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Arts Advisory Council Position Vacancy

The Capital Regional District is seeking an individual to serve on the Arts Advisory Council. The AAC adjudicates funding programs and provides advice to the CRD on issues relating to the arts in the capital region.

Application deadline is Friday, January 20, 2012 at 4:30 pm. Please provide a letter or resume outlining your experience and why you are interested in this volunteer position.

Deliver or email your application to:
CRD Arts Development
625 Fisgard Street, Victoria, BC, V8W 1R7
e: artsdevelopment@crd.bc.ca

Or contact us for further information at 250.360.3215.

Information for Applicants to the Arts Advisory Council

The CRD Arts Development Service manages funding programs that support not-for-profit arts organizations in the capital region. The service has two committees: the Arts Committee, and the Arts Advisory Council.

The Arts Committee is comprised of elected representatives, one each from the contributing municipalities of Victoria, Saanich, Oak Bay, Esquimalt, Metchosin, Highlands, View Royal and Sidney. The Arts Advisory Council is a volunteer commission that adjudicates grant programs and provides advice to the Arts Committee on issues related to the arts.

The Arts Development Service has a vision, mission and set of goals which were accepted by the CRD Board in 2004 and revised by the AC and AAC in 2009.

Arts Committee (AC)

The Arts Committee is responsible for support and development of the arts in the region through:

- overseeing operational and project support to arts organizations
- considering policies aimed at creating an environment conducive to a wide range of arts activities
- approval of overall Arts Development budget

Arts Advisory Council (AAC)

The AAC consists of twelve volunteer members who are appointed by the Arts Committee. The membership is selected to reflect a wide range of experience and interest in the arts and other professions. AAC positions are non-paid.

The AAC was established by CRD Bylaw 2973 to provide advice to the AC on policies to foster and promote the arts through:

- support of the arts in the community
- public awareness of and involvement in the arts
- the creation, exhibition and performance of the artistic works
- the development of artistic and other requisite skills.

The AAC reviews, adjudicates and makes recommendations to the AC on operating grants applications (one intake per year), Project Grant applications (two intakes per year), and IDEA Grants (two intakes per year). The CRD does not fund individuals.

AAC members should have expertise that includes but is not limited to training and work experience in one or more arts disciplines and/or other occupations including law, business, accounting, or administration. Familiarity with the not-for-profit sector, policy development, public sector funding, grant adjudication, municipal government and general issues related to the arts are assets.

Time Commitment

The full AAC has regular meetings on the first Tuesday of each month except during July and August. A December meeting is at the call of the Chair. There is an annual, half-day planning session in the spring in conjunction with the Arts Committee. Three special meetings in lieu of regular meetings span November-December for the adjudication of operating grants. Sub-committees are struck four times per year to review Project and IDEA grants.

Meetings are held in the evening, except for the half-day annual planning session and an Operating Grant plenary meeting which are usually held on a Saturday.

Ineligible Applicants

A person is disqualified from being appointed to and from serving on the Council who:

- (i) is a member of the board of directors of any organization applying for funding
- (ii) is a paid or unpaid staff member of any organization applying for funding
- (iii) has, directly or indirectly, by him/herself or through any other person, any interest in a contract with or for an organization applying for funding.