

Breaking News:  
On April 28, 2008, Premier Gordon Campbell announced that the Government plans to introduce legislation to establish ECI as a special purpose university with the name of Emily Carr University of Art and Design (ECUAD). Learn more at [www.eciad.ca](http://www.eciad.ca).

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EMILY CARR INSTITUTE'S  
ALUMNI MAGAZINE

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## ALUMNI RELATIONS

On March 28, Bruce and June Dowad opened their home to host an ECI alumni reunion in Beverly Hills, CA. Guests in attendance enjoyed the lively event, which included passionate discourse on a variety of subjects, networking opportunities, laughs and renewed friendships.

Alumni in attendance included Tracy Bacenas (01), David Burgess (81), Aimee Candelaria (89), Bruce Dowad (74), Sanjit Fernandes-Bakshi (04), Calliope Gazetas (05), Steven Olson (04), Andrew Pham (01), Lindsey Pollard (94), Jim Reid (74), James Renwick (02), Jamie Sholberg (01), Jacqueline Wechsler (05) and Jennifer Wechsler (04). ECI was represented by Dr. Ron Burnett, President, Dennis Burke, Associate Dean, Professional Studies, Sylvia Iredale, Executive Director, Foundation + Development, and Eva Bouchard, Annual Fund + Alumni Relations Officer.

Sylvia and Eva also took the opportunity to visit two of our alum at work: Lindsey Pollard at Family Guy, and Tracy Bacenas, an Editor at the popular television series, Survivor.



Tracy Bacenas at work editing Survivor.



Steven Olson (l), an animator at Current TV Supernews! caught up with Dennis Burke.



Commercial director Bruce Dowad (l) and master printer Jim Reid (r), led a late-night discussion with recent graduates.

# in the spotlight



## Kevin Schmidt

VIVA Award Winner

Kevin Schmidt (96) is the recipient of a 2008 VIVA Award for exemplary achievement by a British Columbian artist in mid-career. Kevin works primarily in photo and video and his work often represents nature as a sublime spectacle. He has exhibited in Vancouver, Frankfurt, New York, Edmonton and Edinburgh. His installation Fog, 2004 was recently shown at the Vancouver Art Gallery.



## Graphex 2008 Award Winners!

Award of Distinction Prix de Merite, in the category of Editorial Design, was awarded to students 2007 graduates Ross Milne and Abi Huynh for Woo #3, ECI's student newsletter. The competition is not normally open to student work, but since Woo was published in a sufficient quantity, it was eligible to be entered under the Editorial Design category.

Please visit: <http://www.gdc.net/graphex/> for further information.

## ECI NEWS

### 2008 Honorary Doctorate Recipients

The 2008 Honorary Doctorate awards will be conferred at the May 3 Convocation Ceremony. This year's recipients are visual artist Anne Kipling, Aboriginal artist Susan A. Point, and Developer and Philanthropist Bob Rennie. Dr. Ron Burnett notes, "The Board of Governors of Emily Carr Institute of Art + Design is delighted to be recognizing these outstanding members of our community who have all contributed in very important ways to supporting the arts through either philanthropy or their creative work."



Images (top to bottom): Anne Kipling, Susan A. Point, Bob Rennie

### Stan Douglas Wins Prestigious Award

In March, Stan Douglas (82) was awarded the 2008 Bell Award in Video Art. Continuing its tradition of patronage of the arts, Bell provides the Canada Council with an annual gift to fund the Bell Award for outstanding achievement in video art. The \$10,000 prize has been awarded annually since 1991 for exceptional contribution by a video artist or artists to the advancement of video art in Canada and to the development of video practices (videotapes, installations or web-based video art).

