

# Munch and Learn: Anti-Racism Speakers Series

Join us virtually for lunch time learning sessions with a range of speakers on the topic of anti-racism. Ideal for those who work in culture and education. Expand your understanding of racism and find ways to make your work meaningfully anti-racist.

**FREE**

Register at 604.592.6956

Registration is free but required.  
A link to the Microsoft Teams  
meeting will be sent the morning  
of the presentation.



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## Dr. Henry Yu and Denise Fong - Friday, February 12 | Noon to 1pm

### Belonging at the Table: Curators' Reflections on the 'A Seat at the Table' Exhibition

This presentation features the co-curators of a Chinese Canadian immigration exhibition entitled A Seat at the Table – Chinese Immigration and British Columbia at the Museum of Vancouver and in Vancouver Chinatown. The speakers will present an overview of systemic discrimination experienced by Chinese immigrants in the history of BC and Canadian history and share their reflections on racism and reconciliation through the process of co-curating this exhibition.

Dr. Henry Yu is an Associate Professor in the Department of History at UBC and the Principal of St. John's College, UBC. He is passionate about helping British Columbians unlearn the cultural and historical legacies of colonialism and to be inspired by the often hidden and untold stories of those who struggled against racism and made Canadian society more inclusive and just.

Denise Fong (方靜怡) is a researcher and curator with a focus on community engaged research and cultural heritage. She is a Ph.D. candidate in UBC's Interdisciplinary Studies Graduate Program, with a special interest in public history and immersive storytelling.



## Dominique Jacobs - Wednesday, February 17 | Noon to 1pm

### Performative Allyship VS Authentic Allyship, A Modern Look at How to Distinguish Harm in Marketing



As a Communications Professional currently working for the Support Network for Indigenous Women and Women of Color, Dominique will examine examples of performative allyship in modern marketing and explain why this is harmful to the BIPOC community and why it shows a lack of corporate responsibility. It will, by contrast, give examples of authentic allyship and explain how that is achieved and how it benefits the BIPOC community and builds trust in corporate interests. Dominique has led anti-racism campaigns and have been involved in anti-racism and social justice work for 15 years with various organizations.



Yasin Kiraga Misago - Friday, February 19 from 12pm-1pm

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African Descent History in BC 1858:  
Migration, Integration and Exclusion in BC

This presentation will explore the history of African Descent Pioneers from the US to British Columbia with experience in settlement, integration and contribution in British Columbia. We will look at the case of Vancouver Urban Renewal and destruction of what was African Descent Community between 1958 to 72 urban renewal policies.

Yasin will discuss area of settlement in the province, racial experiences, and their contribution to the development of Canada's diversity and multiculturalism.



Sharanjit Kaur Sandhra  
Friday, February 26 | Noon to 1pm

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The Dos and Don'ts of Anti-Racist Work in Museums

Sharanjit Kaur Sandhra is the Coordinator at the South Asian Studies Institute at the University of the Fraser Valley, co-curator of exhibits at the Sikh Heritage Museum, located in the National Historic Site Gur Sikh Temple in Abbotsford, BC and a sessional faculty in the Department of History at UFV. She is currently a PhD Candidate in the Department of History at UBC and is interested in looking at the affective experiences of museum visitors through a critical race theory lens. Sharn has a great passion for activist work and engagement in the community through academia and museum exhibits. She is a past member of the BC Museums Association, and currently a Director with the Pacific Canada Heritage Centre - Museum of Migration and an advisor for the Poetic Justice Foundation.