2024 BCMA GATHERING SEPTEMBER 24-27, 2024

TRADE SHOW & ARTIST MARKET

LHEIDLI T'ENNEH TERRITORY PRINCE GEORGE

With local partners: Lheidli T'enneh First Nation House of Ancestors Two Rivers Gallery The Exploration Place Central BC Railway and Forestry Museum Huble Homestead Historic Site



About the 2024 Gathering

It's our great pleasure to announce that the 2024 BCMA Conference will take place from September 24 – 27, 2024!

Museums, galleries, and cultural heritage spaces play a crucial role in shaping public perception, contributing to resilient communities, fostering dialogue and sparking creativity. The BC Museums Association works to ensure the long-term viability and vibrancy of our sector, and we invite our members to join us in co-creating the future they want to see.

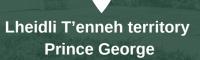
The 2024 BCMA Conference will center sustainability in all its facets; environmental, economic, social and institutional. Attendees will consider climate action and emergency preparedness, but also discuss topics such as financial sustainability, community engagement or contingency planning. The broad term "sustainability" encompasses many aspects of the work in our sector.

This year's program responds to our community's desire for more innovative, hands-on, immersive learning experiences, for dedicated time spent with colleagues to form relationships across the province, for actionable outcomes and takeaways, and for the focus on a bright future of our sector.

The gathering will have workshops, skill-sharing sessions, knowledge exchanges, many networking opportunities, a healthy dose of local arts and culture, and keynotes. Connect with attendees, sponsors, funders, and partners from across BC and beyond!

Our local partners for this year's event are: Uda Dune Baiyoh House of Ancestors, Lheidli T'enneh First Nation, Two Rivers Gallery, The Exploration Place, The Central BC Railway & Forestry Museum, and Huble Homestead Historic Site.





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Key Information

BCMA is bringing back exhibitors! Service providers, artists, and makers, we invite you to interact one-on-one with an audience of arts, culture, and heritage professionals from across the province during our 2024 conference in Prince George.

Conference Dates: September 24 - 27, 2024

Trade Show / Artist Market Date: Wednesday, September 25, 2024

Times:

9:00 AM - 6:00 PM

- Set up: 9:00 AM 10:00 AM
- Trade Show: 12:00 PM 2:00 PM
- Take-down: 5:00 PM 6:00 PM

Location:

Uda Dune Baiyoh House of Ancestors, Conference Center and Café 355 Vancouver St Prince George, BC, V2L 2P1

Area:

Right Hall, connected to Main Hall (hosts 250 people)





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Benefits

Each Table includes:

Attendance of all Gathering sessions and food and beverage for 1 person

1 6 ft folding table table cloths available on request in black, white, or red

2 chairs

2 custom exhibitor name badges

Access to power sources power bars available on request

Promotional Benefits:

Online conference program advertisement

Logo inclusion in print, web, and on-site promotional materials

Verbal recognition at the conference

Exhibitor profile on our website





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Pricing

Exhibitor pricing includes attendance of all Gathering sessions and food and beverage for 1 person. For an additional person at your table, a charge of \$150.00 is applicable to cover the cost. There is a maximum of two persons allowed per exhibit space.

BCMA Members

\$850.00 cad

Non-Members

\$1,050.00 cad

Lheidli T'enneh artists and makers are encouraged to reach out to development@museum.bc.ca for special rates.

General Information

- · All prices are quoted in Canadian dollars
- Full payment must be received at time of booking exhibit due to limited amount of space available
- First come first served for booking
- Exhibit tables are assigned by the Gathering Coordinator





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About the BC Museums Association

Founded in 1957, the British Columbia Museums Association (BCMA) supports a thriving arts, culture, and heritage sector through collaboration, networking, advocacy, innovation, and professional development.

Since our founding, the BCMA has grown to include more than 450 members in every corner of British Columbia including museums, art galleries, science centres, Indigenous cultural organizations, First Nations, heritage sites, botanical and zoological gardens, cultural centres, conservation institutes, grassroots arts organizations, exhibition galleries permanently maintained by libraries and archives, and nature reserves.

The BCMA supports the professionals and volunteers who work in BC's cultural sector and we aim to improve the cultural literacy of all British Columbians. The BCMA collaborates with arts, culture, and heritage partners to engage with all levels of government to share stories and make them aware of the true impact our sector has in communities large and small across the province.

A Council elected from our membership governs the BCMA. Council members listen to the broader community and help set policy and strategic priorities for the Association, while services are delivered by a dedicated staff and network of professional support. The BCMA is a provincially incorporated society and a registered charity.

Our Vision

Create space for BCMA members to engage in meaningful, courageous dialogue, and equitable actions.

Our Mission

Through bold advocacy and collaborative leadership, the BC Museums Association supports the arts, culture, and heritage sector to thrive.





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Our Audience

Increase your visibility and deepen relationships with British Columbia's cultural heritage community.

Our programming and resources draw hundreds of sector professionals, government officials, funders, and industry members from across BC and Canada.

During BCMA's 2023 gathering we saw:

100 Online Delegates BCMA 2023 Digital Registrants



Live Delegates BCMA 2023 In-person Registrations

For BCMA's 2024 gathering we expect:

100 Online Delegates **150** Conference Delegates

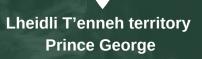
To ensure that we offer an event that reflects our host community's venue capacity and that our delegates are received and remembered as respectful guests, we anticipate a limited number of in-person delegates.

The BCMA looks forward to offering a variety of virtual learning and networking opportunities associated with the 2024 conference to allow for wide participation.









Our Audience

BCMA's Reach:

2,500+ Social Media Followers

1,000+ Newsletter Subscribers

475+

Active Members

3,500+ Average Monthly Website Users

BCMA's Members include:

- Museums
- Art galleries
- Cultural centres
- Archives
- Natural history centres
- Heritage sites
- Historic houses
- First Nations
 Organizations

- Friendship Centres
- Science centres & aquariums
- Botanical gardens
- Public library systems
- Post-secondary
 institutions
- Provincial and national associations





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We encourage you to reach out to learn more about how you can connect with the leaders and decisionmakers of BC's culture and heritage sector.

Contact us today!

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The BC Museums Association (BCMA) office is located on the traditional, unceded lands of the Lekwungen peoples (Songhees and Xwsepsum Nations). We respect past, present, and future Indigenous stewards and recognize that we are uninvited guests on this territory.

As a reflection of the provincial scope of our membership and organization, we recognize that our affiliates occupy the ceded, unceded, and sovereign territories of Nations across what is referred to as British Columbia.





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