



## Newsletter

Friday May 02, 2025

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### Message from the Principal

**Dear Lord Byng Students and Families,**

The recent Lapu Lapu Block Party tragedy has impacted everyone in our city and country and on this Provincial Day of Mourning the Byng Learning Community would like to express our deep sadness and offer our heart-felt condolences to the victims of this terrible incident.

Our school will continue to support those individuals that are affected and as the recent message that has been sent out to families indicated, we will continue to offer support to any student that needs social and emotional assistance.

Counsellors are available for students needing help. Please reach out to our counselling team if help of any kind is needed.

**Have a safe, restful weekend.**

**Mr. Wilman**

### MAY 2025

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
	APRIL 28 Indigenous Focus Day – School Not in Session			1 NO FIT – Early Dismissal – 2pm Parent Teacher Conference 3-7pm TEAMS	2	3
4	5	6 Immunization Clinic – AM lower cafeteria	7	8 Earthquake Drill Big One – 2pm	9	10 Lord Byng 100 Years Celebration
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### **Lower Cafeteria Closed on Tuesday, May 6<sup>th</sup> in AM Blocks**

Due to the immunization clinic in both morning blocks, the lower cafeteria will be unavailable for students.

### **Immunization Clinic – Tuesday, May 6th**

This is a reminder there will be an immunization clinic on the morning of Tuesday, May 6th in the lower cafeteria for students who received immunization consent forms from VCH. Please return all signed consent forms to the school office as soon as possible. If you have any questions, please email our school nurse Kylie Dawson at the Pacific Spirit Community Health Centre. Email: [kylie.dawson@vch.ca](mailto:kylie.dawson@vch.ca)

### **Lord Byng 100 Years Celebration – Saturday May 10<sup>th</sup>, 2025 – Update**

Did you know that Lord Byng Secondary School is turning 100 years old? The event will be on Saturday, May 10<sup>th</sup> so save the date.

Here is the website for the 100 Year Celebration.

Please visit <https://www.byng100.ca/> for more details.

### **Request for Donations – \*Lord Byng 100th Anniversary Celebration\***

#### **Opening Breakfast**

**May 10, 2025**

Dear Lord Byng Families,

As we prepare to celebrate our school's 100th Anniversary, the PAC (parents advisory council) is planning a special Breakfast Celebration for alumni, students, staff, and families who attend — and we would love your help!

We are seeking donations in kind to support this event, such as:

- Grocery store gift cards (e.g., Costco, Superstore, No Frills)
- Home-baked or store-bought items like doughnuts, croissants, muffins, sliced loaves, squares, or other baked goods

Your generosity will help make this once-in-a-lifetime, milestone event a warm and memorable one for our whole school community. It will create a wonderful welcoming and meaningful beginning, to the entire day of celebrations!

If you're able to contribute, please contact Fiona Shaw at +1 (604) 315-8394.

We truly appreciate your support!

Kind regards,

Jacqueline Crummey  
Lord Byng PAC Co-Chair

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### Lord Byng Theatre Company Presents - Hadestown Teen Edition

#### Hadestown Teen Edition

May 20-23

May 27-30

\$20 Adults

\$12 Students in Advance

\$15 Students at Door

7pm

Lord Byng Auditorium,

Crown St Entrance

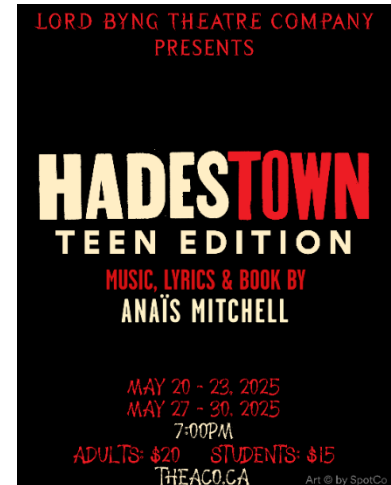
More info at [www.theaco.ca](http://www.theaco.ca)

Theatre Company Presents: Hadestown Teen Edition - Adult Ticket :

<https://vsb.schoolcashonline.com/Fee/Details/161955/196/False/True>

Theatre Company Presents: Hadestown- Student Ticket :

<https://vsb.schoolcashonline.com/Fee/Details/161952/196/False/True>



### Fall 2025 "Sights and Stages" of London International Trip



#### ***SIGN UP INFORMATION in the Drama Room***

Visit studios, theatres, and performances- London has it all!

