

AGENDA
COMBINED MEETING OF THE CULTURAL COMMITTEE
& THE NANAIMO COMMUNITY HERITAGE COMMISSION
BOARD ROOM, SERVICE & RESOURCE CENTRE, 411 DUNSMUIR STREET
WEDNESDAY, 2015-JAN-07, COMMENCING AT 4:30 PM

CHAIR: DIANE BRENNAN

1. **CALL MEETING TO ORDER:**

2. **INTRODUCTION OF LATE ITEMS:**

3. **ADOPTION OF AGENDA:**

(Motion required to adopt agenda)

4. **ADOPTION OF MEETING NOTES:**

- (a) Minutes of the Combined Cultural Committee & Nanaimo Community Heritage Commission Meeting held Wednesday, 2014-DEC-03 at 4:30 pm, in the Service and Resource Centre Board Room. Pg.1-4

(Motion required to adopt minutes.)

5. **PRESENTATIONS:**

- (a) Presentation on Potential Additions to Heritage Register by Christine Meutzner, Nanaimo Community Archives; and Chris Sholberg, Culture & Heritage Planner.

6. **CHAIR'S REPORT:**

7. **REPORTS OF ADVISORY BODIES & PARTNERS:**

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| (a) Design Advisory Panel | |
| (b) Nanaimo Community Archives Society | |
| (c) Port Theatre – November / December 2014 | Pg. 5-10 |
| (d) Nanaimo Art Gallery – December 2014 | Pg. 11-12 |
| (e) Nanaimo District Museum – November / December 2014 | Pg. 13 |
| (f) Harbour City Theatre – November / December 2014 | Pg. 14-15 |

(Motion required to receive reports.)

8. **REPORTS OF PROJECT WORKING GROUPS:**

- (a) Cultural Grant Working Group
(b) Art in Public Places Working Group
(c) Culture & Heritage Award Working Group

(Motion required to receive reports.)

9. **STAFF REPORTS:**

- (a) Activity Update (December 2014) Pg. 16-21
by C.Sholberg, Culture & Heritage Planner

(Motion required to receive report.)

- (b) Activity Update (December 2014) Pg. 22-24
by C.Barfoot, Culture & Heritage Coordinator

(Motion required to receive report.)

10. **CORRESPONDENCE:** (not related to a report to the Committee)

(Motion required to receive correspondence.)

11. **NOTICE OF MOTION:**

12. **OTHER BUSINESS:**

- (a) Update by John Hofman on Morden Mine

(Motion required if there is other business.)

13. **DELEGATIONS** (not related to a Report to the Committee): (10 MINUTES)

(Motion required to receive the delegation.)

14. **QUESTION PERIOD:**

(Agenda items only.)

15. **ADJOURNMENT:**

(Motion required to adjourn the meeting.)

MINUTES
COMBINED MEETING OF THE CULTURAL COMMITTEE &
NANAIMO COMMUNITY HERITAGE COMMISSION
HELD IN THE SERVICE & RESOURCE CENTRE BOARD ROOM, 411 DUNSMUIR STREET
WEDNESDAY, 2014-DEC-03, COMMENCING AT 4:30 PM

PRESENT: Ms. Diane Brennan, Chair

Cultural Committee Members: Ms. Gerda Hofman
Ms. Wendy Smitka
Ms. Marianne Turley

Heritage Commission Members: Mr. W.E. Gard
Ms. Charlene Riches
Ms. Christine Meutzner
Mr. John Hofman
Mr. John Manning
Ms. Kerrie Low
Mr. Loyd Sherry

Regrets: Ms. Julie Bevan
Ms. Geraldine Manson
Mr. Kim Smythe
Ms. Jill Stannard

Guests: Councillor Jerry Hong
Mayor Bill McKay

Staff: S. Samborski, Senior Manager, Culture and Heritage
C. Sholberg, Culture and Heritage Planner
C. Barfoot, Culture and Heritage Coordinator
R. Buckler, Recording Secretary

1. CALL THE OPEN MEETING TO ORDER:

The Combined Meeting of the Cultural Committee and the Nanaimo Community Heritage Commission was called to order at 4:40 pm.

2. INTRODUCTION OF LATE ITEMS:

- (a) Presentation by Christine Meutzner, Nanaimo Community Archives regarding a historic interpretive sign in Newcastle area.

3. ADOPTION OF AGENDA:

It was moved and seconded that the Agenda be adopted. The motion carried unanimously.

4. ADOPTION OF MINUTES:

It was moved and seconded that the Minutes of the combined Cultural Committee / Heritage Commission Meeting of Wednesday, 2014-NOV-05 at 4:30 pm, in the Service and Resource Centre Board Room be adopted as circulated. The motion carried unanimously.

5. PRESENTATIONS:

- (a) Presentation by Christine Meutzner, Nanaimo Community Archives regarding a historic interpretive sign in Newcastle area.
For information. With upcoming demolition of 215 Newcastle Avenue, C. Meutzner and C. Sholberg are working to create an interpretive plaque for the Newcastle area, that includes recognition of the residence's significance.

6. CHAIR'S REPORT:

None.

7. REPORTS OF ADVISORY BODIES:

- (a) Design Advisory Panel.
No report.
- (b) Nanaimo Community Archives Society.
For information (verbal).
- (c) Port Theatre – October 2014.
For information (attached).
- (d) Nanaimo Art Gallery – November 2014.
For information (attached).
- (e) Nanaimo District Museum – November 2014.
For information (verbal).
- (f) Harbour City Theatre.
No report – to be included in next agenda package.

It was moved and seconded that the above noted reports be accepted as presented. The motion was carried unanimously.

8. REPORTS OF PROJECT WORKING GROUPS:

- (a) Grant Review Working Group.
For information (verbal). The working group met this afternoon to conduct interviews with a selection of applicants. The final selections will be presented to the Commission for endorsement in January, then to Council shortly afterward.

- (b) Art in Public Places Working Group.
For information (verbal). A total of 17 submissions were received. The working group will meet in the next week to review the submissions and make selections. Final selections will be presented to the Commission for endorsement in January, then to Council shortly afterward.
- (c) Culture & Heritage Award Working Group.
This item will be discussed during the “Special” In Camera meeting to be held directly following this regular meeting.

