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Welcome Back!

We hope you all had a restful Spring Break! Term 3 classes begin on April 4th. Your new schedules can be found on our website under **Current Students** as well as in the entryway to PDA.



Easter Break

The school will be closed on April 15th for Good Friday. Classes will resume on Monday April 18th.

Upcoming Events

Webinar: Why Career College?

On April 28th at 7pm, we will talk about potential students' future career plans and the benefits of joining career college! Finding success in design is easy if you have the right tools. Career College will give you all of the skills you need. Students will get a better idea of what they can be if they are interested in pursuing art. To register, scan the QR Code, visit www.pacificdesignacademy.com or go to the following this link:

[:https://us06web.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_5EgP7RPFT_CNy0ABuGjMSw](https://us06web.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_5EgP7RPFT_CNy0ABuGjMSw)



Open House

On April 21st at 6pm, PDA will be hosting an open house for prospective students. This is a great opportunity for them to ask questions about the school and to see all of the amazing work PDA students have done this year!



Meet Our Fabulous Staff: Windy Chan and Eli Mushumanski



Windy is one of the new Registrars at Pacific Design Academy. She earned her Bachelor's degree in Business Administration in 2012 and has more than six years of experience in sales, administration, and marketing. She worked as an administrative officer for Wincy Education Holdings Limited, where she was in charge of registration and reception, until she moved in 2020 to Victoria from Hong Kong.

When not hard at work, Windy explores Victoria, takes photos, and frequents parks with her son. Drop by the Registrar's office any time if you'd like to chat!

Eli is the other new Registrar at Pacific Design Academy. They're currently the tenth Youth Poet Laureate for the city of Victoria. Eli recently graduated the University of Victoria with a double major in Writing and English with Honours. They have work published in *The Warren Undergraduate Review*, *Flare: The Flagler Review*, and *The Albatross English Undergraduate Journal*. They also participated in Victoria's *Resilient Muse* series.

In their spare time, Eli reads everything they can get their hands on, volunteers in community garden spaces, hangs out with their cat, and dabbles in painting. Stop by their desk to say hi!



Student Showcase



On March 23rd, visitors, students, and staff had the opportunity to see what students have been working on, including the Motion Picture Production students' PSAs, the Interior Design and Building Technology students' virtual tours, fashion garmets, digital artwork and more!



The event featured Peter Campbell's thought-provoking documentary *Penelakut: Return to the Healing Circle*. The film touched on the lives of residential school survivors and their experience with intergenerational trauma.

Thank you to all of the students and faculty who showcased their work and to the staff who set up and cleaned up after the event. We'd like to give a special thanks to Ooh La La Cupcakes for providing a special treat to all the attendees! We hope to see you all at the next one!





Graduation

Mark your calendars! Our graduation ceremony will take place on June 30th. This year's theme will be "Into the Future." The ceremony will involve a showcase of student work, including a catwalk for our Fashion Design students. We will also be promoting and fundraising for Wear2Start, a non-profit that provides clothes and services to empower self-identified women. More information will be available closer to the date.



Inspiration of the Month

"Spring work is going on with joyful enthusiasm."
~John Muir



Happy April from PDA!