### TO DO: Support ECI Students

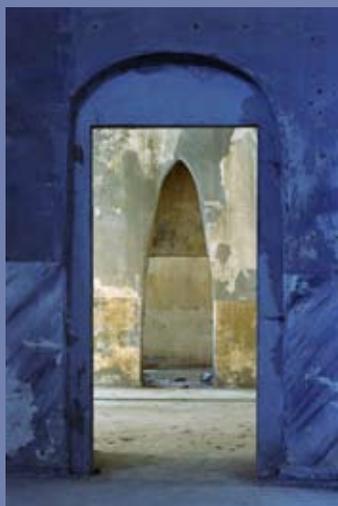
In May, you will receive ECI's annual campaign letter asking you to support our students. This year, we are excited to announce that we are able to match alumni donations up to a total of \$5,000. To make giving easier, we also offer a monthly donation option. Just think: for as little as \$10 per month, you can make a real difference in a student's life. When you receive our letter next month, please add us to your TO DO list.

### 2008 Emily Award Winner

Lindsey Pollard is this year's Emily Award recipient. Lindsey graduated from ECI in 1994 and works as the Retakes Director at Family Guy. Previously, Lindsey worked at The Simpson's, on The Simpson's Movie, and won a directing Emmy for her work on Camp Lazlo.



Lindsey Pollard and Peter Griffin at Family Guy



**Blaine Campbell**  
**untitled (door #4), 2006**  
**C-print, 32" x 44"**

on the  
 cover

Blaine Campbell (07) follows up his success as the winner of the 2007 BMO 1st Art! Invitational Student Art Competition with a solo exhibition, a repurposed architecture, at the Republic Gallery until May 31.

Blaine is also in the group exhibit, Search Research: Contemporary Landscapes, with ECI Associate Professor Landon Mackenzie, Scott Massey (03) and David Pirrie, until May 24.

## WHAT'S ON AT ECI

### Exhibits

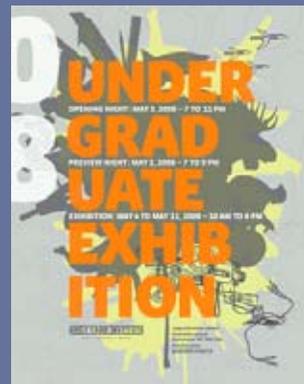
#### *Undergraduate Exhibition*

**May 4 to May 11**

**10am to 6pm**

**Opening reception: May 3, 7pm**

The most anticipated annual ECI event is back, featuring the work of 300+ graduating students at ECI's Granville Island campus. The show closes early this year, so come early!



#### *Graduate Exhibition*

**May 1 to May 11**

**10am to 6pm**

**Opening reception: April 30, 7pm**

2008 marks our inaugural Graduate Student Exhibition for the Master of Applied Arts Program! The Graduate Exhibition takes place at 1535 West 3rd Avenue.

Jaime Barrett / Ross Birkway / James Chutter /  
 Jason Dashe / Kaitlin Swana Eijonadottir /  
 Hélène Daig Fraser / Jay Gazlett / Sarah Hatj /  
 David Humphrey / Kathrin Mussalem /  
 Vygas Narusevicius / Dasha Dana Novak /  
 Nathan Winkel /

Masters of Applied Arts  
 Graduate Exhibition  
 April 30–May 11 2008

At the Grad Studios  
 1535 W. 3rd Ave

Opening Night  
 April 30  
 7–10 PM

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#### *Witness - ECI at North Island College Graduating Exhibition* **April 25 to May 6**

ECI at the North Island College Comox Valley campus presents the works of this spring's BFA graduates: Jeff Brett, Andrew Briggs, Carole Brooke, Barb Mareck, and Teresa Taggart in their graduation exhibition entitled Witness. The Muir Gallery in Courtenay hosts the Graduating Exhibition.

### An Invitation from the Premier

The Honourable Gordon Campbell, Premier of the Province of BC, is pleased to invite alumni residing in China to attend the official Beijing launch of the BCAlumni Network. Join Premier Campbell and BC's post-secondary institution partners for the BCAlumni event.

Friday, May 23 from 5:30pm to 7:30pm

British Columbia Canada Pavilion

20 Qianmen Dongdajie, Chongwen District, Beijing, China

RSVP to: [http://www.cecnetwork.ca/public/alumni\\_network\\_reg.cfm](http://www.cecnetwork.ca/public/alumni_network_reg.cfm)

# Alumni Society update



## Meetings

The next Alumni Society Meeting will take place Wednesday, June 18 at 6:30pm in the ECI Boardroom, Room 210 NB. If you wish to attend, please contact [alumni@eciad.ca](mailto:alumni@eciad.ca).

