



**Canadian Western  
Association of  
Floral Art Clubs**



**World Association  
of Floral Artists  
Limited**

Edition #1

*Friendship through Flowers*

February 2024



## *BLOOMS AND MORE*

### **Presidents' Message**

I am thrilled to tell you that after a ten year journey we are finally a full voting member of the World Association of Floral Artists (WAFAL).

WAFAL meets every three years for a General Assembly and Floral Art Show hosted by a different member country. This year the event was held in Muscat, the capital of Oman. 'Bloom Oman – A Celebration of Creativity and Cultural Exchange' was hosted by the Oman Floral Artists, the ceremony was opened by the Sultan of Oman.

There was a week of events such as tours of The Sultan Qaboos Grand Mosque, the National Museum and the Mutrah Souq market. There was also honourary demonstrations by a designer from each member country, demonstrations by members from Oman and other special guests, a floral design competition, dinners in members' gardens, and a Gala dinner with a demonstration by Phubast Chesdmethee from Taiwan, a jewellery workshop, a handtied bouquet workshop, an individual Imposed design workshop, a 'Group' Imposed class exhibit (we each picked a number from a hat to form twelve groups. Each group had participants from multiple countries), and the General Assembly. It was a wonderful experience!

The next three years will be hosted by the Australian Floral Art Association INC. (AFAA) which has scheduled the Floral Art Show and General Assembly to be held in Sydney in 2027. I hope you will join me at what I am sure will be an amazing event!

To celebrate our tenth Anniversary and our membership to WAFAL we are having a Flower Festival which will include a Floral Art Show, Floral Displays and a demonstration on April 13th at the Northwood United Church, 8855 – 156 Street, Surrey. We hope you will join us to celebrate with us!



Save the Date- April 13, 2024 !



## EXECUTIVE:



**President** – Cindy Tataryn

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**Mid-Island Floral Art Clubs** –

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**Victoria Floral Artists' Guild** –

Bonita Elliot

**Society of Horticultural and Floral**

**Design Judges of BC** –

Jennifer Zuk

## Associated with:

**WAFAC – World Association of  
Floral Artists**

**NAFAS - National Association of  
Flower Arrangement Societies**

[www.nafas.org.uk](http://www.nafas.org.uk)

**BCCGC – BC Council of Garden  
Clubs**

[www.bcgardenclubs.com](http://www.bcgardenclubs.com)

**CWAFAC -**

[www.cwafac.weebly.com](http://www.cwafac.weebly.com)

## To Member Clubs:

On April 13, 2024, Canadian Western Association of Floral Art Clubs is excited to present 'Fantasia' a Flower Festival to celebrate our 10th Anniversary and our successful admission to World Association of Floral Artists (WAFAC).

The event this year is being hosted by the Society of Horticultural and Floral Design Judges of BC. Sponsored by Greyfriars Realty.

This event will include:

1. A judged Floral Art Show, 'Fantasia'
2. The Show Schedule will be available from our website below or from me when finalized or from Show Chairperson - Ann Peters [www.cwafac.weebly.com](http://www.cwafac.weebly.com)
3. Honourary Club Displays by Member clubs - non-judged
4. Honourary Displays by individuals, teams or non-members, - non-judged for those who would like to display a non-judged design
5. A Demonstrator (purchase tickets in advance, assigned seating) Tickets are \$30 available from me or can be ordered from the club liaison
6. Light Refreshments will be available to purchase
7. Annual General Meeting



**Please have your members "SAVE THE DATE!"**

**As plans are coming together, this is expected to be a wonderful day to celebrate 'friendship through flowers'.**

We would like every member club to bring an Honourary Club Display exhibit representing your club. Please have your members commit to bringing a design. This is the equivalent to a World Association of Floral Artists (WAFAC) Member Country Honourary exhibit. It can be designed by an individual or a team. Please contact me to register your intent and reserve your space requirements. (i.e. Floor exhibit, what size footprint e.g. 4' x 4' or 5' x 5' height optional; on a rectangle table 4', 6' or 8'; on a round table 3' or 5', or other; let me know your ideas, etc.) Please register and reserve your Honourary Club Display space by March 23, 2024.

More information about the Demonstration will be coming to you when plans are finalized and contracts are signed.

For more information contact me. I'm looking forward to seeing you and your members at this event.

