



The Banff Centre School of Fine Arts.

Festivals From Sea to Sea

In late April the Newfoundland Symphony Orchestra lifts its bows in St. John's in *Sinfonia '81* and produces modern and experimental music. In September Vancouver, B.C., celebrates its rowdy origins with *Gastown Days*.

Between times Canada will be festive with song, drama, melodrama and pageants, indoors and out.

Below we offer a selected list of events.

Banff Festival of the Arts

Each year from May through August the Banff School of Fine Arts showcases its talent with major productions by each of its fine arts divisions.

This year the Benjamin Britten opera *Albert Herring* will be performed July 16-19, and Ferenc Molnar's play *The Guardsman*, from August 3-8. *The Threepenny Opera* is to be given August 6-8.

To celebrate the centenary of the birth of Béla Bartók, the festival will offer a series of concerts and lectures centred around his music. On Tuesdays in the latter part of July and August, Canadian writers, including poet Irving Layton, novelist Robert Kroetsch and humourist W.O. Mitchell, will give readings of their works. Performances by guest artists, dance programs, films and art exhibits are also part of the Banff Festival.

