

The **Dante Alighieri Society of BC** & the **Capture Photography Festival in Vancouver** invite you to



The Ballad of a Soldier-Bard in Times of War

Photography, Live Music & Poetry

Join us for a cross-disciplinary performance combining **projected photography**, **spoken poetry**, and **live music** to offer a reflective exploration of love, memory, and creativity in times of conflict.

The performance features photography by **Stefano Gulmanelli**, readings from **Arianna Dagnino**'s poetic cycle *To Die Like a Poem. The Ballad of a Soldier-Bard in Times of War* (Ekstasis, Victoria), vocals by singer-songwriter **Marenia** (Maria Ylenia Trozzolo), and live guitar accompaniment by **Bruce Davidson** and **Leonardo Paoella**.

Inspired by the figure of the **soldier-bard**—a musician witnessing both the violence of war and the persistence of beauty— the project invites the audience to engage with the healing and connective power of the arts in an age of global unrest.

Saturday, 11 April 2026 | 8:00–9:00 pm (PST)

Notional Space, 1523 East Pender, Vancouver

This is a **FREE GIFT-ECONOMY** event

Q&A and open discussion with the audience to follow



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