



No Christmas market, unfortunately – but some Swedish Christmas pastry!



This year there will be no traditional Christmas market, as Covid-19 doesn't allow large crowds, so we have to adapt to it.

No Christmas market – but Christmas baking!

Instead, we will have an authentic Christmas baking activity, where we all can participate – and we will be able to pick up the pastries at the center at assigned times.

All of the baked goods will be made in our homes and frozen immediately; they will also be sold frozen.

We need your help

To have a successful sale, we need your help to both bake and shop.

For you who want to bake

If you want to help bake, you will be able to register [here at Signupgenius](#). The deadline for registration is October 24. Further information will be sent to those who have registered interest to participate.

CONTACT INFORMATION

Chair: Ellen Petersson, artfromtheheart.petersson@gmail.com

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All members are welcome to attend the Swedish Cultural Society's monthly meeting held every second Tuesday of the month at 7 PM at the Scandinavian Community Centre, 6540 Thomas Street, Burnaby BC.

For more information about our society, activities and events, please visit our website at scandinaviancentre.org

This year it will be a modern distanced Lucia



There is no year without Lucia – but what do you do when a pandemic rages? Well, you make sure to implement it in a distant, modern, and responsible way!

This year's Lucia procession will premiere on Sunday December 13 and be broadcast online. Elsa Doxtator-Jansson will be the 2020 Lucia.

So that as many people as possible can enjoy the ceremony, it will be available online and on-demand. The recording will be available through the Christmas holidays, into the New Year.

So make sure to book a cozy Lucia moment in the calendar, brew some coffee and maybe enjoy a lussekatt and gingerbread from the Christmas market!!

Do you want to participate?

New participants, 6 years or older, contact Bengt Jansson at bengt@janssonstructural.com for more information.



2020 Sweden House Society Scholarships

The Sweden House Society (SHS) is the Swedish organization who shares the ownership of Scandinavian Community Centre with the Denmark, Finland, Iceland and Norway Houses.

The Swedish Cultural Society is a member organization of Sweden House Society.

Besides SHS mandate to govern and manage the Scandinavian Community Centre, Sweden House Society grants two annual scholarships, the Karl Ståhl scholarship (\$2,000 for one post-secondary student) and the Laila Axén scholarship (\$2,000 for one post-secondary student).

This year, SHS extended the application period to mid-August, and in

September we were able to congratulate the scholarship recipients as well as release the awarded funds to go towards this academic year's tuition.

SHS received 14 applications in total for the 2 scholarships, evenly distributed. All applicants had excellent academic records and very impressive volunteering accomplishments too, which made the task to select the top applicant for each of the scholarships extraordinary challenging.

The SHS scholarship committee, Annabelle Kergan and Rebecca Keckman, did a fabulous job evaluating all the applications. Annabelle and Rebecca, thank you so much for your time and efforts, and special thank you

for the care, consideration, integrity, fairness and professionalism you poured into this important task!

In lieu of having a "in-person" scholarship award ceremony, which usually takes place at the Sweden National Day celebrations at the Scandinavian Community Centre, we are publishing the scholarship award announcement different this year.

Without further ado, may I, on behalf of Sweden House Society, present this year's recipients, Elsy Rytter and Emma Löfgren. Best of luck with your studies!

Varma hälsningar,
AnnaKarin Törnqvist
President, Sweden House Society

Thank you, from the winner of the Laila Axén award

I am writing to sincerely thank you for selecting me as this year's winner of the Laila Axén award. Your generosity has allowed me to continue this year without worrying about affording my tuition.

I am currently attending the University of King's College and Dalhousie University for a Combined Honours degree in Early Modern Studies and Classics, with a certificate in Art History and Visual Culture. After I have

completed this degree, I may pursue a Master's degree in Sweden, or continue in Canada to become a teacher.

Because of your generous gift, I can continue my studies with confidence, as well as with a reminder of the Swedish community at home.



Thank you, from the winner of the SHS Karl Ståhl

Hej, my name is Emma Löfgren and I'm this year's winner of the SHS Karl Ståhl Scholarship! I'd like to thank the Sweden House Society for assisting me in furthering my learning at UBC this year, where I am working towards a Bachelor of Kinesiology. Afterwards, I'm planning on getting a Masters in Physical Therapy and becoming a physiotherapist!



CALENDAR

Unless otherwise noted, all activities and events will take place at the Scandinavian Community Centre, 6540 Thomas Street, Burnaby.

Oktober

27 Södra bokklubben

November

2 Norra bokklubben

24 Södra bokklubben

December

7 Norra bokklubben

13 Lucia online

22 Södra bokklubben

Södra bokklubben welcomes everyone interested in reading



The book club on an excursion

Södra bokklubben is looking for more people interested in reading! We meet on the fourth Tuesday of every month. Right now, we are meeting on Zoom; hopefully, we can return to meetings at each other's home next year. If it sounds interesting, contact Pia Hilton, piachilton@gmail.com or 604-209-0701, and she will be happy to tell you more.

