



BC's Guide to Arts & Culture



weekly BC ARTS + CULTURE digest

Discover BC's Museums

For centuries, museums have played an integral role in preserving the history of our society. Exhibits tell us stories about how our nation, communities and cultures evolved; without those exhibits those stories could fade. Museums serve our communities by keeping alive the stories of our past and giving us a better understanding of our present times.

Discover your local museum.

Explore art and artifacts that deepen your understanding of the community and region's history. From contemporary art shows to interactive exhibits, there are a wide variety of ways to engage with BC's past and present.



Historic Stewart Farm

Historic Stewart Farm is a one-of-a-kind venue in **Surrey**, located within **Elgin Heritage Park**, along the Nicomekl River. Protected by a municipal heritage designation by-law, the site consists of eight heritage



Princeton Museum

The Princeton and District Museum and Archive Society is proud to operate the Princeton Museum. They have one of the **finest small town museums** in the province.

buildings, with the **1894 Farmhouse** as its focal point.

Seven additional buildings, including Pole Barn, Threshing Shed (Stewart Hall), along with heirloom gardens and orchard, complete the site. Historic Stewart Farm offers exhibits, tours, programs, and special events year-round.



North Shore Museums

Delve into a little **North Shore** history at their local museums. Check out contemporary and historical art on site or online at these fantastic spaces across the North Shore:

- **BC Mills House**
- **MONOVA**
- **West Vancouver Art Museum**



Penticton Museum & Archives

Explore the unique world of the **South Okanagan** beyond its famous 'beaches and peaches' with tons of hands-on displays and activities for

Their **galleries** are visually stunning thanks to the efforts of many talented craftsmen and artists. As one of the **oldest communities on the mainland**, they have a vast collection of fossils, minerals, photographs, newspapers, artifacts and stories that illustrate the history of this area.



Mennonite Heritage Museum

The Mennonite Heritage Museum is owned by the Mennonite Museum Society. Established in 2011, the society engages present and future generations with the **Mennonite story** through a variety of mediums, including both permanent and temporary exhibits.

They screen **films**, and show **interactive digital displays** that preserve and document the history of Mennonites who came to British Columbia from Russia.



Bulkley Valley Museum

the whole family.

The Penticton Museum was established in 1954 when the city gave local collector **R.N. Atkinson** the use of the decommissioned sternwheeler S.S. Sicamous to house his private collection. A long-time Penticton resident and veteran of the First World War, Reg Atkinson collected militaria, native artefacts, firearms and antiques since the early 1920s and had previously operated a private museum in his home.

Explore the natural and human history of **Smithers** and the surrounding area at the Bulkley Valley Museum!

Located in the historic Central Park Building, the Museum features engaging and informative temporary and permanent displays on local history and culture, including **Witsuwit'en history, Driftwood Canyon fossils, the mysterious story of the first "Broken Arrow", and the Bulkley Valley's "gift to civilization"** – the egg carton! Kids can explore at their own pace with our museum scavenger hunt.

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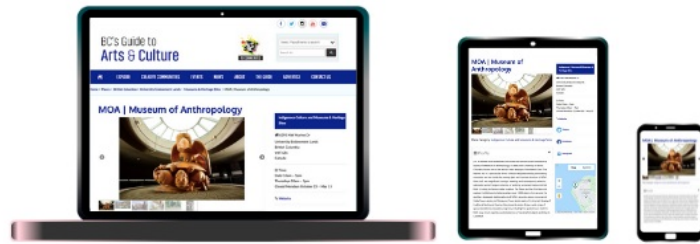
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For over twenty years **Van Dop and Associates** has been an industry leader in empowering the artists, producers and keepers of Arts, Culture and Heritage in BC to stay connected with an authentic and engaged audience.

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.

