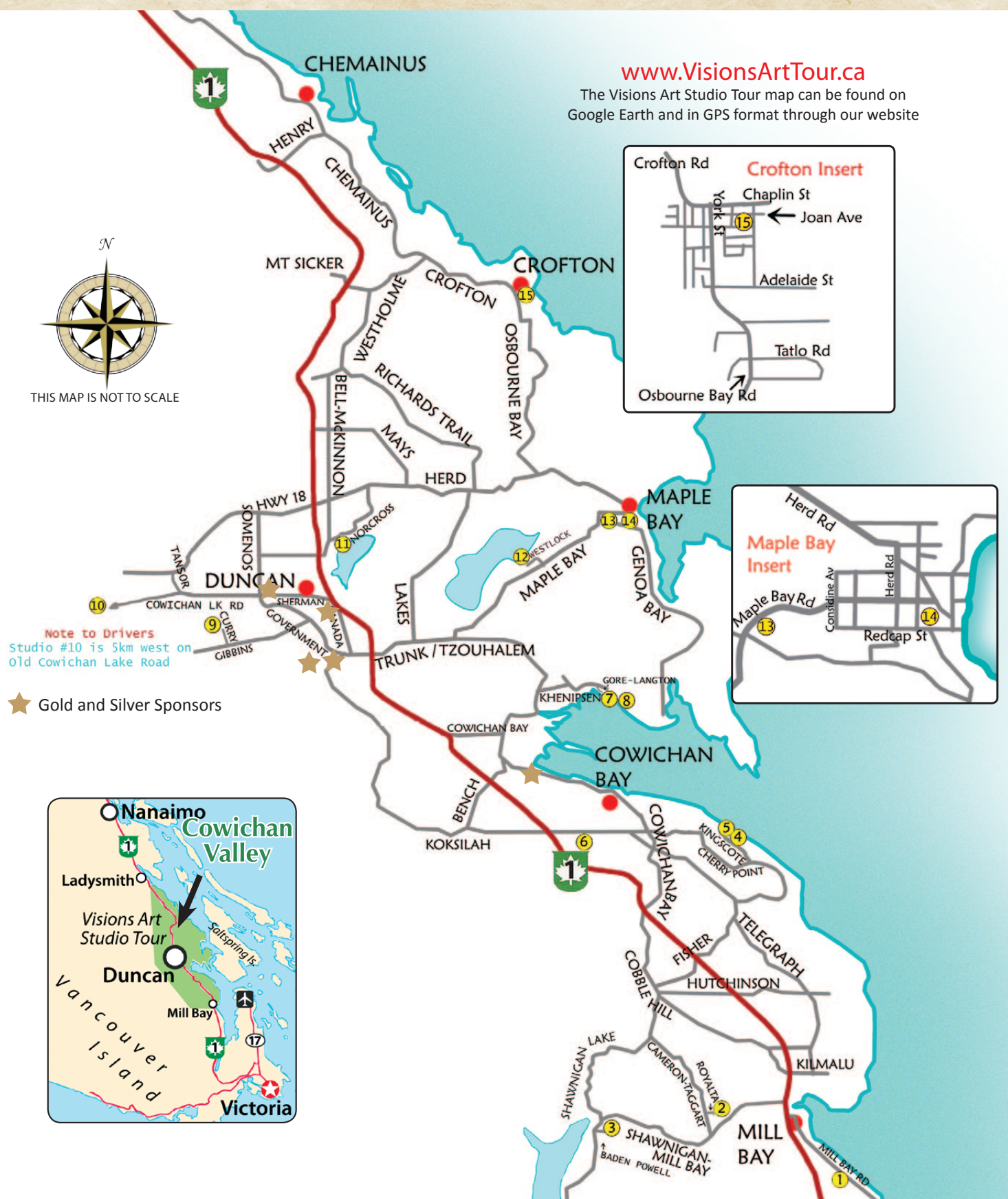
Friday, September 28 and Saturday, September 29

In the Cowichan Suite off the main floor lobby in the Island Savings Centre there will be a gathering of Visions Artists celebrating the all-across-Canada event, Culture Days, on Friday, September 28 and Saturday, September 29. Artists and artisans will be there to display their work, demonstrate, give classes and have their art for sale from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. both days.

