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## *Victoria seeks its next Artist in Residence*

VICTORIA, BC — The City of Victoria is looking for its next Artist in Residence. The Artist in Residence is a two-year program that gives a professional mid-career artist the opportunity to work collaboratively with the community, City staff and the Art in Public Places Committee to identify and develop an art plan over their term.

“This is a wonderful opportunity for an artist to expand their practice in new ways,” said Mayor Lisa Helps. “I’m excited about the ideas, talents and creativity that the next Artist in Residence will bring to our city.”

During their residency, the Artist in Residence will create a community engagement strategy and complete a series of projects and art-related activities that enrich the creative life of the city. The Artist in Residence program is funded by the City’s Art in Public Places Reserve Fund.

Mid-career professional artists working in visual media (painting, printmaking, drawing, sculpture, crafts, photography, film and video), music, performance and literary art are invited to submit an Expression of Interest.

The City will hold a virtual Information Session on Wednesday, June 15 from 5:30 – 7 p.m. via Teams for anyone who has questions or wants to learn more about the program. The deadline to submit an Expression of Interest is July 4 at 4 p.m.

Past Artists in Residence are visual artist Luke Ramsey (2016-2018) and musician Kathryn Calder (2019-2021).

For more information on the Artist in Residence program, the selection process and how to apply, or to RSVP for the Information Session go to [www.victoria.ca/EN/main/residents/culture/public-art/artist-in-residence.html](http://www.victoria.ca/EN/main/residents/culture/public-art/artist-in-residence.html)

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