



CULTURAL ROUNDTABLE AGENDA

JUNE 15, 2017

MICHAEL WRIGHT ART GALLERY, 5PM – 7PM

Gathering Place #200 – 2253 Leigh Square, Port Coquitlam, BC

Attendees: Susanna Walden - Executive Director BIA, George Lukach – Wilson Centre Honeycombs, Alexine Law – President, Art Focus, Christine Malone, Sherry Carroll – Art Focus and Coquitlam River Watershed Roundtable, Julie Schmidt – President, Port Coquitlam Heritage and Culture, Kelly Beam – Coordinator, Port Coquitlam Heritage and Culture, Randi Gardypie – Kwikwetlem First Nation, Tony Kosta – Polonez Tri-City, Carrie Nimmo – Cultural Development and Community Services Manager, Sandy Battle – Events Coordinator, Lesley Perrie – Program Assistants, Arts and Culture City of Port Coquitlam, Nikki Hillman – Writer, Pandora Ballard – TriCity Wordsmiths, Joanne Shih – Local Community Member, Sandy LeMonnier – Rivers and Trails Festival, Isac – Traditional Chinese Painter, Lauralei – Student at Trinity Western University, Julie Lebel – Foolish Operations, Susann Sigmund – Arts, Culture and Heritage Coordinator, City of Pitt Meadows, Angela Andersen – Rotary Club and What's On! Port Coquitlam Magazine, Sherminah (Shery) – Art Focus

Note Taker: Lesley Perrie

Goal of Cultural Roundtable: share information and resources and work together to develop new cultural initiatives.

Theme for this meeting: Celebrate Canada 150 With Us– Animate and Activate Lions Park, Leigh Square and Downtown Spaces by Celebrating Arts, Culture and Nature!

1. Welcome and sign in (5 min)
2. Roundtable (40 minutes): 1 minute/person: Do you have an update on arts, culture or heritage?
 - Carrie Nimmo announced the posting of our Canada Summer Jobs Grant Position Recreation Leader - Arts & Culture. Qualified individuals can apply online at www.portcoquitlam.ca/ by **Wednesday, June 21**
 - Pandora reminded the Roundtable that the TriCity Wordsmiths meet from 2-4:30 p.m. on the first Saturday of every second month (February, April, June, August, October, December) at Terry Fox Library
 - Julie from PoCo Heritage announced that the last AG Meeting has been held for Heritage. Their next meeting is in September 2017
 - PoCo Heritage encouraged community members to participate in their Canada 150 Scavenger Hunt, which can be found here: http://www.pocoheritage.org/pdf/scavenger_hunt_2012.pdf

- PoCo Heritage also encouraged community members to participate in their 2017 Exhibit *Journeys and Connection*, by filling out the online questionnaire: <http://www.pocoheritage.org/my-journey>
 - Randi from the Kwikwetlem First Nation welcomed the community to join them at Colony Farms on Wednesday June 21st from 12-3pm where you can participate in traditional crafts and performances.
 - Julie Lebel introduced the *The Foolish Operations Ensemble* and invited the community to view and participate in their performances on August 26th as part of our Canada 150 Celebration
 - Alexine Law announced her participation in The Creative Café, held on the first Sunday of every month (except January) from 1:00pm until 4:00pm at Minnekhada Lodge
 - The Polonez Tri-City Polish Association announced that they will be holding a summer picnic on July 19 – this is a free event
 - Angela Andersen from the Rotary Club announced that on Culture Days 2017 (Saturday, September 30) they will be at the Terry Fox Library giving away free illustrated dictionaries to children in Grade 4.
3. Review of last meeting notes(5 min)
 4. Break: refresh and network (10 minutes)
 5. Cultural Plan Update (10 minutes):
 - a. Festival Development Working Committee: Application deadline, June 15th
 - b. Community Cultural Development Grants Announced
 - Polonez Tri-City Polish Association
 - Art Focus Artists' Association
 - Theatrix
 - Hyde Creek Watershed Society and,
 - Justine Fraser for Reforming Art Productions' *Youth Mentorship Intensive*
 - c. Launch of New Website: www.portcoquitlam.ca
 6. Po Co Canada 150, August 26 celebration (40 minutes)
 - a. What is happening?
 - Celebrate Canada 150 With Us! A Music, Arts and Nature Festival will be a day-long celebration taking place 12 to 4 p.m. in Lions Park and 2 to 9 p.m. in Leigh Square.
 - The day will begin at noon with a celebration of *Rivers and Trails* in Lions Park, including live music and entertainment, displays, food, hands-on activities with environmental stewards, guided nature walks and more until 4 p.m.

- Entertainment will include champion Lil'wat Nation hoop dancer Alex Wells and Pop Up Dance performances in surprise locations between Lions Park and Leigh Square.
 - Presentations by individual artists and/or groups are six (6) minutes – fifteen (15) minutes in duration. Pop Up Dances are free to the public and celebrate dance in all its forms. Confirmed performers include: Isabelle Kirouac – Habitats, Chris Neima - Roller Skate/Dancing, and Julie Lebel – Tricoter. We may have space for one more dance piece. If you know of any local choreographers who may be interested, please contact Carrie at nimmoc@portcoquitlam.ca
 - Starting at 2 pm, Leigh Square will come alive with hands-on arts and cultural activities, storytelling, live dance and music, along with food trucks and a beverage garden.
 - Event-goers can paint a tile for the Canada 150 Mosaic, a national public art project that is creating a giant mural made up of tiles and artwork from across the country. Our community mural, made up of tiles painted on Canada Day and Aug. 26, will be installed at the Outlet in Leigh Square.
 - Other cultural activities include a canoe display and stories by the Kwikwetlem First Nation, and a chance for residents to share their story with PoCo Heritage
 - Headliners Delhi 2 Dublin will hit the stage at 7 pm, bringing a dynamic show featuring a blend of live and electronic bhangra, hip hop and world pop. This band has performed at festivals and concerts around the world and is known for its energy onstage.
- b. Behind the scenes and sneak preview! Tricoter, by Julie Lebel, a Vancouver-based choreographer invested in community engaged dance and interactions between dance, public space, community, visual art and musicians. Tricoter re-creates the spirit of a knitting circle.
- c. How can you animate and activate Lions Park and Downtown Spaces?
- 1. Produce:
KidsZone art activities and face painting - lead an area for kids, families and youth. A few ideas might be: face paint, craft station, interactive presentation on their medium (dance, theatre, etc), dance flash mob.
For activities at *Lions Park* please sent to Sandy Battle
For activities at *Leigh Square* please sent to Zach Lundrie
Proposal Deadline: Friday June 30th
 - 2. Participate by painting a tile on our mosaic at Canada Day or August 26th
 - 3. Volunteer by signing up online www.portcoquitlam.ca/volunteer or by talking to Rob Loxtercamp at loxtercamp@portcoquitlam.ca

Volunteer Roles include: assistant stage manager and stage hands, KidsZone activity volunteers, information ambassadors, event set up and take down, Youth Committee for Canada 150 Mosaic design and workshop activities.

7. Discussion/Feedback (10 minutes)

8. Next Meeting: July 20, 5-7pm