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AGGV blooming with events all March

Outside, the cherry blossoms are brightening Moss Street, and inside the Art Gallery of Greater Victoria (AGGV), the galleries are bustling with special events for everyone. Free lectures, jazz, a late-night party and Family Sunday are just some of the events to look forward to this month.

The admission-by-donation lecture, *The Transformation of Landscape Representation in Chinese Art*, presented by artist and professor Yang Liu, is the first March event and complements the current exhibition, *Millennia: Asian Art Through the Ages*. The lecture is part of AGGV's Communities + Collections Series and takes place March 2, at 7:00 p.m.

A new four-part lecture series with Dr. Daniel Mato launches March 5, with the first in the series: *Siren Call of Paris*, which explores the artistic centre of Paris from the late 19th century to the 1950s. Dr. Mato returns March 12 to present *Foreign Lands, Exotic Arts*, which uncovers how and why European artists in the late 19th and early 20th centuries turned to the exotic lands of Africa and the South Pacific for new sources of creative energy. Dr. Mato presents on two more topics April 2 and 9; all four lectures take place from 2:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m., and tickets are \$100 for the series or for individual lectures are \$35 (\$30 for AGGV members and students). Tickets are available at aggv.ca and at the Gallery.

Don't miss out on some of the hottest tickets in town; on March 6, tickets go on sale at aggv.ca for Urbanite, the always fun and popular adults-only evening of art, entertainment and refreshments. Join us for eclectic and electric fusion beats with DJ Mary Flavors. The event takes place March 24, from 8:00 p.m. to 11:00 p.m., and is inspired by *Millennia: Asian Art Through the Ages*.

To keep art accessible to all, March 7 is the AGGV's monthly Admission by Donation Day.

There is a sales preview for the show POP! POP! POP! in the Massey Sales Gallery March 9, from 6:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.

Another admission-by-donation lecture in the Communities + Collections Series, along with an exhibition tour of *Millennia: Asian Art Through the Ages* takes place March 17. Professor Melia Belli Bose presents *Arts of Longevity and Immortality in China*.

Inspired by cherry blossom season, this month's Family Sunday event promises to entertain the adults and children alike with an afternoon of hands-on art-making for the whole family, Sunday, March 19, from 2:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. Cost is included with admission or membership.

While spring is in full swing outside, vocalist April Gislason salutes famous jazz divas and will have people grooving in the AGGV's Spencer Gallery Sunday, March 26, from 2:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. U-JAM Society's Jazz at the Gallery takes place on the last Sunday of each month until April. Ticket prices for the concert are \$35 (\$30 for AGGV/U-JAM members) and include admission to the Gallery's exhibitions.

AGGV's Curator of Asian Art, Barry Till, offers a curator's talk on *Millennia: Asian Art Through the Ages*, March 29, from 2:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m.

March also offers a host of exhibition tours with admission:

March 3, 2:00 p.m., *Life with Clay*
March 4, 2:00 p.m., *Millennia: Asian Art Through the Ages*
March 5, 2:00 p.m., *Life with Clay*
March 7, 2:00 p.m., *Emily Carr and the Young Generation*
March 10, 2 p.m., *Check website calendar for details*

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March 17, 2:00 p.m., *Life with Clay*
March 18, 2:00 p.m., *Life with Clay*
March 19, 2:00 p.m., *Millennia: Asian Art Through the Ages*
March 24, 2:00 p.m., *Check website calendar for details*
March 25, 2:00 p.m., *Moving Forward by Looking Back*
March 26, 2:00 p.m., *Life with Clay*
March 31, 2:00 p.m. *Check website calendar for details*