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## Unfinished Tales

The World and Works of Charles van Sandwyk

**September 16 – November 1, 2025**

Unfinished Tales: The World and Works of Charles van Sandwyk, is a mid-career survey of rare and never before exhibited work by local artist Charles van Sandwyk. The exhibition ranges from paintings made by van Sandwyk during his youth in Deep Cove, to his most recent watercolour paintings, etchings and latest book “Fah-nama-nama-nama-lah”.

In addition to this retrospective, a facsimile of van Sandwyk’s artist studio has been carefully recreated in the gallery. This eclectic space gives visitors an intimate glimpse into van Sandwyk’s studios in both Deep Cove and Fiji. Collected objects from around the world, notes, sketches, art materials, and varied sources of inspiration enrich the studio space, lending insight into van Sandwyk’s unique creative process.

Charles van Sandwyk was born in Johannesburg, South Africa in 1966. In 1977, he emigrated with his family to Vancouver, Canada, where he studied graphic design at the Capilano College art programme in North Vancouver. Upon graduating in 1986, van Sandwyk travelled to the South Pacific and fell in love with islands of Fiji and its inhabitants. The National Library of Canada has maintained archives on his work since 1986, and in 1992 purchased the original drawings and paintings for his children’s book “The Parade to Paradise”. Van Sandwyk continues to divide his time between Vancouver and Fiji.

Sunday, September 21, 2025 from 2 – 4 p.m.

Exhibition Reception

Friday, September 26, 2025 from 6:00 – 7:30 p.m.

Poetry Reading with Charles

Sunday, October 19, 2025 at 2 p.m.

Artist Talk

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Image credit: Charles van Sandwyk

For more information, please contact curator/director Vanessa Black at 604-924-1378 or [curator@seymourartgallery.com](mailto:curator@seymourartgallery.com)

The Seymour Art Gallery is a non-profit, public gallery located in the heart of Deep Cove, North Vancouver.

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Tuesday - Sunday, 10 a.m. - 5 p.m., except holidays | free admission