Eligible students include *GRADE 11 and 12* students (2025-2026 school year) that are **actively** participating in Drama, Media, Film and TV here at Byng.

### Yearbook Last Chance to Purchase!

Please click [HERE](#) to purchase your school yearbook.

<https://vsb.schoolcashonline.com/Fee/Details/159314/196/False/True>

### Not Returning to Lord Byng 2025-2026

If you are not planning to return to Lord Byng next year, please complete the required form and return to the office. Please click [here](#).

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### Grad Ticket Sales Information

Ticket Sales for the Grad Ceremony at the Chan Centre and the Grad Reception and Dance are now on sale. Please see information below:

### Grad Ceremony at the Chan Centre – June 6, 2025

#### **Ticketing Round 1:**

**Friday May 2<sup>nd</sup> at NOON - Tuesday, May 20<sup>th</sup> at 11:59pm PST**

Online booking for a maximum of 2 complimentary guest tickets and a maximum of 1 additional paid ticket are open and may only be accessed by entering your unique promo code. **Book all of your tickets for this round in one order.**

#### **Ticketing Round 2:**

**Wednesday, May 21<sup>st</sup> at NOON - Wednesday, June 4<sup>th</sup> at 11:59pm PST**

Online bookings for a maximum of 2 additional paid tickets are open. No promo code required.

***Complimentary tickets are no longer available.***

*These tickets are first-come, first-served, until available seats are all booked.*

#### **Ticketing Round 3:**

**Thursday, June 5<sup>th</sup> at NOON PST**

Online bookings for any remaining paid tickets are open, without limits.

*The Chan Centre Box Office will be open from 12 Noon on event day.*

[Click here to reserve your tickets](#)

### Grad Reception and Dance – June 14, 2025

#### **PRICE OF TICKETS:**

- \$130 per ticket
- This will be a ticketless event. A check in desk will be available during the reception for you to check in, which will be done by your graduate's last name.
- Only those with pre-purchased tickets will be permitted to enter the venue.

#### **HOW TO PURCHASE:**

- [SchoolCashOnline](#) Sign into your child's account and look for optional items, click on "Grad Reception and Dance" to purchase tickets.
- Ticket sales start: **April 30, 2025**
- Ticket sales end: **May 30, 2025**

## Collaboration Dates and Schedule

Collaboration Dates	
Sept. 18 • Oct. 16 • Nov. 13 • Jan. 15 • Feb. 19 • Apr. 16 • May 14 • Jun. 18	
<b>Block 1</b> (Students Start)	10:00 - 10:40
Break	10:40 - 10:50
<b>Block 2</b>	10:50 - 11:30
Lunch	11:30 - 12:15
<b>Block 3</b>	12:15 - 1:35
Break	1:35 - 1:40
<b>Block 4</b>	1:40 - 3:00

## School Cash Online

Please pay all school fees via School Cash Online. <https://vsb.schoolcashionline.com/>

## School Service Hours – Due May 14<sup>th</sup>

School Service hours are due on Wednesday, May 14<sup>th</sup> in the school office. Please fill out page 31 of the school agenda book. This is only for volunteer hours for in-school related activities. Incomplete forms will not be accepted. Any questions, please see Ms. Chow in the office. Forms can also be picked up in the school office.

## Lost and Found

Please check the lost and found table located on the second floor for lost items. For smaller items, please inquire at the school office. All unclaimed items will be donated to charity at the end of June.

## School Parking Lot

Dear Parents and Students,

Parents and students should not be in the parking lot during school hours. This pertains to both in and out of the car.

Also, reminder below:

Due to a serious safety issue, we are asking all parents to:

- please do not park on Wallace Street
- please do not drive through the staff parking lot
- please do not use the drive through at the Lord Byng front entrance

If you need to drop off your child, please consider doing so a few blocks away. We appreciate your cooperation in making sure that the safety of your child is of the utmost importance to us.

