

Southern Cortes Community Association

Mansons Hall since 1922, created for and by the Cortes Island community. Housing the Cafe, Playschool, Food Bank, Skate Park, Post Office, Pottery Guild, Friends of Cortes Island, Cortes Community Radio, and the Cortes Island Women's Resource Centre.

Personnel:

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Directors: **Susanna Bonner, Carolyn Howson, Gypsy Mama, Bryan McKinnon, Rebecca Thacker, and Cora Moret.**

Hall Programming:

Playgroup and **Baby Time** are offered on Tuesdays 1030-1230 and 2-5pm (resp.) in the Main Hall with **Serene Watson**. Parents/caregivers with young children and babies are welcomed into a social space of play and interaction.

Thanks to a Coastal Community Credit Union grant awarded to the SCCA in November, 2023, we are pleased to be offering the **Sci-Sessions** with **Rex Weyler**. These experiment-based semi-monthly workshops will guide youth learning, and lead to a June 2024 Science Fair at Mansons Hall. Info: cora@mansonshall.org.

Stay tuned for an early release of our 2024 **Summer Youth Recreation Program** schedule. This year is shaping up to be a fun and learning-filled summer season with truly amazing facilitators from on-island and afar!

Sew Much More, sewing resources and tutoring offered by Marnie Andrews on Tuesdays from 2-5pm in the OM Studio. All welcome, bring an adult if you're under 10.

The weekly **Friday market** is on-going 12-3pm in the main hall.

The **Thrift Store** is open Fridays 12-3pm. We accept donations of gently used clothing (no shoes or household sundry).

Special Events:

The volunteer group **Moon Dance Productions** is hosting its first fundraiser on Saturday March 9th, an all-ages anything-goes **VARIETY SHOW!**

Upcoming Moon Dance Events:

<i>Sat Mar 9th</i>	Variety Show
<i>Sat Mar 30th</i>	The Awakeners
<i>Sat Apr 27th</i>	Elise LeBlanc and Sahara Jane
<i>Sat May 25th</i>	The Unfaithful Servants

We proudly support the **Better at Home** free lunch program 2 Thursdays a month at noon in the hall. Check tideline for dates.

Playschool:

The playschool is off to a great start this year, with facilitators **Catriona, Claudia, Jasmine,** and **Al** providing a healthy, supportive and fun-filled environment for the children. We were recently able to purchase new, educational toys for the playschool and they have definitely been a hit!

For more information email Janice at admin@mansonshall.org.

Projects:

Ongoing into 2025: the new front deck and ignition-resistant upgrades to the outside of our main facility. We are collaborating with the Cortes Island Community Foundation and their Phase I development of the Village Green space, as we shift the outdoor market from the parking lot and into a pedestrian-focused layout.



Finances:

We have ended our 2023 fiscal year: a successful General Meeting on January 13th saw a majority approve a 5-year budget for submission to the SRD. The SCCA will be requesting \$60,500 for core expenses in 2024.

What's Going On:

Playschool	Tues & Thurs Wednesday	9am-3pm 9am-1pm
Julie's Café	Mon, Wed, Fri	7am-2pm
Playgroup	Tuesday	1030-1230
Baby Time	Tuesday	2-5pm
Sew Much More	Tuesday	2pm-5pm OM Studio
Carpet Bowling	Sun & Wed	130pm-330
Seniors Yoga	Thursday	11am-1230pm
Yoga with Kelly Vinyasa Flow	Sunday Thursday	11am-1215 530pm-645
Theatre Group	Friday Saturday	430-730pm OM Studio
Friday Market	Friday	12pm-3pm

We rely greatly on the invaluable energy and time donated by our volunteers and members. We thank you warmly for your continued support of Mansons Hall and its community programs. To find out how you can contribute, or to become an SCCA member, please find contact info at the bottom of the page.

Thank you!