

SPRING May, 2024

Apr 28 (Sun)

Nordic Cultural Day

10 am to 3 pm. Rosemaling. In the Lounge. Max 10 people. \$40 Instructor: Aaslaug Boulier. (Teens \$30) Cards will be provided for painting, but feel free to bring your own canvas shoes for painting.

10 am to 4pm. Nordic Kitting : Viking toque. In the Danish Room. \$35 Max 10 people. Basic knitting skills required with decrease and increase (Teens \$26.25). Note: bring own circular needles in size 4.5mm/5mm Instructor Gerd Molhoj. Includes all materials. (needles not included)

10 pm to 12 Noon. Danish Ableskiver. \$35. In the Main Kitchen. Max 12 people. Instructor: Tina Taylor (Teens \$26.25)

SOLD OUT 1 pm to 3 pm Nordic Baking: Kransekage. \$50. In the Main Kitchen. Instructor: Sandra Benholm-Cheung. Please contact Sandra directly at scanbake@gmail.com

For Rosemaling, Knitting and Ableskiver: contact the Scandinavian Community Centre directly at info@scancentre.org 604-294-2777

For Baking Classes: Please contact Sandra Benholm-Cheung at scanbake@gmail.com

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SOLD OUT Nordic Baking During Cultural Day 1pm: Kransekage

A Danish and Norwegian classic, rings of baked marzipan. You will take home 1 cake (8 rings).

Cost: \$50/person. Course includes: 2 hour class, recipe and a cake.

Contact: Sandra at scanbake@gmail.com

Delivered by Scandinavian Centre. We acknowledge the financial assistance of the Province of BC

May 1 (Wed)

Scandinavian Dancers 7.30 pm

Scandinavian couple dancing. Fun, friendly couple dancing for all ages. Couples and singles welcome. Enjoy the music and folk dances (set dances and couple dances) of Denmark, Finland, Iceland, Norway and Sweden. Come join our fun and friendly atmosphere! New members welcome! Wednesday evenings 7:30 to 10pm; except only some dancing at the SCC on the second Wednesday of each month.

Read more at <http://www.vcn.bc.ca/scandi>

Contact: Judith Anderson (604) 526 4722 judithanderson@shaw.ca

May 3 (Fri)

Kroaften 6pm

Danish House Society's Club Night BY RESERVATION ONLY. Capacity is 165. To reserve:

danishhousesociety@gmail.com

Meet 6'ish to get your meal tickets and table number and enjoy a drink. Smørrebrød is served at 7 pm. You MUST BOOK and order your open faced sandwiches by the Monday 6pm of the same week. This popular event books up quickly so call early! Enjoy a fine selection of open faced sandwiches, dessert, coffee and tea. Wash down with Snaps and Carlsberg

May 4 (Sat)

INLNA Event and Samkoma 10am to 1pm

RSVP: <https://icelandicclubbc.ca/inlna-agm-may4-2024>

Join us at the Icelandic National League of North American Event ... Plus Samkoma.

In 2025, INLNA will gather in the heart of New Iceland at Gimli, Manitoba. This year, 2024, we will meet online. The online AGM program will include a greeting from the Icelandic Ambassador to Canada, Hynur Guðjónsson and a presentation by volcanologist experts on the current situation on the Reykjanes Peninsula in Iceland, which we all are watching with fascination and trepidation.

We will also hear more about the INLNA Convention in Gimli, Manitoba, 2025, celebrating Nýja Ísland 150.

We hope to see you at the social gathering and INLNA Event. Light lunch is provided.

May 10 (Fri)

Scandinavian Seniors Lunch 12 Noon

There is a fee of \$3 if you bring a plate of sandwiches, cakes or cookies to share OR \$8 if you prefer not to bring food. Contact Laura Olufsen 604-294-0749 tmolufsen@gmail.com

May 10 (Fri)

Eurovision Song Contest Club Night 6.30pm

Entry by donation. Contact vfclubmembers@gmail.com

Join us for a fun evening of musical wonderment. Sing-along to the semi-finals & dress like your favorite contestant (current or past). Share your Eurovision knowledge and predictions for the 2024 contest finals! Or learn about this European phenomenon from those that love and live for this contest, which will be hosted by Sweden this year! There may be prizes, there will be music!

Doors open at 6:30. All ages and nationalities welcome!

Check the Facebook event for last minute details: <https://fb.me/e/4DE2zbuij>

Brought to you by the Vancouver Finlandia Club – Entry by donation

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For more Eurovision info: <https://eurovision.tv/event/malmo-2024>
<https://vancouverfinlandiaclub.com/events/eurovision-club-night/>
<https://fb.me/e/4DE2zbuij>

