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Critical Collaborations in Surrey: Art + Feminism Wikipedia Edit-a-Thon

Saturday, March 8 | 12:00 p.m.-4:00 p.m.

Surrey, BC – Join Surrey Art Gallery and *Rungh* magazine for Art + Feminism Wikipedia Edit-a-Thon on International Women's Day, Saturday, March 8 from 12:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. at Surrey Art Gallery! The Gallery invites participants to browse their permanent collection, library books, and research material to develop and deepen content on topics related to BIPOC, gender nonconforming artists, and feminisms.

Art + Feminism is an international initiative that builds a community of activists committed to closing information gaps related to gender, feminism, and the arts, beginning with Wikipedia. For over ten years, they have welcomed anyone and everyone of all gender identities and expressions to attend or organize Art + Feminism events to edit Wikipedia—the largest public internet resource.

On International Women's Day, Surrey Art Gallery and *Rungh* aim to address the gender gap and create braver digital public spaces that are caring, equitable, and inclusive. In collaboration with scholarship partners The University of British Columbia (UBC-ACAM and UBC-ACRE), Kwantlen Polytechnic University, Simon Fraser University (SFU CCMS), and The Black Arts Centre, the 2025 *Rungh* Wikipedia scholarship recipients will share their in-process research focussing on underrepresented artists. Participants are welcome to discuss, share, create new entries, or come up with ideas for enriching existing wiki articles or creating new ones. Pre-researched artists and artworks from Surrey Art Gallery's permanent collection will also be available for entry.

No prior knowledge or practice of editing Wikipedia is required. However, to create new entries, participants must be registered Wikipedia users and have made ten previous edits on existing pages.

Drop-ins are welcome. For more information, please contact artgallery@surrey.ca.

About Rungh Magazine

Rungh is a Canadian multidisciplinary space for creative explorations, featuring work by Indigenous, Black, and people of colour artists (IBPOC). Consisting of a quarterly, national, arts magazine (Rungh Magazine), programming, an active archive, ongoing arts advocacy, and more, Rungh is committed to Canada-wide cultural. rungh.org

About Surrey Art Gallery

Founded in 1975, Surrey Art Gallery presents contemporary art by local, national, and international artists, including digital and audio art. Recognized for its award-winning programs, the Gallery engages children through to adults in ongoing conversations that affect our lives and provides opportunities to interact with artists and the artistic process. The Gallery is located at 13750 88 Avenue in Surrey on the ancestral, traditional and unceded territories of the Salish Peoples, including the ἀiἀəý (Katzie), ἀwa:nλan (Kwantlen), and Semiahma (Semiahmoo) nations. Surrey Art Gallery gratefully acknowledges operating funding from the City of Surrey, Province of BC through BC Arts Council, Canada Council for the Arts, and the Surrey Art Gallery Association.

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