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Celebrate BC Family Day at the Vancouver Art Gallery with live music, shadow puppet, tours and art-making activities

January 30, 2014, Vancouver, BC – The Vancouver Art Gallery will host a full day of family activities free for children aged 12 and under on **Monday, February 10th, 2014** to celebrate the second province-wide Family Day. This special celebration features an exciting program for the whole family, including live music, interactive shadow play, tours and fun hands-on art making activities throughout the day. In addition, children will be greeted with party bags filled with goodies courtesy of the Ministry of Community, Sport and Cultural Development.

“We are most excited to be participating in BC family day,” said the Gallery’s Director Kathleen Bartels. “Family programs are an integral part of our educational mission, and this special day provides the Gallery with a wonderful opportunity to engage many children and families who have not yet experienced the Vancouver Art Gallery.”

“British Columbia’s Family Day says a lot about who we are as a Province – what matters to us,” said Coralee Oakes, Minister of Community, Sport and Cultural Development. “Taking part in the special celebrations at the Vancouver Art Gallery is a perfect example of how families can celebrate together.”

This full-day celebration features the following family programs:

Musical performance by the Mad Komad trio

11:30am, 12:30pm and 1:30pm, 1st floor Rotunda

Mad Komad is a dynamic group with three seasoned musicians: Clarinettist Gene Ramsbottom, Cellist Bo Peng and percussionist Martin Fisk. They present a delightful performance in an eastern Mediterranean flair with clarinets, tarogato, dumbek, musical saw, field drum, guitar, Oud and cello.

Shadow Play by Mind of a Snail

11am - 4pm, 2nd Floor galleries

Shadow puppet duo Mind of a Snail (Chloé Ziner and Jessica Gabriel) presents an interactive shadow forest inspired by the work of Emily Carr. Use a range of materials to make a shadow tree with the whole family.

Art Agents

12pm – 4pm, 4th Floor galleries

Explore the exhibition **Emily Carr: Deep Forest** with our knowledgeable and engaging Art Agents through a range of hands-on learning tools.

Making Place

12pm - 4pm, 4th Floor Studio

Always popular, Making Place invites you to create your own Emily Carr inspired drawings and paintings, and take them home for more artistic inspiration.



About the **Vancouver Art Gallery**: The Vancouver Art Gallery is a not-for-profit organization supported by its members, individual donors, corporate funders, foundations, the City of Vancouver, the Province of British Columbia through the BC Arts Council, and the Canada Council for the Arts. We thank everyone for their continuing generosity.

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Images are available upon request.

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