SSD NEWSLETTER

MAY AT THE SSD

Spring has officially sprung, bringing with it pollen-filled air, vibrant colors, and increasingly warmer and welcoming weather each day. We're starting to see more sandals and shorts in our 'fits and definitely more flowers blooming around us. We know many of you are embarking on your long-awaited summer vacations, while others are giving their best for their start of the summer term. In either case, we wish you an excellent start to the month, filled with self-compassion, self-care, and exciting projects ahead.

Upcoming Events!

- **Global Accessibility Awareness Day (GAAD) - Thursday, May 16th**
  - May 16 marks the annual celebration of an awareness day dedicated to digital access and inclusion for over one billion people globally with disabilities or impairments. Occurring every third Thursday of May, the goal of Global Accessibility Awareness Day (GAAD) is to foster discussions, increase awareness, and enhance education regarding digital accessibility. By prioritizing inclusive design and development, we can forge a digital world that is accessible and inclusive for all.

- **Garden Party with CCG - Thursday, May 9 and 23th**
  - Get ready for an afternoon of relaxed gardening and socializing as we check on the seeds we planted last fall. No green thumb required – just bring your positive energy and a willingness to connect with fellow students! 🌱💬We'll provide the snacks, drinks, and light tasks – you bring your enthusiasm for community building 🌿🥤

    Time: 4:00 - 6:00 pm

    Location: Campus Community Garden

- **Self Care Collage Workshop with VDAC (Victoria Disability Arts Collective) - Wednesday, May 22nd**
  - Take a creative break at our hybrid self-care collage making workshop! 🌈🌟 Happening on Wednesday, May 22nd. Let's unwind and express ourselves through art! 🖌️🌟 Don't miss out on this wonderful wellbeing and wellness activity! See you there! 💖
  - **Time:** 2:00 - 3:00 pm
  - **Location:** SUB - Room B028 & Zoom
  - **Registration:** Click in our **link**

- **Craft Cafe - Wednesday, May 15th and May 29th**
  - Join the SSD every second Wednesday this summer for a Craft Cafe! Craft Cafes are an informal drop-in environment hosted by the SSD where the community can come together, be creative, and have a facilitated discussion on specific topics. Participants are invited to come for as much or as little of the session as they would like. Use our variety of craft supplies or bring your own project!
    Time: 2:00 - 4:00 pm
    Location: SUB SSD Lounge B111 or Zoom

- **Accessibility in the Workplace Workshop - Thursday, May 23th**
  - Join Marissa from the SSD & Niels Melis-De Lamper, Accessibility and Inclusion Co-op Coordinator from UVic's Careers & Coop for a workshop on finding accessible employers, discussing workplace accommodations, and identifying transferable skills that can be applied to any workplace. Please bring any questions about job searches, co-ops, or any other workplace related items! All attendees will be entered to win a prize pack!
    Time: 2:00 - 3:00 pm
    Location: Zoom
    Registration: Click in our **link**

- **Brunch & Bug Zoo Adventure - Thursday, May 30th**
  - We're thrilled to invite you to our upcoming Brunch & Bug Zoo Adventure! Be part of a delightful brunch and fascinating encounters with the tiny wonders of the insect world.
    Time: 12:00 - 4:00 pm
    Location: Downtown Victoria and Livestreamed at 3pm
    Registration: Click in our **Link**

Programs

- **Food Security & funding request programs:** Our programs are currently on pause. Rest assured, this decision was made with careful consideration as we strive to enhance the effectiveness and accessibility of this vital initiative. During this temporary pause, our team is diligently working behind the scenes to refine and improve the program. . Our goal is to relaunch it in a manner that ensures greater efficiency and accessibility for all members of our community.

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