9. STAFF REPORTS:

- (a) Margaret Strongitharm Gallery – Space Management by C. Barfoot, Culture & Heritage Coordinator.
For information (attached).

Staff Recommendation: That the Culture and Heritage Commission approve changes to the display of Cultural Awards (now Culture & Heritage Awards) recipient portraits located in the Margaret Strongitharm Gallery.

It was moved and seconded that the Culture and Heritage Commission approve changes to the display of cultural award recipients located in the Margaret Strongitharm Gallery. The motion was carried.

Mayor McKay arrived at 5:07 pm.

- (b) Activity Update (November 2014) by C. Barfoot, Culture & Heritage Coordinator.
For information (attached).

Staff Recommendation: That the information be received as presented.

It was moved and seconded that the information be received as presented. The motion was carried.

- (c) Activity Update (November 2014) by C. Sholberg, Culture & Heritage Planner.
For information (attached).

Staff Recommendation: That the information be received as presented.

It was moved and seconded that the information be received as presented. The motion was carried.

M. Turley left the meeting at 5:10 pm.

10. CORRESPONDENCE:

- (a) 2015 Key Date Calendar.
For information (attached).

- (b) News article dated 2014-NOV-13 re: Vancouver Island Symphony Director Margot Holmes to be honoured at the Canadian Arts and Business Awards.
For information (attached).

It was moved and seconded that Ms. Margot Holmes be nominated for a Civic Merit Award based on recent recognition by Business for the Arts as a “Cultural Champion in Arts Leadership”. The motion was carried unanimously.

- (c) Nanaimo's Iconic Bastion on BC's 100 Best Buildings List.
For information (attached).

It was moved and seconded that the above noted correspondence be accepted as presented. The motion was carried unanimously.

11. NOTICE OF MOTION:

12. OTHER BUSINESS:

- (a) Update by John Hofman on Morden Mine.
For information (verbal). The final engineering study is almost complete and the society is currently seeking new directors for their board.

13. DELEGATIONS:

14. QUESTION PERIOD:

15. ADJOURNMENT:

It was moved and seconded at 5:19 pm that the meeting adjourn. The motion carried unanimously.

Diane Brennan
CHAIR
CULTURE & HERITAGE COMMISSION

CERTIFIED CORRECT:

Suzanne Samborski
SENIOR MANAGER
CULTURE AND HERITAGE

Monthly Event Report



November 2014

	# Events 2010	# Events 2011	# Events 2012	# Events 2013	# Events 2014	# Patrons 2010	# Patrons 2011	# Patrons 2012	# Patrons 2013	# Patrons 2014
Jan	21	17	11	23	18	10,368	5,912	3,813	8,381	6,584
Feb	15	34	18	16	28	5,455	10,271	10,616	5,513	10,745
Mar	23	15	24	16	22	7,808	6,056	9,176	8,691	7,691
Apr	28	25	20	27	23	12,803	11,333	7,436	11,295	7,059
May	23	26	17	27	25	8,917	10,709	7,161	10,131	12,568
Jun	36	28	33	34	43	18,127	17,535	18,000	21,824	24,000
Jul	7	17	7	4	7	994	2,132	703	1,174	1,775
Aug	6	2	13	13	5	2,793	334	885	3,249	1,454
Sep	18	15	11	9	22	7,726	4,468	4,294	874	6,158
Oct	28	18	13	26	25	6,359	6,021	4,373	6,549	6,873
Nov	25	24	29	33	35	10,070	10,873	14,729	14,443	10,886
Dec	22	24	15	21		9,857	5,647	7,008	10,044	

TOTALS	252	245	211	249	253	101,277	91,291	88,194	102,168	95,793
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Five year average attendance for same month

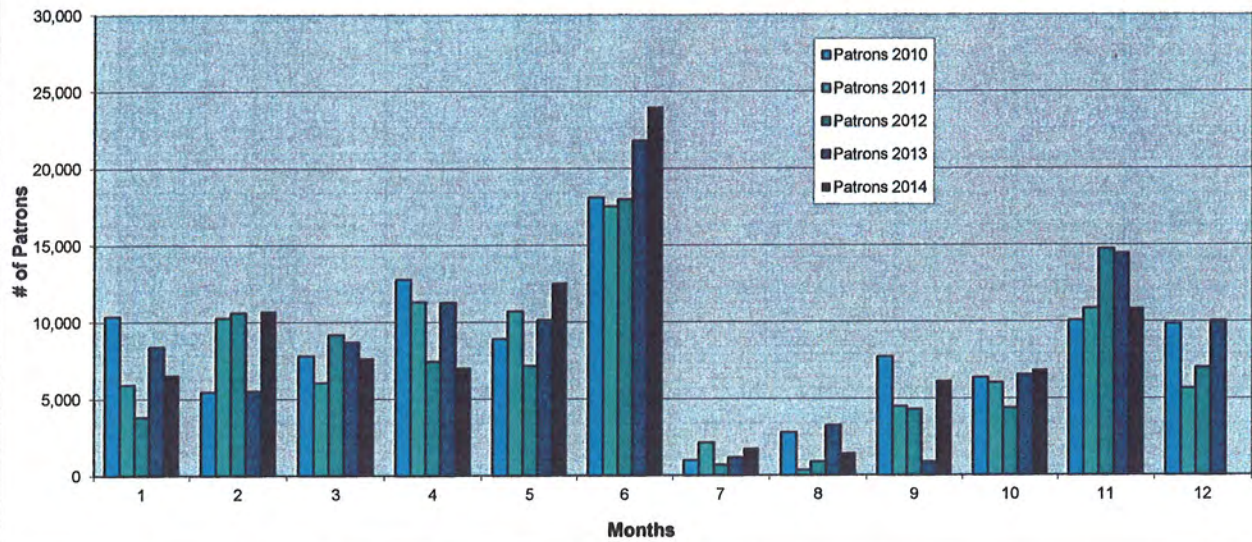
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Five year average number of events same month

