

## NEWS RELEASE

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### **2020 Temporary Outdoor Public Art Selections Approved**

#### *Council approves ten new pieces of temporary public art for 2020*

On December 16, 2019, Council approved ten new pieces of public art as part of the 2020 Temporary Outdoor Public Art Program. A total of 36 proposals were received from a variety of artists and teams across Canada in response to a "Call for Artists" issued by the City of Nanaimo's Purchasing Department. The following artworks were approved:

- JOY IN THE LIFE AND BALANCE - Joanne Helm
- HISTORY NEEDS A REWRITE - Maggie Wouterloot
- SEA BED - Peter Achurch
- THE FOSSIL LAUGHS - Steve Milroy
- OUT FROM OUT WHERE: BEYOND LIMINALITY - Bryan Faubert
- JARDINIÈRE - Deryk & Samuel Houston
- NAME YOUR DOG! - Joel Prevost
- OUR COMMON ANCESTOR - Maggie Wouterloot
- NOT OUT OF THE WOODS - Marc Walter
- UNTITLED - Troy Moth

"I hope everyone will make sure to see these amazing examples of our vibrant art community's talent and creativity" said Mayor Leonard Krog. The new artworks will be installed throughout the City in May of 2020 as part of Public Art Week.

"Public art enhances community and place, celebrating our past, present and future", said Chris Barfoot, Culture Coordinator. "Community members are constantly commenting on how public art adds visual interest and vibrancy to our public spaces."

Since 2010, the City of Nanaimo has been involved in a dynamic and evolving temporary public art program that enhances and animates our City's parks. Each year, outdoor artwork is installed on a temporary basis for the enjoyment of residents and visitors. City parks and spaces essentially become outdoor art galleries and showcase artworks for a limited period of time.

Want to be notified of future artist opportunities? Contact us and request to be added to our Artist Contact List to receive notification of future artist opportunities offered by the City of Nanaimo.

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