

## **Collaborative Spaces Pilot Projects 2015/16**

### **1. Kamloops Art Gallery (\$18,800)**

#### **465 Victoria St, Kamloops**

- A partnership between the Kamloops Art Gallery and the Arbor Collective, an Indigenous arts group providing training and exhibition opportunities to artists in the Okanagan Valley.
- Project will facilitate enhanced training opportunities for Indigenous artists, as well as increase wider community access and impact.

### **2. Surrey Arts Hub (\$40,000)**

#### **10660 City Parkway, Surrey**

- A new hub space for cultural development in Surrey's City Centre, supporting innovation, collaboration and creativity.
- Co-location between the Royal Canadian Theatre Company and Streetchip Hip Hop Society.
- Project will create space for engaging the next generation of creative youth workers through programs, outreach and mentorship activity.

### **3. Kokoro Dance Theatre Society (\$50,000)**

#### **250 - 111 Hastings St W, Vancouver**

- A hub in the Woodward's Building in the downtown eastside of Vancouver.
- Co-location between Kokoro Dance, Vancouver International Dance Festival, Vancouver Moving Theatre and Raven Spirit Dance.
- Project supports talent growth through the creation of an accessible community recording studio and performance venue.

### **4. Wachiay Friendship Centre (\$50,000)**

#### **1625 McPhee Ave, Courtenay**

- A social enterprise for Indigenous artists located in the Comox Valley.
- Project will create a new digital media facility, generate new business opportunities for local artists (e.g., digital screen printing), and expand youth engagement and mentorship.

### **5. 221A (\$50,000)**

#### **221 Georgia St E, Vancouver**

- A social enterprise that provides affordable studio space to professional artists and offices to creative sector organizations in the Vancouver area.
- Project includes conversion of a 10,000 sq.-ft. industrial space into a multi-tenant, flexible arts hub.

**6. Presentation House Theatre Society (\$20,000)**

**333 Chesterfield Ave, North Vancouver**

- Performing arts space in North Vancouver, used collectively by five resident organizations, as well as many community partners.
- Project will support the purchase of specialized equipment for a new performance and creation space, increasing the ability to showcase new works by B.C. artists and generate additional revenue.

**7. Rotary Centre for the Arts (\$30,000)**

**421 Cawston Ave, Kelowna**

- A thriving incubator for arts and culture creation, presentation and education in the Okanagan.
- Home to six arts organizations, 10 resident artists, four public gallery spaces and a 300-seat theatre.
- Project will support the purchase of specialized equipment to increase the scope and profile of their work, helping to grow their impact on the local creative economy.

**8. Nanaimo Art Gallery (\$50,000)**

**150 Commercial St, Nanaimo**

- A cultural hub in downtown Nanaimo.
- Co-location between five resident companies: Nanaimo Art Gallery, Crimson Coast Dance, TheatreOne, Vancouver Island Symphony, and Nanaimo Archives. Accessible to a wide range of community groups and artists.
- Project will create a flexible space designed to facilitate cross-collaboration and engagement among the residents.

**9. VIVO (\$50,000)**

**2625 Kaslo St, Vancouver**

- A new media arts hub located in the under-served Vancouver neighbourhood of Renfrew-Collingwood.
- Project will help to build a facility that serves the needs of professional media artists, digital designers and technologists, increasing access for artists with disabilities and youth.

**10. En'owkin Centre (\$27,500)**

**Lot 45 Green Mountain Rd, Penticton**

- A leading Indigenous creative hub that promotes creation, presentation, language revitalization and business development.
- Project will upgrade space and equipment to further the overall artistic objectives of the organization, as well as their contribution to the local creative economy.

**11. Russian Hall (\$50,000)**

**600 Campbell Ave, Vancouver**

- A vibrant hub in the downtown eastside of Vancouver.
- Co-location between four resident companies: Fight With a Stick, Theatre Replacement, Axis Theatre Company and Lola MacLaughlin Dance. Accessible to a wide range of community groups and artists.
- Project will expand the hub's accessible creation and presentation spaces, as well as audience reach.

**Total investment: \$436,300**