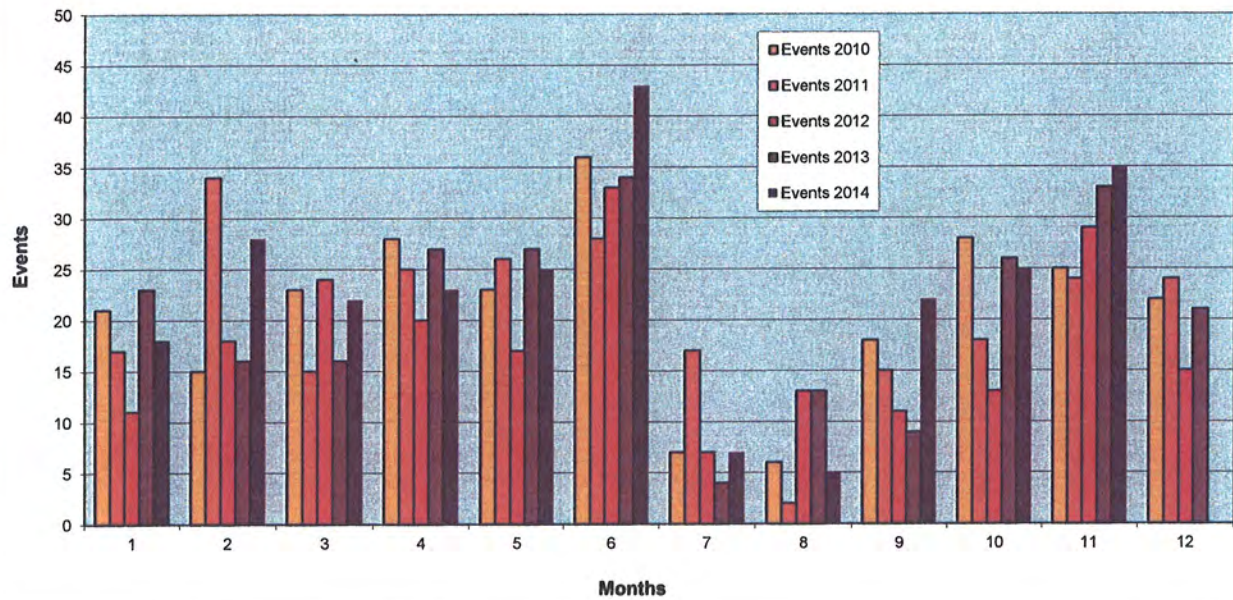
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Patron Attendance Comparison



Event Comparison





MONTHLY ACTIVITY REPORT

November 2014

#	DATE	EVENT	TIME	CATEGORY	AUD	ARTIST
1	1	Nitty Gritty Dirt Band		music	804	17
2	3	Canadian Citizenship & Immigration	9:15am	ceremony	300	10
3	3	Canadian Citizenship & Immigration	11:45am	ceremony	300	10
4	4	Mid-Island Co-op	1:00pm	meeting	20	0
5	5	VIU Art Dept.	9:00am	art take-down	15	0
6	6	VIU Art Dept.	9:00am	art installation	15	0
7	6	Max & Ruby		tech/rehearsal	0	15
8	6	Nanaimo Women's Centre	6:00pm	AGM	40	0
9	7	SD#68 Art Departments		art change-over	10	0
10	7	Max & Ruby	6:30pm	children entertainment	532	15
11	9	Nanaimo Concert Band	2:30pm	music	538	53
12	10	SD#68 Art Departments	6:00pm	opening reception	50	0
13	12	VI Symphony	5:00pm	rehearsal	0	91
14	12	VI Symphony	7:30pm	music	576	91
15	13	Avenue Q	7:30pm	theatre	409	16
16	14	Avenue Q	7:30pm	theatre	622	16
17	15	Judy Fraser Memorial	2:00pm	service	400	8
18	16	Darrin Rose	7:30pm	comedy	322	5
19	18	Arlene Dickinson	7:00pm	speaker	752	7
20	19	Gabriola Arts Council	10:00am	art take-down	2	0
21	19	Gabriola Arts Council	1:00pm	art hanging	3	0
22	21	VI Symphony	3:00pm	rehearsal	0	156
23	21	VI Symphony	7:00pm	rehearsal	0	156
24	22	VI Symphony	12:30pm	rehearsal	0	155
25	22	VI Symphony	7:30pm	music	759	156
26	23	Soles Remembering Souls	2:30pm	service/celebration	50	14
27	25	Classical Coffee Concert	10:30am	music	113	3
28	25	Youth Arts Initiative	5:00pm	meeting	8	0
29	25	The Trews	7:30pm	music	672	20
30	26	Coppelia (Kirkwood)	8:00am	tech/rehearsal	0	133
31	27	Coppelia (Kirkwood)	8:00am	tech/rehearsal	0	133
32	28	Coppelia (Kirkwood)	9:30am	school show	804	133
33	29	Coppelia (Kirkwood)	2:00pm	dance	463	133
34	29	Coppelia (Kirkwood)	7:00pm	dance	485	133
35	30	Island Soul Choir	2:30pm	music	526	143

TOTALS

Number of Events:

35

Estimated Audience Attendance:

9064

Estimated Number of Artists/Crew:

1822

Total people through the building:

10886



MONTHLY ACTIVITY REPORT

December 2014

#	DATE	EVENT	TIME	CATEGORY	AUD	ARTIST
1	2	Banff Mountain Film Fest	7:00pm	films	804	8
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3	4	VIU ESL Convocations	12:00noon	grad ceremonies	400	58
4	6	Allison Crowe	7:30pm	music	362	16
5	8	Mother Mother	7:30pm	music	798	19
6	9	RWB Nutcracker	7:30pm	dance	804	111
7	10	RWB Nutcracker	7:30pm	dance	801	111
8	11	Rock 'n' Roll Xmas	7:30pm	music	609	14
9	12	VI Symphony	7:00pm	rehearsal	0	102
10	13	VI Symphony	10:30am	rehearsal	0	102
11	13	VI Symphony	7:30pm	music	752	102
12	14	Brigadoon Xmas In Scotland	2:00pm	dance	422	123
13	14	Winter Harp	8:00pm	music	717	12
14	16	Aspengrove School	9:00am	rehearsal	0	73
15	16	Aspengrove School	6:00pm	Xmas concert	550	73
16	17	Frank Mills	7:00pm	music	424	6
17	18	Yellow Point Xmas	1:00pm	tech	0	23
18	19	Yellow Point Xmas	9:00am	tech/rehearsal	0	23
19	19	Yellow Point Xmas	7:00pm	variety	505	23
20	20	Yellow Point Xmas	3:00pm	variety	630	23
21	20	Yellow Point Xmas	7:00pm	variety	506	23
22	21	Yellow Point Xmas	3:00pm	variety	673	23
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TOTALS

