

Dutch Cultural Events in Canada August-December 2009 Edition

It is time again for the second instalment of our cultural newsletter 2009. There are a number of new events taking place throughout Canada. Some of them were published previously and are ongoing, like the exhibition "Vermeer, Rembrandt and the Golden Age of Dutch Art: Masterpieces from the Rijksmuseum" at the Vancouver Art Gallery until September 13, 2009.

We hope you will find an opportunity to take in some of the following great programs and events!

Zapp String Quartet at the Ottawa Chamber Music Festival

Zapp String Quartet is known to be Holland's most sparkling, hardest grooving string quartet. The Zapp approach is original and unconventional, their repertoire a diversity of musical styles such as improvised music, jazz, rock, world, classical and contemporary music. The quartet was granted the Dutch Kersjesprijs Award in 2005. All Zapp members are improvisers and soloists in their own right and compose or arrange music for the quartet. Besides their quartet projects they have performed with a large variety of Dutch and International artists. They will be in Ottawa for the Chamber Music Festival with 2 programs:

Crossing the globe 1 – Zapp, fewer and geggie

A collaboration of artists from across the globe, this performance includes a retrospective on Miles Davis, one of the premiere artists of the twentieth century.

Ottawa, Thursday 30 July, 3:00 PM at Southminster United Church, 15 Aylmer Ave (at Bank)

Crossing the globe 2 - Late night at Saint Brigid's

In addition to improvising on some of their favourite themes, Zapp will be performing Canadian composer Allan Gilliland's Suite From the Sound and Wind Machine with James and Graham Campbell.

Ottawa, Friday 31 July, 10:30 PM at Saint Brigid's Centre for the Arts & Humanities, Emerald Club, 314 St. Patrick
www.chamberfest.com

World Press Photo in Canada

World Press Photo, an independent, non-profit organization, founded in 1955 in Amsterdam, the Netherlands, is known for organizing the world's largest and most prestigious annual press photography contest. The resulting exhibition is the best known of World Press Photo's activities and a leading event in the organization's calendar. The exhibition was officially opened in Amsterdam this past April as part of the prize-giving ceremony and can be seen until March 2010 at venues around the globe. The tour program takes in over 80 cities worldwide and is visited by over two million people. This year's exhibition can be seen in Ottawa and Montreal.

Ottawa, August 6-26, 2009, Canadian War Museum / Musée Canadien de la Guerre, 1 Vimy Place

Montreal, 4 September – 4 October 2009, Juste pour rire / Just For Laughs, 2101, boul Saint-Laurent

www.worldpressphoto.org

"Vermeer, Rembrandt and the Golden Age of Dutch Art: Masterpieces from the Rijksmuseum"

One of the most spectacular periods in the history of art is Dutch art of the 17th century. Over a relatively brief period of only five decades, many of the world's most beloved artists worked in the thriving cities of Amsterdam, Haarlem, Leiden and Utrecht. This period is known as the 'Golden Age' in which a brilliant flowering of artistic talent arose.

This historic exhibition brings together some of the finest paintings by masters of the 'Golden Age', as well as a remarkable selection of drawings and decorative arts that not only testify to the artistic sophistication

achieved during this period, but provide a fascinating glimpse into the daily life of this vibrant, remarkably wealthy new society.

For this once in a lifetime exhibition, the Vancouver Art Gallery has collaborated with the Rijksmuseum, Amsterdam, which houses one of the world's finest collections of Dutch Golden Age art.

Vancouver, May 9 – September 13, 2009 Vancouver Art Gallery, 750 Hornby Street

http://www.vanartgallery.bc.ca/the_exhibitions/exhibit_vermeer_rembrandt_and_the_golden_age_of_dutch_art.html

Festival of Song and Chamber Music

Master Classes with Rudolf Jansen at Mountain View Festival

World famous pianist Rudolf Jansen from the Netherlands will participate in the Mountain View International Festival of Song and Chamber Music in Calgary. Master classes are a daily feature of the 2009 Festival. Conducted by master musician and pedagogue Rudolf Jansen, these classes are an outstanding opportunity for singers and pianists to workshop the songs of Schubert and Debussy. Mr. Jansen has given concert tours around the world with some of the most distinguished artists. He holds the professorship for Lied-Accompaniment at the Sweelinck Conservatory in Amsterdam

The Mountain View Festival of Song takes place in Calgary on the campus of the University of Calgary. For information on these classes and other performances, please see

Calgary, August 2-9, University of Calgary Rosza Centre, 2500 University Drive NW

www.mountainviewconnection.com

WorldSkills Competition in Calgary

Calgary will host more than 1000 competitors from 50 countries. Skills Netherlands will be participating with ±100 participants. WorldSkills is the pinnacle of excellence in skilled trade and technology training.