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President - Canadian Western Association of Floral Art Clubs (CWAFAC)



# MIFAC 2024 Program – MONTHLY PROGRAM

## SUBJECT TO CHANGE BUDGET

**February 3** Seedy Saturday (optional)-  
Irene & 3 volunteers

**February 8** FBGF (Finding Beauty in  
Grocery Flowers) demo - Irene  
STRETCH DESIGN demonstrations –  
Joanne, Deanne & Barb

**March 14** FBGF demo - Irene  
STRETCH DESIGN - Members will bring  
(completed) or build a stretch design --  
based on what they learned at the  
February demo.



Mid-Island participated in  
Seedy Saturday and had a  
wonderful time

**April 11** Presentation on Aldea Maya (Laurene) -- MARS presentation  
(Deanne) - Vignette demo – (3 presenters) April ? CWA FAC Annual  
meeting – Mainland – design from each club

**April ?** Workshop for Newcomers Club (organized by Emily, Yvonne &  
Norma) - (Designers from MIFAC – Colleen, Deanne, Irene & Joanne)

**May 9** FBGF – Irene MAY VIGNETTE – Build a vignette at meeting  
(elegant displays of flowers and lovely little things; a small, pleasing  
picture formed by grouping several objects)

**May 11/12** MARS designs for garden tour (optional) – Deanne to  
organize/set up

**June 13** WREATHS and GARDEN DÉCOR – Demo – Irene (Raffle –  
3 tickets for \$5) \$ 150 June ? - Aldea Maya (BACK YARD WORKSHOP??)

**July 11** LONELY BOUQUET at Irene's (optional)

**August** - no meeting)

**August 10/11** – Coombs Fair Floral Exhibit (optional)



**September 7/8** (with set-up Sept.6) — Flower & Fine Arts Festival at  
St. Mark's (optional)

**September 12** FBGF – Irene HARVEST MOON – CRESCENT DESIGN –  
Demo – Shirley and Create your own @ meeting

**October 10** ALL-INCLUSIVE (Presenter TBA) - (based on minimum  
participation of 20 people) \$ 400 (\$65 per person, members \$45)

**November 14** FBGF – Irene \$ 30 Christmas themed design using  
COLOUR WHEEL & TEXTURE (Shirley) Demo & Create at meeting  
(bring a container and flowers with shared greenery)  
Pick up containers for December meeting

**December 12** AGM PowerPoint Presentation (Laurene) RECOGNITION  
of PAST MEMBERS-& Christmas Party

2024

# BC FLORAL ART SOCIETY MEETING SCHEDULE

**February 13, 2024 – Show Bench – “Sticks and Stones”** – a driftwood or natural wood design. Be aware of your design space (3’ high by 2’ wide OR 2’ high by 3’ wide). Add on for this meeting – Gerri to do her practice demo of designs for the West Wickham Floral Club Zoom Demo. This meeting also our AGM. G will discuss next month’s program.

**March 12, 2024 – Workshop – “Challenging”** – Imposed designs for all members (may choose to work in group of two). Club will provide blooms, twigs and ??. Members to provide a contemporary or interesting container and tool kit and various wires, cotton string and ?? Think minimalist, textures, colour. Add on: ??

**April 9, 2024 – Show Bench – “I can see you!”** – a Transparent design. Use a glass cylindrical or other shape container plus one other type of “see through” material. This will also be the month for our “White Elephant” sale. Add on: ??

**May 14, 2024 – Show Bench – “Art in Bloom”** – 3 artists to consider Hokusai “The Wave”, Joe Average, Picasso. See attached notes\* in end of April Update. Interpretive of one of the artists’ works. Add on: Sketching exercise.

**June 11, 2024 – Work Bench** – a Traditional Mass design or a Historical Mass design (think Baroque, Dutch-Flemish periods). Do some research ... Bring blooms and materials to the meeting. Work in 2’s or 3’s. Think about your container. Bring your planning sketch with you. Add on: ??

**July 9, 2024 – Show Bench – “Me and Mini-me”** – A design of choice AND a Miniature or Petite of that same design. Displayed side by side. Add on: ??

**August 13, 2024 – Show Bench – “Another Day in Paradise”** – A contemporary design incorporating tropical blooms and foliage. Add on – demo/discussion of what is Assemblage – preparing for next month,

**September 10, 2024 – Work Bench – “A few of my Favourite Things”** – an assemblage design (3-dimensional abstract design. Think colour. You will also be using non-organic materials. See p. 35 of Pr. And El. Add on: ??

**October 8, 2024 – Show Bench – “Smoke and Fire”** – Contemporary, interpretive of title. A comment on the fires and smoke of the summer of ’23 (hopefully not of this summer). Think of your colour palette. Add on: ??

