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Description: Once again *Chilliwack's Art of Wine Festival* will consume the Chilliwack Cultural Centre with fun, flavour, and fantastic wines!

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## **Wine Lovers! Sip and savour a cornucopia of new tastes at *Chilliwack's Art of Wine Festival!***

CHILLIWACK, BC — Treat yourself to an abundance of sensations as you stroll through the amazing space that is the Chilliwack Cultural Centre. This year's sizzling South American theme is sure to get you all fired up for summer sipping! From the 25 Wineries set up to indulge your love of wine, to the live entertainment including the Latin salsa band *Son De Todos* in Rotary Hall, to tasty treats scattered throughout the event, to the tantalizing artwork in the Gallery and embellishing the lobby walls, this event will delight all your senses!

After four straight sold-out years, *Chilliwack's Art of Wine Festival* presented by the Chilliwack Arts & Cultural Centre Society's Board of Directors is once again extending

an invitation to embrace art in our community while enjoying a spectacular night of award-winning wineries, delectable appetizers, and fantastic live entertainment on four stages! Don't miss the chance to enjoy this fantastic festival on **Saturday, May 12, 2018**.

Recognized as a delectable spring highlight by wine lovers, foodies, and anybody else who loves having a great time, *Chilliwack's Art of Wine Festival* has more than subtle notes of glamour, luxury, and excitement.

With 25 wineries represented everyone will be able to find a new favourite! Whether that be local creations from the Fraser Valley's own Maan Farms Estate Winery or Okanagan Fall's Blasted Church Vineyards. Or perhaps one of the wines from South America – Escalade Wine & Spirits representing; Casillero Del Diablo - *Chile*, Galileo Wine & Spirits - *Argentina/Italy*, or La Riojana - *Argentina*.

Also coming together to offer a variety of vintages sure to please every kind of wine lover at this year's event are; Bench 1775, Blasted Church Vineyards, Blue Sky Estate Winery, Campbell's Gold Honey Farm & Meadery, Church & State Winery, Enrico Winery, Fort Berens Estate Winery, KIS Consulting representing; Bordertown and Volcanic Hills, Harper's Trail Estate Winery, House of Rose Winery, Maan Farms Estate Winery, Maple Creek Winery, Monte Creek Ranch Winery, Play Estate Winery, Ripples Winery, Sage Hills Estate Winery, St. Hubertus Estate Winery, The View Winery, Three Sisters Winery, Upper Bench Estate Winery, VINO Veritas representing; Kismet Winery, Recline Ridge and Cassini Cellars, and Wild Goose Winery/Indigenous World Wines.

But the excitement doesn't stop there!

A selection of Chilliwack's finest restaurants and caterers will add even more delectability to this event. Clean Plate Catering, Cultivate Café, Fraser Valley Specialty Poultry, Hofstede's, Hugo's Mexican Kitchen, Simply Savory Catering and Vita Bella Bistro will further entice the taste-buds with delicious wine pairings at booths while platters with tasty treats from The Farm House Natural Cheeses and BeNanna Bakery will be placed about the building.

And for your listening pleasure, there will be a choice of live entertainment on four separate stages for the wine-lovers to take in as they stroll through the festival. Setting the mood in the Rotary Hall Studio Theatre is Vancouver based Latin Salsa Band **Son De Todos** who will play music from Cuba, Colombia, Panamá, Puerto Rico, Mexico, and the Dominican Republic. At the other end of the building, brilliant local pianist **Wesley Hawkins** creates an enchanting atmosphere in the O'Connor Group Art Gallery. In the North lobby of the Centre Chilliwack's singer-songwriter **Rain Penner August** will charm with his guitar while sharing his passion for music; while in the South lobby husband and wife duo **Portraits of Us** will step onto the stage with their clean and melodic sound complemented by a balance of intricate guitar and vocal arrangements.

And as patrons sip and savour, the night will work towards a thrilling conclusion with the Festival Favourite presentation! Each patron will be given a yellow token to use to vote for their favourite winery. The winery that receives the most votes is recognized on a sensational trophy that will be displayed at The Centre.

And still more!

Right in the middle of all the excitement will be the Silent Auction – the place to be for those that want to take home any number of fabulous items donated by local businesses! Items up for auction include a wine fridge and wine, golf passes, various gift baskets, a lake tour, getaways in both Harrison and Whistler and so much more! With all the proceeds from this benefit event being used to help fund the Chilliwack Cultural Centre's programming, attending *Chilliwack's Art of Wine Festival* is a good deed as well as an inspirational indulgence!

Every element of this event, the wineries, the entertainment, the food, and the community spirit, all come together creating an evening that perfectly pairs luxury and creativity – and that is the very best way to embrace patio sipping season.

Tickets are \$50 and are available from The Centre Box Office by calling 604.391.SHOW(7469), and online at [www.chilliwackculturalcentre.ca](http://www.chilliwackculturalcentre.ca)

This is a 19+ only event. ID is required.

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**Chilliwack Cultural Centre**

Owned by the City of Chilliwack, the Cultural Centre houses two unique performance venues, an art gallery, music instruction studios, arts and crafts studios, meeting rooms, offices, and is home to the Chilliwack Academy of Music and the O'Connor Group Art Gallery. Since opening in 2010, over 315,000 tickets have been sold through the Centre Box Office, with a value exceeding \$4,900,000. The Centre is overseen by The Chilliwack Arts & Cultural Centre Society on behalf of the City.

*Chilliwack Cultural Centre highlights:*

- 597 seat performance theatre
- 168 seat recital hall / rehearsal space / dance studio / meeting space
- Chilliwack Art gallery (22-foot high display area)
- 21 music instructional rooms
- Arts, crafts and performance studios
- Storage and Archival Resource Room

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