



## *Making as Medicine:* *Indigenous Art Symposium* is November 2 and 3

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VICTORIA, BC — The community is invited to attend the *Making as Medicine: Indigenous Art Symposium* on Saturday, November 2 and Sunday, November 3 hosted at the Royal BC Museum. Developed by City of Victoria's Inaugural Indigenous Artist in Residence Lindsay Delaronde and artist Nicole Mandryk, the two-day interdisciplinary and inter-generational event will present and explore Indigenous ways of making through engaging in traditional arts.

The Symposium will include two-day workshops followed by a panel discussion, traditional feast and cultural performances. Registration is required for both the workshops and feast. Workshop tickets are \$35, available for purchase through the Royal BC Museum, and feast tickets are \$45 and available for purchase through the City of Victoria.

Participants will be able to choose between three hands-on traditional learnings including beadwork, Coast Salish knitting, and cedar weaving all facilitated by Indigenous artists: Maria Sampson, May Sam & Lindsay Delaronde.

The Symposium will include a free public panel discussion from 2:30 p.m. – 4:30 p.m. on the second day of workshops. Indigenous artist entrepreneurs Lou-ann Neel and lessLIE will take part in a panel discussion about their experience as makers in context to the economy, cultural appropriation and establishing their careers through alternative pathways.

To close the event on Sunday evening, a full traditional salmon feast will take place, followed by a drumming performance by ANSWER Drum Group in the Mungo Martin House.

Making as Medicine is the third interactive Indigenous symposium hosted at The Royal BC Museum, in partnership with the City of Victoria and the Indigenous Artist Entrepreneur Program.

For workshop registration, visit: [www.royalbcmuseum.bc.ca](http://www.royalbcmuseum.bc.ca)

Tickets for the traditional salmon feast and more information, visit: [www.victoria.ca/publicart](http://www.victoria.ca/publicart).

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