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## **VSB Summer Learning 2025**



**Secondary Program Registration Begins April 30<sup>th</sup> 2025, at noon.**

<https://www.vsb.bc.ca/page/5211/summer-learning>  
<https://summerreg.vsb.bc.ca/>

## **Byng Athletics** **Table Tennis**

David Xu in Grade 8 won the Championship of U15 Boys event at 2025 Pan Am Selections which was held in Mississauga, Ontario April 25-27th. He will represent Canada and attend 2025 Pan American Youth Championships on August 24th-31st 2025, Rosario, Argentina.

## **Track and Field**

### **TRACK AND FIELD FUNDRAISING**

The track and field team is doing some fundraising with Vertical Lift. This is like the old Entertainment Book discount coupons but it is online. Parents, please encourage, support, and remind your child to bring 10 phone numbers (for texting) and 20 email addresses of friends and family, to the meeting on Monday at lunch in the small gym. Some groups have raised several thousands of dollars, so if everyone does their part, we will be able to do so too, for some much needed clothing, equipment, and future travel.

### **EVENT CHOICE FORMS FOR THE CITY CHAMPIONSHIPS**

Event choice forms for next week's City Championships are now overdue. Several athletes have not filled these out! They must do so by Monday at lunch, to be included in the City Championships. Students can also email Mr. Jack their choices at [bjack@vsb.bc.ca](mailto:bjack@vsb.bc.ca)

### **Student Verification Forms – Important UPDATE**

We have updated the information from the verification forms that we have received. Please confirm that the information in MyEd BC is accurate (home address, emails, emergency contacts and numbers). We have also encountered difficulty reaching parent guardians when a student has been ill. Please ensure that we have a contact number for emergency situations. The school needs current up to date information.

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Grade 12's will be mailed their dogwood certificate in the summer so it's very important that their home address is current on MyEd BC. If an address needs to be updated, please let the school office know.

### **Student Excused Absences Procedure -Update**

When a student is ill, or away for an excused reason, a parent/guardian must email the school at [byngabsences@vsb.bc.ca](mailto:byngabsences@vsb.bc.ca). Cutoff for each day is 2pm. If we receive your email after 2pm we will record your child's absence the next day.

**To avoid confusion due to the block flip, when reporting a partial day absence please report for what period of time your child will be away instead of which period they will be missing.**  
**IMPORTANT: We can only excuse students' absences in MyEd from emails received from the parents' email address not the student's email address.**

Please state your child's:

Full Name (first and last name)
Student Number
Grade
Date(s) of Absence
Reason of Absence
<b>Duration of Absence: please indicate if this is a full day absence or for what period of time your child will be away</b>
Copy to teachers so they are aware – email addresses located on school website

### **VSB Consent Forms – Please complete ALL FORMS**

Consent forms are now online <https://myforms.vsb.bc.ca>; **enter your child's PEN and birthdate**; accept the consent for each of the forms; **not** accepting or completing implies decline.

**Please complete ALL forms:**

Adobe CC Acknowledgement of Use (for students)
Adobe CC Consent (for parents/guardians)
Canada Anti-Spam Legislation Consent
External Media Consent
G4-12 Student AUP
Neighbourhood Class Walk Consent
VSB Media Consent
Yearbook Media Consent



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### Elevator Use for Students with Mobility Issues

Students experiencing mobility issues should come to the office for an elevator key.

### School Calendar / Bell Schedules / Collaborative Days

[2024-2025 School Calendar](#)

[Bell Schedule/Collaborative Day](#)

### Counselling Update

#### Counselling Staff

A-G Ms. K. Milinazzo

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[msmith@vsb.bc.ca](mailto:msmith@vsb.bc.ca)  
[cdavies@vsb.bc.ca](mailto:cdavies@vsb.bc.ca)

#### Summer School

Summer school info is now available: <https://www.vsb.bc.ca/page/5211/summer-learning>

#### STS/BCeID

Grade 11s and 12s students need to register for BCeID [Register for BCeID](#). Once they have their BCeID, they can log into sts website, and access their transcript, see their provincial exam results, etc. All grade 12 students have been instructed to use STS for sending their transcript to in province and out of province post-secondary institutions ([STS login](#)) .