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10561

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1076

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11637

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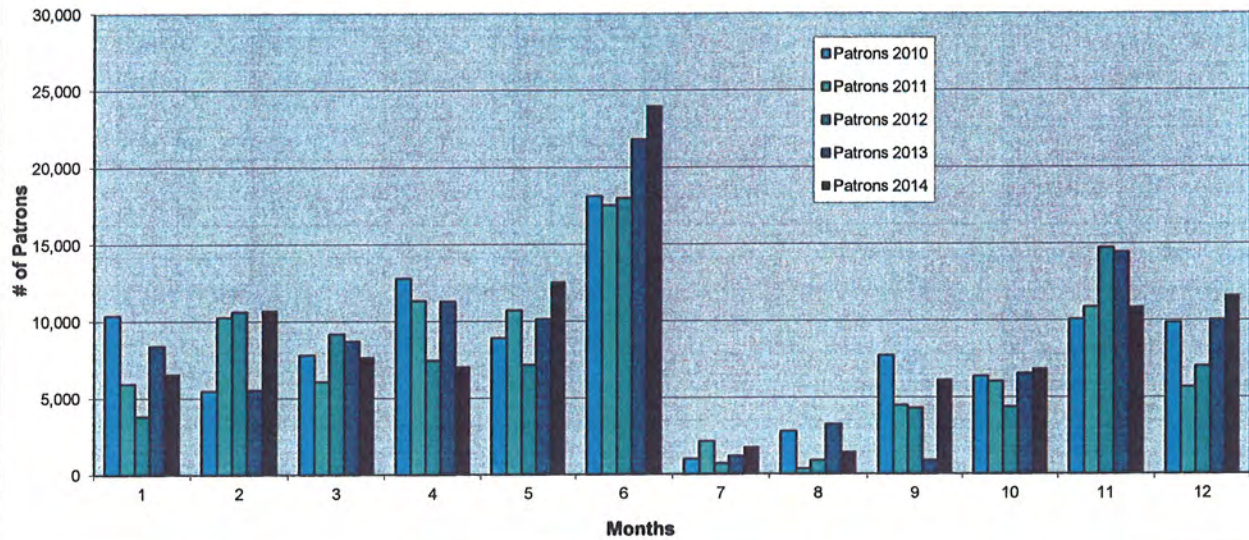
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Five year average number of events same month

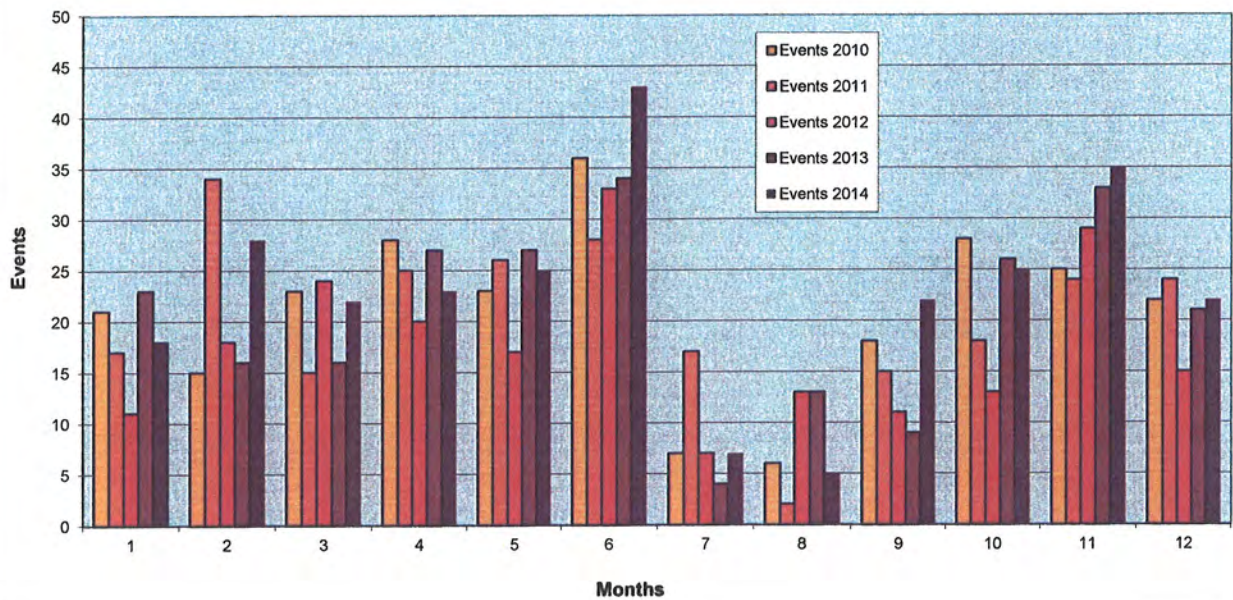
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Event Comparison



ACTIVITY REPORT: December 2014

Campus Gallery (900 Fifth Street) & **Downtown Gallery** (150 Commercial Street)

EXHIBITION:**Black Diamond Dust**

September 20 to December 13, 2014

Black Diamond Dust is a multi-site art exhibition, which considers the sedimentary nature of stories and histories. The title *Black Diamond Dust* refers to the coal mining industry that Nanaimo was built upon; an industry that both formed and fragmented communities through economic development, racial segregation and labour inequity, and served as the foundation of global industrialization.

The artists in *Black Diamond Dust* look toward forgotten or under-acknowledged histories, while considering both local contexts and the forms of cultural expression that surround global industrial practices. From sculpture, to video, to folk song, Stephanie Aitken, Raymond Boisjoly, Edward Burtynsky, Peter Culley, Devon Knowles, William Notman & Son, Jerry Pethick, Kerri Reid, Scott Rogers and others employ a wide range of creative approaches to articulating the contemporary resonance of material pasts.

