



## NEWS

### **New, expanded Council leads the BC Museums Association**

#### **FOR RELEASE DECEMBER 3, 2014 (Victoria, BC):**

The BC Museums Association (BCMA) has elected a new, expanded Council to lead the organization for the next two years.

Members in attendance at the BCMA Annual General Meeting, held in Penticton in October 2014, voted unanimously to change the by-laws of the organization and increase the number of Councilors to 13.

The new Council will continue the revitalization and invigoration of the 57 year old Association, undertaken with the appointment of BCMA Executive Director **Theresa Mackay**, earlier this year. Aboriginal Tourism BC representative, **Lillian Hunt** (Alert Bay), lawyer **Danielle Lemon** (Vancouver), University of Victoria Program Director, Cultural Resource Management Programs, **Tania Muir** (Victoria), Kelowna Art Gallery Executive Director, **Nataley Nagy** (Kelowna), and Fraser River Discovery Centre Executive Director, **Catherine Ouellet-Martin** (New Westminster) have been elected. They join Penticton Museum Executive Director, **Dennis Oomen** (Penticton), Royal BC Museum Head of Marketing & Development, **Erika Stenson** (Victoria), and Museum of Vancouver Curator of Engagement & Dialogue, **Hanna Cho** (Vancouver), who continue their terms of office.

Royal BC Museum Vice President, Archives, Collection & Knowledge, **Peter Ord** will serve a second term as President of the BCMA. The membership also elected the re-instatement of the entire executive committee; independent museum consultants **Deborah Hudson** (Chilliwack) and **Jonathan Irwin** (Victoria) as Secretary and Treasurer, Royal BC Museum Head of New Archives & Digital Preservation, **David Alexander**, as Vice President, and Touchstones Nelson, Museum of History and Art Executive Director, **Leah Best** (Nelson) as Past President.

Founded in 1957, the British Columbia Museums Association represents the institutions, trustees, professional staff and volunteers of the BC museum and gallery community as well as related communities in the heritage sector. For more information about the BCMA visit [www.museumsassn.bc.ca](http://www.museumsassn.bc.ca).

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