

## NEWS RELEASE

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### **City receives BC Museums Association Award**

*Recognized for outstanding corporate service in cultural leadership*

#### **Summary**

The City of Nanaimo's Culture and Heritage Department has been provincially recognized as a cultural leader after receiving the "2015 BC Museums Association Outstanding Achievement Corporate Service Award". The award acknowledges the innovative and unique creation of the Cultural Managers Working Group (CMWG), which supports and leverages the City's initiatives that animate and encourage a creative and engaged community.

*Strategic Link:* Cultural Vitality (Creativity, Diversity, Heritage and Innovation); and taking responsibility to be an excellent municipal government.

#### **Key Points**

- The award is given to a supporter who has been innovative in contributing to a museum, gallery or archives over an extended period of time.
- The City's Culture and Heritage Department was nominated to receive the award on behalf of the CMWG by Debbie Trueman, General Manager of the Nanaimo Museum, including support from the Port Theatre and Nanaimo Art Gallery.
- Trueman is a founding and active member of the CMWG that represents Nanaimo's professional cultural organizations that receive municipal support.

#### **Quotes**

"The CMWG's success is due to the ongoing commitment of its members, and we look forward to continued collaboration and engagement."

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