

Indigenous Youth Governance Representative Part-Time Advisory Role – 1 Year Term

The mandate of the Bill Reid Gallery of Northwest Coast Art is to reveal the vital and diverse Indigenous cultures of the Northwest Coast through the extraordinary work of Bill Reid and inspirational contemporary art. We respectfully acknowledge the x̱m̱əθkwəy̱əm (Musqueam), Sḵw̱x̱w̱ú7mesh (Squamish), and Səḻílwətaʔ/Selilwitulh (Tsleil-Waututh), and all the Indigenous peoples of the Northwest Coast, on whose traditional and unceded territories we live, work, and play.

Role Description:

Are you interested in how a non-profit art organization works? Do you believe youth need a voice in arts organizations? The Bill Reid Gallery of Northwest Coast Art is seeking a youth leader excited by organizational leadership to participate in a Youth Governance initiative. This Indigenous youth is concerned with promoting Indigenous cultures and values, building their organizational and leadership skills, and a strong interest in forging community connections in Vancouver. The successful candidate will learn about non-profit governance by attending meetings of the Board of Directors, and by providing input to its various committees.

The Bill Reid Gallery is currently accepting applications for the Indigenous Youth Governance Representative position. Indigenous youth must be between 19 and 24 years old. We are open to receiving applications from all Indigenous youth that want to provide meaningful input and an Indigenous youth perspective into the Gallery's governance structure. Given our location, we encourage youth from the Squamish, Musqueam, and Tsleil-Waututh nations to apply. The position is anticipated to start in late May.

Commitment & Responsibilities:

- Fulfill a one-year term, which may be renewed
- Commit approximately 50-100 hours to Bill Reid Gallery business over the course of a year
- Attend and actively participate in Board meetings by providing input from a youth perspective. The Board of Directors meets six times per year
- Attend meetings of the Content Advisory Committee, as well as other Board Committees that will aid in the learning process (Governance, Finance, Development)
- Understand the Bill Reid Gallery policies and programs and provide input when needs arise
- Advise and provide youth perspective on policy and strategic direction, and assist with the leadership and general promotion of the Bill Reid Gallery to support the organization's mission
- Be alert to community concerns that can be addressed by the Gallery's mission, objectives, and programs
- Conduct periodic evaluations of Gallery operations and programs with a view to improving integration of youth perspectives

Outcomes:

- Completion of a brief written report at the end of the term
- Provide input into a proposal for an enhanced youth governance initiative in subsequent years

Compensation:

The youth representative will receive honoraria for training, attendance and participation in Board meetings and committees (approximately \$4,500 total for the year)

Skills:

- Administrative, organizational, and leadership skills
- Demonstrated interest in non-profit governance
- Ability to work independently and as part of a team

How to Apply:

To apply for this position, submit a resume and cover letter outlining your interest and experience to our Education Specialist. Applications will be accepted until position is filled.

Contact:

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