These artworks will be shown alongside historical artifacts borrowed from the Nanaimo Museum and the Nanaimo Archives. In addition, the gallery will screen three video works that look to past and present miners struggles in other parts of the world: "The Battle of Orgreave" by Jeremy Deller and Mike Figgis (UK), "To the Light" by Yuanchen Liu (China) and "Dreadful Memories: The Life of Sarah Ogan Gunning" by Mimi Pickering (USA).

The exhibition will be based at both Nanaimo Art Gallery locations, and will also involve a series of off-site public projects including a billboard display, a poetry reading, a newspaper insert, and an artist's intervention in the Nanaimo Museum, among others. There will also be tours of the gallery exhibitions by Historian Lynne Bowen and curator Jesse Birch. Details below.

The material traces of industry, not only continue to produce the built environment and the objects within it, but also inform the cultural identities of communities that were built on resource-based economies. Through art, *Black Diamond Dust* enters into a creative dialogue with Nanaimo's industrial past.

Curated by Jesse Birch

Off-Site projects for *Black Diamond Dust*:

August 15 to December 15

Artist Raymond Boisjoly will produce a billboard work visible upon nearing Nanaimo heading south at Nanoose Bay.

Duration of Black Diamond Dust

Artist Devon Knowles will create a sculptural intervention in the Nanaimo Museum for the duration of the exhibition.

Kerri Reid will produce a work that will be on display in the Sointula Museum on Malcolm Island, BC for the duration of *Black Diamond Dust*.

The Gallery Store

Nanaimo artist Jesse Gray will make a special edition jewellery work that will respond to themes in *Black Diamond Dust*. Available in the Gallery Store for the duration of the exhibition.

EDUCATION – ART LAB

Saturday Studio – Two themed workshops for children ages 5 to 11, sponsored by RBC were held in October.

Life Drawing Studio – Drawing from the model held every Monday of every month.

Jesse Birch – Lead two curatorial tours of Black Diamond Dust for School District #68 in the month of December.

Total Gallery Attendance: 1282

Note: Both Campus and Downtown galleries will be closed from December 14th through December 31st for the installation of two new exhibits coming up in January 2015.



NANAIMO MUSEUM

Report to the City of Nanaimo Culture and Heritage Commission

November/December 2014 submitted December 22, 2014 by Debbie Trueman

Administration/Revenue

- Numbers/Revenue - Gift shop gross sales surpassed last year's total in November and so far, Dec. doing well also-trunks continue to be a great seller YTD gross sales up 20% compared to total 2013. Numbers overall up 8% YTD and should surpass, finally, that illusive 60,000!! Program income is up 5% YTD. The Gift Shop continues to do very well as our "fundraising" event.
- 2015 budget - will be reviewed with some changes recommended-to be discussed at the meeting
- Yearend - I have started and our audit (with Farrell for year 3) is booked for first week of February.
- GST Audit - no news is good news!
- CHASP - application for extra staff person 1 year funding goes in July for hopefully a September start. A portion of our surplus (\$10,000) will be our contribution and has been added to the salary line in adjusted budget.

Exhibit Programming/Collection (see attached exhibit schedule)

- Christmas - We have the next 2 years Christmas exhibits chosen and Aimee will be contacting photo clubs for content for 2016 "Capturing Christmas" which will be snow images from our collections, camera collection and community images.
- Red Lights & Roulette - Is going to have great stories!! Hopefully some that raise eyebrows and ask some interesting questions about gambling and prostitution from our early history. Nanaimo Casino is sponsoring.
- Ivan Sayers exhibit- coming next summer is a smaller version of the one currently at the Vancouver Museum that is getting very good reviews. Tentative sponsor in the works.
- Long Term planning - Aimee is working on exhibits for 2017.
- Collection plan - continues to slowly progress.

Programs and Events

- School Programs - Christmas will boost low numbers for this year for schools. Total program numbers are down very slightly YTD. The Christmas program is almost full and numbers will be very close to last year.
- Christmas Family Event - was last Saturday and very successful. Weekends have been quite busy with Santa being downstairs.

Community Partnerships

- December Admission by Donation - goes to the Great Nanaimo Toy Drive.
- Venue Rental-revenue projections close to same as last year but number of events is up-more are smaller/less revenue. Many new faces continue to come in thanks to this community use. Income, however is up 9% YTD compared to total 2013.
- Cultural Managers Group - continues to meet-current discussions around advocacy and education efforts needed to maintain the Cultural Department.
- DNBIA Christmas - we have increased hours to include Sunday afternoons to accommodate Santa-numbers are always very good.

Rebecca Buckler

From: Charlotte deRook [cderook@shaw.ca]
Sent: Tuesday, December 02, 2014 12:26 PM
To: Rebecca Buckler
Cc: Chris Sholberg; Suzanne Samborski; Board
Subject: Monthly Report

Follow Up Flag: Follow up
Flag Status: Completed

Harbour City Theatre Alliance is happy to report that we had another busy month in November at HCT.

We hosted the Chamber of Music, Theatre One and Schmooze Productions Fiddler on the Roof. Fiddler's success of sold out shows has warranted an additional two shows the first weekend in December.

In addition to regular users, new bookings are coming in daily keeping HCT usage consistent.

Regards,

Charlotte

Rebecca Buckler

From: Charlotte deRook [cderook@shaw.ca]
Sent: Thursday, December 18, 2014 4:27 PM
To: Rebecca Buckler
Cc: Chris Sholberg; Suzanne Samborski
Subject: Monthly Report - December 2014

Follow Up Flag: Follow up
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Categories: To be filed

We are looking at changing our reports in January, hopefully this will suffice in the meantime.

As previously mentioned, December at Harbour City Theatre continued to be active as shown below:

December 5 & 6 attendees	Schmooze Production of Fiddler on the Roof	254
December 13 attendees	Kismet Theatre Academy - Class Film Screening	80
December 13 16 attendees	Hub City Cinema - Film Screening	
December 14 Postponed	Spotlight Academy - Film Screening	
December 17 attendees	Western Edge Theatre - Film Screening	30
December 18 attendees	Paul Manly - Pull Together Fundraiser	200
December 30 attendees	Schmooze Productions - Mothers & Sons Play Reading	10

We are looking forward to 2015 and our continued success at Harbour City Theatre.