VISIONS CHRISTMAS SHOW AT PORTALS

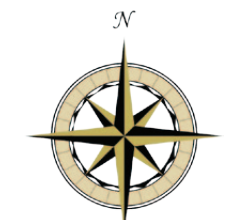
From November 29 until December 20

Visions Artists will have a show and sale at Portals, the Cowichan Valley Arts Council's gallery located, off the main floor lobby of the Island Savings Centre. The show will be wonderfully timed so you can do all your important Christmas shopping in one beautifully appointed gallery. And there's lots of parking, too.



www.VisionsArtTour.ca

The Visions Art Studio Tour map can be found on Google Earth and in GPS format through our website



THIS MAP IS NOT TO SCALE

Note to Drivers
Studio #10 is 5km west on old Cowichan Lake Road

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Cowichan Valley Artists

1 Donna Birtwistle Painter/Garden Art
Wistle's Art
2423 Mill Bay Road (On way to Mill Bay Ferry), Mill Bay 250-743-2758
dwistle@shaw.ca



For an all round indoor/outdoor experience, enjoy Donna's home and workplace at beautiful Mill Bay. Her artistic flare shows everywhere in her environment. She focuses on depicting realistic wildlife in her paintings and garden art. Original paintings, digital prints, cards, and garden art are available.

Hours: Just a call or E-mail away from being available anytime of year.

From Hwy 1 - east on Deloume Rd, right on Mill Bay Rd.

2 Terry Harrison Fabric and Glass Artist
1213 Royalta Road, Mill Bay 250-743-3862
harrisonglassart@shaw.ca
www.members.shaw.ca/harrisonglassart



If you are familiar with Terry's exquisite flowers painted on wine glasses, plates, bowls, glass accessories and tiles then you'll also recognize the brilliant blooms painted on shirts, pants, shells, suits, aprons, bags, hats, sandals and table linens in her studio for this year's Studio Tour. Enjoy walking through the Harrisons' extensive garden, too.

Hours: Open year round by appointment.

GUEST AT VENUE 2:
Barb Trowbridge Silk Painter
www.designsinsilks.com

Barb is an experienced textile artist and teacher. She works and teaches primarily in silk painting: Japanese rosome, shibori, bokashi, resists, "stop-flow", stencilling, and surface design.

From Victoria - 2nd light in Mill Bay, left on Shawnigan-Mill Bay Rd, 2.3 km right on Cameron-Taggart Rd, right on Royalta Rd. From Duncan - right onto Shawnigan-Mill Bay Rd. just before Mill Bay and continue as just described.

3 Edward Epp Painter
1765 Baden Powell Road, Shawnigan Lake 250-709-5049
www.EdwardEpp.com



Widely acclaimed throughout BC and Canada, Edward's lyrical paintings reflect the landscape, the people and the icons of Prince Rupert, Haida Gwaii, and the Inside Passage. Believing that painting a landscape is never a matter a processing visual data alone, he prefers to create the majority of his abstract works en plein air, eschewing the use of visual memory aids like photographs

Hours: Open year round by appointment.

From Hwy 1 - left on Shawnigan-Mill Bay Rd., left onto Shawnigan Lake Rd., left onto Baden Powell Rd.

4 Michele Heath Silversmith
4373 Kingscote Road, Cowichan Bay 250-743-3769
www.gobc.ca/michele.heath / www.micheleheath.ca / heathmc@shaw.ca

Michele makes one-of-a-kind sterling silver jewellery. Each piece is individually designed and hand made from sterling sheet and/or wire so that its owner can feel the pride of wearing something truly original and unique. Her work is inspired by natural themes and often incorporates self-collected or purchased stones that she shapes and polishes herself. Enjoy the lovely ocean view as you visit her studio. Commissions welcome.



Hours: Open during the Visions Summer Tour and by appointment.

From Hwy 1 - east on Koksilah Rd to stop sign, straight on to Cherry Point Rd, left on Kingscote.