Calgary, September 1-7, 2009. Address information to be found on line at:

www.worldskills2009.com

Carrousel International du Film de Rimouski

Founded in 1983, this is the oldest youth film festival in North America. This year once again a number of Dutch films will be showcased, amongst others "Brief voor de koning" by Pieter Verhoeff, "Blind" by Tamar van den Dop and "De Kleine Kraai met blote billen" by Raimke Groothuizen.

Montreal, September 27 – October 4, 2009. For additional information:

http://www.carrousel.qc.ca/en_prog.php

Mois de La Photo

Le Mois de la Photo à Montréal, an international biennale of contemporary photography, will launch its 11th presentation on September 10, 2009. Organized around the theme "The Spaces of the Image" developed by Guest Curator Gaëlle Morel, the event will consist of more than 20 solo exhibitions featuring works by artists from Canada, Chile, China, Colombia, Democratic Republic of Congo, France, Israel, Lebanon, the Netherlands, Switzerland, Turkey, United Kingdom and United States. Yael Bartana – of Dutch/Israeli nationality – will be showcasing her video installation.

Montreal, September 10 – October 12, 2009. At different sites in the city, for information see:

<http://www.moisdelaphoto.com/>

Duda Paiva at Theatre La Chapelle

DUDAPAIVA COMPANY is a Dutch company pioneering an innovative fusion of modern dance, puppetry, music and multi media. This year they are performing "Angel" at theatre La Chapelle. Situé à deux pas du

bouillonnant boulevard Saint-Laurent en plein cœur de Montréal, La Chapelle est à la fois un espace de création, un centre de diffusion de spectacles, et un organisme voué à la promotion des arts de la scène, favorisant l'avant-garde artistique et la jeune création. As well, they will hold a workshop for students of dance and puppetry of the L'Université du Québec à Montréal (UQAM).

Montreal, November 3-7, 2009 Performances of "angel", 3700 rue Saint-Dominique

Montreal, November 9-13, 2009 Workshops for students, 3700 rue Saint-Dominique

www.lachapelle.org

Guido van der Werve at Galerie DHC/Art in Vieux-Montreal

Inaugurated in the Fall of 2007, DHC/ART presents some of the most compelling art from around the world.

"Time for Survival", an exhibition with works of Dutch performance artist Guido van der Werve in combination with Tehching Hsieh will be showcased

Montreal, 15 October – 22 November, 451, St-Jean Street

<http://www.dhc-art.org/>

Johan Sebastian Bach, Concert Ensemble Caprice and Harry van Kamp

In appreciation of baroque period music and its special sensitivity to virtuosic artistry, the Bach-Académie de Montréal organizes a bi-annual music Festival featuring outstanding Canadian ensembles alongside international artists. This year, Harry van der Kamp, internationally known as one of the most important bass singers in the solo and ensemble repertoire of the 14th–18th centuries and Ensemble Caprice, renowned for its innovative interpretations of baroque music, will perform *Mass in B Minor* by J.S. Bach at the Bach Festival.

Montreal, 3 December 2009, 8:00 pm. For detailed information, please see:

http://www.bach-academie-montreal.com/display/en2007/Home;jsessionid=7_17wRqeNc7REDicjs

Conference with Daan Roosegaarde during Elektra_Lab

Daan Roosegaarde is a young artist working in Rotterdam. His work explores the dynamic relation between architecture, people and e-culture. He is the creative Director of Studio Roosegaarde, an independent artistic laboratory in which interactive artworks are created. During Elektra_Lab, Daan will give an insight in the philosophy and inspirations of interactive projects in public space, the main focus being how technology is getting 'embedded' into our body and daily environment.

Montreal, 22-24 October. For detailed information, please see:

<http://www.elektramontreal.ca>

This document will be updated on a regular basis during the second part of this year. Please keep an eye on our website for up-to-date information on Dutch events taking place in Canada.

If you are aware of any cultural events that are not mentioned here, please feel free to email information to: ott-pcz@minbuza.nl

Ottawa, July 29, 2009