Regards,

Charlotte deRook,
Vice President
Harbour City Theatre Alliance

City of Nanaimo
REPORT TO THE
CULTURE & HERITAGE COMMISSION

DATE OF MEETING: 2015-JAN-07

AUTHORED BY: CHRIS SHOLBERG, CULTURE & HERITAGE PLANNER
CULTURE AND HERITAGE DEPARTMENT

RE: ACTIVITY UPDATE FOR DECEMBER 2014

PURPOSE:

To provide an update to the Culture & Heritage Commission.

PROJECT UPDATES:

Port Theatre – Community Performing Arts Centre (CPAC) Community Consultation Process:

Council received a summary of the community consultation process completed for the Community Performing Arts Centre initiative, and passed the following motion at its 2014-Sep-08 meeting:

1. Approved partnering with the Port Theatre Society by:
 - Designating this project as the Sesquicentennial project for the City of Nanaimo;
 - Designating this project for inclusion in a Build Canada Application.
2. Approved proceeding with building a City owned facility on the existing Port Theatre land with a project manager assigned;
3. Allocated a financial contribution of \$4.6 million to the project and support a Line of Credit on behalf of the Port Theatre Society:
 - Dependent and conditional on the Port Theatre Society securing the remaining funds; and
 - Co-sign a \$2 million dollar Line of Credit in order to proceed with design and engineering completion.

Based on this Council direction, the Port Theatre Society and City staff are now working to move the project forward by finalizing the project design and costing, and pursuing the various fund raising objectives.

Heritage Brochures:

- Old City Neighbourhood Heritage Walk (Design and 1,000 Copy Print Run) – working to develop in partnership with the Old City Neighbourhood Association.

- Cemetery Heritage Drive (Design and 1,000 Copy Print Run) – working to develop in partnership with the Nanaimo Museum.
- Heritage Bike Tour – City Core (Design and 1,000 Copy Print Run) – working to develop in partnership with ACES (and Nanaimo Cycling Coalition), as a spin off from Bike to Work Week.
- New batch of heritage “Heritage Nanaimo: Buildings and Sites” posters and postcards have been printed and will be distributed to Museum, Archives, DNBIA and Tourism Nanaimo, as well as given out for promotion purposes at C&H Dept. events.

Heritage Interpretive Signs:

- Wellington Pioneers/Jimmy Claxton (Early Black American baseball player born in Wellington) – Interpretive Sign for placement (Design and installation) – working to develop in partnership with Wellington Neighbourhood Association and Nanaimo African Heritage Society, the sign will provide information on the history of the Wellington Area, plus a special section on Jimmy Claxton.
- Westwood Lake Heritage Interpretive Sign (Design and installation) – working in partnerships with descendants of the Westwood family and the City’s P,R&E Dept. the informational sign will provide information on Westwood Lake park, and its connection to the Westwood family, and the early settlement of this area of Nanaimo.
- Newcastle Pioneers – working to develop a sign incorporates Newcastle Heritage Walk brochure content as well as brief biographical information on notable early residents, included Victor Harrison (connected with 215 Newcastle Avenue) who was a local lawyer and mayor of Nanaimo.

UPCOMING EVENTS:

2015 Heritage Summit:

The 2015 Heritage Summit is tentatively scheduled to take place on 2015-Feb-18, 7:00 p.m. at the Nanaimo Museum. This year’s theme is “Main Street at the Heart of the Community.” As with past Summits, a theme related presentation and roundtable/info sharing session is planned.

2015 Heritage Home Light Up Tour:

Staff are exploring the idea of creating a “Heritage Home Light Up” tour for the 2015 holiday season. The goal of the initiative would be to celebrate and recognize the many homes listed on the City’s heritage register, broaden public awareness of Nanaimo’s heritage, promote friendly competition among the home owners, and of course, have fun. Property owners have been contacted and enough (around 25) have indicated interest in participating in the event to proceed with further organizational planning. Event details will be worked out over the next few months with the participating property owners.

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT:

Heritage Façade Grants:

See attached grant program summary. Currently, no active grants applications.

Heritage Home Grants:

See attached grant program summary. One project in process at 320 Machleary Street.

Heritage Tax Exemption Program:

See attached tax exemption program summary. Currently, no active tax exemption applications.

OTHER:

Italian Fountain (626 Terminal Avenue) – Work has been completed on upgrade of interior plumbing and electrical wiring. Phase 2, subject to community fundraising, will see rehabilitation of fountain structure, including reduction of fountain depth, repair of original mosaic tile treatment, and installation of new fountain spouts which will return fountain to original spray configuration.

Woodward/Harrison Residence (215 Newcastle Avenue) – Order to demolish the residence considered by Council on 2014-Nov-24 due to derelict state of the building caused by fire damage over the past few years – order approved and the owner has been given 60 days to comply.

McMillan Arboretum (1200 Maughan Road) – potential interest in assessing this site to determine whether it should be added to the City's Heritage Register as a cultural landscape. Need to undertake a formal evaluation and confirm that Regional District of Nanaimo would either nominate the site or support placement of the site on the Heritage Register. RDN also considering whether or not to designate the site as a park.