5 Carolyn McDonald Painter
4407 Kingscote Road, Cowichan Bay 250-743-5974



Carolyn's art is inspired by her travels, her Caribbean heritage, and the stories behind people and places. While exploring the subjects of figures, landscapes or abstraction, her paintings are unmistakable for their use of bold colour and light combined with flowing movement. Art cards, smaller works on paper, and other creations will also be available. Come and enjoy this waterfront garden and studio in Cherry Point.

Hours: By appointment only.

Directions the same as for Michele Heath.

6 Clare Carver Silk Painter
1840 Koksilah Road, Cowichan Bay 250-597-4506
www.pillotalk.ca



Clare began to paint as a watercolour artist several years ago. Now she paints with dyes on silk using a water-based or metallic resist. The dyes used are steam set and items can be washed in cold water. She is currently painting pillow covers, wall hangings, scarves, purses, ties and other silk items.

Hours: Open by chance or appointment after May 1st.

From Hwy 1 - east on Koksilah Rd.

7 Catherine Fraser Studio Painter/ Art Therapist
5412 Gore-Langton Road, Duncan 250-748-2067
Irisconnection123@yahoo.com/ www.members.shaw.ca/ catherinefraserart



Visit this beautiful Cowichan Estuary Studio. Artwork consists of watercolours, acrylics, water-soluble oils and photography of inner and outer local and Scottish landscapes. Art cards and prints available. Images owned by collectors worldwide.

Workshops: Catherine provides workshops on creativity.

Hours: Open during show and by chance or appointment.

From Duncan - east on Trunk/Tzouhalem past Providence Farm, left on Khenipsen, right on Gore-Langton, 3rd house on right. From Victoria, pass Whippletree Junction, right on Bench Rd., left on Cowichan Bay Rd. At tennis courts, straight on Tzouhalem Rd., right on Khenipsen, right on Gore-Langton.

8 Sue Coleman Watercolours
5378 Gore Langton Road, Duncan 250-748-8332
www.suecoleman.ca

Sue Coleman, a renowned West Coast artist, lives and works from her studio on the shore of Cowichan Bay. She paints a wide variety of subjects, but continues to be inspired by the natural beauty of the area. Original paintings are on display throughout her home, and in the studio you will find books, prints, cards and many other products.



GUEST AT VENUE 8
Joanne Kimm Silversmith/ Illustrator
www.joannekimm.ca

Joanne enjoys working in silver incorporating local stones and hand-cut gems. She also creates whimsical art which is unique, original and unusual.

Directions as for Catherine Fraser, drive to end of Gore-Langton Rd. Parking at turnaround.

9 Ken Broadland Woodturner
Heartwood Studio
5846 Curry Road, Duncan 250-746-5480
www.heartwoodstudio.ca / heartwood@shaw.ca



Finding the undiscovered beauty buried within the heart of a tree is the passion of this long-time woodworker. Ken salvages wood from around the Cowichan Valley and turns it into items which are both decorative and functional. Specializing in salad bowls and servers, his delightful studio also offers cutting boards, kitchen implements, small bowls, coasters, lidded containers and artistic pieces.

Hours: Open year round. Please phone or email ahead to ensure we'll be home. Visa and MC accepted.

From Hwy 1 - follow "H" signs to CD Hospital on Gibbins Rd, west on Gibbins 1.8 km, right on Curry Rd, straight down off end of Curry Rd.

10 René Deerheart Jewellery Designer & Artist
4735 Cowichan Lake Road, Duncan 250-715-0207
www.deerheart.com

Rene uses fine silver, copper, & bronze metal clay, argentium silver, and copper sheet for constructing jewelry. Recently she has been sewing tubes of comfortable bamboo crepe or Japanese brocade for hanging her designer pendants. She also French Knits wire tubes and braids Kumihimo cords.

Hours: Open by appointment.



GUEST AT VENUE 10
Rosemary Danaher 250-749-0251



Rosemary is a multi-disciplinary artist who creates pottery (hand and wheel), jewellery (copper, silver, pearls and semi-precious stones), paintings, painted watering cans and art cards.