**November 12, 2024 – Show Bench – “Hanging Out”** – a modern Wall hanging – Dimensions 4-5 inches wide and up to 4 feet in length. Use a combination of fresh, treated and/or dried plant material. Some man-made objects may be included (if proportionate). Add on: sign ups for next month’s luncheon.

**December 10, 2024 – Show Bench (except you are your own model ... wear black!) - “Wearable floral art”** - Create two different, complementary pieces of plant material you can wear (head piece, earrings, neck piece, mask, bracelet, anklet) ... it doesn’t have to be Christmas-y but could be. Add on: set your table for our year-end pot-luck luncheon ... this can be Christmas themed along with a centrepiece.



# Victoria Floral Artists Guild

## 2024 Meeting Schedule

**January 9** Meet & Greet

Design In the Round – Group Activity at 8 Tables

**February 13** Demonstration Leaf Manipulation – six Demonstrators will present various types of leaf manipulation.

**March 12** ‘Exploring European Flower Designs’ by Katherine Olmstead, International Master Florist and graduate of the Boerma Institute, The Netherlands.

**April 9** Workshop – Hogarth Curve

**May 14** Workshop – Linear Balance

**June 11** Garden Gathering – 2 Demonstrations.  
No Evening Meeting

**July 9** Art In Garden Information and Slide Show

Floral Fresco Work Bee - Members Create a Quilt of Flowers for ‘Art In The Garden’

**August 13** Demonstration – Dutch/Lush Design. HCP Art and Music in the Garden – August 10 and 11

**September 10** Workshop – Layered Horizontal  
Saanich Fair Booth Participation – September 1 – 4th

**October 8** 55th Anniversary Party of the Guild

Slide Show Retrospective

Potential All Guild Event - Guild Fundraiser – Show & Tea – Off Site – TBD

**November 12** End-of- Year Party -  
Guest Designer and Seasonal Designs





**Victoria Floral Artists Guild**

**Presents**

*Katherine  
Olmstead*

International Master Florist  
graduate of the Boerma Institute,  
The Netherlands.

*Exploring European  
influenced design*

**March 12**

**7pm - 9pm**

Garth Homer Centre

813 Darwin Ave

Victoria BC

**Visitors**

**\$10 at door**

<https://victoriafloralartists.ca/>



# FLORAL ARTISTS OF THE FRASER VALLEY

## 2024 MONTHLY MEETING SCHEDULE

DATE	SHOWBENCH 1	SHOWBENCH 2	DEMO/WORKSHOP	LEADER
January 24	Field trip to Quik Farms Ltd.	Meet at shop a 1:30 pm	8340 Prest Road Chilliwack	
February 28	FAFV AGM Membership Fee \$25	"Winter's Embrace" Design of Choice	Branch made from wool & wire Clamping	George Marien Lesley Goodbrand
March 27	Easter Challenge: Everyone Bring an Eggcup Arrangement	"Movement is Magic" A kinetic design	Layered, Packed or Stacked	Marlene Tambre
April 24	"A Moment in Time" Design of Choice	"Never Dull" A layered, packed or stacked design	Still Life	Malgosia Zapala
May 22	No show bench due to Spring Show	On the weekend May 24 & 25	Using wax in Floral art	Mei Leng Harper
June 26	"Marvelous Memories" Still Life Design	"Waxing Lyrical" Design using wax	Inverted Crescent Incorporating roses	Victoria Brooks
July 24	"Delightfully Delicate" Design of Choice	"Fragrant & Fabulous" Inverted Crescent Design	Reflective Design	Catherine Delaurier
August 28	Annual Garden Tea Party			
September 25	"Long, Low & Luscious" Design of Choice	"Caught in a Prism" Reflective Design	Parallel Design	Sandra Froese
October 23	Fall Show Exhibit From Oct 18 /19	"Networking With Nature" A parallel design	Brenna's Gourd: Mixing dried and fresh components	Rose Frisk
November 27	Prepare for Gala			
November 28	Christmas Gala			



# Victoria Floral Artists Guild 2024 Meeting



On January 9, the majority of members braved the cold and attended our January, Meet and Greet, first meeting of the year. Members were sorted into separate tables and given a challenge, to share, who they are, how long they had been a member of the Guild and what roles they had held in the club. The noise level rose, as folks learned about each other and made connections.

For the second part of the evening each table was given a vase, a container, greenery and flowers. A table lead posed questions on how to determine what style, design, colour and florals would work best to develop a design for the container.



Photos by Bonita Elliott

The group then worked together making a design with what they had, focusing on Scale and Proportion. The members shared it was fun, a great learning and very creative. Names were drawn at each table and one member, at each table took home the lovely design the group created. The energy in the room was infectious and a great way to start the new year.