Respectfully Submitted,



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Heritage Façade Grants Paid or Committed (as of 2014-Oct-30):

Location	Amount	Private Investment (Total Project Expenditure)	Status	Year
1. Free Press Building (223 Commercial Street)	\$5,100	\$10,200	Paid	2003
2. Modern Café (221 Commercial Street)	\$5,400	\$10,800	Paid	2003
3. Old Fire Hall (#2 – 34 Nicol Street)	\$7,366	\$16,088.78	Paid	2003
4. Hall Block (37 Commercial Street)	\$1,770	\$3,540	Paid	2003
5. S&W Apartment (403 Fitzwilliam Street)	\$10,000	\$41,152.20	Paid	2004
6. Rawlinson and Glaholm Grocers (437 Fitzwilliam Street)	\$6,839	\$14,161.78	Paid	2004
7. Earl Block (Grassicks) (2 Church Street)	\$10,000	\$22,737.88	Paid	2004
8. B.C. Telephone Exchange (70 Bastion Street)	\$1,180	\$2,360	Paid	2004
9. B.C. Hydro Building (13 Commercial Street)	n/a (\$1,500)	n/a	Application Withdrawn	2004
10. A.R. Johnstone Block (174 Commercial Street)	\$7,661	\$15,322.67	Paid	2004
11. Commercial Hotel (121 Bastion Street)	\$12,063	\$304,364.95	Paid	2004
12. Angell's Trading (426 Fitzwilliam Street)	\$4,031	\$8,062	Paid	2005
13. Dakin Block (93-97 Commercial Street)	\$8,516	\$19,867.80	Paid	2005
14. Halse Block (200-206 Commercial Street)	\$1,980	\$3,960	Paid	2005
15. Gusola Block (120 Commercial Street)	\$20,000	\$1,189,965.49	Paid	2006
16. Mitchell Market (411 Fitzwilliam Street)	\$10,000	\$48,795.84	Paid	2006
17. Merchants Bank (499 Wallace Street)	n/a (\$20,000)	n/a (\$66,500)	Committed – did not proceed	2006 (renewed for 2008)
18. Great National Land Building (17 Church Street)	\$1,719	\$3,437.69	Paid	2006
19. Brumpton Block (489 Wallace Street)	\$10,000	\$46,384.61	Paid	2006
20. St. Andrew's United Church (315 Fitzwilliam Street)	\$20,000	\$84,477.59	Paid	2007
21. Ranger's Shoes (306-314 Fitzwilliam Street)	\$10,000	\$26,933.28	Paid	2007
22. Willard Service Station (291-299 Wallace Street)	\$20,000	\$41,048.69	Paid	2008
23. Provincial Liquor Store (25 Cavan Street)	\$10,544	\$21,088	Paid	2009
24. Modern Café (221 Commercial Street)	\$10,000	\$70,000	Paid	2009
25. E&N Railway Station (321 Selby Street)	\$10,000	\$2,269,566	Paid	2010
26. Nash Hardware (19 Commercial Street)	\$17,000	\$47,657.86	Paid	2010/2011 – two grant phases
27. Harris House (375 Franklyn Street)	\$3,000	\$10,290.00	Paid	2010
28. Palace Hotel (275 Skinner Street)	\$10,000	\$47,566.40	Paid	2012
29. St. Andrew's United Church (315 Fitzwilliam Street)	\$10,000	\$50,008.00	Paid	2012
30. Free Press Building (223 Commercial Street)	\$10,000	\$2,436,088.36	Paid	2013
31. St. Paul's Anglican Church (100 Chapel Street)	\$20,000	\$260,197.35	Paid	2013
Total Grants:	\$274,169	\$7,126,122.50		
<i>Total Budget for 2003</i>	<i>(\$20,000)</i>			
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Heritage Home Grants Paid or Committed (as of 2014-Sep-25):

Location	Amount	Private Investment	Status	Year
1. Garland Farm House (467 Eighth Street)	\$1,600	\$3,435.57	Paid – gutter replacement and rear façade/deck improvement	2006
2. Western Fuel Company House (#24–715 Farquhar Street)	\$2,500	\$12,987.66	Paid – roof repair	2006
3. Sullivan Residence (673 Selby Street)	\$2,500	\$8,600	Paid – roof repair	2006
4. Newbury Farmhouse (678 Second Street)	\$2,500		Committed – siding repair and repaint - canceled	2006
5. Dykes Residence (639 Kennedy Street)	\$2,500		Committed – front porch repair completed, but application cancelled by new owners	2006
6. Newbury Residence (39 Milton Street)	\$2,500	\$5,749.30	Paid – roof repair	2007
7. Hall-Layer Residence (115 Machleary Street)	\$2,500	\$7,000	Paid – repaint	2007
8. Gulliford Residence (285 Wall Street)	\$2,500	\$6,340.47	Paid - repaint	2007
9. Van Houten Residence (185 Mt. Benson Street)	\$2,500	\$7,167.72	Paid – repaint	2007
10. Wilkinson Residence (305 Kennedy Street)	\$2,500	\$7,500	Paid – fireplace repair/reconstruction	2008
11. Parrot Residence (411 Machleary Street)	\$2,500	\$6,357.75	Paid – repaint	2008
12. Sharp Residence (261 Vancouver Avenue)	\$2,500	\$8,550.83	Paid – porch repair/reconstruction	2008
13. Wells Residence (904 Wentworth Street)	\$2,500	\$10,400	Paid – roof repair	2008
14. Spence House (746 Railway Avenue)	\$2,500	\$7,795.98	Paid – repaint	2009
15. Bird Residence (461 Vancouver Avenue)	\$2,500	\$8,950	Paid – repaint	2009
16. Girvin Avenue Residence (797 Girvin Avenue)	\$2,500	\$6,562.50	Paid – repaint	2009
17. Newbury Farmhouse (678 Second Street)	\$2,500	\$6,579.14	Paid - Recommitment from approval in 2006 – project now complete – siding repair and repaint	2009
18. Garland Farmhouse (467 Eighth Street)	\$900	\$8,436.50	Paid – roof repair	2010
19. Harrison Residence (546 Prideaux Street)	\$2,500	\$30,450	Paid – exterior repair and repaint	2010
20. Isherwood Residence (421 Victoria Road)	\$2,272.41	\$4,651	Paid – porch repair/reconstruction	2011
21. Victoria Road Residence (413 Victoria Road)	\$2,500	\$8,567.05	Paid – roof repair	2011
22. Booth Residence (302 Victoria Road)	\$2,500	\$7,957	Committed – remove vinyl, restore wood siding, repaint – Canceled (no covenant)	2011
23. Land Residence (167 Irwin Street)	\$2,500	\$93,500	Committed - relocate building, repair and restore siding – Canceled (no covenant)	2012
24. McCourt Residence (750 Franklyn Street)	\$2,500	\$10,300	Paid – restore wood siding and repaint	2012
25. Rowbottom Residence (320 Machleary Street)	\$1,410.50	\$2,821	Committed – front stair and deck rehabilitation and upgrade	2014
Total Grants:	\$51,182.91	\$187,159.47		
<i>Total Budget for 2006</i>	<i>\$12,000</i>			
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Downtown Residential Conversion Tax Exemptions Approved (as of 2014-Oct-30):

