



Ship Point's Pop-Up Transformation Nearly Complete

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VICTORIA, BC – 'Pop-Up Ships' is being installed at Ship Point plaza this week. This new public space will feature seating inspired by origami paper boats and the 'Beacon', an oversized sculptural element.

PHOTO OPPORTUNITY:

What: Photo opportunity of 'Pop-Up Ships' at Ship Point
When: Thursday, July 28 from 11 a.m. to 12 p.m.
Where: Ship Point plaza, below the intersection of Wharf and Humboldt Street

'Pop-Up Ships' is the creation of architects Peter Carter and Marie-Claude Fares. Peter was born and raised in Victoria; both Peter and Marie-Claude are based out of Vancouver and recently worked on the new Camosun College Centre for Trades Education and Innovation in Victoria. Their past work also includes public space installations and activations in Vancouver.

The team has been busy finalizing and constructing the design over the past month. They will receive a \$5,000 award and up to \$35,000 for the design, build and installation of 'Pop-Up Ships'.

In April and May, the public was invited to submit concepts for a temporary pop-up public space at Ship Point. Nearly 50 submissions were received from teams locally and from as far away as New York, Denmark and Indonesia. A jury of five reviewed the proposals based on the following criteria: social interaction and connection, aesthetics and originality, function and context, sustainability and feasibility.

The jury shortlisted 18 submissions; the shortlisted submissions will be on display inside City Hall from August 2 to 12, 2016 and are available at victoria.ca/shippoint.

A long term plan for Ship Point will advance this year as we develop a Waterfront Plan, building upon the work that has occurred in the past few years. In the short term, 'Pop-Up Ships' is intended to add vibrancy and activity to the space for the public to enjoy this summer.

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Note:

The architects will be onsite and available to speak to media.