



## September 2009

Welcome to the monthly newsletter for the Vancouver Art Gallery's family programs. Every weekend the Gallery offers unique activities geared towards 5 to 12 year-old visitors and their families. This newsletter highlights each month's activities.

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### **Every Saturday, 12-4pm**

Grown-ups and kids can explore the galleries with our team of bold, whimsical, funny and informed Art Agents. Every Saturday agents engage in the exhibitions with new activities and conversations related to the works on display. Free with regular admission.



### **Every Saturday, 2pm in the galleries**

Art Tracks are tours for families offering new and interdisciplinary ways of looking at and thinking about art. Free with regular admission.

### **Saturday, September 5**

*People and Patterns* – Look more closely at contemporary artist Andreas Gursky's large-scale photographs to understand how people create patterns in the everyday world (3<sup>rd</sup> floor Gallery).

### **Saturday, September 12**

*Photo Stories* – Participate in creating collaborative stories and poems based on the photographs in Gursky's exhibition *Werke/Works 80-08* (3<sup>rd</sup> floor Gallery).

### **Saturday, September 19**

*Decades of Design* – Spot the differences and consider the forces of continuity and change in our living spaces from the 50's to the 90's in Reece Terris' new installation (1<sup>st</sup> floor Gallery).

### **Saturday, September 26**

*Art and Life* – Learn more about the lives of Canadian artists Emily Carr and Jack Shadbolt while listening to their own words and observing their drawings and paintings (2<sup>nd</sup> floor Gallery).



### **2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday, 12 - 4pm**

The Making Place offers explorative, hands-on workshops for all kinds of making related to the current exhibitions and to the idea of creativity. Free with regular admission.

### **Sunday September 13**

1. *Draw a Still life* - Explore light and shadow while drawing your own still life.
2. *Matchstick Mansion* - Put your building skills to the test with your own architectural creation.
3. *Collaborative 3D Landscape* - Contribute to a giant sculptural landscape.

### **Sunday September 27**

1. *Landscape Out of My Window* - Create a 3D version of the landscape you see or imagine outside your window.
2. *Gallery Sketch* - Make a sketch in the Group of Seven exhibition and transform your sketch into a watercolor painting in The Making Place.
3. *Sculpt a Forest* - Make a tree to add to the plastecine forest.

Weekly Family Programs presented by



## **Family FUSE Weekend**



Each year the Vancouver Art Gallery will host three family-friendly weekends that explore contemporary art and culture through participatory and interdisciplinary activities, including performances and workshops. Family FUSE Weekends are geared towards 5 to 12 year olds, and will be engaging for the whole family.

### **November 20 & 21, 2009**

#### **The Green World**

This Family FUSE Weekend explores **The Green World** - from a sense of awe and wonder with nature to the human desire to shape and change our environment. Participate in sound and animation workshops, create a life sized 3D landscape, take in film and live music, and tour the exhibitions. This program of artists, filmmakers and performers will provide a provocative and playful look at the ways in which artists respond to the natural world. Special tours and workshops are designed for 8 to 12 year olds. For more information about Family FUSE Weekend, call 604-662-4700 or visit [http://www.vanartgallery.bc.ca/events\\_and\\_programs/children\\_family.html](http://www.vanartgallery.bc.ca/events_and_programs/children_family.html).

Kids free, when accompanied by an adult.