#### Scholarships

Here is some scholarship info: Where Can I Look for Scholarships. This document was shared with grade 11s and 12s on Counselling Teams. Please see [link](#). Also, our Counselling Teams continues to advertise many scholarships on Grade 12 teams page.

#### Counselling Teams

Counselling teams are now up and running. Please if you are a new student, let your counsellor know and ask them to add you to our Counselling Teams group. This is where we post a lot of information regarding: post-secondary school options, scholarships, extra-curricular opportunities, mental health resources, and work opportunities, to name a few. Each grade has their own Counselling Teams, eg. Grade 12 2024/25 (Counselling), Grade 11 2024/25 (Counselling), and so on...

### PAC News

**PAC News May 02, 2025**

~~ GENERAL PAC NEWS ~~

#### **PAC Meeting: Apr. 30 at 7pm**

The Apr. PAC Meeting was held **in-person** in an exciting new venue, [Paul Kyle Gallery](#), Apr. 30, 7pm.

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Address: 258 E 1st Ave Unit 4, Vancouver, BC V5T 1A6. Around 35 parents showed up and please see this file for more details [2025 Apr 30 PAC Meeting.pptx](#).



### **PAC Continental Breakfast**

**Request for Donations** – LB 100th Anniversary Celebration

**Opening Breakfast** hosted by PAC on May 10, 2025

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If you're able to contribute, please contact Fiona Shaw at +1 (604) 315-8394. We truly appreciate your support!

### **Other ways to help: Volunteering!**

Join PAC and help with LB 100th celebration with the **PAC Continental Breakfast** from 11 to noon on May 10, Saturday. **Details and sign up for volunteers**, please see this document [100th Anniversary PAC Continental Breakfast](#). **We need your support!**

### **—Fundraising & Event Organization Committee—**

**Parent Workshop : Understanding Vaping 家长讲座：了解青少年Vaping问题**

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Vaping is a growing concern in schools, including ours. In response to parent feedback about vaping in school washrooms, the school is taking this issue seriously. We believe education is key to helping families better support their children. We've invited the SACY team to offer a free workshop for parents. Your participation is highly encouraged.

**Please register and join us. at 8pm May 21st @ Byng Library after PAC meeting**

Vaping在学校中日益成为一个严重问题，我们学校也不例外。针对部分家长反映的洗手间Vaping情况，学校高度重视，并认为加强教育是帮助家庭更好支持孩子的关键。学校特别邀请了SACY团队为家长举办一场免费的讲座，诚邀各位家长积极报名参加。

时间：5月21日 晚上8点（PAC会议后）地点：Byng图书馆

RSVP预约: <https://forms.gle/DL2rt9gytd35vCjw7>



**Fundraising & Event Organization Committee:** all PAC members are in this committee.

We encourage **long-term volunteers** to join our committee, please register to join us with this form: <https://forms.gle/aodKd111ka4jM4k9A>.

Please contact PAC Co-chair **May Lee** at [Maylca808@gmail.com](mailto:Maylca808@gmail.com) for more detail.

**Grocery GiftCard Fundraising Initiatives:** The PAC gets rebates on parents gift cards purchases from the following vendors to donate to school.

- **SunGiven (元初)** - Please fill out the [ORDER FORM](#) and follow the instruction and make your payment for the gift card.
- **Stongs Market-** shop online at [www.stongs.com](http://www.stongs.com), and **select Lord Byng Secondary At checkout** under "Select the school for our rebate program".

If you have any questions or if you have any other Grocery Card rebate program, feel free to send us email at [lbpacgiftcards@gmail.com](mailto:lbpacgiftcards@gmail.com)

### ~~ Inclusion and Diversity Committee ~~

**PAC Inclusion and Diversity Committee** - PAC has a space for discussing issues related to inclusion and diversity at Byng. Please contact PAC Co Chair Jacqueline Crummey [j.crummey@icloud.com](mailto:j.crummey@icloud.com) (Email and WhatsApp) or by message 778-788-2585.

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With deep gratitude and respect, we are honoured to be learning and unlearning on the ancestral and unceded lands of the xʷməθkʷəy̓əm (Musqueam), Skwxwú7mesh Úxwumixw (Squamish Nation) & səliłwətał (Tsleil-Waututh Nation).