- May 11 (Sat)** **Calling volunteers of all ages! Spring Work Party 9 a.m. to 2 p.m.**
Come out & help & keep your Centre beautiful! Bring pails and rags, work inside or outside.
Rain or shine. Breakfast (in memory of the Finnish War Veterans) at 8:30am
Lunch (By Sweden House Society) at 12.00pm. Please let the office know if you are coming,
and if you are joining us for breakfast and/or lunch info@scancentre.org
- May 12 (Sun)** **Bake Sale TBA**
- May 13 (Mon)** **Nordic Baking Kransekage 7pm**
A Danish and Norwegian classic, rings of baked marzipan. You will take home 1 cake (8 rings).
Cost: \$50/person. Course includes: 2 hour class, recipe and a cake.
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- May 16 (Thu)** **Planning Meeting for Midsummer 2024 7pm**
In-person meeting only. Come and join the planning meeting for Scandinavian Midsummer Festival June 22 & 23. Next meeting June 10
www.scandinavianmidsummerfestival.org
- May 17 (Fri)** **The Norwegian House Society presents 2024 Norwegian Constitution Day Dinner**
Time: Doors open, mix and mingle 6 pm; Buffet Dinner 7pm:
Contact: Anne Haug 604-943-0340 annehaug1029@gmail.com
Cost: Buffet Dinner and Dance \$50. \$20 for Children under 16. Please wear your bunad.
- May 18 (Sat)** **Viking Ship Munin 1pm - 3pm**
The 'Munin has Landed; a family Viking ship event at the Scandinavian Community Centre!
The Viking Ship Munin has been relocated from the parking lot onto a gravel & timber pad built by volunteers in the south-east corner of the grass field where she will be a working exhibit.
Featuring:
Ribbon cutting by Master Boat Builders Kristian Frostad & Arne Frostad together with Else Bardsness representing herself and Raymond Bardsness: leaders of the Munin ship building project in 2000-2001.
Kids & family games: tug-of-war, shield carrying foot races, parading around the field etc. Bring your flags.
Dress up suggestions: National dress, Viking attire, Norse Gods, Trolls.
Hot dogs & ice cream for sale. Or bring a picnic lunch. And let's make this a bit of a reunion – we especially encourage everyone who has been involved with the Munin – in her construction, events, sailing, maintenance, parade floats, display, fundraising – to join us so we can have real conversations about our shared experiences and how we move forward into the future. Family and friends are so welcome. We would love to see you. Once again we would welcome volunteers who want to be involved in any number of tasks: ship & equipment restoration & maintenance, Scandinavian Midsummer Festival living exhibit development, educational and fun program development, fundraising events, community activities. We would appreciate your help – and there is no time like the present to become involved. If you want to volunteer please contact: Bill Emerslund at bemersld@telus.net or Marian Toft at mtoft@telus.net, 778-773-8349, or any of our regular volunteers. We will be happy to hear from you.
To find out more about Munin's history, please see <https://prebenormen.com/munin/>
- May 18 (Sat)** **Genealogy meeting 1 pm**
Scandinavian Cultural Society conducts monthly genealogy sessions, where people of Nordic descent can drop-in and get help and advice researching their family tree. The sessions are usually on the second Saturday at 1 pm Please see www.scandinavianculturalsociety.org for details.
- May 30 (Thu)** **Torskeklubben Doors open: 6pm, Dinner 7 pm.**
For information or tickets: Helge Myhrstad helge@westportbc.com 604-209-4223
- June 2 (Sun)** **Danish Constitution Day "Grundlovsdag" 11:00 am**
The Danish House Society invites you with family and friends, young and old, to Danish Constitution Day "Grundlovsdag"
10.30am – Arrive with your picnic baskets to our setting of tables and chairs in the tented area on the grounds.
11:00am – TBD Church Service
12:00 non – Games for the kids!

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Enjoy the rest of the afternoon!

For further information please email danishhousesociety@gmail.com

June 8 (Sat)

Garden Clean-up Day 10 am to 2 pm

Contact: RSVP info@scancentre.org 604 294-2777

RAIN OR SHINE. Please bring your rakes, hoes, shovels and even weed eaters.

Lunch will be provided

**June 22 & 23
(Sat & Sun)**

Scandinavian Midsummer Festival

Viking Village, Cultural Displays, Shopping Kiosks, Dancing, Bonfire, Beer Garden, Music, Midsummer Pole, Traditional Scandinavian Foods, Kids' activities. The fun and crazy wife-carrying contest always draws a lot of attention along with continuous entertainment all weekend. www.scandinavianmidsummerfestival.org

https://scancentre.org/wp-content/uploads/2023/11/Midsummer-2024-Vendor-Application_Fillable_FINAL.pdf

The Scandinavian Midsummer Festival is now looking for crafters who can offer us something special and exciting, be it traditional crafts with an innovative twist of something culturally relevant.

At our festival, we offer for TWO DAYS:

Craft tables \$160; Commercial tables \$370; Service Organizations \$140 (include all applicable taxes).

Applications can be found on our websites.

DEADLINE May 12th We will contact successful applicants by Friday May 19th

Choirs: Love to sing? These choirs would love to have you join them.

Danish Tivoli Singers: Danish Choir, phone Ebba Gray 604 990 3550 or email ebba@shaw.ca

Runeberg Choir: call Dianne Kilback tel: 604 294 3715

Language Classes:

Danish Classes danishhousesociety@gmail.com

Finnish language – adults: contact Anna Turunen annamturunen@gmail.com or finnfun@gmail.com

Finnish children's classes: contact Tanja by email: info.finnfun@gmail.com or by phone 604 312 2670

Icelandic Language lessons: Contact Gunnar Hansson gunnarhans@gmail.com phone: 604-875-0537

Norwegian language classes: NorwegianClassesSCC@gmail.com

Swedish adult classes: swedishclassesvancouver@gmail.com

Children's classes: contact svenskaskolanvancouver@gmail.com

Folk Dance Groups:

Scandinavian Dancers of Vancouver: Please visit our website www.vcn.bc.ca/scandi/ Contact Judith Anderson: judithanderson@shaw.ca 604 526 4722

Viking Boat Munin: For information contact Marian Toft mtoft@telus.net 778-773-8349.