

# 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:

Cora Moret	<i>Executive Director</i>	cora@mansonshall.org
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Directors: **Susanna Bonner, Carolyn Howson, Gypsy Mama, Bryan McKinnon, and Rebecca Thacker.**

## HALL PROGRAMMING:

**Parents & Tots** is offered on Tuesdays 1030am-1pm in the Main Hall with **Serene Watson**. Parents/caregivers with young children and babies are welcomed into a social space of play and interaction.

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 (no charge) 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, and will be transitioning to include its outdoor vendors in June.

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 **Moondance Productions** hosts live music events at Mansons Hall. To get involved, email cora@mansonshall.org

### Upcoming Events:

<i>Sat May 25<sup>th</sup> 7pm</i>	Dylan Stone & the Unfaithful Servants
<i>Sat June 8<sup>th</sup> 7pm</i>	Hot Moss
<i>Sat June 15<sup>th</sup> 2pm</i>	SCCA AGM
<i>Sat June 22<sup>nd</sup> 5pm</i>	SCCA Hidden Treasures Market
<i>Sat July 6<sup>th</sup> 7pm</i>	Taze Kozak
<i>Sun July 14<sup>th</sup> 7pm</i>	Clanna Morna
<i>Sat July 20<sup>th</sup> 11am</i>	CORTES DAY
<i>Sat July 27<sup>th</sup> 7pm</i>	Of Cosmos

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

## PLAYSCHOOL:

The playschool has wonderful aspirations to run a summer program this year, Monday-Thursday 9am-1pm. We are looking for more facilitators to support this new program, as well as further employment post-summer. If you think may be or know a good

candidate for the playschool, please contact Cora at [cora@mansonshall.org](mailto:cora@mansonshall.org). Training will be provided.

**PROJECTS:**

Village Commons:

In continued collaboration with the **Cortes Island Community Foundation** the SCCA is excited to integrate intentional design into our summer market layout and outdoor spaces. Phase I of the Village Commons development is underway with the construction of an office building, the creation of the Green Square space behind the Cortes Radio building which includes a shift of the outdoor market from the parking lot and into a pedestrian-focused layout, a new location for the FOCI office, and more developments planned for this summer.

Mansons Hall Deck and Fire Mitigation:

The final touches are being applied to our beautiful new deck by local artist Arne Olafson and team. A huge thank you to the building team of Richard Andrews, and the crew at Awesome Welding. We will soon be rounding off our project with a new fence for the playschool yard, in time for summer outdoor fun. Deep thanks to our sponsors the Cortes Housing Society and the Strathcona Regional District Fire Smart program.

**ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING:**

The SCCA will be hosting its Annual General Meeting on Saturday June 15th, 2024 at 2pm. Obtain or renew your membership by May 15<sup>th</sup>.

**WHAT'S GOING ON:**

Playschool (until June 28)	Tues & Thurs Wednesday	9am-3pm 9am-1pm
Parents & Tots	Tuesday	1030-1pm
Sew Much More	Tuesday	2pm-5pm OM Studio
Carpet Bowling	Sun & Wed	130pm-330
Yin Yoga	Thursday	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!