- Inclusion and Diversity Committee share this Byng student project with you.
- The Inclusion and Diversity Committee strongly urge you to consider supporting the **VSB Budget Letter**. See below under DPAC committee info.

Every child deserves access to a learning environment that is safe, supportive, and responsive to their individual needs. Yet, it is clear that current funding levels are not meeting the realities faced by many students—especially those with disabilities, learning differences, and complex support needs. These students deserve the same opportunities as their peers, and that begins with properly funded frontline staff, specialists, and in-class support.

Public education is a cornerstone of an equitable society, and we have a collective responsibility to ensure all students can thrive. The Board's commitment to inclusive education must be matched by real, tangible investment in the people and services that make this possible. When we invest in inclusion, we invest in the success and well-being of every child.

### ~~DPAC Committee INFO~~

**URGENT: VSB Budget Letter Campaign – Sign and Share by April 25, 2025** Please see [DPAC Info](#) for more information.

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<https://www.vancouverdpac.org/urgent-vs-b-budget-letter-campaign-sign-and-share-by-april-18-2025/>

**Deadline is April 25<sup>th</sup>.** We need strong support for increased and sustained funding for inclusive education in the 2025/2026 budget. Please show your support using the link above!

Please see other important updated DPAC information shared by DPAC chair here [DPAC News Update Document.docx](#)

DPAC representatives: Cindy [cgroner18@gmail.com](mailto:cgroner18@gmail.com) Nora [noradyng@hotmail.com](mailto:noradyng@hotmail.com)

### ~~GRAD 2025 Committee INFO~~

Please see updates on three events below.

- **1. JUNE 14 - GRAD RECEPTION AND DANCE:** Tickets Sales
- **Important:** Both GRAD Reception and grad ceremony tickets are on sale NOW. Grad parents, please check your emails for details and link to purchase the tickets. If you haven't sign up for Grad email list or have any further questions or need assistance, please reach out to the grad committee at: [bynggradcommittee2025@gmail.com](mailto:bynggradcommittee2025@gmail.com)

## 1. JUNE 14 - GRAD RECEPTION AND DANCE

**PLACE:** The Great Hall at the NEST in the Student Union Building at UBC - 6133 University Blvd

**TIME:** 5:30pm - 10:30PM

**FORMAT:** This is a stand-up, reception style event with canapés, non-alcoholic refreshments and, of course, dancing to Lord Byng's very own, most requested, DJ - Mr. Johnston. There will be some general seating available for those who need to give their legs a rest during the evening. This event is attended by the graduate and 2 family members (please see ticket maximum below for more information) and some school staff.

**DRESS CODE:** Cocktail attire.

**MAXIMUM NUMBER OF TICKETS:** 3 per graduating student - includes 1 ticket for the graduating individual and 2 tickets for family members. Due to limited capacity at the venue and the size of our graduating class, 3 will be the maximum number of tickets sold to each graduate. This is to ensure that there is space for all graduating students to be able to attend.

**PRICE OF TICKETS:** \$130 per ticket

\*This will be a ticketless event. A check in desk will be available during the reception for you to check in, which will be done by your graduate's last name. Only those with pre-purchased tickets will be permitted to enter the venue.

**HOW TO PURCHASE:** [SchoolCashOnLine](#) - Sign into your child's account and look for optional items, click on "Grad Reception and Dance" to purchase tickets.

Ticket sales will start: **April 30, 2025** will end: **May 30, 2025**

### ~~ BYNG ARTS PARENTS INFO ~~

**BYNG ARTS PARENTS GROUP** – Byng has a [Byng Arts Parents Group](#) and a Byng Arts PAC subcommittee. Please join! <https://www.lordbyngpac.com/byng-arts-parents>. Stay connected on WhatsApp. Join the "All Parents" and the subgroup you belong to <https://chat.whatsapp.com/LebbGtqRocv31UU1OA0w38>.

