

## NEWS RELEASE

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### City Invites Nominations for 2022 Culture & Heritage Awards

*Deadline for nominations is Friday, October 29, 2021 (4:00 pm)*

#### Summary

The City of Nanaimo is seeking public nominations from the community for the 2022 Culture & Heritage Awards. The awards recognize outstanding organizations, groups and individuals in the arts, culture and heritage fields.

This is the community's opportunity to recognize people and groups they believe have made a significant contribution to making Nanaimo a culturally vibrant city. There are five potential categories to nominate from, and recipients will be recognized at a special celebration at the Port Theatre in April 2022:

- EXCELLENCE IN CULTURE
- HONOUR IN CULTURE
- EMERGING CULTURAL LEADER (under 30 years of age)
- HONOUR IN HERITAGE
- JOHN THOMSON HERITAGE MEMORIAL

New this year, nominations and support material can be submitted directly online via the City of Nanaimo website. For full details and the online application visit [Culture and Heritage Awards Nomination Form](#). To learn about past award recipients and see video profiles, visit the City's [Awards page](#).

**Strategic Link:** The annual Culture & Heritage Award program aligns with the goals of the City of Nanaimo's Strategic Plan and the Cultural Plan for a Creative Nanaimo by: creating a vibrant culture of innovation, stewardship and partnership to encourage a diverse and healthy economy now and into the future; supporting arts and culture as an integral part of everyday life; and strengthening the creative sector by investing in organizations and people who animate our cultural spaces.

#### Key Points

- The City of Nanaimo is currently seeking nominations from the community for the 2022 Culture and Heritage Awards. These awards recognize outstanding organizations, groups and individuals in the arts, culture and heritage fields.
- This is your opportunity to recognize people and groups you believe have made a significant contribution to making Nanaimo a culturally vibrant city.
- The deadline to submit nominations is October 29, 2021 (4:00 pm).

#### Quotes

"Year after year, the City of Nanaimo's Culture & Heritage Awards are an uplifting occasion and provide meaningful recognition of the exceptional talent and achievement in our community. I encourage community members to submit their nominations and we look forward to celebrating again in 2022."

Leonard Krog  
Mayor  
City of Nanaimo

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