## Membership Has its Benefits

For only \$20 per year, Alumni Society members receive a personalized membership card – your passport to all services, benefits, and discounts. Your membership fees help fund ECI Alumni Society initiatives. Thank you to Angela Gooliaff (06) for redesigning the membership cards.

## Queen Elizabeth Theatre Gallery

The Emily Carr Institute Alumni Society, in collaboration with the Queen Elizabeth Theatre, feature Emily Carr Institute Alumni exhibitions throughout the year at the theatre's Mezzanine Art Gallery.

Please note that the QET Art Gallery will be closed for renovations for the summer and will reopen in November 2008.

## CALL FOR SUBMISSIONS

### Call for Entries Moving Stories Film Festival

**Deadline: May 30, 2008**

BookShorts Moving Stories is calling for creative treatments for a short two-minute film inspired by one of three selected literary works in a range of genres – fiction, non-fiction and poetry. The jury will review all submissions and will award \$1,500 to help fund the film. This offer is exclusively for students and two-year alumni of ECI. The winning film will be screened at the Moving Stories program at Vancouver International Writers Festival (October 21 to 26, 2008).

For more information, visit: <http://www.movingstoriesfilmfest.com>

### Call for Entries Air Canada's 2nd annual enRoute Student Film Festival

**Deadline: May 30, 2008**

Enter Air Canada's 2nd annual enRoute Student Film Festival and watch your film take off! Selected films will be broadcast on Air Canada flights to an audience of over 3 million monthly passengers. The festival is open to all Canadian citizens and permanent residents currently enrolled in film studies courses or recently graduated. Student short films are a hit with our audience!

For more information visit:  
<http://www.enroutefilm.com>



## City of Surrey – Call for Public Artists

**Deadline for first stage submissions: May 8, 2008**

The City of Surrey announces five public art opportunities for Canadian artists.

"Catalysts, Connections and Intersections" explore Surrey's natural, built, and cultural heritages. The completed artworks will become lasting legacies commemorating Surrey as a Cultural Capital of Canada.

- #01 Place Making Connections: Green Timbers Greenway
- #02 Movement, Sound, Pattern: Serpentine Greenway
- #03 Spatial Connections: City Centre Walking Loop greenway
- #04 Culture as Catalyst: Bear Creek Park
- #05 Cultural Intersections: Cloverdale

Art Budgets: \$100,000 - \$130,000

Information available at: <http://www.arts.surrey.ca>  
Follow Public and Community Art/Opportunities.

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## things to do!

### Tracing the Lines

*A Symposium on  
Contemporary Poetics and  
Cultural Politics to Honour  
Roy Miki*

**May 28 to 31**

Following Roy Miki's exemplary work as a socially engaged poet, editor, activist, critical theorist, and teacher, the symposium will address the challenges of linking intellectual and political work while imagining spaces of freedom and production. Registration fees are on a sliding scale.

For more information, visit:  
<http://tracethelines.net>.



## ALUMNI SERVICES

### Artwork Job Postings

ARTSWORK is a job posting system that links ECI students and alumni to employers. View job postings at <http://www.eciad.ca/artwork> or contact [coop@eciad.ca](mailto:coop@eciad.ca) to book an individual consultation.

### Festival Cinemas Slideshow

Do you want your work to be seen by thousands? Learn how your work can be featured in the Festival Cinemas' slideshow on the alumni website or submit your work to Dina at [dtracy@eciad.ca](mailto:dtracy@eciad.ca).

### Share Your News

Upload your news, award or event on the ECI website by filling out the online form at [http://www.eciad.ca/node/add/content\\_submitted\\_news](http://www.eciad.ca/node/add/content_submitted_news).

## CONTACT US

Have you moved? Do you have news to share? Keep us current so you can receive Visions newsletter and escene by forwarding your new address, email address, phone number – or your news - to [alumni@eciad.ca](mailto:alumni@eciad.ca) or call 604.630.4553.

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