### ~~PARENT WEDNESDAY MORNING WALKS~~

**Wednesday Morning Walks** - For parents/guardians who want to enjoy nature while making new connections in the Byng community, please join us for our Wednesday 9 am walks.. Meet near the front entrance (W. 16th Ave). Please email to Nora at [noradyng@hotmail.com](mailto:noradyng@hotmail.com)

## ~~CHINESE PARENT SUPPORT INFORMATION~~

每周学校新闻的中文版和中文播报将更新在PAC官网上

PAC 邮箱接受中文邮件，说中文的家长可以将他们的问题或者疑虑发中文邮件到 [lordbyngschoolpac@gmail.com](mailto:lordbyngschoolpac@gmail.com)

Upcoming PAC meetings (all at 7pm): Jan 22, 2025, Mar 05 19, 2025, April 30, 2025, May 21, 2025. For any PAC-related questions or concerns please email us at [lordbyngschoolpac@gmail.com](mailto:lordbyngschoolpac@gmail.com) or visit <https://www.lordbyngpac.com/>



### JOIN THE PAC EMAIL LIST

The PAC sends out monthly PAC newsletters with important information for the parents and guardians. Please use this QR code to sign up for our newsletter or **visit our website** <https://www.lordbyngpac.com/> to the subscribe link: <https://lordbyngpac.us14.list-manage.com/subscribe?u=af85d7bc4fcc7ac2d125c476c&id=df1ad1ae5c>

**We look forward to connecting with you! - Lord Byng PAC**

### Arts Info

**Come to School on a Saturday – Senior Art Show, Saturday, May 31<sup>st</sup>**

Please join our Senior Art Students as we celebrate their talent and creativity as part of the West of Main Art Walk.

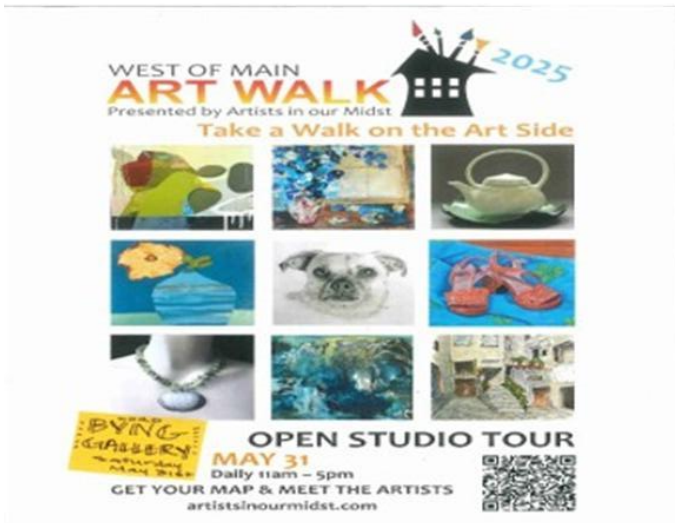


- West of Main Art Walk: Saturday, May 31<sup>st</sup>, 11am-5pm: Open Studio Event. This includes our own school gallery. Come to school on a Saturday and see the incredible work of our senior art students on display. Enter the school through the Crown Street entrance.

Click on the link below to find out more about this public event:

<https://www.artistsinourmidst.com/>



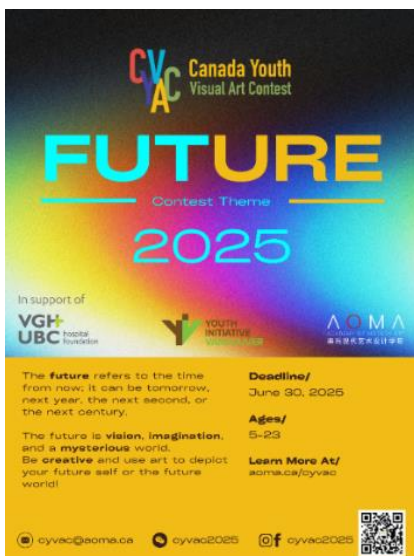


## 🎨 Calling All Young Artists! Turn Your Creativity into Compassion! 🌍

**Art for Earth Environmental Art Youth Club** invites all students to use their artistic talents to support meaningful causes and bring warmth to our communities. By participating in the art competitions themed “Future” and “Connection” organized by our local art charitable organizations, and donating your work for charity auctions, you can help raise funds for our local hospitals and patients in need. This is your chance to be more than an artist — be a changemaker. 🎨 ✨

This is your chance to be more than an artist — be a changemaker. Let your brush speak for those in need, and use your creativity to spread hope, kindness, and healing. 🖌️ ❤️

**Submit your artwork today and be part of something truly impactful.**



With deep gratitude and respect, we are honoured to be learning and unlearning on the ancestral and unceded lands of the xʷməθkʷəy̓əm (Musqueam), Skwxwú7mesh Úxwumixw (Squamish Nation) & səliłwətaʔ (Tsilwaut Nation).