From Hwy 1 - west on Hwy 18, left on Tansor, right on old Cowichan Lake Rd., 5 km, look for signs on right, 2 driveways past East Indian Crematorium.

11 Lyndsay Hunley Potter
6601 Norcross Road, Duncan 250-748-7198
lyndsayhunley@gmail.com



Lyndsay makes wheel-thrown pottery from medium fired stoneware or porcelain clay that may be used safely in the dishwasher, oven and microwave. Many of the pots are decorated with a West Coast theme through colour and fish decoration. All glazes are lead free and safe for use with all foods. Enjoy a large

selection of functional pottery, designed for years of daily use in the home.

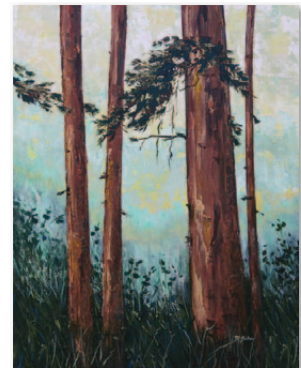
Hours: year round by appointment.

From Hwy 1 - east on Bell-McKinnon past Discovery Honda, right on Norcross.

12 Mollyanne Baker Painter
1725 Westlock Road, Duncan 250-748-1872
i.mbak@shaw.ca

If you are looking for variety, welcome to Mollyanne's studio on beautiful Quamichan Lake. Acrylic, water colour, gouache, and water base oils are the mediums used for my portraits, land and seascapes, still life, collage, and gentle impressionism. Other than my love of painting, I wish my images to tell you a lasting story. Originals, prints, cards and coasters. Wheel chair accessible.

Hours: Open all year round, please call ahead.



GUEST at venue 12:
Susan Jean Whyte Jewellery Artist
www.susanjeanwhyte.ca

The jewellery's texture is created from impressions taken from Vancouver Island trees. All jewellery is handmade of sterling silver, fine silver, copper or bronze.

From Duncan - east on Trunk to Maple Bay Rd., left on Westlock Rd., down the hill along the lake.

13 Carol Borrett Painter
1162 Maple Bay Road, Duncan 250-748-5224
www.westcoastwatercolour.com / cborrett@shaw.ca

Carol paints in both watercolours and acrylics. Her works are realistic and convey her fascination with water, boats and reflections. Her current work captures the Island's land and seascapes with a unique perspective. The soft, subtle tones of her work accurately portray the moods of the coastal area.



Hours: Open year round, but please call ahead to avoid disappointment.

From Duncan - east on Trunk Rd to Maple Bay Rd, 6 km house on right, past Genoa Bay Rd.

14 Bev Thompson Printmaker
1023 Redcap Street, Maple Bay 250-748-9984
bevthompson777@gmail.com



Enjoy the view of Maple Bay when you visit Bev's home and studio. Bev has worked in different media over the years from drawing, painting to printmaking. Bev continues to take drawing and printmaking classes in Victoria at GroundZero Printmakers in China Town. She also has a Studio 553 1/2

Fisgard St. in China Town. Everyone is welcome.

Hours: Both studios in Maple Bay and China Town are open year round by appointment only Cell 250 510 9984

GUEST AT VENUE 14:
Susan Murray O'Connor
Fibre Art Design
250-746-8695



Colourful cozies you'll love to wear.

From Duncan - east on Trunk Rd. to Maple Bay Rd. 7 km - turn right onto Chisholm Trail, left onto Redcap St. - first yellow house on left hand side.

15 Eve Whitehead Handweaver/Jeweller
1560 Joan Avenue, Crofton 250-246-4222
www.croftonbb.com



Eve is an accomplished, internationally-acclaimed Weaver. In her studio, she creates beautiful hand-woven scarves, placemats, table runners, cushions, bath towel sets & much more. She also offers one-of-a-kind, hand-crafted jewellery. Her studio is located on the main floor of her B&B: "Crofton by the Sea Bed & Breakfast" overlooking lovely Osborne Bay & Salt Spring Island.

Hours: Open year round. Tues.-Sun. 10am-7pm.

From York St., Crofton - turn right on Joan Ave, house with red roof.