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Increasing Representation of Women and Non-Binary Artists on Wikipedia

April 29 | 12 p.m.–4 p.m.

Surrey, BC – Surrey Art Gallery is partnering with *Rungh Magazine* to increase the representation of women and non-binary artists on Wikipedia by hosting an in-person Art + Feminism Wikipedia Edit-a-thon on Saturday, April 29 from 12 p.m. to 4 p.m. at the Gallery. Admission is free.

There is a significant gender gap on Wikipedia. Studies estimate that less than 15% of contributors identify as women. Gender inequities on Wikipedia contribute to a bias in content and language, as well as the erasure of knowledges and histories.

Art + Feminism is an international initiative that builds a community of activists who are committed to closing information gaps related to gender, feminism, and the arts, beginning with Wikipedia. For over ten years, they have welcomed anyone and everyone of all gender identities and expressions to attend or organize Art + Feminism events to edit Wikipedia.

Surrey Art Gallery and *Rungh Magazine* would like to help address this gap and are inviting people of all gender identities and expressions to make an impact and support gender equality and the arts on one of the world's most popular sites. In this event, participants will learn how to research, create a user account, publish Wikipedia pages, and edit and maintain entries.

Participants are welcome to come with ideas for entries that need updating or creating. Pre-researched artists and artworks from Surrey Art Gallery's permanent collection will also be available for entry.

No prior knowledge or practice of editing Wikipedia is required. However, to create new entries, participants must be registered Wikipedia users and have made ten previous edits on existing pages.

For more information, please contact artgallery@surrey.ca.

About Rungh Magazine

Rungh is a Canadian multidisciplinary space for creative explorations, featuring work by Indigenous, Black, and people of colour artists. Consisting of a magazine, programming, archive, advocacy and more, *Rungh* is committed to Canada-wide conversations by and about people of colour. *Rungh* questions and challenges ideas about diversity in the Canadian cultural landscape. rungh.org

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About Surrey Art Gallery

Founded in 1975, Surrey Art Gallery presents contemporary art by local, national, and international artists, including digital and audio art. Recognized for its award-winning programs, the Gallery engages children through to adults in ongoing conversations that affect our lives and provides opportunities to interact with artists and the artistic process. The Gallery is located at 13750 88 Avenue in Surrey on the ancestral, traditional and unceded territories of the Salish Peoples, including the ḡíçəý (Katzie), ḡʷɑ:ńłəń (Kwantlen), and Semiahma (Semiahmoo) nations. Surrey Art Gallery gratefully acknowledges operating funding from the City of Surrey, Province of BC through BC Arts Council, Canada Council for the Arts, and the Surrey Art Gallery Association.

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