**Some Assembly Theatre Company Presents:**

### **Our Last Tree – May 2 & 3**

May 2nd and 3rd, starting at 7:30 PM at the Roundhouse Performance Centre.

Tickets can be purchased at <https://someassembly.ca/>.

### **Byng Arts**

#### **New Applicants to the Program**

<https://byng2.vsb.bc.ca/byngarts/>

Welcome to all our new applicants. We have completed our steps for Grade 8 and will continue to monitor Grades 9 to 12. We will reach out to students on the waitlist if things open up further.

Thank you for your understanding and patience.

Email the coordinator, Jon Hartley-Folz at [byngarts@vsb.bc.ca](mailto:byngarts@vsb.bc.ca) if you have additional questions.

#### **Visual Arts Travels South to See Ai Weiwei Exhibit**

Stretching their attention beyond the classroom, the students of Honours Art 11/12 travelled to Seattle to see the work of contemporary Chinese artist Ai Weiwei and the other-worldly glass creations of Dale Chihuly. Sites also included the waterfront sculpture park and the Museum of Pop Culture. The Ai Weiwei exhibit was of special interest, exploring over 130 thought-provoking works created over four decades including the dust of crushed ancient pottery, reassembled furniture from the Cultural Revolution, portraits made out of Lego, and thousands of hand painted porcelain sunflower seeds.





### Byng Arts Passport

<http://passport.lordbyng.net/>

Keep going with your interactions with the arts.




The next tally will be done at the end of May (seven new events are expected for this submission for a minimum of 14 unlocked events).

Your events contribute to group House points. Our current leader is Hepburn House, but for how long?

If you need assistance with your Passport, please book an appointment with Mr. Hartley-Folz during FIT.

Here are some new opportunities to unlock:

With deep gratitude and respect, we are honoured to be learning and unlearning on the ancestral and unceded lands of the x<sup>w</sup>məθk<sup>w</sup>əyəm (Musqueam), Skwxwú7mesh Úxwumixw (Squamish Nation) & səliłwətał (Tsleil-Waututh Nation).

<b>To Tea or Not to Tea?</b> <span>Events</span>  <p>Life is like a cup of tea.</p> <p>Our next Coffee House is April 24, afterschool in the Gallery Foyer. Music, Bingo, Treats, Poetry and Iced Tea.</p>	<b>Spring Music Performance</b> <span>Music</span>  <p>You attended a concert or performed as part of one of our ensembles (Band, Choir, Strings) during April and May.</p>	<b>Gaia</b> <span>General</span>  <p>Unlock your badges for April by going to a show, participating in a performance, and other art activities that help you grow as an artist.</p>
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**BYNG ARTS Parent Group – Link:** [Byng Arts Parents Group](#)

Byng Arts has a strong parent group, and they are reaching out to connect with other Byng Arts Parents. Thank you to everyone who has signed up already.

If you haven't done so, please use this [link](#) to join the Byng Arts email list OR see the Byng Arts section of the PAC website for information on how to join and get involved.

## Student Council Info

Student council meets every Thursdays in room A223. Everyone is welcome. We will post updates on TEAMS and Instagram ([@byngartstudentcouncil](#))

## Meeting Notes

Wednesday, May 28th Byng Arts Alumni Reception ahead of Hadestown. This is part of our 25th Anniversary celebration. There will be access to the Senior Art show and finger food. Volunteers will be needed.

Final Assembly: Monday, June 16<sup>th</sup>

- Elections
- House Winners
- Tribute to the Grads

Crew neck Merch is in process

Contact Mr. Hartley-Folz if you have any Byng Arts questions ([jhartley@vsb.bc.ca](mailto:jhartley@vsb.bc.ca))