



## **VOLUNTEER FOR ART'S SAKE AT THE SOOKE FINE ARTS SHOW**

### **For Immediate Release**

Sooke, BC – April 8, 2022 – Volunteer with the 2022 Sooke Fine Arts Show!

Are you interested in the arts? Do you like meeting new people and enjoy creating amazing events? The Sooke Fine Arts Show (SFAS) has volunteer positions for all ages and experience levels—from students to seniors—on a variety of friendly and dedicated show teams.

Through their passion and commitment, SFAS volunteers help to create a sensational arts event that welcomes local artists, art lovers, and the art 'curious' to a spectacular gallery at Sooke's SEAPARC arena. Volunteer positions include everything from show setup and admissions to gift shop construction and light bulb installation! Can't make it out? There's even a role for home bakers to create snacks for the volunteer teams.

"The Sooke Fine Arts Show makes me feel like I'm part of something huge and very important," says SFAS Volunteer Coordinator Gunny Tennese. "It's a wonderful phenomenon for our whole community and the bonus is being a member of a unique family of volunteers dedicated to nothing but putting on an amazing art show. It's beyond special!"

Shannon Lee Rae, SFAS Design Team Lead agrees. "Sooke Fine Arts connects me with a community of like-minded people who share my passion for the arts. I not only work with these people but have made some amazing friends. It's wonderful when you can combine philanthropy with friendship!"

Anyone interested in volunteering is invited to our 2022 Show Kickoff Meeting on Wednesday, April 13 at 7pm at Holy Trinity Church, 1962 Murray Rd, Sooke. To learn more about volunteer opportunities please visit [sookefinearts.com/volunteering](https://sookefinearts.com/volunteering) or contact the SFAS office at 250-642-7256.

"Our volunteers are integral to the Show, and we couldn't do it without them," says Terrie Moore, Executive Director of the SFAS. "This is the first time since 2019 that we've had a live

show and we've missed the energy and enthusiasm that the volunteers bring. We're so looking forward to working as a part of a larger team again this year!"

The Sooke Fine Arts Show is a live visual arts festival from July 22 through August 2 and includes a gallery of juried art works from BC Islands' artists as well as live music, demonstrations, talks, guided tours, and activities for youth and seniors. The festival kicks off July 21, 2022, with the exclusive Purchasers' Preview Night.

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### **Important Dates**

- SFAS 2022 Kickoff Meeting: Wednesday, April 13 at 7pm at Holy Trinity Church, 1962 Murray Rd, Sooke. See [sookefinearts.com/event/2022-kick-off](http://sookefinearts.com/event/2022-kick-off)
- SFAS art submissions: Call to Artists is open now and closes midnight Tuesday, May 24, 2022. See [sookefinearts.com/artist-information](http://sookefinearts.com/artist-information)
- Purchasers' Preview Night: July 21, 2022. \$45 tickets go on sale in May and include show access and wine and appetizers. Buy online at [www.sookefinearts.com](http://www.sookefinearts.com)
- Sooke Fine Arts Show: July 22 through August 2, 2022, at SEAPARC Leisure Complex, 2168 Phillips Road, Sooke, BC

### **About us**

The Sooke Fine Arts Show and Sale is a volunteer driven, community-proud event with a 36-year history of showcasing art and culture of the region. It draws visitors from the local area, from the Lower Mainland, across Canada, the US and abroad to enjoy and celebrate the unique culture of Sooke and BC's coastal area.

Sooke Fine Arts Society respectfully acknowledges that we live, work, and create on the traditional territory of the T'Sou-ke First Nation, and we are grateful to be in this beautiful place.

The Sooke Fine Arts Society is a not-for-profit, federally registered charity #R852375765RR0001.

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