



Arts and Culture

Objectives

- **First Nation Partnerships** – To build understanding and seek partnership opportunities with First Nations.
- **Protection of History** – To encourage protection of historic built assets.
- **Cultural Inclusivity** – To support and reinforce cultural inclusivity and involvement.
- **Arts and Culture** – To support the arts and culture sector.

Policy Directions – Key Examples

- **Building Understanding and Partnerships** – Work with the Kwsepsum (Esquimalt), Lekwungen (Songhees), Scia'new (Beecher Bay), and T'Sou-ke (Sooke) Nations to build an understanding of how to strengthen relationships between the City and local First Nation communities. Continue to partner on initiatives for the mutual benefit of all communities.
- **Historic Built Resources** – Develop a voluntary heritage registry or inventory of heritage resources, and continue to work with the Colwood Heritage Commission and other jurisdictions to protect heritage resources.
- **Cultural Inclusivity** – Ensure cultural resources and activities are culturally inclusive and respond to the cultural needs of diverse populations, and allow for diverse expression.
- **Public Art and Artistic Expression** – Provide spaces for the installation of formal and informal public art and artistic expression in buildings, streets, parks and other public spaces.
- **Arts and Culture Centre** – Work with community groups and residents to support the development of an arts and culture centre that would serve the entire West Shore and build on the strengths of the West Shore Parks and Recreation Society.

To review all proposed arts and culture policies, please review the draft OCP available at this event and online at www.colwood.ca/ocp