## Floral Artists of the Fraser Valley



For the first meeting of the New Year, 24 club members toured the greenhouses and flower shop of Quik's Farms.

It is most impressive with 18 acres under glass and most of the operation mechanized.



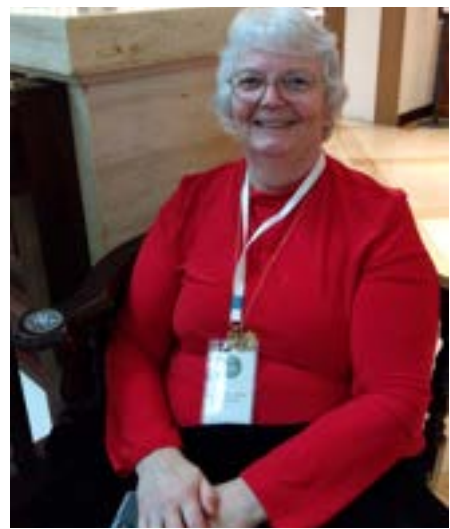




# PHOTO GALLERY



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**Cindy Tataryn – President of Canadian Western Association of Floral Art Clubs after the WFAA LTD General Assembly where CWAFAAC was accepted as a full Member of WFAA LTD.  
January 31, 2024 - Best Day Ever!  
Photo by Michael Bowyer**



**Bloom – Oman - Cindy Tataryn President CWAFAAC & WFAA LTD Chairperson – Kitty Gallagher**



**New Zealand – Honourary Demonstration – Leigh Greenstreet (Bird in Flight) Photo by Cindy Tataryn**

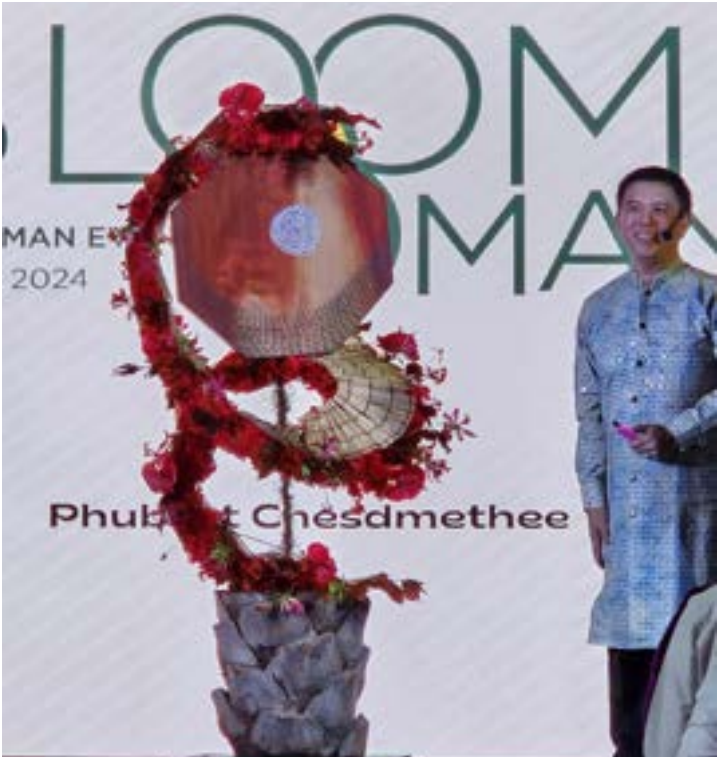


**Oman - Honourary Demonstration – Sabra Mugari Photo by Cindy Tataryn**





# PHOTO GALLERY



Gala Demonstration – Phubast Chesdmethee – from Taiwan Photo by Cindy Tataryn



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Hong Kong – Honourary Demonstration – Warren Wa-Chan Wong (Year of the Dragon) Photo by Cindy Tataryn





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# Floral Art Show “Fantasia”

and  
Flower Festival

**Demonstration  
by Susanne Law AIFD**

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**SATURDAY, APRIL 13, 2024**

**12:00 PM – 4:00 PM**

**NORTHWOOD UNITED CHURCH**

8855-156 STREET, SURREY

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**Entrance to the Floral Art Show and the displays are  
by donation - Cash or cheque only**

**Tickets for the Demonstration are \$30**

Available from Cindy Tataryn 604-585-6786 [ctataryn@telus.net](mailto:ctataryn@telus.net)

Show Schedule available at: [www.cwafac.weebly.com](http://www.cwafac.weebly.com)