



Cultural Connections

keeping you informed about cultural activities and opportunities in the Heart of Georgian Bay

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Let's Weave Our Story
Tissons nos cultures

**Ambe kidaa
aakzokaanan**

The Culture Alliance is very excited to announce that it is embarking on a major project aimed to highlight the multiple cultural assets located in the Heart of Georgian Bay. The project is supported by a \$75,000 Seed grant awarded by the Ontario Trillium Foundation.

[To learn more about this project and how you can participate.](#)



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Jumping Into Video Production
with Eamonn O'Connell, Digital Producer

Eamonn O'Connell
VIDEO + PHOTOGRAPHY

This free session is for creatives and small businesses
looking to create a video for online self-promotion.
April 21 at 7 p.m.
Register at www.culturealliance.ca/culturalconnections

FÊTE DE LA CULTURE DAYS

The Culture Alliance is accepting funding applications from individuals and arts, culture and heritage organizations interested in offering free or pay-what-you-may community engagement activities and projects in September 2021.

[Applications will be accepted until available funds are allocated.](#)



Visit: www.wyemarsh.com/earth-day



Backyard BioBlitz with iNaturalist

Ever wondered what's in your backyard? Download iNaturalist or Seek on your mobile device and join the **Wye Marsh for a BioBlitz** around your neighborhood.



Seedling Giveaway

Join the Wye Marsh in planting Ontario's Tree in your yard! On **April 25th 2021, from 10:00am to 4:00pm the Wye Marsh Wildlife Centre will be giving away 200 Eastern White Pine seedlings** via Marsh-side pickup. Seedlings will be given out on a first come first serve basis and will be restricted to one per family.



At Home Activities

Wye Marsh has a number of **nature-based activities to engage naturalists of all ages** to get outdoors to learn about and appreciate our wonderful planet.



Invasive Species Webinar with Bob Bowles

Join **Bob Bowles**, award-winning writer and local naturalist for a webinar which will highlight **some of the most prominent invasive species that are affecting wetlands** like the Wye Marsh.

LET'S GO GREEN!



Looking for everyday changes that can help our planet?

There are so many ways to help our earth, 5 to try this month include:

1. Support conservation efforts to preserve wildlife and their habitats
2. Instead of plastic bags, use reusable canvas bags
3. Use smart power bars that drain less idle electricity to help conserve energy when appliances are not in use
4. When getting takeout, say no to disposable cutlery and use your own reusable utensils
5. Record your wildlife and plant sightings to help monitor the health of local ecosystems



A DAY IN THE LIFE

In Conversation with Leaders and Legends

In Your Home

(Virtual Edition)

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Cabinet Minister / Waterways Commissioner

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Bayshore Seniors Club in Woodland Beach invites you to the fourth reading in a series celebrating the uplifting and enlivening power of poetry.

POETRY TO LIFT OUR HEARTS

with
Susan McMaster



FREE on ZOOM

Saturday, April 24 at 2 pm EST

To register https://us02web.zoom.us/join/zoom/register/tZAKc-2tqj0pHdQ_SlYjHryHDtaBeNZoGXbB
or email bayshoreseniors@gmail.ca and put POETRY in the subject line

Susan McMaster will read poems from *Crossing Arcs: alzheimer's, my mother, and me*, a compassionate, caring, respectful, wry and jubilant conversation with her forthright and engaging mother as they grapple with the ever-changing reality of Alzheimer's. Past president of the League of Canadian Poets, Susan is author or editor of 30+ poetry books, recordings, and anthologies. She founded *Branching Out*, the first Canadian feminist/arts magazine; performed with *First Draft*, *SugarBeat*, and *Geode Music & Poetry* across Canada; edited many prestigious collections; and organized projects like "Convergence: Poems for Peace", which brought poetry from over 100 contributors to all MPs and Senators in the millennial year. She worked for 20 years as a senior book editor at the National Gallery of Canada, founding *Vernissage* magazine. Susan lives in Ottawa and summers at Lac Vert in the Gatineaus. The reading will be followed by Q&A.

Bayshore Seniors gratefully acknowledges the support of the Canada Council for the Arts and The League of Canadian Poets.





NATIONAL
POETRY
MONTH

THE POWER OF POETRY: A WORKSHOP FOR TEENS

Have something to say? Why not say it in a poem? Whether you've written a little or a lot, feel free to join this fun & helpful workshop to discuss the craft of writing and performing poetry.

THIS IS THE PLACE.

Tuesday, April 27, 4pm

Email jpaquette@midlandlibrary.com to register and receive the online meeting information.



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Bayshore Seniors Club in Woodland Beach presents

GIVING MEMORIES WINGS:

turning our memories into treasured poems

FREE Zoom Writing Workshop
with Dawna Proudman

Saturday, May 1

2:00 to 4:00 EST

beginners and writers of all ages welcome
limited to 10 participants



Our words shape a significant part of our legacy. In this workshop we'll create a safe place to let your words shine. Together, we'll experiment with overcoming our hesitancy, mining our memories, finding the heart & soul of our stories, and sharing in a way that creates lasting connections.

to register:

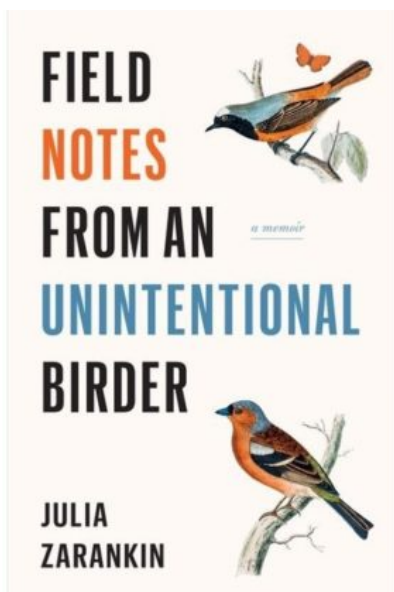
email bayshoreseniors@gmail.ca with "memories" as the subject



Dawna's collection of poems, *Elements of Grace*, was published by Bruce Dale Press. A member of the League of Canadian Poets, her short stories and poems have appeared in various publications across Canada. She edited two books for Bruce Dale Press: *Strong in My Skin* and *Saugeen Stories*. Dawna is a co-founder and past Artistic Director of the Words Aloud Spoken Word Festival. She has facilitated writing workshops, encouraging word play and the power of self-expression for all ages since 1993. Dawna has a BA in

English Literature from Waterloo University and has attended a wide variety of writing workshops, including a week with Lisa Moore at Piper's Frith. Born in Ottawa, she has lived in Dawson City, Toronto, Grey County, and now celebrates life in Woodland Beach.





Virtual Author Visit

Julia Zarankin

Tuesday, May 18, 6:30pm

Julia Zarankin saw her first red-winged blackbird at the age of 35, and it would change her life. Join us for a free virtual visit with the author of *Field Notes from an Unintentional Birder* and find out more about the challenges and joys of unexpectedly discovering one's wild side. Contact Faith, fshegold@midlandlibrary.com or call 705-526-4216 ext. 3305 to register and get the online meeting information. This visit is funded by the Canada Council through The Writers' Union of Canada.



The Culture Alliance in the Heart of Georgian Bay celebrates, fosters, promotes and leverages cultural resources with a view to grow a prosperous year-round creative economy, and enhance the quality of life and cultural awareness for all residents.



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