

Purpose The purpose of this report is to provide Council a progress report on Create Victoria Arts and Culture Master Plan and seek Council's approval to extend Create Victoria implementation until the end of 2027.

Background



VISION: "Victoria radiates creativity and thrives as a home to creative people and everyday artistic encounters"

The Create Victoria Arts and Culture Master Plan includes:

4 goals and strategic priorities 18 objectives 79 action items

Since adoption in 2018, 50 actions completed or partly completed.



Cultural Infrastructure Grant Program



Victoria Arts Council: New Gallery Lighting Photo credit: Victoria Arts Council + Samantha Dickie



Dance Victoria: Black box theatre space - New Track Lighting & Curtains





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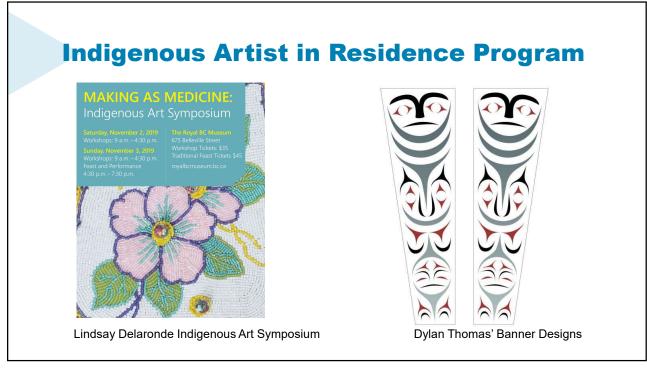
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Strategic Priority #3: Telling Our Story

- Continuation of the Indigenous Artist in Residence Program to ensure Indigenous voices and stories are shared and reflected in city planning.
- Annual art symposiums to share Indigenous philosophies, contemporary art forms, and interactive learning.
- Completed the Victoria Music City Strategy in collaboration with music-related businesses, tourism operators, music organizations and individual artists and received \$75,000 to implement the first year of deliverables. This included the Victoria Music Symposium, Indigenous led music series and expansion of free music programming throughout the City.







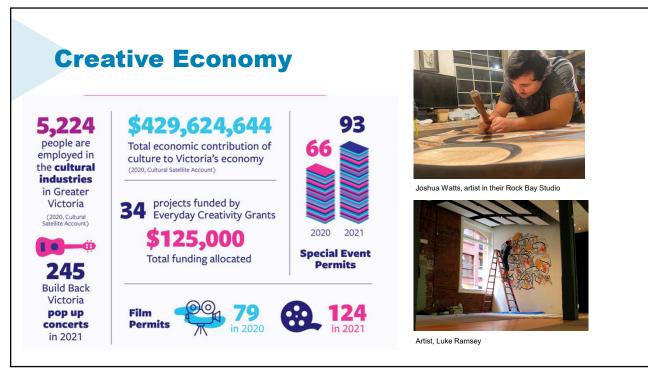
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Strategic Priority #4: Being Future-ready

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The Arts & Innovation District is an opportunity to create spaces for artists, creative entrepreneurs and makers and drive a stronger creative economy within the area. Touchpoints from Create Victoria will help shape the future vision and priorities in the District.

Need for shared space for creative makers, artists and creative entrepreneurs explored during 28 Bastion Square Arts Hub consultation and feasibility study.





COVID-19 Pandemic: Impacts & Response



Everyday Creativity Grant Program

Pop Up Theatre Skam Performances



