



Colwood Community Cob Oven Repair Project

Come help us repair a cob oven while you squelch in the clay and learn about cob building. Have fun with a group of other fun people - expertly facilitated. \$25 /day

July 29, 2010 10 am to 4:00 pm



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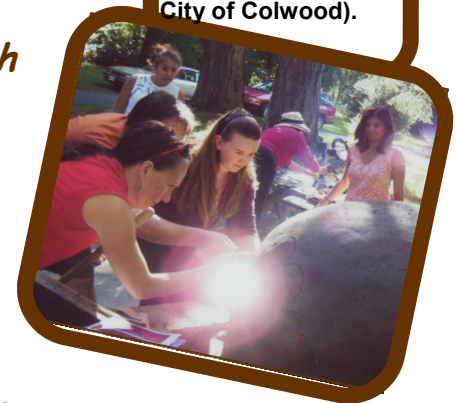


Earth— the stuff under your feet—the most common and versatile building material on the planet. For six days in August 2008, sixty-six participants between the ages of two and sixty-five built a Community Cob Oven built through the *Canadian Earth*

Institute —with help from *Mudgirls*

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People all over the world still bake in earthen ovens. The best ovens in the fanciest bakeries are often made of brick or kiln-dried mud because they provide an even source of three kinds of heat - radiant, conduction, and convection.

A humble formula of sand, straw and clay called COB is very durable and requires little upkeep. It won't burn, bugs won't eat it, and it's dirt cheap. And that's not all ... COB is also non-toxic, creates not waste and requires only a few basic tools to make, so it's a great example of sustainable building.

The Salish Sea Serpent artwork on the oven was created by Charlene George (kQwat'st'not of T'Sou-ke).