Property	Total Years of Property Exemption	Value of Exemption	Private Investment (Total Project Expenditure)
Commercial Hotel/Painted Turtle Guesthouse (121 Bastion Street)	5 years	2005-2009: \$70,955.26	\$304,364.95
Gusola Block (120 Commercial Street)	10 years	2007-2010: \$54,064.27 2011-2016: \$85,000.00 (estimate)	\$1,189,965.49
E&N Train Station (321 Selby Street)	10 years	2013-2022: \$300,000.00 (estimate)	\$2,269,566.00
Free Press Building (223 Commercial Street)	10 years	2015-2024: \$350,000.00 (estimate)	\$2,436,088.36
Total Exemptions	35 years	\$860,019.53	\$6,199,984.60

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City of Nanaimo

REPORT TO THE CULTURE & HERITAGE COMMISSION

DATE OF MEETING: 2015-JAN-07

AUTHORED BY: CHRIS BARFOOT, CULTURE & HERITAGE COORDINATOR
CULTURE AND HERITAGE DEPARTMENT

RE: ACTIVITY UPDATE FOR DECEMBER 2014

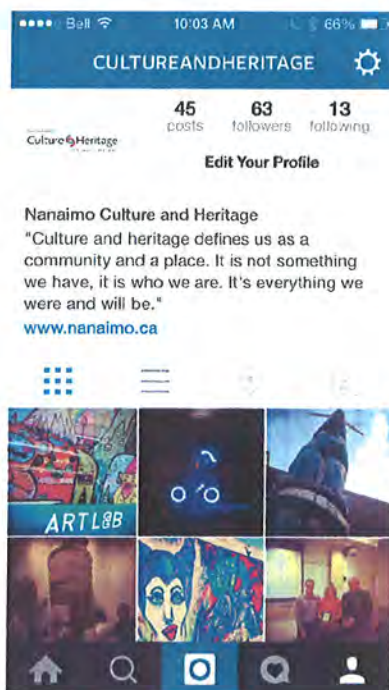
PURPOSE:

To provide an update to the Culture & Heritage Commission.

PROJECT UPDATES:

Instagram:

Instagram is a fun and quirky way to share with the world what Nanaimo's Culture and Heritage Department has been up to through a series of pictures and posts. The Culture and Heritage Department now has **63** followers which continue to grow every week. Instagram is an excellent social media tool that can reach and engage followers through specific interests with the use of photography and hash tags. Followers and non followers search photos in the Instagram data base by choosing a hash tag (example #publicart). Through the use of consistent hashtags and interesting photos we are hoping to build a strong social media presence to share and highlight the Culture and Heritage initiatives. Instagram also creates the opportunity to market programs and services in creative ways. Followers enjoy posts of the behind-the-scenes photos which create those fun interactions from your followers and enable us to update followers on the latest offers and promotions.



Poet Laureate:

Staff has been working with Naomi Beth Wakan to develop a 2015 schedule. Naomi will be focusing more time on community engagement through literary programming with seniors and children in 2015. Naomi will still be attending the more common events such as participating in the Mayors Challenge, Canada Day, Culture Days plus attending events like the New Immigrant Welcome which occurs a couple times a year. Much of the work the Poet Laureate is engaged in has been self directed with Naomi working with staff to make any necessary connections or arrangements. According to the Canadian League of Poets there are currently 23 Poet Laureates across Canada who represent at the municipal, provincial and federal levels.

ART in the SARC Collaborative Project:

The art work from local high school students that is currently displayed on the two (2) stairwell landings in the SARC building has had a significant impact on both visitors and those who work in the SARC building. The artwork that is currently displayed is photography from students in a grade 9-10 photography class at John Barsby Community School. The artwork will be available on display until March which at that time will be replaced from other students work. The goal of this initiative is to continue to collaborate and partner with the School District to create opportunities for the young artists in growing and developing in our community. The ART in the SARC program can be used as a template that can be used for similar programs in other public facilities.



Street Banners Project:

The City of Nanaimo invited amateur and professional artists and graphic designers to enter a competition for the design of street banners to be installed on lamp posts on major streets throughout the City of Nanaimo in the summer of 2015 and 2016. The intent of this competition is to select a banner design which creatively reflect and/or inspire our community's, past, present or future. This is the 5th year of the banner contest with the goal of the contest to raise local participation in Nanaimo's public art program, beautify the city, and create local identity. This recent call will have the banners hung for the next two spring and summer seasons.

Culture & Heritage Awards:

At the meeting held 2014-DEC-15, Council approved the Culture and Heritage Award recommendations. Chris has been already in discussions with the technical team at the Port Theatre to begin the planning for the awards that will be held on 2015-APR-09. The recipients were and their nominators were then notified that they had been selected to receive a 2015 Culture and Heritage Award. They were also informed that they would be being contacted to begin setting up a photo and video shoot that are required for the awards and evening show.

Those nominators from individuals that were not selected were also notified and encouraged to resubmit for 2016.

EVENTS:

Vancouver Island Military Museum:

On 2014-DEC-12 the Vancouver Island Military Museum unveiled the Veterans Wall of Honor. The wall will recognize veterans from the greater Nanaimo area. The Veterans' Wall of Honour project has fundraising value for the Vancouver Island Military Museum and adds an element of public interest to Piper Park and Cameron Road. The suggested location has strong visual surveillance and will be easily accessible to visitors of Piper Park and the museum. Granite plaques will honour and keep the service and memory of the veterans from our community or that of family friends, alive for decades. These granite plaques are mounted on the exterior wall and will honour those that served Canada and helped preserve the freedoms we all enjoy today.



PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT:

Chris Barfoot is currently participating in a Leadership Vancouver Island program that will run until 2015-JUN-15. The program focuses on Leadership and Community Development through facilitated workshops and community projects.

Respectfully Submitted,

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