



weekly BC ARTS + CULTURE
digest

Explore Indigenous Arts & Culture in BC

June is National Indigenous Month

There are so many ways to explore Indigenous culture in British Columbia! In addition to many groundbreaking galleries and museums, Indigenous artists from across the province continue to produce and collaborate on an incredible array of works. Discover a way to connect with Indigenous culture in your community today!



Bill Reid: Wolf Pendant, 1976. Photo: Kenji Nagai

**Bill Reid Gallery of
Northwest Coast Art**



**Heaven n' Earth
Native Art**

Mother and daughter team, Teresa Walker and Brook Tobacco make authentic handmade Indigenous products.

Downtown Vancouver's public gallery is named after the acclaimed Haida artist Bill Reid (1920-1998).

The Gallery showcases the permanent collection of Bill Reid and changing exhibitions of contemporary Northwest Coast art. Permanent Collection of Bill Reid's work – Stunning gold and silver jewelry – Monumental sculptures – Towering totem pole carved by James Hart in tribute to Bill Reid.

The Gallery Shop offers a selection of original works and prints by local Northwest Coast artists, distinctive jewelry, accessories, books, cards, and more.

Spirits of the West Coast Art Gallery

Spirits of the West Coast Art Gallery specializes in a large variety of authentic Northwest Coast Indigenous Artwork and Jewelry by Master Artists of Haida, Kwakwaka'wakw or Kwakiutl, Coast Salish, and West Coast descent.

Enjoy the beautiful selection of native masks, paddles, argillite carvings, sculptures, prints, silver and gold jewelry, rings, wedding bands, bracelets, and pendants.

The gallery is an excellent opportunity to learn more about the art and cultures of the Northwest Coast First Nations and find unique one-of-a-kind works of art.

Their shop features items such as mixed media beadwork, pine needle, birch bark, cedar bark jewelry, and baskets.

They also have an assortment of drums, rattles, leatherwork, bone, semi-precious stones and medicinal products.

From the Nlhaḡkaḡm, Okanagan, Lakota, and Cree nations.



Nisga'a Museum

Welcome to Hli Goothl Wilp-Adokshl Nisga'a, a name representing the four tribes that make up the Nisga'a Nation.

The museum displays artifacts of all four peoples within its permanent exhibition, an assemblage of 300+ art objects that left the Nass Valley in the latter part of the 19th Century and early part of the 20th Century. During the struggle for our treaty, Nisga'a elders and leaders fought to ensure this scattered legacy would find its way back home.

Now, housed in a permanent place of honour, this treasury of Nisga'a culture ranks as one of the preeminent collections of Northwest Coast aboriginal art.



Culture Shock Interactive Gallery

Culture Shock Interactive Gallery in Alert Bay, B.C. is a unique experience designed to offer friendly access to the indigenous NAMGIS arts and culture.

At this waterfront location, you can shop for one of a kind, locally made art, jewellery and clothing, watch award winning films about our culture while enjoying the best coffee in the island or take in the beautiful views on our cedar patio.

Listen to storytelling by Ada (Grandmother), weave with Donna or enjoy a summer salmon barbecue. Always friendly and never boring, Culture Shock Interactive Gallery welcomes you to explore NAMGIS traditional arts and culture.



Explore Songhees

Visit us at Ship Point In Victoria's Inner Harbour

Ship Point and the surrounding harbour area offer lots of space to safely socially distance and we invite you to come down during the Spring, Summer and Fall to meet Songhees artists.

Enjoy our Indigenous-inspired cuisine or take a walking tour while surrounded by the beauty and buzz of Victoria's Inner Harbour.



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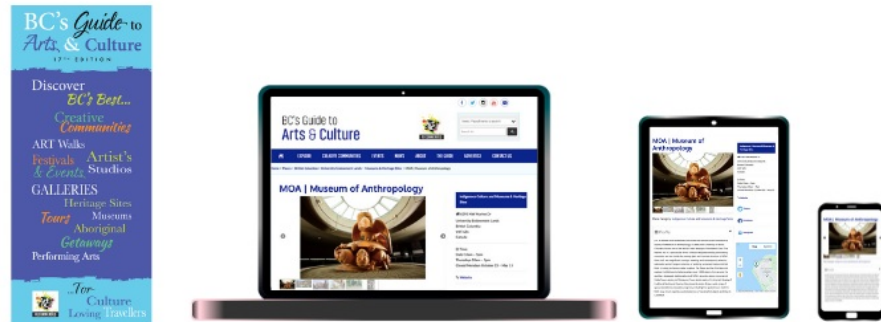
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For over twenty years **Van Dop & Associates** has been an industry leader in empowering the artists, producers and keepers of Arts, Culture and Heritage in BC to stay connected with an authentic and engaged audience.

We advocate for economic strength in the cultural sector through strategic, curated, community marketing partnerships with local tourism, arts and cultural organizations, other major stakeholders and the people cultivating, creating and preserving local culture.