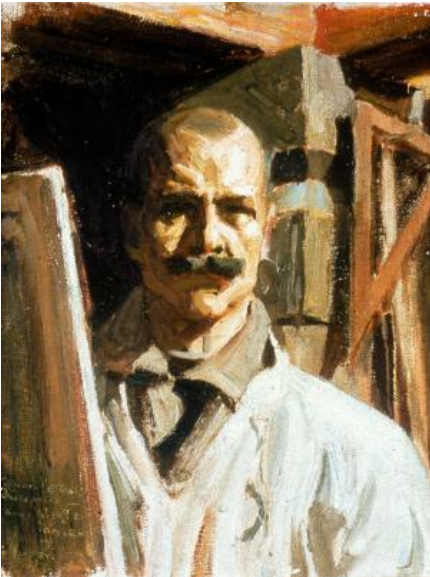




CANADIAN FRIENDS OF FINLAND

Welcomes you to

A Celebration of the Art and Life of Akseli Gallen-Kallela



Join us in a presentation of a celebration of the art and life of the great Finnish Painter, Akseli Gallen-Kallela, who was born in 1865, the same year as Jean Sibelius and another great Finnish artist, Pekka Halonen.

Bob Poutt and his son Ron, an artist himself, will explore Gallen-Kallela's upbringing and training as an artist, his marriage and the loss of a young daughter, his travels and the homes that he designed and built for himself, and the importance of these in the development of his art.

Gallen-Kallela's output was prolific; slides will be shown representing the artist's portrayal of ordinary Finnish country people, the Finnish wilderness and, especially, the Kalevala. Ron will describe the evolution of Gallen-Kallela's artistic style, its relationship to the prevailing European artistic movements and how, in recent years, his art has come to the notice of serious collectors outside of Finland.

The Runeberg Chorus will also be performing.

Sunday, February 7, 2016 at 2 pm

The Scandinavian Centre
6540 Thomas Street, Burnaby

Admission by donation. Refreshments