



**The West Fine Art Show to open at the 70<sup>th</sup> Annual Cloverdale Rodeo**  
*Western Canadian artists will connect people, art and charitable purpose at the West Fine Art Show.*

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**Surrey, B.C.** – The Cloverdale Rodeo and Country Fair is proud to once again host **The West Fine Art Show**, in its 7<sup>th</sup> year of operation, featuring some of the finest artists in Western Canada. Admission to this popular art show is included in gate admission to the 70<sup>th</sup> annual Cloverdale Rodeo and 128<sup>th</sup> annual Country Fair running May 20th to 23th.

The West Fine Art Show curator, Murray Phillips, a seasoned artist from Langley, founded the show in 2009 to fulfill his vision of bringing together a group of exceptionally talented western Canadian artists in a single art show. The resulting West Fine Art Show has become a tradition in this region for enthusiasts of artwork that celebrates the energy and beauty of Western Canada.

“The West Fine Art Show was always a dream of mine,” says Phillips. “We’re featuring 21 artists at the Cloverdale Rodeo and Country Fair and fairgoers can connect with the artists and their beautiful pieces of art. I want to invite everyone to join us for this show and support two worthy local charitable foundations.”

A portion of all art sales will be donated to Vancouver’s CH.I.L.D. Foundation dedicated to finding a cure for children stricken with Crohn’s Disease, Ulcerative Colitis and liver disorders, and The Cloverdale Rodeo Youth Initiative Foundation, which provides scholarships to past and present student volunteers at the Cloverdale Rodeo and Exhibition Association.

The West Fine Art Show will be beautifully staged: professional show panels and special lighting will offer a soothing artistic ambiance that will be accentuated by guitar music performed by John Gilliat, a musical artist of international stature who has performed at every West Fine Art Show since its inception. Art lovers, families and children will enjoy the unique opportunity of connecting with exceptional art and the artists that created it.

This year the West Fine Art Show will be holding a raffle for a chance to win one of two framed artworks: first, an original painting by Murray Phillips and the second, a canvas print, by the show's co-organizer, Brian Croft. Raffle tickets are \$2.00 each with the total ticket revenue being split equally between the two aforementioned charities.

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For more information about the West Fine Art Show, and the featured artists for this show, visit [www.WestArt.ca](http://www.WestArt.ca).

**Event:** The West Fine Art Show at the 2016 Cloverdale Rodeo and Country Fair  
**Dates:** May 20-23, 2016  
**Location:** Cloverdale Fairgrounds in Surrey, BC  
**Tickets:** Admission is free with Fair admission: \$10 (12 and under free).  
Pre-Purchase Gate Admission at selected London Drugs Stores and save \$2.00, available now for purchase. Click here for a list of the London Drugs Stores participating: <http://www.cloverdalerodeo.com/country-fair/event-and-ticket-information/>

For a detailed schedule of event, performances, competitors list, and to purchase tickets, please visit [www.CloverdaleRodeo.com](http://www.CloverdaleRodeo.com).

#### **About the Cloverdale Rodeo and Country Fair:**

The Cloverdale Rodeo and Exhibition Association is the non-profit organization that manages the world famous Cloverdale Rodeo and Country Fair, held every year on the May long weekend at the Cloverdale Fairgrounds in Surrey, British Columbia.

The Association is also responsible for the year-round management of the eight facilities on the Cloverdale Fairgrounds that host over 1,000 events annually, including trade shows, concerts, festivals, sporting events, horse and dog shows, swap meets, flea markets, weddings and meetings.

For more information on the Association and the 70th annual Cloverdale Rodeo and the 128<sup>th</sup> annual Country Fair, visit [www.CloverdaleRodeo.com](http://www.CloverdaleRodeo.com).

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